



SSEA2019

the ninth conference on emerging adulthood

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

October 10-12, 2019 Toronto, Canada

The Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood (SSEA) invites proposal submissions for the 9th biennial conference. The aim of this conference is to bring together a multidisciplinary network of scholars, practitioners and policy makers from around the globe to advance the study of emerging adulthood (ages 18-29). The conference will take place at the Intercontinental Toronto Centre in downtown Toronto, Canada.

about ssea2019

The conference theme is ***Understanding Emerging Adulthood in Cultural and Socio-Political Contexts***. Placing the theory of Emerging Adulthood into socio-political contexts across cultures, we see the emergence of multiple “emerging adulthood(s)” across the globe (Arnett, 2011). There is great variation in how this period of life is navigated with multiple pathways that differ for diverse youth within and across cultures. With cultural and socio-political climates impacting the lives of emerging adults in profound ways, this conference will bring together scholars, researchers, and practitioners in the study of emerging adulthood to explicitly examine the ways power, privilege, marginalization and oppression operate in the lives of emerging adults.

invited program

Speakers and lectures: Please check the SSEA website for updates soon

selection criteria

1. Focus of the proposal is on emerging adulthood (age range 18-29).
2. We especially encourage submissions related to the conference theme that give attention to the socio-political and/or cultural context of emerging adults in the study under examination. We encourage submissions that give particular attention to the ways that power, privilege, and marginalization operate in the lives of emerging adults. Other topics will also be given full consideration.
3. Importance of the topic to the study of emerging adulthood.
4. For empirical presentations, methods must be appropriate for the research question(s). Research using quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods are all encouraged. For Roundtable Discussion Sessions and Innovative Sessions, the topic and structure of the session must be clearly defined and cohesive.

Please note: There is a limit of two submissions by the same first author.



SSEA2019

the ninth conference on emerging adulthood

timeline

submissions open: January 15, 2019

submissions deadline: March 1, 2019

notification of decisions: April 15, 2019

questions? info@ssea.org

expedited review: To accommodate international travel and special circumstances that may warrant an extended period between decision notification and the conference, we are offering expedited reviews to those whose circumstances qualify. Expedited review will only be granted in situations that would otherwise prohibit a presenter from traveling to the conference. You will be able to indicate this option when you submit your proposal. Proposals submitted for expedited review are due on March 1st, 2019 and notifications will be granted within two weeks (March 15th, 2019). *For additional information related to submissions, travel grants, venue and accommodations, and registration, please visit www.ssea.org.*

formats

Proposals consistent with the conference theme are encouraged, but all proposals will be given full consideration. Submission formats are described below.

individual poster sessions

1. Individual Posters will be presented during general poster sessions. These sessions offer an opportunity to share empirical findings with a wide audience of conference attendees. Empirical findings that encourage discussion with audience members are well-suited for poster presentations.
2. Submissions for poster presentations should include a proposal of no more than 500 words containing the following: title, introduction to the research question(s), description of methods, results, brief discussion and/or implications. In addition, proposals may contain up to two figures, tables, charts or graphs (reference list is not required).

individual paper presentations

1. Individual paper presentations proposals are encouraged to present empirical findings from new lines of research that are not yet published. Highly rated individual paper presentations can also be considered for individual poster presentation format if not selected as a paper. Authors are encouraged to build symposia with topic network members.
2. These standalone individual papers will be organized into thematic sessions regarding a similar theme by the conference organizing committee (see below for details of format).



SSEA2019

the ninth conference on emerging adulthood

3. Submissions for paper presentations should include a proposal of no more than 500 words containing the following: title, introduction to the research question(s), description of methods, results, brief discussion and/or implications. In addition, proposals may contain up to two figures, tables, charts or graphs (reference list is not required).

NOTE: Some proposals submitted as paper presentations may be accepted as poster presentations.

.....

paper symposia

1. A paper symposium includes a series of presentations focused on a common theme. The session may consist of 3 papers and a Discussant who summarizes and comments on the presented papers, OR 4 papers without a Discussant. A Chair should be designated for each symposium who organizes the paper presentations and facilitates a Q & A following the presentations.

2. Paper symposia will be scheduled for 90 minutes. Each paper and the discussion will be allotted 15 minutes for presentation; 30 minutes will be reserved for a Q & A period to be led by the Chair. Individuals interested in finding other presenters to form a symposium are strongly encouraged to get involved with a relevant SSEA Topic Network.

3. Submissions for paper symposia should include a proposal of no more than 500 words for each presentation that contains the following: title, introduction to the research question(s), description of methods, results, brief discussion and/or implications. In addition, proposals may contain up to two figures, tables, charts or graphs (reference list is not required).

4. Additionally, paper symposia must include an integrative statement of no more than 500 words prepared by the Chair. The integrative statement will include a (i) title of the paper symposium, (ii) rationale for bringing the papers together, and (iii) discussion of the themes the papers address.

.....

roundtable discussion sessions

1. Discussion sessions are intended to be an interactive forum for an exchange of ideas, rather than presentations of research findings. Discussion sessions may focus on topics that are related to theory, methods, practice, and/or policy. Each session may have a maximum of three panelists and must have a moderator. Each session will be allocated 60 minutes for discussion among the panelist and 30 minutes for discussion with the audience.

2. Discussion sessions should not include individual presentations from the panelists, and use of Powerpoint slides is strongly discouraged. Rather, the moderator should prepare a series of questions to be posed to the panelists for discussion. Submissions for discussion sessions should include a proposal of no more than 500 words that describes the topic and rationale for the session, at least three discussion questions to be addressed by the panelists, and a brief description of the background and expertise of the participants.

.....

innovative sessions

1. Innovative sessions are intended to encourage discussion, debate, and/or collaboration. These sessions are meant to enhance the experience of SSEA conference attendees and provide a format that allows for a unique and engaging conference-going experience. Each session will be allocated 90 minutes.



SSEA2019

the ninth conference on emerging adulthood

2. Some examples include but are not limited to:

- a. A fishbowl session where 2-3 participants engage in a debate on a critical topic in the center of the room and then invite audience members to participate.
- b. A networking session where participants engage in structured interactive session around a common theme. Organizers would pick a theme and structure opportunities to connect with scholars doing similar work.
- c. Another session type of your choosing.

3. Innovative session proposals must include the following information in a 500 word abstract:

- a. Identify session leaders with clearly articulated roles
- b. Provide detailed description of the session goals
- c. Provide detailed description of the focus of the session in terms of theory, method(s), community partnerships, mentorship, professional development, or other themes
- d. Describe the intended audience for the session (e.g., emerging scholars who are entering the job market)
- e. Space requirements for the session (i.e., room size and/or equipment necessary).

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS PRESIDENTIAL SYMPOSIUM

Drawing on the call from Dr. Elizabeth Morgan's 2017 Presidential Address, the 2019 Presidential Symposium will feature examples of public engagement in the study of emerging adulthood. We invite authors to submit individual papers for consideration that include research practices that enhance the societal relevance and translational nature of the research via public engagement. In this symposium, participants will discuss empirical research findings with a focus on methodological considerations pertaining to producing and distributing societally relevant research that answers questions that society asks or prevents and solves problems it faces through intentional and meaningful interactions with the public. We particularly seek submissions that involve collaborative partnerships with the public where these partners were engaged in methodological design decisions to inform lines of inquiry and data collection, in addition to dissemination of findings. Papers that utilize participatory action research methods and practices, community partnerships and policy-focused dissemination techniques are encouraged. We also seek examples of innovative practices of knowledge mobilization resulting in a positive impact on society. To submit a paper for consideration in the symposium, please submit an individual paper submission and indicate your interest in participating in the Presidential Symposium. Submissions not selected for participation in the Presidential Symposium will be considered for individual paper presentations.