Instructions and Style Guide for Authors Submitting Projects/Field Notes to the ACADIA 2021 Conference

**Keywords:** This section should contain maximum 5 words separated by commas

1. Introduction

This document presents the style guide to prepare project/field notes submissions to the 2021 ACADIA Conference (600 words and 10 images max for projects, 800-1000 words for field notes). Authors should use this Word document and the information contained within it for the formatting of their submission, making use of the Word styles provided by the template.

Papers should be written in US English, using straight-forward jargon-free terminology. The work must be an original contribution to the body of knowledge relative to the field of computational design, and not duplicative or re-published. Please refer to ACADIA’s Publication Ethics Guidelines for detailed policies regarding academic writing, originality, plagiarism, intellectual property, and the peer review process:

<http://acadia.org/content/conferences#publication_ethics>

1. Style Guide

Body text should be set using the *ACADIA-Normal* style (Times New Roman, 12 pt), which provides 6 pt spacing after paragraphs. Paragraphs should not be indented. Emphasis within the text, such as words to be defined or key phrases, should be italicized. Bulleted lists may be used (style: *ACADIA-Bulleted List*), with a simple dot for a bullet. Numbered lists may be used; we prefer Arabic numbers set off by a close parenthesis. Use only one Carriage Return/Line Feed after a paragraph. Do not insert any empty lines between paragraphs.

Headings should be capitalized. They should be sized and spaced as follows:

* Title: Use the *ACADIA-Title* style (14 pt, bold, 12 pt spacing before the heading and 48 pt after, centered).
* Header A: Use the *ACADIA-Header A Numbered* style (12 pt, bold, 6 pt spacing before the heading and 6 pt after).
* Header B: Use the *ACADIA-Header B Numbered* style (12 pt, 0 pt spacing before the heading and 6 pt after).

Headings should be numbered, except for Abstract and References, which use the *ACADIA-Header A Not-Numbered* style.

1. Margins and Layout

Your text should be laid out for 8 ½" x 11" paper. Margins should be 1" top, bottom and sides. Text should be justified.

A footer placed 1" from the bottom edge should identify the title of the paper and the page number. Its font should be Times New Roman or similar, 12 pt, italic. The footer is set off from the body by a single ruled line.

1. Content

**IMPORTANT: For project submission omit all identifying names, places, programs, institutions and firms from the paper to maintain an anonymous review process.**

Projects and Field Notes are an invitation for submitting shorter pieces in a more flexible format than full or work-in-progress paper submissions:

Project submissions will be blind peer reviewed. Projects will be published in the Proceedings and featured on the ACADIA website.

Field Notes may include provocative artifacts regarding the culture and practice of computational design: experimental ideas, behind-the-scenes, observations, brief narratives, provocations, and manifestoes. Submissions will be jury selected and published in the Proceedings and as a special feature on the ACADIA website. Selected submissions may be invited to participate in a discussion panel during the virtual conference.

Projects and Field Notes do not require to adhere to any specific structure, but should follow the style guide. Projects should contain up to 10 images and should be no longer than 800 words in the form of an abstract, captions and endnotes. Low-resolution images and captions should be embedded in the submission. Field Notes should be no longer than 1000 words, and may include image-based essays.

* 1. Figures

Figures include line drawings, charts, photographs and digital imagery. Low-resolution images and captions should be embedded in text. However, resolution should be high enough that any text that is part of the image is readable. Captions are to be located *below* the figure, using the *ACADIA-Figure Caption* style.



Figure 1. Jack-Knife PDA Design.

* 1. Citations

References are cited in the text by author name and the date of publication, enclosed in parentheses. The citation is placed at the end of the sentence. Here are examples of citations as they would appear embedded into the text:

* One author: (Legrand 1994)
* Two authors: (Vanier and Lacasse 1996)
* Four or more authors: (Bazant et al. 1993)
* Two works by same author in same year: (Lacasse 1998a, 1998b)
* Several works by same author in different years: (Vanier 1996, 1998)
* Several works by different authors: (Bazant et al. 1993; Legrand 1994)

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<https://www.bibguru.com/g/chicago-software-citation/> <https://uark.libguides.com/CSCE/CitingCode>

<https://libguides.nps.edu/citation/chicago-nb#computer-program>

1. Use of gendered pronouns

please avoid using gendered pronouns unless explicitly referring to a specific person. Additionally, avoid using gendered language when referring to professions and practices; for example: o gendered pronouns ("he", "she", "he/she") may be replaced with the gender-neutral pronoun "they" o gendered professional titles and practices (i.e. "craftsman", "craftsmanship" and "chairman") may be replaced with a gender-neutral equivalent (i.e. "craftsperson", "craftspeople", "craft" and "chair" or "chairperson").

1. Submitting Your Manuscript

Reference the information on the ACADIA Conference website for details regarding the submission process: <http://2021.acadia.org/submit/>

1. Conclusions

If all authors follow these conventions, reviewers will be able to concentrate on your content rather than your formatting.

*Some of the content of these guidelines is based upon a document distributed by Dr. Michael A. Lacasse and Gerry Neville of the National Research Council and National Research Council Research Press.*

References

Include References at the end of the document. **Do not use footnotes**. Only texts that are cited in the paper should be included in the References. All works that are cited should be included in the References section. Use the *ACADIA-Reference* style to format your reference entries. The following format, based upon the [Chicago Manual of Style](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html), 16th Edition, Author-Date format, is to be used:

*Book*

Fox, Michael and Miles Kemp. 2009. Interactive Architecture. New York: Princeton Architectural Press.

*Book Chapter*

Hasdell, Peter. 2009. “Pneuma: An Indeterminate Architecture, or Toward a Soft and Weedy Architecture.” In *Design Ecologies: Sustainable Potentials in Architecture*, ed. L. Tilder and B. Bolstein. New York: Princeton Architectural Press. 92-113.

*Journal Article*

Brooks, Rodney A. 1990. “Elephants Don’t Play Chess.” *Robotics and Autonomous Systems* 6 (1): 3–15.

*Conference Paper*

Cremers, Jan. 2011. “Energy Saving Design of Membrane Building Envelope.” In *International Conference on Textile Composites and Inflatable Structures: Structural Membranes 2011*, ed. E. Oñate, B. Kröplin and K.-U.Bletzinger. 148–155. Barcelona: CIMNE.

Wu, Kaicong and Axel Kilian. 2018. “Robotic Equilibrium: Scaffoldfree Arch Assemblies.” In *ACADIA 2019: Recalibration: On Imprecision and Infidelity. Proceedings of the 38th Annual Conference of the Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA)*, ed. P. Anzalone, M. del Signore and A. J. Wit. 342–349. Mexico City: ACADIA.