

Call for Papers

THE ACADEMY OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
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Las Vegas, NV

The Academy of Financial Services will hold its annual meeting in Las Vegas, NV on Thursday and Friday, October 20-21, 2016. Note the Financial Management Association's annual meeting will also be held in Las Vegas, running from October 19-22. The AFS Conference will feature speakers, symposia, several special sessions, posters, and a reception. The academy has, in recent meetings and with generous support of our sponsors, awarded several best paper awards. Furthermore, selected papers will be considered for an expedited review for publication in the *Financial Services Review*.

Call-for Opens – on or about January 1, 2016
Paper Submission Deadline - May 18, 2016

Submission Information: Research papers and abstracts covering all aspects of individual financial management and education are sought for inclusion in the program. Papers in the areas of estate planning, insurance, tax accounting aspects of financial planning, investments, and retirement planning are encouraged. Proposals for panel discussions and tutorials devoted to current issues in individual financial management or the practice of financial planning will also be considered for inclusion in the program. Each submission will be reviewed anonymously by at least two members of the Program Committee, and authors will be notified of the decisions no later than June 30, 2016. Papers already accepted for publication in a refereed journal should not be submitted. There is no submission fee.

Submission Process: Please submit electronically at the following link which will open on or before January 1, 2016. <http://ProposalSpace.com/calls/d/544>. To accommodate a blind review, the names and affiliations of the authors should *not* appear on the paper itself. The online submission will record authors' names in a separate section of the submission.

Author Responsibilities: All accepted papers **must** have at least one author registered for the conference on or before August 31, 2016. As a courtesy to other authors, presenters of accepted papers should expect to serve as discussants or session chairs. AFS speakers and presenters are very strongly encouraged to stay at the site hotel, to be announced, to help AFS meet its contractual obligations to that hotel; this helps keep the registration fees as low as possible.

For further Information: For further information, refer to the AFS website at academyfinancial.org and for specific questions contact Duncan Williams at jdwilliams@email.wcu.edu.

MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS and STYLE

(1) Papers must be in English.

(2) Papers for publication should be sent to the Editor: Professor Stuart Michelson, School of Business, Stetson University, 421 N. Woodland Blvd., Unit 8398, DeLand, FL 32723. E-mail: smichels@stetson.edu. Electronic (Email) submission of manuscripts is encouraged, and procedures are discussed below.

There is a \$50 submission fee payable to the Academy of Financial Services (AFS) if at least one of the authors is a member of AFS. Submission fees can be paid online or mailed to the Editor when a manuscript is submitted electronically. If none of the authors is a member of AFS, please complete an online membership application form, which can be downloaded at <http://academyfinancial.org>, and pay online or mail the application, along with a check for annual dues and submission fee (\$125 total; \$75 for a one-year membership and \$50 submission fee) to the Editor. Submission of a paper will be held to imply that it contains original unpublished work and is not being considered for publication elsewhere. The Editor does not accept responsibility for damage or loss of papers submitted. Upon acceptance of an article, author(s) transfer copyright of the article to the Academy of Financial Services. This transfer will ensure the widest possible dissemination.

(3) Submission of papers: Authors should submit their papers electronically as an e-mail attachment to the Editor at smichels@stetson.edu. Please send the paper in Word format. Do not send PDFs. Ensure that the letter 'l' and digit '1', and also the letter 'O' and digit '0' are used properly, and format your article (tabs, indents, etc.) consistently. Do not allow your word processor to introduce word breaks and do not use a justified layout. Please adhere strictly to the general instructions below on style, arrangement and, in particular, the reference style of the journal.

(4) Manuscripts should be double spaced, with one-inch margins, and printed on one side of the paper only. All pages should be numbered consecutively, starting with the title page. Titles and subtitles should be short. References, tables, and legends for the figures should be printed on separate pages.

(5) The first page of the manuscript, the Title Page, must contain the following information: (i) the title; (ii) the name(s), title, institutional affiliation(s), address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail addresses of all the author(s) with a clear indication of which is the corresponding author; (iii) at least one classification code according to the Classification System for Journal Articles as used by the Journal of Economic Literature, which can be found at <http://www.aeaweb.org/journal/elclasjn.html>; in addition, up to five key words should be supplied.

(6) Information on grants received can be given in a footnote on the Title page.

(7) The abstract, consisting of no more than 100 words, should appear alone on page 2, titled, Abstract.

(8) Footnotes should be kept to a minimum and should only contain material that is not essential to the understanding of the article. As a rule of thumb, have one or less footnote, on average, per two pages of text.

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References to publications should be as follows: "Smith (1992) reports that" or "This problem has been studied previously (Ho, Milevsky, & Robinson, 1999)." The author should make sure that there is a strict one-to-one correspondence between the names and years in the text and those on the reference list.

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Periodicals:

Ang, J. S. & Fatemi, A. M. (1997). Personal bankruptcy costs: their relevance and some estimates. *Financial Services Review*, 6, 77-96.

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