

**FARS and Journal of Financial Reporting Call for Presenters:**  
**Research Methods Virtual Mini-Conference**

Location: Online  
Thursday, January 21, 2021  
3pm – 5:30pm EST

**Mini-Conference Summary**

The Research Methods Mini-Conference will be held online as part of the 2021 FARS Mid-Year Meeting. The goal is to bring together researchers who are interested in learning about econometric issues and methods that are broadly relevant to FARS members.

The Mini-Conference will consist of **short** presentations on a variety of topics. Presentations will provide intuitive explanations and practical demonstrations of econometric issues, with a focus on accounting applications rather than proofs.

Accepted presenters will be invited to submit an accompanying article to the *Journal of Financial Reporting*.

**Topic and Presentation Details**

Topics should be **broadly relevant** to FARS members. Examples of broadly relevant topics in the past include clustered standard errors and propensity score matching. Niche topics are discouraged; e.g., the latest way to calculate a domain-specific empirical proxy.

Presentations can be scheduled for as short as 10 minutes or as long as 30 minutes, depending on the depth of the topic. Presenters are encouraged to provide code for demonstrations or simulations so that participants can follow along.

**Call for Presenters**

If you have a potential topic in mind, please prepare a **short** (e.g., 1 page) proposal explaining the econometric issue, the potential content of your presentation, and how long the presentation might take (including a few minutes for Q&A). Please save your proposal as a PDF file that can be distributed to reviewers.

A few guidelines:

- Proposals do **not** need to show that an econometric issue changes inferences from past studies. Nor do you need to tabulate how many published papers are affected.
- Proposals do **not** need to be based on a pre-existing paper.

- Presentations that are based on a pre-existing paper should not be treated as a typical workshop. The goal of the presentation is to teach the audience rather than to get feedback.

### **Publication in *Journal of Financial Reporting***

Accepted presenters will be invited to submit an accompanying article to *JFR*. Papers will be guest Edited by Ed deHaan and reviewed only for technical accuracy and exposition. Acceptance to the mini-conference will be sufficient evidence of contribution.

### **Submission Details**

Presentation proposals should be emailed to Ed deHaan ([edehaan@uw.edu](mailto:edehaan@uw.edu)) no later than **October 15, 2020**. Feel free to contact Ed if you have questions or would like to discuss a potential presentation idea.