

ACR Convergence 2026

QuILT Resources





Outline

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 - What resources are offered to prepare me for my ACR talk?
 - Speaker coaching
 - Audience response system (Poll Everywhere) prep
 - Pre-recorded session on preparing an effective abstract presentation
 - What is the timeline for preparing as a speaker?
 - Who can I contact if I have additional questions?
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What is QuILT

- QuILT stands for “Quality improvement in Learning and Teaching”
- Our goal is to promote evidence-based teaching tactics to improve audience learning and retention of material at ACR Convergence
- We want sessions to have a lasting impact on attendees, so they incorporate new knowledge into practice

Resources – Speaker Coaching



As an invited speaker, you can sign up to receive coaching on your talk



You will be paired with a mentor who can help at any stage (from planning to final slide review)



Resources – Speaker Coaching

- Use the following link to sign up for coaching:
 - [ACR 2026 Convergence Speaker Coaching Request](#)
 - Your coach is expected to spend 1-2 hours meeting with you virtually
 - Your slides DO NOT have to be done when you meet with your coach – this is a great opportunity to get ideas from an educator on:
 - Outlining your talk – creating a plan with key takeaway points
 - Using audience response system (Poll Everywhere)
 - Delivery techniques
 - Final review of slides
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Resources – Poll Everywhere

- We encourage all speakers to engage the audience through Poll Everywhere
- There are several question formats to consider – multiple choice questions, word clouds, clickable images, etc.
- Use the guide in this link to review which options are available to you:
 - [ACR Poll Everywhere Activity Types](#)

Resources – Poll Everywhere

- Poll Everywhere questions will not be embedded in the ACR Convergence mobile app – this led to technical difficulties last year
- A QR code will be placed on your slides by the Audience Response System tech
- If you want to include a Poll Everywhere activity on a slide, label the slide “Poll” and provide set-up instructions:
 - Activity type (multiple choice, word cloud, images, etc)
 - Answer choices including correct answer
- The ARS tech will create a place-holder slide with the QR code

Resources – Poll Everywhere



If you are using Poll Everywhere, you will need to **pre-submit your slides between October 5-19th**



Before your scheduled talk at ACR Convergence, visit the speaker-ready room to practice using the polling software



No new polling set-up requests will be accepted onsite at Convergence



Resources – Abstract Talk Prep

- If you are presenting an abstract talk, we recommend watching this recording:
 - [ACR25 Abstract Talk Coaching](#)
 - Dr. Julia Shalen delivered an excellent review of best practices for designing abstract slides
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Speaker Preparation Timeline

- Accept invitation
- Log into Faculty Portal to complete Speaker Tasks

**May-
June**

- Build your slide deck
- Reach out to your coach for support!

Aug-Sept

- Discuss strategies for interactive learning with your QuILT Coach!

July

- Submit Slides for Poll Ev
- Practice talk with coach!

**Oct.
5-19th**

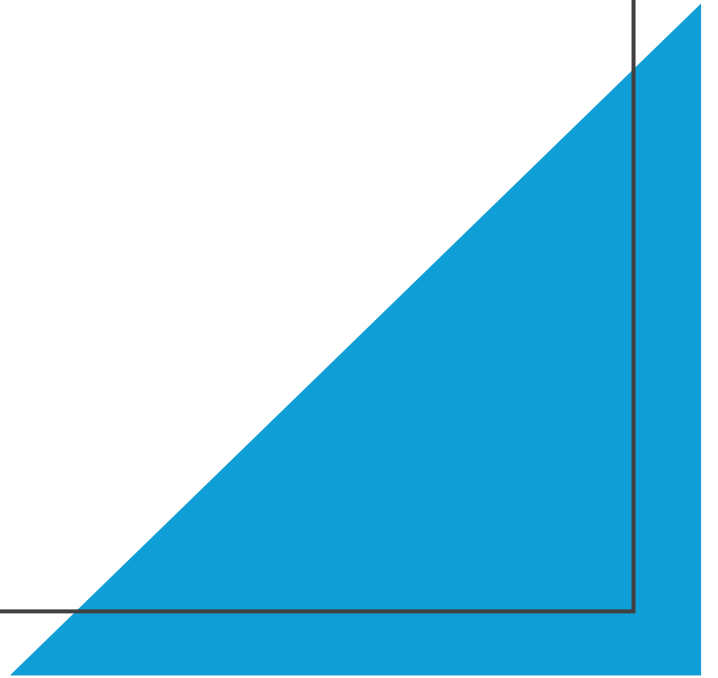


- Visit Speaker Ready Room

**Nov.
6-11 2026**

Additional Resources – Presentation Best Practice Tips

- Please review the provided resources within the ACR faculty portal for best practice tips in developing your presentations!





Who can I contact with questions?

- Please feel free to reach out to a QuILT team member if you have questions:
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