



**Call for Papers – 37th Annual Regional/Rural Development Sessions
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We are delighted to solicit papers for the 37th rendition of our regular Regional/Rural Development sessions at the North American Regional Science Council meetings. Past paper and session topics have included regional/rural perspectives on: labor markets, financial markets, entrepreneurship, linkages to urban markets, demographic changes, health care, immigration, public finance, infrastructure and institutions, and cross-national perspectives, among others.

To participate in the Regional/Rural Development Sessions, presenters should submit their abstract to the conference via the regular NARSC submission portal (<https://narsc.mymeetingsavvy.net/login>).

When your paper has been assigned its unique ID/P-code, please use that to fill out this form (<https://forms.gle/Er5182q6oRXPkvyC7>) We will use this information to develop our sessions. The last day we can accept submissions for these special sessions is **July 11**. Note: our sessions occasionally fill before the deadline!

In addition to this Call for Papers, we are also interested in hearing from colleagues who will not have a paper to present but would like to participate as session chairs and/or discussants. If you want to participate in the 2025 sessions, please contact us at the emails below.

NEW

*One presenter in the Regional/Rural Development sessions will be awarded the inaugural **Stephan Weiler Award for Research Excellence in Regional/Rural Development**.*

To be considered for the award, an extended abstract or paper introduction chapter (~1000 words) and early abstract submissions (June 1st) is required. Semi-finalists will be selected based on career stage (preference for junior status), novelty/uniqueness of the research, strength and appropriateness of the theory/data/methods, the potential for the results to be impactful, and quality of writing/clarity. Finalists will present their papers in the same session during NARSC, and a winner will be named at the NARSC Awards Luncheon on Friday. For more details see: <https://publish.illinois.edu/sarahalow/exceed-ced/weiler-award/>

With best wishes,

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