The 2024 Program Committee for the History of Education Society cordially invites proposals for its annual conference, which will return this year to Chicago. The 2024 conference theme is **Enduring Debates: Reexamining Historical Battles in Education as We Navigate Current Challenges.**

Complete sessions, panel sessions, individual papers, and workshop session submissions are welcome. Membership in the History of Education Society is required to participate on the program.

In the last few years, challenges to curricula and pedagogy, book banning, policy restrictions on LGBTQ students, school board elections, the elimination of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs, disputes over free speech and academic freedom, and the Supreme Court’s dismantling of affirmative action have made elementary and secondary schools, colleges, and universities fiercely contested battlegrounds. As historians know, these battles are not new. For the 2024 conference, we encourage proposals that provide historical context for the issues that currently engulf schooling in the United States. In addition, we welcome all broadly conceived proposals related to the history of education. We are eager to include international representation at our meeting and strongly encourage submissions that showcase perspectives from regions beyond the United States. For example, sessions of efforts to center indigenous history in nations struggling with varied legacies of settler colonialism are welcomed.

As this year’s conference will be held in **Chicago, Illinois**, a city with a rich and deep history of education and community activism, we encourage submissions for panels that center this location in the history of education.

Complete sessions are strongly encouraged. Individual papers are welcome and will be woven into mutually informing sessions on topics such as:

- Academic Freedom
- Anti-Racism
- Censorship
- Anti-LGBTQ legislation
- Disability Studies
- Families and Communities
- Free Speech
- Gender and Sexuality
- Historiography
- Methodology
- Philanthropy
- Policy and Responses to Legislation
- Race and Ethnicity
- Teaching and Teachers
Submission Guidelines
To submit a proposal, please go to https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/HES2024. The submission site is now accepting proposals, and the extended deadline for submission is April 19th. Decisions on proposal submissions will be available by June 15th.

The History of Education Society requires all presenters at the 2024 conference to be members. Invitations for membership and information about the conference will be sent to authors of accepted proposals.

Please send questions to Linda Perkins, HES Program Chair at linda.perkins@cgu.edu.

Submission Formats
Proposals can take one of four forms: (a) an individual paper, (b) a complete session, (c) a panel discussion, (d) or a workshop. Complete sessions are strongly encouraged.

Individual Paper. Proposals should spell out the paper’s focus and rationale; if accepted, this paper and others related to it will be combined into a complete session. An individual-paper proposal should be single-spaced and between 750 and 1000 words, excluding references. It should include the topic and an overview of the findings or conclusions, a discussion of how the paper relates to other scholarship in the field, and the sources. Please remove personal identifying information from the proposal document before uploading it, but include institutional affiliations and email addresses as instructed on the website.

Complete Session. Proposals should provide a prospectus for a coherent collection of 3-4 papers, including a title for the session, a title and summary of each paper, and a chair and discussant. A complete-session proposal should be single-spaced and between 1500-2000 words, excluding references. The proposal should include the topic and an overview of the findings or conclusions, a discussion of how the session relates to other scholarship in the field, and the sources. Please remove personal identifying information from the proposal document before uploading it, but include institutional affiliations and email addresses for all participants elsewhere as instructed on the website.

Panel Discussion. Proposals should outline a session where three or four qualified panelists present a series of thought pieces discussing important issues, research, or books in the field. A panel discussion proposal should be single-spaced and no more than 2000 words, excluding references. The proposal should include an overview of the discussion topic, the major findings or conclusions, how they contribute to the field, and a chair. The identities of panel members need not be anonymous. Regardless, however, please include institutional affiliations and email addresses for all participants elsewhere as instructed on the website.

Workshop. Proposals should explain the session's focus (e.g., research methods or teaching practices), the number of leaders (no more than three), and how the session will proceed. A workshop proposal should be single-spaced, no more than 1500 words, excluding references. The proposal should describe the plan of the workshop, the intended
audience, the activities, and the workshop’s connections to more significant issues in the field. The identities of panel members need not be anonymous. Regardless, however, please include institutional affiliations and email addresses for all participants elsewhere as instructed on the website.

We encourage attendees to stay at the conference hotel because of our contract to secure a minimum number of rooms.

The conference will provide disability accommodations.