

This is the 2008 SRA *Call for Submissions!*

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Submission Deadlines:

- **Posters - Friday, August 17, 2007**
- **All Other Formats - Friday, August 24, 2007**



The Program Committee invites submissions for the 12th Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) to be held at the Hilton Chicago Hotel, March 6-9, 2008. Meeting sessions will begin at 12:00 PM on Thursday and end at 12:15 PM on Sunday. Preconference sessions will be held on Thursday, March 6, from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Persons with an interest in adolescence, whatever their discipline, are encouraged to submit. Empirical, theoretical, historical, and methodological submissions related to adolescence are welcome. We also welcome student—graduate and undergraduate—submissions. The Program Committee and the Executive Council of SRA strongly advocates the interdisciplinary and international character of the Society through its Biennial Meetings. For more information about SRA and the 12th Biennial Meeting, please visit our website: www.s-r-a.org.

Author Information Verification Process

It is extremely important that you enter a full name, affiliation, and email address for every person included on your submission. This information uniquely identifies authors throughout the submitting and review process and ensures that our email communication reaches them.

- Approximately 2 weeks following the final submission deadline, every person on all submissions will receive an email message requesting that they update and verify their contact information.

International Scholars Travel Grants

Individuals on *accepted submissions who attend* the SRA Biennial Meeting are eligible to apply for these travel funds. Recipients of travel grants must be *citizens and residents* of Central or Eastern Europe, Russia, or a developing country as defined by United Nations' criteria. Grants are typically made to scholars who have received their Ph.D. degrees or equivalents within the past seven years. *Qualified individuals may apply for this award during the Author Information Verification Process* (see above).

SRA normally does not accept submissions that already have been presented or will be presented elsewhere. Exceptions may be made in cases where SRA members have not had access to the information. A submitter of such a presentation should provide justification in an email message to the program office (socresadol@umich.edu) prior to the submission deadlines. Submissions may not be made in two formats, e.g., as a presentation in a symposium and as a separate poster.

Entering Data into the Submission Website

Now that submitting, review of submissions, and production of the program schedule are all handled electronically on the web, it is essential to recognize that what you enter for your submission is what will appear in the printed program book and in the online program schedule. SRA is no longer able to make post-submission changes in titles, author information, etc., so please pay attention to details such as

- **Enter formal names** rather than nicknames;
- Use proper capitalization and punctuation in your titles, integrative statements, and summaries; and
- **Run a spell- and grammar-check** in your word-processor before uploading files to the submission website.
- **To protect the anonymity of the review process**, for integrative statements and summaries produced in MS Word and WordPerfect, click on the Tools menu, then on Options, and then on the Security tab; check "Remove personal information from file properties on save."
- **Be sure to save a *final* copy of your edited document *before* uploading your file to the submission website:** Accept all changes and turn the "track changes" tool off.

This is important because several thousand copies of the program are printed for the meeting, many of which are kept for several years for reference, and the online program schedule is archived permanently on the SRA website for future reference.

If your submission is accepted, the material presented at the meeting must substantively match that described in the summary submitted for review. (Note: Integrative statements and summaries are for review purposes *only*.) **After you finalize your submission**,

- No summary substitutions may be made. (Note: Summaries are for *review purposes only*.)
- No title substitutions are allowed.
- No substitutions of presentations within a symposium are allowed.

Additional co-authors may be added, changes in roles may be requested, and typographical errors may be corrected until the deadline for revisions as specified in your decision notification.

Completion of an online submission that is accepted is considered an agreement to present the submitted work in the specified format at its scheduled time. Individual requests for particular times are very difficult to accommodate due to complex scheduling procedures. However, at the time of submission, a request may be made in the "Notes" field on the submission website for a day or days on which not to be scheduled. Please include the reason for your special time request, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs in our scheduling process. No guarantees are made that your request will be honored.

Review Criteria for All Submission Formats

Sufficient empirical data, coded and analyzed even if not yet complete, must be included in your summary to provide a basis for evaluation of your submission. Each submission will be evaluated by at least two members of either your first- or second-choice review panel. If two ratings of a submission differ appreciably, the panel chair also will rate the submission. Submissions are reviewed according to the following criteria:

1. Clarity of formulation/conceptualization;
2. Adequacy of methods;
3. Appropriateness of interpretations;

4. Importance of topic; and
5. For multi-presenter formats: Cohesion among presentations, relevance of presentations to the topic, and expression of different views.

2008 Submission Rules

1. Current SRA MEMBERS may submit 3 *presenting roles*.
2. NONMEMBERS may submit 2 *presenting roles*.

Presenting Roles, Defined

- Chair 1 of an Innovative Session, and Chair 1 and Chair 2 (optional) of a Symposium are protected against schedule conflicts.
- Discussant for a Symposium is protected against schedule conflicts.
- Author 1 of a Poster or a Paper/Poster Symposium Presentation is protected against schedule conflicts.
- Panelist in an Innovative Session is protected against schedule conflicts.

Additional Considerations:

- a. The maximum number of submissions is based on member status at the time of submission, regardless of decision status.
- b. There is no limit to the number of nonpresenting roles, Authors 2 through 10, per individual.
- c. *Multiple roles for an individual* (i.e., Chair 1 and Author 1 of a presentation) *in the same submission* count as *one* presenting role.
- d. *Membership status:* Although SRA membership is not required to submit, to comply with the submission rules, you must be a current member for 2007 to submit 3 presenting roles.
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Submissions may be denied review if:

1. Author names or other identifying material, including grant support, are part of the integrative statement or summary for ***symposia or posters***.
2. The integrative statement or summary exceeds the stated maximum number of pages.
3. Material is submitted in two formats, e.g., both as a poster and a symposium presentation.
4. Your summary lacks sufficient data—coded and analyzed, even if not yet complete—to provide a basis for reviewer evaluation.
5. Material was presented elsewhere and prior permission was not requested and granted to submit for this meeting.
6. Guidelines for the format were not followed, e.g., not adhering to the required number of presentations/panelists, too many pages for an integrative statement or summary, etc.

Submission Formats

Submission format choices for 2008 are: (1) Poster; (2) Paper Symposium; (3) Poster Symposium; (4) Student Poster Symposium; (5) Innovative Session: Roundtable Discussion Symposium; (6) Innovative Session: Debate; (7) Innovative Session: Memorial Panel Discussion. See the specific format below for a detailed description, guidelines, and submission procedures.

Posters

Posters are the format for free-standing research presentations. Posters are recommended when material is strongly data-based, can be explained briefly, is suited for graphic or visual presentation, and/or would benefit from high levels of interaction and discussion.

- The maximum number of authors is 10.
- Posters will be displayed for 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- Each accepted poster occupies one poster board for the entire session.
- No power will be available.

General Procedures for Submitting Posters

1. Enter basic information (format choice, title that is 130 characters or less in length, two [review panel](#) choices, and one keyword selection from [Keyword List 1](#) and up to two from [Keyword List 2](#)).
2. Enter information for the authors and specify a role and order for each person. Be prepared to enter complete information for yourself and accurate names, affiliations, and email addresses for all other people on your submission.
3. Upload a 2-page, 10-pt font, double-spaced *summary* as an MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF file. Place the title at the top. Citations may be included, but do not include a reference list. *No names or other identifying information may be included.*
4. Upload a graphics file—encouraged, but optional. The file may include *a total of 2 graphics* (2 tables or 2 figures, or 1 table plus 1 figure) in MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF. Alternatively, your graphics may be included at the end of your summary.

Symposia: Paper Symposium, Poster Symposium, Student Poster Symposium

Symposia are the format for coherent clusters of research presentations and theoretical perspectives. Symposia focus should be on a specific topic and should emphasize conceptual issues and integration of findings. Please keep in mind that

- **Symposia must be organized by submitters** and should be submitted as a group of presentations (at least two) with a chair and optional co-chair (see specifics below on the number of participants allowed for each format). SRA does not organize symposia.
- **Symposia organizers** are strongly encouraged to incorporate diversity and international participation into their submissions. After the scientific review is completed, these factors may be considered in the decision process. To identify non-U.S. reviewers, view the list of [review panels](#): A name followed by an asterisk indicates that this person is from outside the U.S.A.
- **Important Note.** While inviting people to participate in your symposium, please clearly communicate to them that they are **not** part of the official SRA Invited Program and that SRA will *not* reimburse their expenses.

A Paper Symposium. *Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation. The total number of presenters may not exceed 4.*

- *Two paper presentations minimum and three paper presentations maximum;*
- Chair 1, *required;*
- Chair 2, *optional;*
- Discussant, *optional.*

Thus, a paper symposium *must have at least* 1 chair and 2 paper presentations. Possible combinations for a “total of 4”:

- 1 chair and 4 paper presentations
- 1 chair, 3 paper presentations, and 1 discussant
- 2 chairs, 4 paper presentations
- 2 chairs, 3 paper presentations, and 1 discussant

A Poster Symposium. *Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation. The total number of presenters must not exceed 7.*

- *Three posters minimum and six poster presentations maximum;*
- Chair 1, *required;*
- Chair 2, *optional;*
- Discussant, *optional.*

Thus, a poster symposium might include 1 chair and 6 poster presentations; 1 chair, 2-5 poster presentations, and 1 discussant; 2 chairs and 2-5 poster presentations; 2 chairs, 2-4 poster presentations, and 1 discussant.

The Student Poster Symposium. *Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation . The total number of presenters must not exceed 7.*

- Each individual poster presentation must have a student as Author 1;
- *Three posters minimum and five posters maximum;*
- Chair 1, *required;*
- Chair 2, *optional;*
- Discussant, *required.*

Thus, a student poster symposium may include a chair, 3-5 poster presentations, and a discussant; or 2 chairs, 3-4 poster presentations, and a discussant. Additional requirements:

1. The first author must be an undergraduate or graduate student *at the time of submission and at the time of presentation* to be the first author of a poster presentation.
2. A senior researcher serves as the chair and, *for this format only*, it does not count toward the maximum number of presenting roles for that individual.
3. A second senior researcher *from a research lab not represented by the posters* must be selected to serve as the discussant. This person should be someone whose expertise will encourage discussion of all presentations included in the symposium. *For this format only*, the discussant role does not count toward the maximum number of presenting roles.

Each accepted student poster symposium will be scheduled in a meeting room for presentation.

Symposia Role Descriptions for ALL Three Types

Chair 1 (required): Organizes and moderates the symposium session. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.

Chair 2 (optional): Same as Chair 1. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.

Discussant: The discussant will comment on the papers/posters included in the symposium, drawing on his/her own expertise; however, this person does not present his/her own research. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.

Author 1: The first author is the person who presents an individual paper/poster within a symposium. This presenting role is protected against schedule conflicts.

Authors 2 - 10 (optional): Up to 9 people may be listed as co-authors of posters and papers within a symposium. These roles are *not* protected against schedule conflicts.

General Procedures for Submitting ALL Symposia

1. Enter basic information (format choice, title that is 130 characters or less in length, two [review panel](#) choices, and one keyword selection from [Keyword List 1](#) and up to two from [Keyword List 2](#)).
2. Enter information for the participants (chair(s), discussant, authors) and specify roles and order for each person. Be prepared to enter complete information for yourself and only names, affiliations, and email addresses for all other people on your submission.
3. Upload a 1-page, 10-pt font, double-spaced *integrative statement* as an MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF file, summarizing the nature and significance of the proposed topic. Place the title at the top. Citations may be included, but do not include a reference list. *No names or other identifying information may be included.*
4. Upload a 2-page, 10-pt font, double-spaced *summary* as an MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF file, for each paper or poster in the symposium. Place the title of the symposium and the presentation at the top. Citations may be included, but do not include a reference list. *No names or other identifying information may be included.*
5. Upload a graphics file--encouraged, but optional--for each presentation. The file may include a *total of 2 graphics* (2 tables or 2 figures, or 1 table plus 1 figure) in MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF. Alternatively, your graphics may be included at the end of your summary.

Innovative Sessions: Roundtable Discussion Symposium, Debate, Memorial Panel Discussion

The SRA Program Committee encourages high-quality innovative sessions and offers three format options from which to choose: Roundtable Discussion Symposium, Debate, and Memorial Panel Discussion. Innovative sessions are designed to provide the opportunity for interaction, discussion, and dialogue. Informal communication is encouraged. Innovative session submissions should be submitted to the most appropriate review panel based on content. Note that all roles in an innovative session are presenting roles and **will count toward submission limits** as previously described. All innovative sessions will be scheduled within the typical **1 hour and 45 minute timeslot**.

- **An Innovative Session must be organized by submitters** and should be submitted as a group of presentations (see specifics below on the number of panelists allowed for each format). SRA does not organize Innovative Sessions.

- **Innovative Session organizers** are strongly encouraged to incorporate diversity and international participation into their submissions. After the scientific review is completed, these factors may be considered in the decision process. To identify non-U.S. reviewers, view the list of [review panels](#): A name followed by an asterisk indicates that this person is from outside the U.S.A.
- **Important Note.** While inviting people to participate in your innovative session, please clearly communicate to them that they are **not** part of the official SRA Invited Program and that SRA will *not* reimburse their expenses.

Innovative Session: Roundtable Discussion Symposium. This format is designed to encourage the exchange of ideas, methods, and/or experiences among an intellectually diverse group of scholars around significant questions related to a central topic. The purpose is to encourage contact among individuals or groups who may benefit from shared experiences, or to air different views on a controversial topic. Roles for this format are

- Chair 1, required; organizes and moderates the panel discussion. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.
- Panelists 2-4. These are presenting roles and are protected against schedule conflicts.
- *The total number of presenters must not exceed 5.*

The Chair of the symposium should present a list of significant questions to the panelists for comment and interactive discussion. These questions, which may address theoretical and/or methodological issues, should be compelling (e.g., cutting-edge; related to controversies in the field). The audience should be given an opportunity to respond to the questions raised and to introduce additional questions and comments for the panel. This format is not intended as a forum for disseminating specific research findings. *Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation.*

Innovative Session: Debate. This format is designed to encourage the presentation and discussion of two to four opposing perspectives on a particular topic. Roles for this format are

- Chair 1, required; organizes and moderates the debate. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.
- Panelists 2-4. These are presenting roles and are protected against schedule conflicts.
- *The total number of presenters must not exceed 5.*

The Chair introduces the topic and the panelists provide formal presentations that present the various views. The Chair then leads an informal discussion among the panel members and the audience. *Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation .*

Innovative Session: Memorial Panel Discussion. This format is designed to honor a deceased person's contribution to the field of adolescent development. The title of the submission should include the name of the person being honored. Roles for this format are

- Chair 1, required; organizes and moderates the panel discussion. This is a presenting role and is protected against schedule conflicts.
- Panelists 2-5. These are presenting roles and are protected against schedule conflicts.
- *The total number of presenters must not exceed 6.*

Scheduled for 1 hour, 45 minutes, at least the last 30 minutes MUST be reserved for discussion with audience participation . This format should be submitted online by the submission deadline. If

circumstances prevent adherence to this timetable, please contact the SRA Program Office (socresadol@umich.edu) for direction.

General Procedures for Submitting ALL Innovative Sessions

For the Roundtable Discussion Symposium, Debate, and Memorial Panel Discussion, a 3-page summary must be submitted. The session chair should explain the goal of the innovative session, justify the topic, and explain the role and the perspective of each participant (**each participant should be named**). All of the roles in these sessions count toward the maximum allowable number of roles.

1. Enter basic information (format choice, title that is 130 characters or less in length, two [review panel](#) choices, and one keyword selection from [Keyword List 1](#) and up to two from [Keyword List 2](#)).
2. Enter information for all of your participants (chair, panelists) and specify roles and order for each person. Be prepared to enter complete information for yourself and only names, affiliations, and email addresses for all other people on your submission.
3. Upload one 3-page, 10-pt font, double-spaced, *summary* as an MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF file, the innovative session. *Each participant should be named and his/her role specified*. Place the title of the session at the top. Citations may be included, but do not include a reference list.
4. Upload a graphics file--encouraged, but optional--as appropriate. The file may include *a total of 2 graphics* (2 tables or 2 figures, or 1 table plus 1 figure) in MS Word, WordPerfect, or PDF. Alternatively, your graphics may be included in your MS Word or WordPerfect file.