Call for Submissions

The SSM Program Committee invites you to submit proposals for symposia, debates, data blitz presentations, and posters to be presented at the 10th Anniversary Meeting of the Society for the Study of Motivation (SSM). The conference will be held in conjunction with the 29th Anniversary Convention of the Association for Psychological Science (APS).

The SSM meeting will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2017, immediately prior to the APS Convention. Both the SSM and APS meetings will be held in the Sheraton Boston Hotel in Boston.

This year we are excited to feature a keynote address by Geoffrey Cohen (Professor of Psychology and James T. March Professor in Organizational Studies in Education and Business at Stanford University), as well as a presidential address by Peter Gollwitzer (Professor of Psychology at New York University and at University of Konstanz, Germany).

The Society for the Study of Motivation is an international, interdisciplinary society of researchers in motivation. Its mission is to encourage inquiry into all aspects of motivation from a variety of disciplines and perspectives, and to facilitate the dissemination of findings to a broad scientific audience. The Anniversary SSM meeting provides a forum for the exchange of scientific information, fosters discussion of new ideas and findings on motivation, and encourages collaboration in research.


Submissions may be in the form of symposia, debates, data blitz presentations, or poster presentations.

Submission Deadlines:
  December 1, 2016  for symposia, debates, and data blitz submissions
  January 31, 2017  for poster presentations

Submission Guidelines:
Symposia: (75-minutes) Submissions should include a chair or two co-chairs and up to 5 speakers, preferably from different universities, that present their views on a common issue. Symposia submissions must include the name and affiliation of the chair(s), the symposium title, an abstract describing the symposium (150 words maximum), the names and the affiliations of all symposium speakers and their co-authors, and an abstract describing the content of each presentation (150 words maximum). Empirical studies must be completed by the time of submission. Symposium submitters will be notified by January 15, 2017.
**Debates:** (75-minutes) Submissions should include a moderator who will facilitate debate among up to 3 speakers, preferably from different universities, that present divergent views on a common issue. Debate submissions must include the name and affiliation of the moderator, the debate title, an abstract describing the nature of the debate topic and the perspectives to be covered by the debate speakers (150 words maximum), questions to be posed by the moderator (not included in the 150 word abstract), and the names and the affiliations of all debate speakers. Debate submitters will be notified by January 15, 2017.

**Data Blitz Presentations:** (5 minutes) Submissions must include the name and the university affiliation of the presenter as well as an abstract describing the completed research that will be presented (150 words maximum). Presenters must be a graduate student or post-doc. Each presenter should prepare no more than 5 slides and will entertain 1 brief audience question. Data blitz submitters will be notified by January 15, 2017.

**Posters:** Submissions must include the names and the affiliations of the poster presenter and co-authors as well as an abstract describing the research that will be presented on the poster (150 words maximum). Poster submitters will be notified by March 1, 2017.

**Young Scientist Poster Award:** First authors of posters who are currently students or who received their PhD no more than 2 years prior to the SSM convention (i.e., after May 2015) are eligible to enter their poster in the Young Scientist Poster competition. The awarded poster will get a prominent place in the poster session and the winner will receive a three-year SSM membership for the coming years (2018-2020). More info will be available about this award after poster acceptances are announced.

**Submission Requirements:**

(1) All submissions must have a member of the Society for the Study of Motivation as a presenter or co-author. Please indicate in your submission which author is an SSM member (only one author is required).

(2) E-mail your submission to conference@thessm.org

(3) All submissions should include completed work. Please do not submit a proposal if data are still pending.

(4) Persons are limited to one first authorship symposium and either one first author data blitz or poster. There is no limit on the number of times a person may appear as an author other than first.

Submissions will be reviewed for acceptance by the members of the SSM Program Committee. Submitters will be notified via email.


We are looking forward to seeing you in Boston!
The 2017 Program Committee

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