The ACCESS Executive and 2021 organizing committee now invite you to submit your abstracts.

**Registration Information**

The cost for the 2021 ACCESS Virtual Conference will be $40 for students and $65 for professionals who register before the early bird deadline on 14 April ($60 for students and $100 for professionals after 14 April). The cost of registration includes annual membership to the Atlantic Canada Coastal and Estuarine Science Society. This membership grants you voting privileges at the Annual General Meeting and adds you to the emailing list for our electronic newsletter with updates on ACCESS business, research activities, and job opportunities. Registration and abstract submission will be live on the ACCESS website as of 20 March. Any questions, concerns, or issues regarding abstract submission, registration, or payment can be directed to:

[info.access.exec@gmail.com](mailto:info.access.exec@gmail.com)

Click here to open the registration page, available as of 20 March.

**Abstract Submission**

Abstracts are required upon registration for those intending to submit oral presentations or posters. Your abstract should not exceed 350 words, including the title, authors, and affiliations. Please CAPITALIZE the title. For presentations/posters with multiple authors, please underline the presenting/submitting author. The title, authors, affiliations, and abstract text should each begin on a new line. Please see an example below.
Example abstract:

MARINE BIOLOGISTS USE FIELDWORK AS EXCUSE TO PLAY IN THE OCEAN.
Bruce Hatcher\(^1\) & Allen Beck\(^2\).
\(^1\)Biology, Cape Breton University, Cape Breton, NS; \(^2\)Biology, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, NB.
A recent survey of marine biologists working in the Maritime Provinces indicates that fieldwork is more enjoyable than writing grant proposals...

**Oral Presentations**

Pre-recorded slideshow presentations should be submitted in .mp4, .wmv, or .mov format, and are not to exceed 12 minutes. The recording should include your presentation, with your slides, voice, and any on-screen indications you would like to include (i.e. virtual laser pointer) only; please do not include video of yourself speaking.

In PowerPoint and Keynote, you can record your presentation by providing narrations for your slides (including timing), then exporting as a video. Specific instructions can be found by clicking the following links: [PowerPoint](#) and [Keynote](#). A detailed guide for PowerPoint can also be found on the ACCESS website.

**Poster Presentations**

Poster submissions should be formatted with a 16x9 aspect ratio and exported as a PDF at 300 DPI.

**Website**

The virtual conference will be hosted through our website: [access.wildapricot.org](http://access.wildapricot.org). The conference content will go live at 9am AST on 13 May 2021, and attendees will be sent a direct link via email. Please feel free to explore the website in the meantime for helpful information about ACCESS and the 2021 conference.

**We're looking forward to your submissions!**

Do you have questions? Are you interested in volunteering? Please contact: info.access.exec@gmail.com

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