More on UseR!

- Large amount of growth: 660 attended in 2015, planned for 750 in 2016 but 900 attended, 1,100 attended in 2017 and 2019
    - Reached max allowed in 2016, 2017 and 2019
    - Don't wait to register!
- Registration fee: Approximately $150 for students
- For 2019: Of 467 submitted abstracts, 333 accepted
    - 141 oral presentations – 20 minute presentation via slides
    - 82 lightning talks – 5 minute presentation via slides, 15 slides automatically rotating every 20 seconds
    - 110 posters – Printed poster about 33" × 46", optional 30-second oral presentation with 1 slide
- Structure
    - Tuesday:
        * Tutorials (short courses) - Each are for a 1/2 day
        * No longer free, but low price ($50?)
        * Examples: creating your own package, Rcpp, categorical data analysis, spatial analysis, Shiny
        * Some for beginners and some for intermediate users
    - Wednesday
        * 9AM Keynote
        * 11AM Contributed presentations
        * 2PM Contributed presentations
        * 4PM Keynote
    - Thursday: Same as Wednesday but poster session in evening
    - Friday: Same as Wednesday but 2nd keynote is at 2PM and ends conference

- Presentation idea for PhD students: Construct an R package associated with your dissertation. Present at UseR and/or write a paper for the *R Journal*

- Job recruiters - Meet over lunch on one day of conference

- Twitter feeds

  - 2020 conference: @useR2020stl
  - R Foundation (Non-profit organization for R project): @_R_Foundation

- All oral presentations have been recorded for the last two conferences

  - R Consortium channel: `https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_R5smHVXRYGhZYDJsnXTwg/videos`
  - Brianna Hitt's for UseR! 2018: `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2x3scrfNPBU`

- R listserv

  - `https://www.r-project.org/mail.html`
  - I recommend subscribing to R-announce

- Organize a trip for students to St. Louis in July 2019!

- Conference dates overlap with International Biometric Conference

- UseR! 2021 - Recent announcement on R-announce listserv:

  For reasons of sustainability and accessibility we are looking to develop a distributed conference model with one venue hosting the main useR! conference and "useR! hubs" running in parallel on other continents. This call is for groups wishing to host the main venue. We welcome hosts that are keen to cooperate with us in shaping and developing the new hub model.

- Other R-based conferences have started over the last few years
  - RStudio – late January 2020, `https://rstudio.com/conference`
  - R user groups
  - R/Medicine, R/Finance, ...
  - R Unconference - Work together with others on projects, `https://blog.revolutionanalytics.com/2018/05/reflect html`
  - Enterprise Applications of the R Language (EARL) - Septembers, non-academic, `https://earlconf.com`

Code of conduct

- Most statistical conferences have adopted these over the last two years

- Sexual harassment

- UseR: `https://user2019.r-project.org/coc`

- JSM: `https://www.amstat.org/ASA/Meetings/Meeting-Condu aspx`