

Call for Proposals

This Group is focusing on the theme of practices on the margins of Jainism. We invite papers that investigate non-normative practices and beliefs such as home and ancestral worship, shared ritual idioms with other religious communities, and shared ritual spaces between Jains and other religious communities. Papers can address any time period and geographical location. We recommend that anyone interested in submitting a paper proposal on this theme first contact the two co-Chairs.

Mission

This Group began in 2009 in recognition of the burgeoning state of the field and its relative neglect in the AAR. Originating in India in the first millennium BCE, Jainism — historically as dominant a South Asian religious tradition as Buddhism and Hinduism and, in the light of current demographics, a disproportionately powerful presence in the cultural and economic life of India — is a world religion now extending far beyond South Asia to East Asia, Europe, North America, Africa, and Australia. Given the increasing focus of scholarly attention on Jainism both in India and around the globe, this Group provides a venue in North America for scholars of Jainism to meet regularly and exchange ideas.

Anonymity of Review Process

Proposer names are **anonymous** to Chairs and Steering Committee members until **after** final acceptance or rejection.

Questions?

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