



## Call for Conference Proposals

Dear Fellow APA LA Chapter Member:

The 2016 APA Louisiana State Conference Call for Sessions is now open. The theme of the State conference to be held in Houma on March 2- 4, 2016 is “Planning on the Edge”.

As planners, we are always on the “edge” of something...be it a physical edge (urban to rural; coastal to inland; protection of environmental edges) or theoretical edge (anticipating or experiencing changes at your edge). We want to hear from you. For what ‘edge’ are you planning?

The conference program will consist of various tracks, but will include one of Law and one of Ethics. All sessions will be evaluated for AICP Certification Maintenance (CM) credits but we want topics which reflect the challenges and successes of “Planning on the Edge”.

Presentations which market specific products, vendors and services and incomplete proposals will not be accepted.

Guidelines & Suggestions for submitting a session:

- Sessions are generally 90 minutes in length; please allow for Q&A. If you think your session would not fill 90 minutes, sessions may be combined into panel sessions of similar topics. Please indicate if you are open to joining another panel session in your email when you submit the session.
- Use case studies to illuminate larger issues and emphasize lessons learned.
- If proposing your own panel session, be thoughtful about the number of the speakers on the panel. Will they all have the opportunity to present and answer questions?
- Try something new. A debate or facilitated discussion can also engage the audience and encourage participation.
- Think big picture. Your session may give attendees a new perspective or a thought-provoking idea.

Please send me the [Call for Proposals Form](#) by Friday, October 16, 2015.

We are looking forward to hearing from you,

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