



Vaka Pasifiki Education Conference

Theme: *Jab liktōn peeke jejālokjen*

With knowledge, influence decision-making, voice your ideas, do not remain silent.

8-11 July, The Republic of the Marshall Islands

Call for Papers

Join us at the 2025 Vaka Pasifiki Education Conference to reflect on the role of scholarly research and innovation that foster culturally inclusive approaches to policy, curriculum, pedagogy, and educational reform. Commemorating over two decades of Pacific educational dialogue, Vaka Pasifiki will berth for the first time in Micronesia. The 2025 conference provides a platform to reimagine Pacific education through contextually relevant and culturally responsive approaches. The conference aims to bring together leading Pacific educators, researchers, academics and community leaders to discuss and share insights on the broad conference theme: *Jab Liktōn peeke jejālokjen: With knowledge, influence decision-making, voice your ideas, do not remain silent*.

We invite you to submit an abstract for presentation on one of the following themes:

Conference themes:

- Pacific identity, voices-voicing, silence-silencing languages – ‘voice your ideas’, ‘do not remain silent’
- Pacific knowledge – indigenous and contemporary knowledge, including Pacific pedagogy, ways of knowing, inter-generational transfer of knowledge, loss and gain of knowledge ‘with knowledge’
- Pacific scholarship/research – policy development, leadership financing, planning, administration, research ‘influence decision-making’

Cross-cutting theme: Inclusion

Presenters are encouraged to weave the principle of ‘Inclusion’ across the 3 thematic areas.

Call for abstracts:

Abstracts are now invited from authors, addressing questions/issues of interest reflected in the thematic categories outlined (above). Proposals must follow submission guidelines, and targeted at any one of the following presentation types:

1. Concurrent paper / *Jeje ko rej pād wōt ilo elmōkot* (Individual/joint authors)
2. Panel session / *iiēn leto-letak mejele* (3 or more authors)
3. Workshop / *iiēn kamminene* (hands-on/applied session by individual or a team).

Submission Guidelines:

The Vaka Pasifiki Education Conference accepts abstracts centered on Pacific education.

The 2025 conference particularly encourages submissions that focus on educational experiences and learning in Micronesia.

1. Abstracts must include working title, name of presenter/s, e-mail addresses, institution, and country and should be no more than 500 words.
2. Deadline for Abstracts: February 28 th , 2025.
3. All submission will undergo a peer-review process.

Important Dates

Submission deadline for abstract:

28th February 2025

Notification of acceptance:

28th March 2025

Conference dates: 8th-11th July 2025

Submission:

Please submit your
abstract to
ioe@usp.ac.fj

For any inquiries regarding
the call for papers or the
submission process, please
contact us on the email
address below.

We look forward to receiving
your submission and seeing
you at the Vaka Pasifiki
Education Conference!

Institute of Education

School of Pacific Arts, Communication and Education

The University of the South Pacific,

PO Box 278, ‘Atele, Tonga.

Telephone: +676 29055/30192

Email: ioe@usp.ac.fj

Website: www.usp.ac.fj/ioe

Facebook: www.facebook.com/IOE.USP



School of
Pacific Arts,
Communication
and Education

Institute of Education

