



Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP) ANNUAL CONFERENCE

May 16-17, 2016

Ramapo College
Krame Center for Contemplative Studies and Mindful Living
Ramapo, NJ

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP), an organized and independent section of Division 5 of the American Psychological Association, is pleased to announce its annual conference to be held for two days at Ramapo College in New Jersey, on Monday and Tuesday, May 16-17, 2016.

For this event, we are soliciting proposals for **organized symposia (featuring 3-5 presenters who will address a common theme during a 90-minute session)** -- as well as **two poster sessions** featuring individual work -- concerning any area of qualitative inquiry in psychology, including (but not limited to) methodological advances in qualitative inquiry; strategies and practices for effective instruction in specific qualitative methods; and empirical progress within qualitatively-analyzed content domains of psychology, including subfields of psychology as well as studies related to cultural, ethnic, racial, socioeconomic, gender, and sexual orientation themes within qualitative inquiry. Proposals that include psychology graduate students are encouraged. Prospective participants can communicate with each other on the SQIP blog if they would like to share ideas for putting together a symposium proposal (<http://qualpsy.org/events/2016-annual-conference/2016-conference-interest-forum/>).

Please note that space is limited on the conference program. We anticipate the opportunity to accept perhaps 15 symposia for this conference, in addition to up to four plenary sessions, with two poster sessions featuring individual work. Individuals submitting poster proposals can indicate whether they would be interested in being considered for placement (with other poster candidates) into a paper session (where an overarching theme might unify them into the equivalent of a symposium). The program committee would consider creating a limited number of such paper sessions out of poster proposals (in lieu of a regularly submitted symposium).

Completed proposals should include the name and contact information (including email addresses) for the symposium organizer/chair and all presenters. In addition, an overarching symposium title and abstract (not to exceed 300 words), plus complete titles and abstracts (not to exceed 300 words) for each individual presentation within the symposium must be included. (Poster proposals can include a copy of a completed paper or sample slides, if available. Preference will go to research that is near or at completion, rather than proposed research.)

Please note that all accepted presenters will be required to be or become members of SQIP (join here: <http://qualpsy.org/membership/>) and to register for the conference by the final due date, in order to appear on the final conference program. Non-presenters can of course register at any time including at the conference itself.

The entire proposal should be submitted as a single, well-organized document in **Microsoft Word** format to Conference Chair Dr. Scott D. Churchill, by Wednesday, **January 20, 2016** to the following link: <https://dropitto.me/SQIP2016> (Password: SQIP).

Review of proposals by the SQIP leadership will result in notification of acceptance no later than Tuesday, March 1, 2016.

Attendees are advised to book their travel early, as arrival on Sunday May 15th would be essential for being present at the Monday morning opening and plenary sessions. Due to college commencements, flights are already filling up into Newark International Airport, which would be the airport of choice for attendees flying in for the conference.

We hope to make attendance at this conference a worthwhile “professional development” experience even for those who are not attending as presenters, so please consider making your travel plans early.

Please address additional questions about this Call to Prof. Scott Churchill at bonobo@udallas.edu - indicating “SQIP CONFERENCE CALL” in the subject heading.

We look forward to seeing you in New Jersey in May!