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**Diversities:
Inequality, Inclusion, and Resistance**

80th Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society

March 29 - April 1, 2017

Greenville, SC Hyatt Regency

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The theme for the 2017 meeting is "*Diversities: Inequality, Inclusion, and Resistance.*" Our aim is to build an intellectually stimulating program by organizing mini-conferences and by encouraging the submission thematic panels and papers that address issues related to this theme and other important substantive areas. Please see Christopher Ellison's article in the [The Southern Sociologist \(Volume 48, Number 1\)](#) for more details on the conference theme.

Submission Deadline: November 15, 2016

Please [complete submissions through the online system](#). All submissions must include the title, extended abstract, author names and contact information. Submissions must be received by the above deadline in order to be listed on the program.

This year, there are **four** submission types available:

- (1) **Individual Papers:** You may submit extended abstracts of individual papers for inclusion in a regular paper session. These abstracts will be organized into sessions by the program committee members on the basis of common themes. All regular paper submissions should include: (a) the title of the paper, (b) names, affiliations, and contact information for each author, and (c) an extended abstract. Extended abstracts should be approximately 450-550 words and organized with the following three section headings: *Objectives*, *Methods*, and *Findings*. We acknowledge that these section headings may not apply to all submissions. We expect you to provide information that is relevant to your submission. The program committee will assign individual paper submissions to a regular paper session, a roundtable, or the poster session.
- (2) **Poster Presentations:** You may submit abstracts of individual papers for inclusion in a poster session. All poster submissions should include: (a) the title of the paper, (b) names, affiliations, and contact information for each author, and (c) a brief abstract. Posters should display relevant objectives, theory, methods, results, and conclusions in a way that is accessible (readable from a distance of 6 feet) and visually appealing.
- (3) **Research Incubator Submissions:** You may submit extended abstracts of individual papers for inclusion in a research incubator session. Research incubator sessions connect graduate students and junior faculty with senior faculty to receive focused feedback on a research proposal at any stage of development. All research incubator sessions will include 3 presenters and 1 mentor. All presentations will be limited to 10 minutes to allow for feedback and discussion. If you are interested participating in a research incubator session, please designate your extended abstract accordingly in the online system. Please use the guidelines for Individual Papers (above) when formatting your extended abstract.
- (4) **Full Session Proposals:** Full sessions (e.g., regular session, Author-Meets-Critic, etc.) should contain four presenters (e.g., 4 authors, 3 authors and 1 discussant, 1 book author and 3 critics, and so on). The following information must be provided in the online system for complete paper session proposals: 1) a suggested title for the panel; 2) the titles of each paper/presentation; 3) extended abstracts for each paper/presentation; 4) names, affiliations, and contact information for each author, critic, panelist, discussant, etc. An individual whose paper is part of a complete paper session will not need to submit that paper separately.

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To Book Your Hotel Room at SSS 2017, [click here](#). Members can also call 1-864-235-1234 and reference "Southern Sociological Society" to receive the conference rate. In recent years, we have had multiple overflow hotels. It is really important to book now.

The SSS conference rate for rooms at the Hyatt Regency is **\$159/night**. Deadline for booking within the SSS Annual Meeting room block at the Hyatt Regency is **March 10, 2017**.

Program Policies

Meeting Participation: All program participants (presenters, presiders, discussants, panelists, etc.) **must be registered** for the annual meeting. With the exception of undergraduate observers and undergraduate affiliates of SSS Departmental Member Departments, **anyone attending the meeting or participating in the program must be current dues-paying members of SSS**. Please note that conference attendees are strongly encouraged to Preregister for SSS2017 on or before March 1, 2017. Those who register after this date will pay OnSite Registration fees. Members will have the opportunity to renew dues during the preregistration process. To pre-register for the meeting, please visit <http://www.southernsociologicalsociety.org/annual.html>.

Limitations on Program Appearances: Because meeting rooms and time slots are limited, participants may serve in **no more than two presentation roles** (author of a paper, panel participant, workshop leader, poster presenter, etc.). There are no restrictions on the number of times a participant may serve as a session presider or discussant.

Equipment: LCD projectors with VGA connectivity will be available for all panel and paper presentations to facilitate computer-based presentations. However, presenters and/or panel organizers are required to bring their own computers.

For more information, please go to the [Southern Sociological Society Meeting page](#).

Please direct any additional questions about the conference program to:
program@southernsociologicalsociety.org

We look forward to seeing you all in the great city of Greenville!

And, please, beware of the clowns! For more information, [click here](#).