

Call for Papers for the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual SPEP Conference

**56<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the  
Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy  
Thursday, October 19 - Saturday, October 21, 2017  
Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel  
Memphis, TN**

Host Institution:  
**University of Memphis**

**Submission Deadline: January 20, 2017**

The Executive Committee of SPEP invites:

**COMPLETE PAPERS** (no more than 3,000 words) with abstracts (75-100 words)  
*and*  
**PANEL PROPOSALS** consisting of one panel abstract (no more than 500 words) and  
complete papers (no more than 3,000 words per paper).

**Papers and panels from diverse philosophical perspectives in all areas of  
Continental Philosophy (broadly construed) are welcome.**

**All submissions will be considered under an anonymous review process.  
PLEASE SEND ALL PAPER AND PANEL SUBMISSIONS DIRECTLY TO THE  
SECRETARY-TREASURER.**

The selection process for the program is highly competitive and no papers can be added  
after the initial decisions have been made. In order to encourage the success of the  
conference, please ensure *prior to submission* that you are able to attend.

All conference participants must register for the 2017 conference and be members in  
good standing for the program year. Participants who neglect to register and pay dues for  
the program year will not be considered for the subsequent year.

**Instructions for Submissions**

**Submitting Paper and Panel Proposals:**

**1.** A person may **submit only one paper for consideration each year**. If you have a  
book under consideration for a special session, you may still submit a single paper for  
consideration, but you may **not** appear on a panel submission. Be advised that previously  
published work cannot be submitted (and will not be considered).

**2.** **All submissions must be submitted electronically.** Please send your submission  
directly to the Secretary-Treasurer, Emily Zakin, at [zakinspep@gmail.com](mailto:zakinspep@gmail.com)

**3. Electronic Receipt Deadline:**  
**11:59 p.m. EASTERN STANDARD TIME**  
**Friday, January 20, 2017**

**4. The subject line of the e-mail should read EXACTLY as follows:**  
**2017 SPEP Submission**

**5. Your submission should contain TWO ATTACHMENTS:**

**1. Abstract AND Submission in one document prepared for anonymous review.** Even if you are submitting a panel proposal, the panel abstract and all of the papers should be in one document. See “Format of Submissions” for more information.

**2. A Cover Sheet** that provides **detailed contact information**, including **ALL** of the following:

**Author name(s)**  
**Institutional Affiliation(s)**  
**Electronic address(es)** of the author(s)  
**Paper Title(s)**  
**Five Keywords for Paper or Panel**  
**Word count of the paper(s)**

The cover sheet should also indicate whether the author wishes to have the paper considered for “**Best Submission by a Graduate Student**,” “**Best Submission by a Junior Scholar**,” and/or “**The Iris Marion Young Prize for the Best Paper in Feminist Philosophy**.” (Please be sure to indicate how you meet the eligibility requirements for the first two awards. For a full description and eligibility conditions of each prize, please see below under “Prizes.”)

In addition, if you anticipate the need for **audio/visual equipment** should your submission be accepted, please indicate what you will need in your cover sheet.

**Format of Submissions:**

**All abstracts for single papers must include five keywords.** This will help the Executive Committee group single papers into panels when the conference program is being organized.

**Single-paper submissions** must include complete papers (of **no more than 3,000 words exclusive of notes and references**) and abstracts (of **no more than 100 words**).

**Panel proposals** must include a title, an abstract (of **no more than 500 words**) for the panel as a whole, and complete papers (of **no more than 3,000 words each, exclusive of notes and references**). **Only panels of two or three speakers will be considered.** The SPEP Executive Committee assigns moderators for all sessions.

Since papers and panel proposals are chosen through an anonymous review process, **names and addresses of authors must be stated on a separate cover sheet and omitted from the abstracts, papers, and footnotes.** The word count for papers should appear on the cover sheet; **papers that exceed the 3,000-word limit will not be considered.** Please use gender-inclusive language in accordance with the “Guidelines for Non-Sexist Use of Language” published by the APA and available at: <http://www.apaonlinecsw.org/apa-guidelines-for-non-sexist-use-of-language>

### **Notification:**

- A. **Notification of receipt of your submission:** Upon receipt of your submission, you will receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the Secretary-Treasurer indicating she has received your e-mail and its attachments. If you do not receive a response within one day, please send a follow up e-mail.
- B. **Notification of Inclusion in the 2017 SPEP Conference Program:** Authors of single-paper submissions and the panel organizers of panel-submissions will hear from the Executive Committee by June 1, 2017 whether their submission has been accepted or rejected for inclusion in the 2017 SPEP Conference Program.

### **Prizes:**

There are two monetary prizes available: the **best submission by a junior scholar** and the **best submission by a graduate student.** To be eligible for the SPEP Junior Scholar Award you must have earned a Ph.D. in the last five years (no earlier than January of 2012). All currently enrolled graduate students are eligible for the SPEP Graduate Student Award. An individual may win each prize only once.

Each monetary prize is \$500 plus a travel and hotel allowance. In addition, two non-monetary honorable mention prizes will be awarded. All of the award-winning submissions will be selected through an anonymous review process. You must declare your desire to be considered for an award and your status as a graduate student or as a junior scholar on the cover sheet that accompanies your submission. Winners will be notified by June 1, 2017.

In addition to the two above-mentioned prizes, there is also the non-monetary **Iris Marion Young Prize for the Best Paper in Feminist Philosophy** awarded by the **Committee on the Status of Women.** You must declare your desire to be considered for this prize on the cover sheet that accompanies your submission. The winner will be chosen by the CSW through anonymous review and will be notified by June 1, 2017.

### **Nominating Books for Book Sessions:**

In order for a book to be considered for a special session, **an e-mail from the author to the Book Selection Advisory Committee Chair and to both Co-Directors** requesting such consideration is required. Please also submit **two copies** of the book to the Book

Selection Advisory Committee Chair. The deadline for the e-mail *and* receipt of the books is **January 20, 2017**. An author may submit only one book for consideration. It is the author's responsibility to verify that their book has been sent to the Book Selection Advisory Committee Chair. NOTE: If you have a book under consideration for a special session, you may still submit a single paper for consideration, but you may **not** appear on a panel submission.

**Send books to:**

Elaine P. Miller (Chair of SPEP Book Selection Advisory Committee)  
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Miami University  
Oxford, OH 45056  
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**Eligible Books:** Authors or publishers are encouraged to send two copies of monographs on topics of interest to continental philosophers, published on or after January 1, 2014.

**Notification:**

The Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to the Executive Committee, and the authors of the books chosen for Current Research Sessions will be notified by June 1, 2017.

***For further information, please contact either one of the Executive Co-Directors:***

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*Members of SPEP are also encouraged to submit their papers to the APA for consideration. Guidelines for submission can be found at:*  
<http://www.apaonline.org/>