



CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR

Spring Public Finance Conference on Current Public Finance Challenges
April 21-22, 2023
University of Maryland School of Public Policy
College Park, Maryland

Governments continue to face many challenges financing critical public services and responding to the demands of residents to address longstanding inequities. Public finance and budgeting research can help decisionmakers meet these challenges by offering practical insights about raising public revenue, allocating public resources, and financial management. We invite papers that focus on broad challenges in the areas of public budgeting, taxation, municipal securities, public expenditure evaluation, fiscal federalism, financial management, organizational structure, and more.

We seek proposals that examine these and other policy issues at the national and subnational levels in domestic and international contexts utilizing a variety of empirical methods. We are particularly interested in papers that explore the interactions between various sectors—public, private, and nonprofit—as well as innovative financial mechanisms that span them. Proposals will be reviewed and competitively selected.

Possible areas include, but are not limited to:

- The effects of inflation on the finances of governments;
- Intersections between climate and budget policy;
- Social equity in public budgeting and tax policy;
- Cannabis taxes and other innovations in revenue policy;
- Governance issues in public finance;
- The use of big data and data analytics for public budgeting and finance;
- Financing capital projects;
- Federal budgeting challenges and reforms;
- Current developments in state and local finance;
- Financial challenges in retirement systems

Deadline for proposals: January 15, 2023

Proposals should include title, abstract, authors, and contact information for the submitting author. Abstracts should not be longer than two pages. Accepted participants will be notified by February 15, 2023.



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Participants may be asked to serve as discussants. Travel reimbursements will be available to cover up to \$1,000 in travel costs for one author per paper. Meals will be provided.

Proposals should be submitted to Dr. Philip Joyce at pgjoyce@umd.edu

Location & Schedule

The conference will take place at the new School of Public Policy building on the campus of the University of Maryland, College Park. The conference will begin at 8:00 am on Friday, April 21st and will end at 1:30 pm on Saturday, April 22nd. **Registration, Hotel and Travel Information will be available in early March 2023.**