

Session Information

Presentation Length: Options for session lengths are:

- 1.25 hours or 75 minutes (no break)
- 2.5 hours (presented as two 1.25 hour sessions, with the normal session break between)*
- All-day 5-hour sessions (morning and afternoon, with additional breaks and 1½ hours for lunch)*

*Please note that 2.5-hour and 5-hour sessions are rare. Applicants must provide sufficient detail in their session proposals and an explanation of why the extra time is necessary.

Presentation Topics: Presentation topics should be aligned with the GPC competencies, are listed in question 10 of the application and can also be found on the GPCI website at www.grantcredential.org.

Learning Tracks: Conference attendees represent grant professionals from diverse areas of practice. Each applicant should identify the skill track (question 11 of the application) that aligns with the topic of the proposed presentation so that we can ensure that we have sessions for every track.

Attendees' Professional Levels: While beginners to grantsmanship are welcome and encouraged to attend the conference, GPA is especially interested in increasing the number of presentations targeting intermediate to advanced professionals, who are the majority of conference attendees.

Discounted Conference Fees: GPA is pleased to offer a **30% registration discount** for presenters whose sessions are selected for the conference. No other compensation or discounts are available. Travel, hotel, and other expenses are the responsibility of the presenter. Presenters whose sessions are immediately before or after a meal function AND who do not register for the conference will receive a complimentary meal.

Presenter Responsibilities: All presentation handouts are required in electronic format for web and/or conference app access (pdf format). Handouts and all presentation materials will be required electronically by the September 30, 2019 deadline for electronic distribution. (GPA will NOT provide handouts at the conference.)

Marketing Opportunities for Presenters: Please note that overt marketing of services, materials, or products by presenters is not permitted during presentations. Presenters interested in marketing their services and materials should contact GPA Headquarters about Exhibiting and Sponsorship opportunities as we have vendor sessions available.

How Sessions Are Selected: The GPA Professional Growth and Development Committee receive all session applications, group them into Learning Tracks, and read and score each application. A committee member contacts every reference provided for a speaker or uses the reviews of previous presentation done at the GPA Annual Conference. The Committee Chair works with GPA Headquarters to compile the scores and submits a panel of recommendations that the GPA Staff reviews. GPA Staff makes all final decisions regarding speakers. Committee members are NOT allowed to contact applicants at any point during the application process. The Committee's review criteria are included on this website so that all applicants know how their proposals are being scored.