



ASPA's 7th International Young Scholars Workshop

August 12-16, 2018

Michoacán, Mexico

Call for Applications

Due: May 31, 2018

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The American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) invites young scholars to submit abstracts for the 7th International Young Scholars Workshop in Public Policy and Administration Research, to be held in Michoacán, Mexico from August 12-16, 2018. ASPA is pleased to partner with the Centro de Cooperación Regional para la Educación de Adultos en América Latina y El Caribe (CREFAL) for this initiative, in cooperation with the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE).

The Young Scholars Workshop aims to strengthen academic and social exchange mechanisms for young scholars in public policy, administration and related subfields. It will provide an academically rigorous platform for the presentation and evaluation of research as well as social networking. It offers an international forum that brings together outstanding young scholars and distinguished senior scholars who serve as mentors.

This intensive four-day program was modeled after conferences held at the Ronald Coase Institute, where participants present their work twice, each time receiving feedback from senior scholars on potential areas of improvement. Using feedback from their senior scholar mentors, and fellow panelists, the participants improve their papers through an iterative process of oral presentations, culminating in the presentation of final versions during the closing showcase.

Young scholar applicants are encouraged to submit research of their interest on issues of public policy, management and administration.

The 7th International Young Scholars Workshop will provide an opportunity for participants to receive professional development and evaluation of their research. Competitive research papers and projects should have a clear theoretical and empirical focus, employing quantitative, qualitative or mixed methods.

Eligibility

DPA and PhD students, postdoctoral fellows, and young professionals (assistant professors, lecturers, or research fellows) with full research papers are eligible to apply. Applicant must be a current member of ASPA to be considered eligible.

Working Language

English is the working language of the workshop.

Procedure and Timeline

Applicants must complete the online submission form, which includes summary information on their research papers, and a recent curriculum vitae. Only single authored papers will be considered.

- Summary submission deadline: May 31, 2018
- Acceptance notification: June 13, 2018
- Full paper submission: July 16, 2018

Location and Fees

The workshop will be held in Michoacán, Mexico. Accepted participants will receive a registration fee waiver. Additionally, lodging accommodations (double occupancy with a fellow young scholar), local transportation (including transportation to and from Morelia Airport), and daily meals for four days will be provided. The only cost for participants is to cover their airfare travel expenses and secure their own visa (if required).

Participants should plan to arrive on August 12, 2018, with official programming starting on August 13.

The International Young Scholars Workshop is possible through the generosity and support of CREFAL and CIDE.

CREFAL is an autonomous international organization, focused on the promotion of lifelong learning. CREFAL produces and disseminates knowledge, develops institutional capacities and aims to influence public agendas in Latin America and the Caribbean to improve living conditions in the region. Its main campus is located in Pátzcuaro, México, with 13 countries as official members.

The Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) is a Mexican center of research and higher education, specializing in the fields of social sciences. Its three substantive activities are scientific research; education of leaders at the undergraduate and graduate levels; and dissemination of socially useful knowledge. These activities are carried out in six academic divisions: public administration, economics, international studies, legal Studies, political studies and history.

Features

This workshop is distinct from other related types of events in the following ways:

1. It is longer in length than similar workshops—four days—so that participants enjoy ample time for deliberation and exchange.
2. It not only brings together young scholars, but also invited senior scholars, distinguished in the field of public administration and policy, who act as mentors, coaches, and discussants.
3. The workshop format is highly intensive as young scholars have an initial presentation, followed by designated individual and group level discussions with senior scholars, and then a final presentation.
4. Faculty members are assigned to young scholars grouped by sub-fields and concentrations and engage in group discussions and individual consultations related to their research projects.

5. Faculty present their recent works in a relaxed atmosphere, allowing young participants to get fresh experiences on the process of conducting empirical research—from topic choice to reviewing the literature, from framing and analyzing, to presenting.
6. Senior faculty provide instructional lectures adapted for the young scholars.
7. It provides an opportunity for participants to both engage in the development of research papers and interrogate some of the pressing issues currently taking place regarding pressing public administration issues and policy concerns.