

**CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR**

**Annual NextGen Public Finance Conference**

Public Finance and the COVID Economy  
May 18-20, 2022

Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University  
14 Marietta Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia

We are seeking paper proposals for a conference on Public Finance in the Covid and Post-Covid Economy. The pandemic period has been one of extremes, from severe budget cuts at the onset to budget surpluses funded largely through federal support, and from massive number of unemployed to labor shortages. We invite papers that examine how the pandemic has affected government revenue and expenditures, and government operations. Papers should be in the areas of public budgeting, taxation, municipal securities, public expenditure evaluation, organizational structure, and more.

We seek new papers that will encourage and push the debate about public finance in the post-COVID world. We invite proposals for papers that examine these and other policy issues at the national and subnational levels, in domestic and international contexts, utilizing a variety of empirical techniques. Proposals will be reviewed and competitively selected.

Possible areas include, but are not limited to:

- Public sector workforce, including issues relating to early retirements and remote work
- Changes in spending and income, including effects of stimulus payments and PPP loans
- Budget responses to the pandemic
- Budget implications of the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan Act
- Pandemic effects on use of municipal securities

In addition, we are also seeking papers that involve:

- Use of big data and data analytics for public budgeting and finance
- Innovative methodologies in public sector evaluation

**Deadline for proposals: February 18, 2022**

Proposals should include title, abstract, authors, and contact information for the submitting authors. Abstracts should not be longer than two pages.

Participants may be asked to serve as a discussant. Travel reimbursements will be available to cover the cost of travel (up to \$600) and hotel expenses for one author per paper. Meals will be provided.

Proposals should be submitted to [cslfconferences@gsu.edu](mailto:cslfconferences@gsu.edu). Questions should be directed to Professor Sally Wallace, [swallace@gsu.edu](mailto:swallace@gsu.edu).

### **Location & Schedule**

The conference will take place at the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia. The conference will begin at 8:00 am on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and will end at 1:30 pm on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. On Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, there will be reception and dinner for conference attendees beginning at 6pm (specific location details to follow).

**Registration, Hotel and Travel Information will be available in March 2022 on the AYSPS Center for State and Local Finance website: [cslf.gsu.edu](http://cslf.gsu.edu)**

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