

**Southern Sociological Society
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Frequently Asked Questions about Submission Procedures

I'm submitting an individual presentation. Which type of session is right for me?

SSS is pleased to offer members a variety of opportunities to present their scholarly work. Below is a description of each type of paper session. We encourage you to look at each before submitting your work through the online portal (detailed submission instructions are available at <http://www.southernsociologicalsociety.org/annual.html>).

Are you comfortable standing in the front of the room presenting your work alongside other panelists? If so, submit your paper as an Individual paper. Here you have the opportunity to present your work (using audio-visual equipment and presentation software as needed) to a room of people interested in the session of which you are a part. Many people presume this is the best presentation type for their work, but there are other session types that may be better suited to you as a presenter and/or your paper.

Would you prefer to present your work to a small group of interested individuals rather than presenting at the front of a room to an undetermined number of audience members? If so, be sure to click the option of having your paper referred to the Roundtable session when submitting your individual paper. Roundtables are good for papers in progress, first time participants, and for people who are comfortable talking about their work but do not want to stand in the front of the room to do so. Given the expected high volume of submissions to this year's meeting, we anticipate organizing at least one roundtable session.

Do you anticipate your presentation will have a lot of graphs, charts, and/or figures? Would you prefer to discuss your work with interested individuals one-on-one rather than presenting at the front of a room to an undetermined number of audience members? If so, submit your paper for the Poster Presentations. These sessions will be held in a central location of the conference, allowing for interaction with conference attendees interested in each of the posters. This type of session is great for first time attendees as well as seasoned participants, as the goal is for presenters to have extended conversation one-on-one with interested parties.

Are you a graduate student or untenured faculty member? Are you planning to present work that you want to publish soon but you would like to have feedback prior to sending out for review? Submit your work to the Research Incubators. Incubators offer graduate students and junior faculty the opportunity to receive focused feedback on a research proposal or paper from a more senior faculty member.

I'm submitting a complete session. Which type of session should I select?

Members will typically submit complete sessions that fall into one of the following categories: Paper Session, Thematic Session, Author-Meets-Critics, Panel, Workshop, and Undergraduate Paper Session. Select Paper Session if you are creating a session to which you will add complete papers. Typically, sessions created in response to topical Call for Papers (see below) will be submitted under this category. If the authors of these papers are undergraduates, select Undergraduate Paper Session. If the overarching theme of the session is directly tied to the conference theme of "Stalled Revolutions? Gender Inequality in the 21st Century", select Thematic Session. Select Author-Meets-Critics if your session will focus on a select book (or books) about which several scholars will offer comments. If your session involves several scholars offering comments on a general theme but not presenting specific papers, select Panel. Finally, sessions that are more interactive and focus on offering advice, strategizing solutions, etc. should be submitted as Workshops (e.g. strategies for navigating the job market). Detailed instructions on how to submit individual presentations and complete sessions can be found at <http://www.southernsociologicalsociety.org/annual.html>.

I have a session-specific Call for Papers I'd like to have distributed to members. Who should I contact?

These can be sent to webmaster@southernsociologicalsociety.org. Session-specific CFPs are collected into a digest email and distributed to members each Friday. Make sure to include your contact information in the CFP so interested members can contact you about being part of your session!

When is the submission deadline?

The submission deadline is October 24, 2014. All proposed presentations should be submitted online through the SSS online submission system at <http://www.mymeetingsavvy.com/sss>.

Now that I've submitted my work, I'd like to register for the meeting and book my hotel room. How do I do that?

We're delighted to be hosting this year's meeting in New Orleans' French Quarter at the Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel. To book your hotel room and register for the meeting, please go to the Southern Sociological Society Meeting page: <http://www.southernsociologicalsociety.org/annual.html>. For information regarding facilities and accommodations, please visit the Crowne Plaza website: <http://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/new-orleans/msyla/hoteldetail>.