## **Call for Proposals**

This Section seeks proposals that provide occasion for comparative inquiry, engaging two or more religious traditions around a common topic and reflecting critically on the conceptual tools employed in the inquiry. We request only group proposals in the form of thematic paper sessions (four presenters, presider, and respondent) or panel sessions (maximum of six presenters). No individual papers as final submissions please. We reserve the right to add individuals to any group proposal. Each paper in a proposed session or panel need not be comparative, although this is welcomed and encouraged. Overall coherence is crucial.

Themes proposed for the 2012 meeting, with contact members of the steering committee identified in parentheses are below. Please contact listed organizers if you wish to take part in any proposed session. Proposals for comparative panels and sessions other than those listed are welcome. Suggested themes are:

- Numbers/numerology Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Mountains Eric Mortensen, Guilford College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Religion and political conflict Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Lament and gender Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Ghosts Kathryn McKlymond, Georgia State University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Possession and trance Corinne Dempsey, Nazareth College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it
- Theorizing purity and pollution Kimberley Patton, Harvard University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

## **Mission**

This Section provides the opportunity for significant cross-traditional and cross-cultural inquiry.

We traditionally solicit papers and panels that provide occasions for comparative inquiry seriously engaging two or more religious traditions around a common topic and we ensure that critical reflection is given to the conceptual tools therein employed.

# **Anonymity of Review Process**

Proposals are anonymous to Chairs and steering committee members during review, but visib le

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to final acceptance or rejection.

#### **Questions?**

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## **Method of Submission**

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