



Psychology and Peace 2018 National Conference

University of Notre Dame ♦ March 9-11, 2018

Call for Papers

APA Division 48: The Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict and Violence is pleased to announce the **2018 National Conference on Psychology and Peace**. The purpose of the conference is to explore the ways that psychology and psychologists can contribute to peace. The conference is designed to promote engagement by psychologists from all specialties on questions of research and practice concerning the psychological dimensions of peace and peacemaking.

The program will include scholarly presentations, continuing education skill-building workshops, and keynote speakers. In addition, collaborative working groups of student, early career and senior scholars will focus special attention on building research, practice, and advocacy agendas for the future of peace psychology.

The conference will be held on the campus of the University of Notre Dame on March 9-11, 2018. Affordable accommodations will be available on campus in Morris Inn and the conference will take place across the street in McKenna Hall.

The website for the **2018 National Conference on Psychology and Peace** is PeacePsychology.org/conference. Information about registration, submission of papers, and accommodations will be available on June 15, 2017. Register today at PeacePsychology.org/conference to receive conference information updates.

Proposal Opportunities and Possibilities

The conference program committee invites scholarly work on peace, conflict and violence and on the related topics of justice and healing. A variety of formats will be considered — presentations, symposia, posters, audio-visual media, and other formats. Non-traditional formats for the presentation of scholarly work are welcome, as are reports on work in progress. Diversity of scholarly perspectives, methodologies, and social-cultural contexts is

encouraged.

The following descriptions are provided to give guidance to authors and to suggest the breadth of topics which will be included in the conference. Contributions might consider one of the following five contexts where peace, conflict and violence are studied and where peace, justice, and healing are pursued.

The five contexts and some example topics are —

- **Nation-to-Nation** — International relations; global issues (war, terrorism, effect of global warming, population growth, and scarcity of water resources on violence)
- **Group-to-Group** — Intergroup relations (ethnic groups, sexual minority and religious communities, Northern Ireland, South Sudan)
- **Face-to-Face** — Interpersonal relations (family, workplace, neighborhoods, schools, intrapersonal and personal peace)
- **Moral/ethical/philosophical issues** in peace psychology
- **Methodologies** — Challenges of research design in peace psychology; multi-disciplinary collaboration

For each of the five contexts the committee invites multiple types of scholarship —

- **Empirical research** — Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods research
- **Research synthesis** — Reviews of literature including quantitative, qualitative, and theory-building reviews
- **Practice and training** — Descriptions and evaluations (broadly conceived) of intervention or training/teaching programs
- **Phenomenological perspectives** — Sharing personal experience and wisdom; first person stories of peace, conflict, and violence; personal artistic expression
- **Exploratory work and work in progress** — Presentations and discussions of research in progress; opportunities to brainstorm with experienced researchers to develop ideas for proposals, collaborations, and funding

The different possibilities of proposals might be conceptualized in the following typology, and the program committee will also encourage proposals which reflect “thinking be outside of these boxes.”

Typology of Presentations

| Type of Scholarship | Empirical Research | Synthesis/ Review | Practice/ Training | Phenomenological | Exploratory; in progress |
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| Context | | | | | |
| Nation-to-Nation | | | | | |
| Group-to-Group | | | | | |
| Face-to-Face | | | | | |
| Moral/Ethical | | | | | |
| Methodologies | | | | | |

Continuing Education Program

The continuing education workshop committee invites proposals for engaging, interactive, and participatory skill-building sessions which will enhance participants' personal and professional capabilities in pursuing peace, justice, and healing. Each workshop will be 3 hours divided into 1.5 hour sessions on Friday and Saturday afternoons. Proposal must meet the APA criteria for approval for continuing education credit.