



INTERNATIONAL FIELD DIRECTORS AND TECHNOLOGIES CONFERENCE

2026 CONFERENCE OFFERINGS



PANEL & ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Panel discussions will be broken into Field and Tech categories. Panels encompass a variety of topics including AI in research, BOTs and bogus respondents, innovative methodology, training/retention of staff, and so much more!



NETWORKING LUNCHES

Enjoy one of IFD&TC's favorite traditions! Every day attendees are assigned a random lunch table number. You are guaranteed to make new connections with Random Digit Dining!



NEW! POSTER SESSION

This year we would like to introduce a new poster session for the conference. This is a great opportunity for early career researchers, new attendees, or students to present their research in a welcoming environment!



NEW! IFD&TC DINNER CLUB

Attending the conference alone? No problem! Sign up for Dinner Club and we will pair you with other attendees for dinner at some of the most popular places in Providence!

PAST SESSION TOPICS:

- Research Staff/student training and management
- Culturally Responsive Research
- Respondent Engagement and Incentives
- Battling Survey Bots
- AI for Qualitative Research
- R Workshop
- Survey Mode transitions
- Community Engaged Research
- Data dashboards
- Youth Surveys
- Tech Talk
- Research Innovations

THIS YEAR WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS & STUDENTS TO ATTEND!

IFD&TC 58th Annual Conference
April 19-21, 2026
Providence, Rhode Island

Our 2026 conference will follow the basic structure as our most recent in-person conference, with check-in and reception on Sunday, followed by two full days of sessions on Monday and Tuesday, with breakfast and lunch provided. Join Dinner Club for an on your own dinner with other attendees.

Sign up for upcoming conference notifications and view past conference programs at: <https://ifdtc.org/>

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