



**The Alliance of Social Workers in Sports**  
**10th Annual Social Work in Sports Symposium**  
**June 11-12, 2024, Kean University, Union, NJ**

***Cheers to 10 Years: Celebrating and Elevating Sport Social Work***

The Alliance of Social Workers in Sports (ASWIS) is releasing the call for proposals for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Social Work in Sports Symposium. The Symposium will take place at Kean University in Union, NJ.

The mission of the Alliance of Social Workers in Sports is to promote individual and community well-being through partnerships between the profession of social work and the field of athletics. We focus on partnerships in practice, research, and policy, with involvement and awareness in all areas where social work and sports systems intersect. The theme for this year's symposium reflects this mission by encouraging submissions that capture the growth of the sport social work field over the last ten years. This includes clinical practice with athletes, coaching practices, abuse and exploitation of athletes, mental health and well-being, traumatic brain injury, ACES, athlete trafficking, diversity, equity, and inclusion topics, among others. We encourage proposals from all disciplines that inform sport policy and practice and the history of sport social work, as told through lived experiences or in an historical context.

This year's symposium will offer four presentation types: paired presentations, themed panel discussions, featured presentations, and poster presentations. Additionally, the symposium will feature keynotes and invited speakers. **All proposals must be received by March 1, 2024. Notifications will be received by March 15, 2024.**

**Presentation Types**

**Paired Presentations:** These sessions will pair two presenters with similar topics together. Each presenter will have 20 minutes to present their work and a five-minute question and answer follow-up. These sessions are great for clinical practice strategies, research findings, collaboration efforts, or advocacy efforts. The Conference Planning Committee will determine what papers are paired together based on symposium themes.

**Themed Panel Discussion:** Panel discussions feature three (3) to four (4) presenters providing information on a particular subject. Each panelist will have two minutes to introduce themselves. Panelists will then have seven minutes of uninterrupted sharing of their perspective on the topic. Remaining time will be spent on questions and answers from the audience. The panel discussion submission should include the names and credentials of all individuals serving on the panel (including the moderator).

**Featured Presentations:** A small number of these are desired. Speakers will deliver a 90-minute workshop from which participants will walk away with a specific form of training that is designed to be in depth and more substantial. Please consider your audience, as the training may be (a) applicable to a general audience, (b) cater to licensed professionals and/or advanced clinicians, (c) be designed for students or early career professionals, and (d) designed for social work professionals in areas of community practice, field education, or other forms of service delivery to benefit athletic populations.

*ASWIS is also considering pre-conference workshops. In your abstract, please include if you would like to be considered for a pre-conference event for ASWIS and any members registered for the symposium.*

**Poster Presentations:** One of the highlights of this symposium will be poster presentations from students and early career professionals. This is an opportunity to highlight work either in a practicum space or research capacity and participate in a poster session. Students and early career professionals are also encouraged to submit for other presentation categories.

### **Submission Guidelines:**

All abstracts must be electronically submitted as a Microsoft Word attachment and must contain the following information and conform to the format requirements.

1. Single-spaced,
2. One-inch margins,
3. Times New Roman (12-point) font, and
4. 500-word maximum abstract for paired presentations, poster presentations, and featured presentations and 800-word maximum abstract for themed panel discussions.

Note: References should be used in your abstract. Please cite references in-text and in a reference page at the end of your abstract. References are not included in the maximum word count for abstract submission. ASWIS follows APA guidelines and standards.

### **Abstract Format**

- Line 1: Type of session desired
- Line 2: Three to four keywords
- Line 3: Author(s) and institution(s) names

- Line 4: Presentation title
- Line 5 to end: Text of abstract (including references)

Submission of abstract(s) indicates the intent of the presenter(s) to register for the conference at the appropriate registration fee. Abstracts submitted to this symposium should not be concurrently submitted for consideration to another conference. Email completed proposals to [moorem28@miamioh.edu](mailto:moorem28@miamioh.edu)

Abstracts will undergo a blind-review process determine acceptance. If you have specific questions about abstracts, please contact Matt Moore([mattmoore@bsu.edu](mailto:mattmoore@bsu.edu)) or Lorin Tredinnick([ltredinn@kean.edu](mailto:ltredinn@kean.edu))

The Conference Planning Committee will set the final agenda. While authors will state their preference on type of presentation, the committee has the ability to change presentation types in consultation with the author(s).

**Registration for the symposium will open in late January 2024**