SOUTHERN SOCIETY FOR PHILOSOPHY AND PSYCHOLOGY

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology announces a call for papers for its One Hundred First Annual Meeting, to be held in Savannah, Georgia. SSPP meetings feature concurrent programs in philosophy and psychology, as well as plenary sessions jointly sponsored by the philosophy and psychology program committees. The deadline for all submissions is November 16, 2008 (postmarked midnight for electronic submissions). All submissions must be accompanied by a Submission Form.

A. Philosophy

The Philosophy Program Committee encourages the submission of papers and symposium proposals. Their selection will be based on quality and relevance to philosophy, psychology, and other sciences of the mind. The aim of the committee is to present as balanced a program as the quality of submissions in each area permits.

Papers: Submissions exceeding 3,000 words will not be considered. Submissions should include a word count and an abstract of no more than 150 words. Self-reference should be deleted to permit blind reviewing; authors should indicate their identity only on the cover letter that accompanies their submission. All papers submitted and presented should employ gender-neutral language.

Symposium proposals: Proposals should include: (1) a symposium title, (2) a description of the topic and its current importance to the discipline (about one page), (3) titles and abstracts of all papers, (4) name, institutional affiliation, e-mail address, and a one paragraph biographical description for each participant, (5) contact information for the organizer (who may or may not be a proposed speaker), to be used for communication with the Program Committee.

Papers and symposium proposals must be submitted electronically to:

Gualtiero Piccinini
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Certain papers may be selected for commentary depending on overall programmatic considerations. People who wish to comment on a paper or to chair a session may volunteer by sending a short version of their curriculum vitae directly to the program chairperson.

B. Psychology

The Psychology Program Committee encourages submissions in all areas of psychology. All papers submitted and presented should employ gender-inclusive language. Titles should clearly indicate the topic of the paper.

For all papers (experimental, correlational, observational, historical, methodological, or issues), send an electronic copy of an abstract not to exceed two pages. References cited should be added as an additional page. Abstracts must be double-spaced with one-inch margins and at least 12-point font. Contributions for reporting empirical studies must be based on methods appropriate to psychology as a natural or social science. The context, contribution, and importance of the research as well as the hypothesis or question being investigated should be stated clearly. The principal variables and the research design should also be specified. For other papers, the abstract should indicate clearly the context, contribution, and importance of the paper.

Submission of symposia, panel discussions, and debates is also encouraged. In particular, sessions are encouraged that include participation by psychologists and philosophers or that focus on topics of interdisciplinary interest. For symposia or sessions, the organizer should prepare a session abstract, not to exceed two pages, describing the session's or symposium's theme, content, and importance. The organizer may also choose to have each contributor prepare an abstract that summarizes his or her own contribution. All symposium materials should be collected by the organizer and submitted together. Organizers are encouraged to contact the psychology program chair to discuss ideas for symposia and similar sessions.

Submissions should be sent electronically to:

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Please specify ‘SSPP Abstract’ in the subject line. If the paper is being submitted in consideration of a Graduate Student Travel Award, please specify ‘SSPP Abstract – GSTA.’

For psychology papers to be considered for the Griffith prize, complete papers must be submitted as MS Word files to the psychology program chair by March 2, 2009. In the subject line, please specify ‘SSPP Abstract - Griffith.’