



Agriculture & Food System Research Presentations

August 7-8, 2023 | Texas State University

The Small Producers Initiative (SPI) is hosting a research track and poster session at the Southern Family Farmers & Food Systems Conference at Texas State University on Monday and Tuesday, August 7th and 8th. We invite research from any food or agriculture related discipline and from faculty, staff, and student researchers, as well as professional researchers. *Applied research is strongly encouraged*; 50% or more of conference attendees are farmers or ranchers. Researchers must apply and indicate their interest in delivering a 20-minute oral presentation, displaying a research poster, or both. We ask that researchers apply at www.smallproducersinitiative.txstate.edu/conference/research/researchpresentations by **July 1, 2023**.

The research track is being generously sponsored by the Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SSARE) and will include presenters from their supported research.

Presenters will need to register for the conference. Registration rates vary, with discounts available for students. Registration and travel support is available for SSARE-funded research presentations. For registration and event information, please visit www.southernfamilyfarmersconference.org.

All questions can be directed to Dr. Ken Mix at smallproducers@txstate.edu or kenmix@txstate.edu.

Research Track

The Research track will be a two-day track featuring multiple food and agriculture researchers as speakers. We have 30 sessions for academic presentations, with each speaker having 20 minutes total to present (15-minute presentation, 5-minute Q&A). Sessions will run from approximately 9:30am-5:00pm on Monday and 8:30am-4:30pm on Tuesday. Researchers must be available to present for their time slot; organizers will work with selected speakers on scheduling prior to the event. Interim breaks and a lunch break are included for all participants. Lunch is included with registration fee.

Researchers from any food or agriculture related discipline are welcome to submit their research for consideration (e.g., economics, soil science, animal science, education, sociology, biology). We encourage topics relevant to small-scale, diversified, and sustainable/regenerative producers, as well around local and regional food systems. Researchers must submit their application by **July 1st** to be considered.

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Poster Sessions

Researchers from any food or agriculture related discipline are welcome to submit their research poster for display in the conference Exhibit Hall. We will encourage attendees to visit your posters during the social hour on Monday evening (4:45 – 6:00pm). Researchers must submit their application by **July 1st**.

Poster Guidelines

Set-up

- Researchers should set up their posters by lunchtime on August 7, 2022.
- Researchers are encouraged to stand by their poster during scheduled breaks to maximize interaction with attendees; they are otherwise encouraged to attend and join conference sessions throughout the day.
- Hardware to display posters will be provided.
- Posters left at the end of the day on Tuesday, August 8th will be discarded.

Poster Guidelines

- Posters must be hard copy on paper.
- Posters should be 48" x 36" (horizontal or vertical orientation is acceptable).
- Posters should include name(s), department(s), and institution(s) of all authors(s).
- Posters should include introduction, objectives, methodology, results, conclusion, and references; however, proposal posters are allowed, which do not need to include results and conclusion.
- Posters should have a balance of text, figures, tables, and images.

Format (Preferences)

- Title: 88 pt.
- Author Names: 50 pt.
- Headers: 40 pt.
- Text: 28 pt.
- Captions: 20 pt.

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