ShowCAIS

2025 Call for Abstracts

Background

The [USC Center for AI in Society](#) is hosting an **all day, in-person symposium on Friday, April 11th** on the USC campus. This event will highlight the work of students and faculty using AI for social justice, and will include lunch and refreshments. We invite USC faculty, postdoctoral scholars, graduate and undergraduate students, staff, and USC CAIS alumni to submit an abstract to our event.

Guidelines

We are most excited about projects that involve *both* engineering (e.g., computer science, operations research, data science) and social/environmental disciplines (e.g., social work, public health, public policy, climate). We also welcome abstracts that are primarily set in one discipline with implications for the other. For example, technical abstracts should have social good applications; social/environmental papers should discuss opportunities to apply AI to their studies. The presentation can focus on new work, or work that was recently presented or submitted to a conference. We invite abstracts to be submitted to one of three main themes: environmental justice; health, mental health, and equity; and homelessness. If your work fits the greater AI for social impact theme, but is outside of one of these three areas, please feel free to submit.

If you are interested in presenting a poster or oral talk about your work, please use this [Google form](#) to submit a pdf of a 500-word unstructured abstract. This form will also ask you to provide 3 keywords and indicate whether you prefer a poster or oral presentation.

For examples of past presentations, you can view the [ShowCAIS 2024](#) or [ShowCAIS 2023](#) websites for more information.

Monetary prizes will be awarded to the best student presentations.

Timeline

Abstracts must be submitted by Friday, February 7th, 5 p.m. PT for consideration.
Decision notices will be sent out on Friday, February 21st.

Questions

Please feel free to reach out to the ShowCAIS organizing committee with any questions at usccais@usc.edu.

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