



Call for Abstracts

Innovate 2027 *Evolving by Design: Shaping the Future of Nursing*

We are delighted to announce an open call for abstracts for the upcoming **Innovate 2027: Evolving by Design: Shaping the Future of Nursing**. This conference aims to showcase high-quality research, transformative educational strategies and innovative practices in nursing.

The call for abstracts is open to nurse educators, health-care professionals, researchers and undergraduate/graduate students.

Presentation Formats:

- **Poster Presentations:** Share your research, educational strategies or innovative practice in a printed poster format (*poster dimensions will be shared upon acceptance*).
- **Oral Presentations:** Deliver a 10- to 15-minute presentation followed by a 5-minute discussion with attendees (*final time limits will be shared upon acceptance*).
- **Workshops:** Facilitate a hands-on or interactive learning, reflective or creative experience for participants (*maximum 90 minutes*).

Submission:

- **Submit online** via the [abstract submission form](#) by **Jan. 15, 2027 at 23:59**.
- Abstracts will be peer-reviewed by a designated scientific committee.
- Presenters will be notified of their accepted abstract by **Feb. 15, 2027**.
- For questions or additional information, contact us at innovanu@ualberta.ca

Key Dates:

- Submission Deadline: Jan. 15, 2027 at 23:59
- Notification of Acceptance: Feb. 15, 2027
- Early-Bird Registration Deadline: Feb. 28, 2027
- Presenter Registration Deadline: March 25, 2027

- Conference Dates: April 28 - 29, 2027

We look forward to your innovative contributions!

Presenters must also be registered for the conference. Please note that submitting an abstract does not mean you are registered for Innovate 2027. Conference registration is a separate process that is required for all presenters who are responsible for their own registration fees. Registration fees of the presenting author(s) must be paid by **March 25, 2027**, to secure your presentation spot for the conference.

General Submission Guidelines: Complete a separate submission form for each abstract. All abstracts must be written in English.

1. **Title:** Descriptive and concise (maximum 20 words)
2. **Authors and Affiliations:** Add all authors, indicating presenters
3. **Trainees:** List first and last names of presenting authors who are undergraduate student(s) (or write NA)
4. **Trainees:** List first and last names of presenting authors who are graduate student(s) (or write NA)
5. **Trainees:** List first and last names of presenting authors who are postdoctoral researcher(s) (or write NA)
6. **Preferred format:** Poster, Oral or Workshop
7. **Open to alternative format,** if preferred format is not available? Yes or No
8. **Stream:** Research, Educational Strategies or Innovative Practices
9. **Abstract (maximum 250 words):** Clear, structured with required headings and free from errors. Avoid using jargon or undefined abbreviations. No references are expected. Follow the appropriate format for poster/oral or workshop submissions (below).

Category-Specific Guidelines

1. **Poster and Oral Abstracts** For completed or in-progress research (e.g., primary study or literature review), educational strategies (e.g., novel or creative) and innovative practices in nursing (e.g., quality improvement).

Structure:

- **Background:** Briefly describe the context and significance of the work.
- **Objective(s):** Clearly state the project aim(s) or objectives.
- **Methods:** Summarize the design or approach, participants, procedures or implementation, and analysis.
- **Results/ Findings:** Highlight key findings/learnings/outcomes (if ongoing, indicate expected results).
- **Conclusions:** Summarize the implications for nursing knowledge, practice, education and/or policy.

2. **Workshop Abstracts** Workshops should engage participants in interactive, skill-building activities related to the conference themes. Workshops will be 90 minutes in duration.

Structure:

- **Background:** Briefly outline the topic's relevance and significance.
- **Objective(s):** State what participants will learn or achieve.
- **Activities:** Provide an overview of planned interactive or hands-on activities.
- **Takeaways:** Describe expected outcomes or skills gained by participants.
- **Setup Requirements:** Specify space, materials or technology needs.

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