

PSM4RST8

Guidelines for Slack Communication Platform

The PSM4RST8 Committee set up a communication platform for all NPSMA Members and Institutions and those Universities with PSM programs or PSM-like programs to connect with each other. The platform is called Slack, and we invite everyone to sign up and start communicating.

What is Slack?

Slack offers “workspaces” for groups join and “channels” for members to communicate within. Our Workspace is npsma.slack.com. Within our workspace, we have several topic-based channels to communicate with each other. To get the most of this tool, we recommend setting notifications somewhere (phone, desktop or email) to stay in touch.

The purpose is to offer a free, popular, and easy to use online discussion tool for PSM directors, coordinators, and others to share and discuss relevant topics or to ask questions and receive answers. This communication resource is established and managed by NPSMA where we intend for the content to be largely driven by members of the PSM community.

How to sign up?

Either by invitation from NPSMA (email or newsletter) or direct search with the following steps:

1. Go to <https://slack.com/>
2. Search for: npsma.slack.com
3. Login with email account invitation request an invitation from NPSMA

Anytime you login to slack on a new device or computer, you will need to “connect” to your Slack workspaces. Your email address/login can be connected with multiple workspaces.

How to use Slack?

<https://slack.com/features> offers a getting started click-through and video on how to use.

Web browser, Desktop App or Mobile App?

We recommend trying all three but starting with a web browser or a Desktop App. Web browser and Slack desktop application offer the most visibility in terms of available options.

The Slack mobile app allows you to view one channel at a time. Notification settings and simple views make it easy to see and reply to posts on the go.

Mobile App set up is easy with the “magic link button.”

1. Install the Slack App on your phone
2. From your PC web browser (logged on to Slack, NPSMA workspace) select the send magic link button

Slack Terms of Service and Security

<https://slack.com/terms-of-service/user> and <https://slack.com/security> offer insight.

Here is the link to

join: https://join.slack.com/t/npsma/shared_invite/enQtNTQzOTQ5ODgyMDAyLTg0ZTQwOWJmNzQ5MTE5NWUzN2UyMWRmMTViNzQ1YWE1MjkwY2ViNzUzM2JkOTg0M2QxYjdmYjRkYjI5MjMyZjk

#general and #random channels