



59TH SPR ANNUAL MEETING

Washington, DC

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September 25 to September 29, 2019

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SPR Call for Abstracts

Symposia and Panel Discussions

January 7, 2019	Symposia and Panel Discussions abstract submission system opens
February 8, 2019	Deadline for symposia and panel discussion submissions

Posters

March 1, 2019	Poster abstract submission system opens
April 1, 2019	Deadline for poster submissions

Late Breaking Student Poster Submissions*

May 31, 2019	Student poster abstract submission system opens
July 1, 2019	Deadline for student poster submissions

* Limited acceptance (10-20 posters). First author MUST be either a current undergraduate or a recent (2019) college graduate.

Abstract Submission Link

https://sprweb.org/page/2019_Abstracts

The Society for Psychophysiological Research (SPR) is pleased to announce its call for submission of abstracts to be considered for presentation at its Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, on September 25-29, 2019. This year's program features keynote addresses by Mara Mather, Betsy Murray, and Tor Wager, and pre-conferences including workshops on ambulatory psychophysiology and the open science framework, as well as a bootcamp on either ERP methodology or multilevel modeling (stay tuned for more details!). Don't miss the Presidential Symposium on "Imitation, Synchronization & Empathy: Evidence From Brains, Bodies & Bots"!

Also, we will be introducing a new set of "Big Question" symposia this year. The Program Committee is developing three questions of broad interest to the SPR community at large. Individual presenters will indicate when they submit that they would like to be considered for one of the Big Question symposia. The Program Committee will make final decisions in composing these events. We encourage ALL members to consider whether their work is relevant to one of the Big Question symposia!

We encourage submission of abstracts describing new research on the interrelationships between the physiological and psychological aspects of behavior. Abstracts must be written in understandable English and will be evaluated on the basis of scientific merit by peer review. Abstracts should report original data that will not be published elsewhere prior to the meeting, although presentation at a recent meeting (e.g., within a year) of another society is acceptable.

Submissions should cover primarily methods and results, although contributions with a theoretical or methodological emphasis are welcome. Studies for which results are not apparent or which do not include physiological measures are not appropriate and will not be considered for inclusion in the program.

Submissions of proposals for symposia and structured panel discussions must be received electronically no later than 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time) on Friday, February 8, 2019.

Submissions of poster abstracts must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time) on Monday, April 1, 2019.

Submissions of poster abstracts by undergraduate students must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time) on Monday, July 1, 2019.

Notification of acceptance or rejection of symposia and panel discussion submissions will be emailed to the designated corresponding author by March 22, 2019. If a symposium is rejected, authors are encouraged to re-submit their individual abstracts for a poster presentation by the deadline of April 1, 2019.

Notification of acceptance or rejection for poster submissions will be sent to the corresponding authors mid-May 2019.

All presenters will be expected to register (and pay) to attend the meeting. All correspondence about a given submission will be sent to the submitting author only.

If accepted, your author-prepared abstract will be published in a supplement to the journal, *Psychophysiology*, as it appears on your electronic submission. The SPR Program Chair, as Editor of the supplement, reserves the right to make editorial corrections to the submitted abstract, if necessary.

Presentation Formats

Each of the following is a presentation format at the SPR Annual Meeting.

Symposia Submissions:

Symposia are designed for the presentation of several talks related to a common area of research. In addition to scientific excellence, the Program Committee will strongly consider diversity of the panels—including representation of diverse methods, laboratories, and people. We will give highest priority to proposals that reflect interdisciplinary approaches to a topic and represent contributions from multiple laboratories. Inclusion of senior members, as well as a junior member is also encouraged. In addition, the Program Committee will strongly consider appropriate representation of women and underrepresented minorities in the composition of the panels when selecting symposia. If necessary, the committee will be happy to work with the organizer to suggest additional presenters within a similar content area to ensure the diversity of the scientific program and participants.

Symposia should have a well-defined focus with all participants addressing the same problem area. If a discussant is included, they should be familiar with all of the papers and be prepared to evaluate and integrate the material presented rather than present new data. The time allotted to symposia will be 90 minutes. Symposium organizers should ensure that the number of participants allows time for the presentations, discussant's remarks, and questions from the audience.

Prepare a summary abstract of the symposium as a whole (less than 1,600 characters, including spaces). **The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information.** Provide a concise description of your proposed presentation in narrative form. (If the submitting author is also an author on the abstract, please be sure to include their name and contact information in the list of authors.) Prepare 3-4 (maximum of 5) separate abstracts for each paper in the symposium.

The submitting author will be responsible for corresponding with each presenter. The SPR Office will send all correspondence to the submitting author only.

Evaluation of symposia by the Program Committee will be based on a summary abstract and individual abstracts prepared by each participant. **The maximum number of abstracts that may be submitted for a symposium is six** (one overall abstract and a maximum of five supporting abstracts). Symposia including five presenters should be particularly attentive to ensuring there is still sufficient time for discussion.

Structured Panel Discussions:

These 90-minute sessions are designed to stimulate discussion about a particular issue by a panel of investigators working in that area. Examples of topics of past panel discussions include challenges related to specific methodologies, issues concerning funding, conducting psychophysiological research in predominantly undergraduate institutions, the future of psychophysiology, etc. **Compared to symposia, they place less emphasis on formal oral presentation and are less data intensive.** Instead, the focus should be on structured discussion among the panelists and/or questions from the audience.

Prepare a summary abstract of the panel discussion as a whole (less than 1,600 characters, including spaces). **The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information.** Provide a concise description of your proposed presentation in narrative form. (If the submitting author is also an author on the abstract, please be sure to include their name and contact information in the list of authors.) Prepare 3-4 (maximum of 5) separate abstracts for each paper in the panel discussion.

The submitting author will be responsible for corresponding with each presenter. The SPR Office will send all correspondence to the submitting author only.

The Program Committee will review all panel discussion submissions. The evaluations will be based on the summary abstract and individual abstracts prepared by each participant. A clear integrative focus should be apparent in the summary statement and the abstracts of the individual participants. **The maximum number of abstracts that may be submitted for a panel discussion is six** (one overall abstract and a maximum of five supporting abstracts).

Poster Submissions:

The majority of submissions will be presented during the poster sessions. Poster submissions are limited to two (2) First Author submissions per individual. Poster submissions for which the first author is a student (a graduate student, undergraduate student, or a pre-doctoral research assistant/associate) are eligible for a Student Poster Award (if submitting their poster by July 1, 2019). Only current SPR student members are eligible for this award. Judging for Student Poster Awards will take place at all poster sessions, and awards will be presented during the Saturday Night Social.

Provide a concise description of your study in narrative form. **The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information.** Data presented in the abstract as "work in progress" will not be considered for program inclusion.

Please note: If you are planning to be the presenting author of more than one abstract, you must be available to present each submission in a different poster session, if needed. All submissions will be considered available for presentation on any day of the meeting.

Topics

Each submitting author will be asked to select one of the following topics in which his or her abstract submission will be reviewed.

Aging	Memory
Attention	Motivation
Behavioral medicine	Neurological disorders/ neuropathology
Biofeedback	Non-human animals
Cognitive control/ executive functions	Pain
Couples/family research	Personality
Decision making	Pharmacology
Emotion/affect	Psychopathology
Ergonomics	Quantitative specialty
Genetics	Sensation/perception
Immunology	Sleep
Individual differences	Social factors
Infants/children/adolescents	Speech/language
Intervention research	Unconscious processes
Learning/conditioning	Other

Questions?

Should you have questions about your submission, please contact:

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