Call for Proposals

This Section welcomes paper and panel proposals from the wide scope of Judaism, Jews, and Judaic studies — from late antiquity to the present. We are particularly interested in the following topics:

- Jewishness and Jewish identity

- Medieval and post-Medieval Jewish textuality

- Sephardic/Mizrahi studies

- New religious movements and/in Judaism

- Judaism and Islam

- Jewish mysticism and spiritualism

- Law and Jewish practice

- Judaism and Far Eastern religions

- The Jew as Other and/or the Other as Jew

Preorganized panels are welcome.

Mission

The goal of this Section is to develop and expand the relationship between the study of Judaism and the broader study of religion. We work to meet this goal in three primary ways: methodologically, topically, and by cosponsorship with other Program Units. First, this Section engages in active conversation with the methodologies common to the study of religion by exploring the historical, social, aesthetic, and political aspects of Jewish religion in its various contexts. All the while, we challenge methodologies in place at the AAR and offer new approaches to the study of religion through our focus on text study and the engagement between texts/doctrines and other aspects of religious culture. Second, we wrestle with topics of concern to the community of religious scholars in general, including community and commitment, gender, and the intersection between religion and politics. Finally, we actively pursue cosponsorship with other AAR Program Units. Recently, we have worked with the Study of Islam Section, the Mysticism Group, the Theology and Continental Philosophy Group, and several SBL Sections. In the future, we look forward to continuing to work with various AAR — and whenever possible, SBL — Program Units.

Anonymity of Review Process

Proposer names are **visible** to Chairs but **anonymous** to steering committee members.

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