# Sport Canada Research Initiative (SCRI) Conference 2021
## October 28 to 29, 2021
## <span style="color:red">Virtual Poster Presentation Guidelines</span>

This virtual poster session is a part of the 2021 Sport Canada Research Initiative Conference. This event is hosted by the Sport Information Resource Centre (SIRC). This year's poster session will be held virtually on **Social Hour**, on **Friday October 29, 2021, from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm EDT.** This interactive session is an opportunity to share your research with sport organizations and policy makers to impact future decision-making and program implementation. A key part of the session will be the individual virtual tables and self-directed question-and-answer (Q&A) period.

### Eligibility Requirements
You're invited to present your research project at this year's conference, if you meet the following criteria:

1. You must be a Canadian researcher, affiliated with an accredited research institution or university.

2. You must either:
   a. Have an active Sport Participation Research Initiative [(SPRI) grant](#); or
   b. Are non-SPRI funded, but your research focuses on **sport participation**. We welcome research from a broad range of topics on participation including but not limited to:
      i. Gender equity
      ii. Diversity and inclusion in sport
      iii. Governance
      iv. Breaking down barriers to sport participation
      v. Youth in sport
      vi. Community sport
      vii. Identity in sport
      viii. Social and life skills development

Please register as a poster presenter here: https://sirccanada.wufoo.com/forms/scri-2021-poster-session-presenter-registration/

Deadline to register as a poster presenter: **August 30, 2021**

Deadline to submit your 3-minute presentation video: **September 30, 2021**

### About the poster presentation
New this year, the poster presentations are to be pre-recorded in advance of the conference, with a live question-and-answer session taking place on the day-of the event.

You have 3 minutes to present your research. You can do this in whichever way you would like. You can simply share screen with your research poster and speak to it or use PowerPoint slides if you would prefer. We recommend creating only a handful of slides or as many as you can get through in 3 minutes.

Other options include simply speaking to your work without visuals or using infographics or other visuals you may have.

**Logistics**
The session will be held on the virtual platform, Social Hour, on **Friday, October 29, 2021, from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm EDT**. You are expected to **pre-record your presentation** ahead of the conference, for it to be played during this time. After the videos have been played, the layout of the platform changes to a "lounge". Which allows attendees to jump through virtual tables with their video and audio on to engage with the poster presenters. You would have your own virtual table and be there to answer questions directly with attendees.

Please note we will be hosting a **dry-run meeting to take place in early October**, to answer any questions you may have about the platform or the flow on the day-of.

**Pre-recording your presentation**
*New this year you are required to pre-record your presentation and submit it as a video (.mp4 file).
- The video should be **no longer than 3 minutes in length.**
- Your presentation should share a bit more about your research, updates and findings to date. PPT slides may be used to compliment your presentation.
- Consider using graphs, infographics, images, or animations in your slides.
- Please watch this 2-minute tutorial for tips on optimizing your webcam setup: https://extremelineproductions.wistia.com/medias/lbsdknms1e
- When recording, we recommend you use Zoom, available for free. Simply record a Zoom call. Follow these easy steps:
    1. Download and open Zoom on your desktop.
    2. In the home section, click "New meeting."
    3. Adjust any video settings you would like.
    4. In the bottom menu, click on "More" then "Record on this computer" and select the location you would like the files to save to.
    5. Click the green "Share screen" button from the menu and select your slide deck from the window options. *Note you may need to open your PPT deck before trying to share your screen.
    6. For the closing, simply thank the audience, or share your contact info if you would like, but there is no need to mention the Q&A session as we will instruct the audience as needed.
    *Note: When recording, from a technical standpoint, it may be easier if you have a colleague, friend or family member who is available to join the Zoom call with you so they can record. Or using a second laptop will have the same effect. This also improves the quality of the recording. Simply ask them to hit record, turn **off** their video, mute their audio, and using the menu at the top, change their view to **speaker view**. We recommend they move the screen so it is equally displaying yourself and the slides in the recording. If not, please feel free to record on your own or email Kamie, kbrookes@sirc.ca as a SIRC member is happy to join and assist with this.
- While we recommend Zoom, you are welcome to use whichever platform you would like in recording your presentation and PPT slides.
- A sample video presentation can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b4UJp2iHupY

**Preparing your presentation**

Presentations should be looked at as a strong elevator pitch that highlights the **practical implications** for the sport community. Consider communicating the key points for enhancing sport participation, that sport organizations and policy makers can easily take away from this. Consider the language and visuals that will best reach and be understood by this audience. For example, think about what would be most relevant for a sport administrator who is looking to improve their program. Consider including a summary slide with 3-5 tips or key take-aways for the audience.

### Poster session
- A link to join Social Hour can be found in the calendar invite available upon registration. Please join Social Hour at **11:15 am EDT** to ensure you have successfully connected.
- Please take the time to create a profile before the event as this allows attendees to learn more about you and enhance the networking.
- SIRC will present the videos. After all poster videos have been shown, we will break-out into "lounges" which allows presenters to occupy their own table and wait as attendees move through tables to ask you questions.

### Live Q&A session
- During the session, after the video presentations have been shown, attendees are invited to visit the different virtual tables to network with yourself and other presenters and to ask their questions directly.
- You will have a table to yourself with a small group of participants will join at a time to ask their questions and learn more.
- Please remain at your table for the entirety of the Q&A session so attendees can find you.
- This is an opportunity to further discussion on your research and other engaging conversations with attendees.
- Please note, there will **not** be a facilitator at your table, though a SCRI committee member may visit to help with sparking discussion if needed. We encourage you to engage attendees, ask who has questions, and create a welcoming space for rich discussion.

### Submitting your recording
1) Send your abstract to kbrookes@sirc.ca by August 30, 2021
2) Please upload your video file, by September 30, 2021, to this link: https://extremelineproductions.wistia.com/projects/6zs75gy9vt# Click on the blue "Project Actions" button found in the top right corner, then upload.
3) Send your slides and any other visuals used in the video to Kamie Brookes, kbrookes@sirc.ca

*No submissions will be accepted after September 30, 2021.
*For any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at scri@sirc.ca or Kamie Brookes at kbrookes@sirc.ca

We look forward to having you participate in this year's highly interactive poster session!