

Ecosystem Programming for Rural Entrepreneurship Track 2026

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Q1.1 The ***Ecosystem Programming for Rural Entrepreneurship Track*** is designed for rural entrepreneurship ecosystem builders to showcase innovative, early or advanced stage community-focused programming including co-curricular, outreach, extension, cross-programming and community-based programs.

In addition to presenting their innovative program, we ask that presenters consider how their topic might engage audience members interested in rural entrepreneurship policy, research, teaching, training and ecosystem practice.

Presentations will consist of presenting a 10-15 minute summary of the ecosystem program and answering questions from participants for a total of a 20-minute presentation.

After filling out this template, submit your final proposal using the corresponding submission form here: <https://www.usasbe.org/events/ruralsymposium2026#callforsubmissions>

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Q1.2 Author Information



Q1.3 Number of Authors?

Q1.4 1st Author Name?

Q1.5 1st Professional Title?

Q1.6 1st Institution/Organization?

Q1.7 1st Email?

Q1.8 If accepted, does the 1st author intend to ... ?

- ☐ Present & Attend (1)
- ☐ Attend (2)
- ☐ Neither (3)

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 2

Q1.9 2nd Author Name?

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 2

Q1.10 2nd Professional Title?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 2

Q1.11 2nd Institution/Organization?

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Q1.12 2nd Email?

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Q1.13 If accepted, does the 2nd author intend to ... ?

- ☐ Present & Attend (1)
- ☐ Attend (2)
- ☐ Neither (3)

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 3

Q1.14 3rd Author Name?

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 3

Q1.15 3rd Institution/Organization?

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 3

Q1.16 3rd Professional Title?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 3

Q1.17 3rd Email?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 3

Q1.18 If accepted, does the 3rd author intend to ... ?

- ☐ Present & Attend (1)
- ☐ Attend (2)
- ☐ Neither (3)

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 4

Q1.19 4th Author Name?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 4

Q1.20 4th Institution/Organization?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 4

Q1.21 4th Professional Title?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 4

Q1.22 4th Email?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 4

Q1.23 If accepted, does the 4th author intend to ... ?

- ☐ Present & Attend (1)
- ☐ Attend (2)
- ☐ Neither (3)

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 5

Q1.24 5th Author Name?

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 5

Q1.25 5th Institution/Organization?

Display this question:

If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 5

Q1.26 5th Professional Title?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 5

Q1.27 5th Email?

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If If Number of Authors? Text Response Is Greater Than or Equal to 5

Q1.28 If accepted, does the 5th author intend to ... ?

- ☐ Present & Attend (1)
- ☐ Attend (2)
- ☐ Neither (3)

End of Block: Default Question Block

Start of Block: Block 1

Q2.1 Submission Information

Q2.2 Title of Submission



Q2.3 Abstract (max 200 words)



Q2.4 Digital Program Description (max 50 word summary)



Q2.5 Program Description (up to 400 words) - Describe the program, including the challenges it addresses, its objectives, target populations, stakeholders involved in the development of the program, and duration of implementation.



Q2.6 Detailed description of the program (up to 600 words) - Describe the implementation of the program, including resource acquisition, participant selection, timeline, and any lessons learned how to optimize program success. Be sure to describe how the program measurably contributes to the local community and helps to build the regional ecosystem.



Q2.7 Implications for Research, Teaching and Ecosystems (up to 300 words) - discuss how this ecosystem program might engage audience members interested in rural entrepreneurship policy, research, teaching, training and ecosystem practice.

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Start of Block: Block 2

Q3.1 Disclaimers

Q3.2 I understand that USASBE's 2026 Rural Entrepreneurship Symposium will be held exclusively as an in-person event and that I will need to purchase a registration, cover my own travel expenses and attend the conference in person in order to present any work that may be accepted to the conference agenda.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.3 I confirm I am submitting no more than three conference submissions.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.4 I understand in order to present an accepted paper or submission I will need to register for USASBE's 2026 Rural Entrepreneurship Symposium.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.5 I confirm this is original work and I am authorized to submit it to USASBE's 2026 Rural Entrepreneurship Symposium.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.6 I confirm that the manuscript has been created by the author(s) and not an AI tool/Large Language Model (LLM). If an AI tool/LLM has been used to develop any portion of the

manuscript, then this must be clearly flagged in the acknowledgments or included as a clarifying attachment in the submission.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.7 I agree that should my proposal be accepted for presentation at the USASBE Rural Entrepreneurship Symposium, USASBE has the right to publish the materials to a USASBE resource hub for use as a resource by USASBE members. The author(s) will remain the holder of the intellectual property of the material.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.8 I understand if I am not registered for the conference by April 30, 2026, the submission may be removed from the program.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

Q3.9 I agree to be a reviewer for submissions to the USASBE 2026 Rural Entrepreneurship Symposium for any category in which a conflict of interest would not be present. **Please note that by answering yes to this question, you are simply agreeing to be in the reviewer pool. If we do not need additional reviewers, you may not be assigned any papers to review. We appreciate your consideration.

☐ Yes (1)

☐ No (2)

End of Block: Block 2

