

NARST 2026 International Conference Schedule-at-a-Glance *DRAFT*

<i>Regular Sessions</i>	<i>Workshops</i>	<i>Business Meetings</i>	<i>Social Events</i>
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Time	Event	Room
Thursday, April 9		
Virtual Conference Day		
	Virtual Day will include concurrent Stand-alone Paper Sets, Roundtable, and Poster sessions	

Saturday, April 18		
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	In-person Registration	
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	NARST Board Meeting	

Sunday, April 19 [Day One]		
Pre-Conference Events		

7:00 am – 7:00 pm In-person Registration

7:00 am – 8:00 am	New Member Welcome Session <i>Sponsor: Membership Committee</i> <i>Light breakfast provided</i>	
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	NARST Board Meeting	

Pre-Conference Workshops		
8:10 am – 11:45 am	Pre-Conference Workshops (9 Sessions) <i>See details on NARST website and Oxford Abstracts</i>	
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Graduate Student Luncheon <i>Ticketed event – students only</i>	

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11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break-On Own	
Conference Begins		
1:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Presidential Welcome: Jennifer D. Adams, NARST President	
1:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Keynote Address #1	
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Concurrent Session #1	
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Concurrent Session #2	
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Mentor-Mentee Nexus <i>Sponsor: Membership Committee</i>	
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm	President's Welcome Reception & Dance <i>Food options/Cash Bar</i>	

Monday, April 20 [Day Two]		
7:00 am – 4:30 pm	In-person Registration	
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Early Career Forum <i>Sponsor: Membership Committee</i>	
7:00 am – 8:00 am	RIG Business Meetings API CADASE Contemporary Methods ENE ISK LARIG LGBTQ+ RAISE Computational Thinking EXPAND <i>breakfast provided</i>	
8:15 am – 9:45 am	Graduate Student Research Symposium	
8:15 am – 9:45 am	Concurrent Session #3	
10:00 am – 11:30 am	Concurrent Session #4	
11:30am-12:30pm	Lunch on your own (Grab and Go)	

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12:30pm-1:30pm	Awards Ceremony <i>Savory Sweet Snacks/Beverage</i>	
1:30 pm- 2:30 pm	Keynote Address #2	
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Graduate Student Forum	
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Roundtables #1	
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Concurrent Session #5	
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Concurrent Session #6	
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	General Poster Session <i>Beverages and snacks provided</i>	
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	JRST Dinner <i>by invitation</i>	
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Private SKAIDS Reception- INVITE ONLY	
7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Evening Socials	

Tuesday, April 21 [Day Three]		
7:00 am – 4:30 pm	In-person Registration	
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Committee Meetings Awards Elections Equity and Ethics Graduate Students International Membership Professional Learning and Institutes Program Research Scholarships Social Media, Website & Communications <i>breakfast provided</i>	
8:15 am – 9:45 am	Abell Institute Poster Session	
8:15 am – 9:45 am	Concurrent Session #7	

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10:00 am – 11:30 am	Concurrent Session #8	
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Lunch Break	
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Affiliates Luncheon <i>by invitation</i>	
12:45 pm – 2:15 pm	Concurrent Session #9	
12:45 pm – 2:15 pm	Planning Together: NARST Centennial Celebration & 2027 Conference	
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Concurrent Session #10	
4:15 pm – 5:45 pm	Concurrent Session #11	
4:15 pm – 5:45 pm	Roundtables #2	
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Evening social events	
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Equity and Ethics Dinner <i>Ticketed event, Off-Site</i>	

Wednesday, April 22 [Day Four]		
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	In-person Registration	
8:00 am – 8:45 am	Membership and Business Meeting - Meet the Board of Directors - Recognition of Board & Committee Leaders - Introduction to 2027 Conference <i>breakfast provided</i>	
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Concurrent Session #12	
10:45 am – 12:15 pm	Concurrent Session #13	
3:00 pm – 8:00 pm	NARST Board Meeting	

