2011 Annual Meeting Survey



1. Overall Satisfaction	on with 2011	I Annual Meetin	g
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	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Response Count
Satisfaction level:	35.9% (554)	53.8% (830)	7.6% (117)	2.3% (36)	0.5% (7)	1,544
answered question					1,544	
				skip	ped question	83

2. General comments about the 2011 AAR Annual Meeting

Response	
Count	

answered question	790
skipped question	837

3. What were your reasons for attending the 2011 Annual Meeting? (check all that apply).

	Response Percent	Response Count
To present in a session	43.7%	703
To attend a session	65.9%	1,060
Professional development	59.8%	961
Networking with colleagues	78.0%	1,254
To find a job	13.8%	222
To fill a job position	4.9%	79
To visit the Exhibit Hall	40.6%	653
To meet with a publisher	26.0%	418
	Other (please specify)	194

answered question	1,608
skipped question	19

4. How many days did you attend this year's Annual Meeting?

	Response Percent	Response Count
1	1.7%	27
2	9.8%	160
3	34.2%	556
4 or more	54.3%	884
	answered question	1,627
	skipped question	0

5. Which days did you attend? Please check appropriate day(s).

	Response Percent	Response Count
Thursday	7.1%	115
Friday	54.5%	882
Saturday	94.6%	1,530
Sunday	96.4%	1,559
Monday	80.5%	1,303
Tuesday	26.9%	436
	answered question	1,618
	skipped question	9

6. LOGISTICS: Please indicate your satisfaction with the following logistical aspects of the Annual Meeting:

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did Not Use	Response Count
Pre-registration Process	64.9% (1,047)	29.2% (472)	3.3% (54)	1.2% (19)	0.5% (8)	0.9% (14)	1,614
Name Badges	65.4% (1,056)	27.4% (442)	4.3% (70)	1.7% (28)	0.7% (11)	0.4% (7)	1,614
Onsite Registration Process	25.3% (397)	11.7% (184)	2.7% (43)	1.0% (15)	0.3% (5)	58.9% (923)	1,567
Onsite Registration Hours	21.9% (340)	13.3% (206)	4.4% (69)	1.9% (29)	0.5% (7)	58.1% (903)	1,554
Meeting Room Space	23.7% (378)	42.7% (679)	16.5% (262)	9.7% (155)	2.8% (44)	4.6% (74)	1,592
AAR Signage Outside Session Rooms	30.4% (480)	43.4% (686)	14.4% (227)	6.0% (95)	1.1% (18)	4.6% (73)	1,579
Audio-Visual Equipment	17.4% (272)	28.6% (448)	12.3% (193)	4.7% (74)	1.3% (20)	35.7% (559)	1,566
Disability Access	3.9% (59)	5.0% (77)	8.9% (136)	2.0% (30)	1.6% (24)	78.7% (1,205)	1,531
Availability of Food	21.4% (338)	35.8% (566)	21.4% (339)	8.3% (132)	2.4% (38)	10.7% (169)	1,582

If you responded with dissatisfaction to any of the above points, please use the box below to share any additional thoughts or suggest areas for improvement.

answered question	1,621
skipped question	6

7. HOUSING: Please indicate your satisfaction with the following logistical aspects of the Annual Meeting:

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Disatisfied	Response Count
Housing Process	41.0% (586)	36.5% (522)	17.4% (249)	3.2% (46)	1.9% (27)	1,43
Accessibility Among Hotels	21.5% (306)	36.8% (523)	23.5% (334)	13.8% (196)	4.4% (63)	1,42
Hotel Facilities Overall	32.3% (459)	44.4% (631)	18.2% (259)	3.8% (54)	1.3% (18)	1,42
If you responded with dissatisfaction to any of the above points, please use the box below to share any additional thoughts or suggest areas for improvement.						40
				answe	red question	1,45
				skipį	ped question	16

8. Where did you stay during the Annual Meeting?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Hilton Union Square	20.1%	311
Intercontinental Hotel	4.8%	74
Hotel Nikko	4.6%	71
Parc 55 Wyndham	9.9%	153
Marriott Marquis	17.2%	265
Westin Market Street	4.9%	75
JW Marriott Union Square	1.6%	24
Palomar	0.6%	9
Serrano	1.7%	26
Sir Francis Drake	2.3%	35
Courtyard Downtown	1.5%	23
Local, did not need hotel	7.3%	113
Preferred customer at another hotel	1.0%	15
Found a lower rate at another hotel	14.0%	216
Stayed with friends	8.7%	134
	If another hotel, please specify	255
	answered question	1,544
	skipped question	83

9. PUBLICATIONS: Please indicate your satisfaction with the following publication aspects of the Annual Meeting:

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did Not Use	Response Count
Usefulness of the Program Planner	27.8% (439)	45.5% (719)	9.9% (156)	4.8% (76)	1.8% (29)	10.2% (161)	1,580
Usefulness of Online Program Book	25.4% (400)	34.6% (544)	12.3% (193)	4.4% (69)	1.2% (19)	22.1% (347)	1,572
Usefulness of the Print Program Book (available onsite only)	30.8% (487)	41.5% (656)	9.1% (144)	5.8% (91)	1.5% (24)	11.2% (177)	1,579
Usefulness of the At-A-Glance (available onsite only)	28.2% (442)	32.6% (510)	8.9% (140)	3.3% (51)	0.9% (14)	26.1% (409)	1,566
Usefulness of the Mobile App	16.4% (253)	10.3% (159)	4.9% (75)	3.6% (56)	3.0% (47)	61.8% (955)	1,545

If you responded with dissatisfaction to any of the above points, please use the box below to share any additional thoughts or suggest areas for improvement.

answered question	1,603
skipped question	24

10. PROGRAMMING: Please indicate your satisfaction with the following programmatic aspects of the Annual Meeting:

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did Not Use	Response Count
Overall Quality of Sessions	30.1% (476)	55.4% (875)	9.2% (145)	3.7% (58)	0.6% (9)	1.1% (17)	1,580
Opportunity to Network with Friends/Colleagues	41.0% (648)	47.1% (745)	8.0% (127)	2.4% (38)	0.3% (5)	1.1% (18)	1,581
Plenary Sessions	13.6% (211)	25.7% (399)	9.6% (149)	1.5% (24)	0.6% (9)	49.0% (760)	1,552
Arts Series Events	3.8% (58)	6.5% (99)	5.4% (82)	0.6% (9)	0.1% (1)	83.7% (1,277)	1,526
Films	5.0% (77)	8.1% (124)	4.8% (73)	0.8% (12)	0.3% (4)	81.0% (1,237)	1,527
Tours	3.8% (58)	4.2% (64)	4.1% (63)	0.7% (10)	0.3% (4)	86.9% (1,320)	1,519
Preconference Workshops	10.7% (164)	9.5% (145)	4.0% (61)	0.8% (12)	0.3% (4)	74.7% (1,142)	1,528
Friday Night Welcome Reception	1.8%	5.8% (89)	5.8% (88)	1.2% (19)	0.8% (12)	84.6% (1,292)	1,528
Employment Center	4.1% (62)	9.0% (137)	7.2% (110)	1.7% (26)	0.8% (12)	77.2% (1,176)	1,523
Open Ballroom for Self-organizing Groups	2.1% (32)	4.8% (73)	4.1% (62)	0.3% (4)	0.3% (5)	88.4% (1,336)	1,512

If you responded with dissatisfaction to any of the above points, please use the box below to share any additional thoughts or suggest areas for improvement.

answered question	1,594
skipped question	33

11. What is your opinion of the length of regular AAR sessions (2.5 hours)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Much too long	4.9%	78
A little too long	43.2%	688
About right	50.5%	804
A little too short	1.3%	21
Much too short	0.1%	2
	answered question	1,593
	skipped question	34

12. What is your opinion of the length of Sunday afternoon AAR sessions (90 minutes)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Much too long	0.1%	1
A little too long	1.9%	29
About right	68.7%	1,058
A little too short	25.3%	390
Much too short	4.0%	62
	answered question	1,540
	skipped question	87

	Response Percent	Response Count
75 minutes	2.4%	35
90 minutes	19.5%	284
100 minutes	11.3%	164
105 minutes	7.7%	112
120 minutes	38.5%	560
135 minutes	5.9%	86
150 minutes	14.7%	214
	Other (please specify)	171
	answered question	1,455
	skipped question	172

14. Did one aspect of the meeting (e.g., a certain session, workshop, or event) influence your decision to attend the meeting? If so, which event?

Response Count

answered question	480
skipped question	1,147

15. Did you visit the Exhibit Hall at the Annual Meeting? Response Percent Count Yes 92.6% 1,479 No 7.4% 119 answered question 1,598

skipped question

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16. Approximately how many total hours did you spend in the Exhibit Hall during the meeting?

	Response Percent	Response Count
0	6.9%	110
1	24.6%	391
2	27.3%	434
3	21.3%	339
4	12.3%	196
5 or more	7.4%	118
	answered question	1,588
	skipped question	39

17. How many purchases did you make in the Exhibit Hall?

	Respon Percei	
0	39.2	2% 618
1	14.0	0% 220
2	12.0	0% 189
3	8.4	4% 133
4	7.5	3% 115
5 or more	19.0	0% 300
	answered questi	on 1,575
	skipped questi	on 52

18. Are you satisfied with the Exhibit Hall hours? (Saturday-Monday, 8:30 am-5:30 pm, and Tuesday, 8:00 am-12:00 pm)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	73.0%	1,142
No	19.6%	306
N/A	7.5%	117
	Other (please specify)	291
	answered question	1,565
	skipped question	62

19. Were you exposed to new, thought-provoking, or inspirational ideas at this year's Annual Meeting?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	81.0%	1,291
No	10.3%	164
Not sure	8.7%	139
	answered question	1,594
	skipped question	33

20. Will you be able to apply these ideas to your teaching and/or research?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	75.9%	1,182
No	7.4%	116
Not sure	16.7%	260
	answered question	1,558
	skipped question	69

21. What new topics would you like to see highlighted at the next AAR Annual Meeting?

500		
500	answered question	
1,127	skipped question	

Response Count

22. Do you plan to attend the 2012 Annual Meetings of the AAR and SBL in Chicago, IL? Response Response Percent Count Yes 71.6% 1,152 4.7% 76 No Don't know 23.7% 381 If no, what is your reason? 151 answered question 1,609

skipped question