## Conference Announcement: CALL FOR PROPOSALS

June 10-11, 2019\* Simmons University, Boston, MA



Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP) 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP), a Section of Division 5 (Quantitative and Qualitative Methods) of the American Psychological Association, is pleased to announce that its annual conference will be held at Simmons University (formerly Simmons College) in Boston, MA, on Monday and Tuesday, June 10-11, 2019.

\*There will also be an <u>optional pre-conference workshop</u> the afternoon of Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please see the end of this Call for Proposals for information.

Because our society is focused on qualitative inquiry, we are specifically interested in proposals that discuss contributions of qualitative methodology and methods, or approaches to research design that transform the understanding of a phenomenon of interest or transform psychology as a discipline. These could include (but are not limited to) methodological advances in qualitative inquiries of all kinds; philosophical issues such as epistemology and ethics, strategies and practices for effective instruction in specific qualitative methods; applications of methods in empirical research; and ethical issues attendant on the qualitative research process. Submissions from multidisciplinary, international, and student scholars are welcomed, given such attempts to wrestle with the multiple meanings and expressions of psychological life and their potential to introduce innovation into the field of psychology.

<u>Submission Instructions</u>: Completed proposals should be submitted as a single, well-organized document in Microsoft Word format. *In all cases, we request that you foreground in your proposal the contribution of the methodology/method in achieving your aims.* Please name the file "2019 SQIP," then the first and last name of the corresponding author, and an abbreviated title (e.g., "2019 SQIP – Full Name – Narrative Study of Advocacy"). Submit proposals electronically to SQIPconference@gmail.com, by **January 15, 2019.** 

Proposal submissions are invited in four forms: Organized Symposia featuring 3-5 presenters who will address a common theme during a 60- or 90-minute session; Individual Papers that we will group into sessions of three papers each; Conversation Hours that will engage audiences in considering issues relevant to qualitative methods; and Poster Presentations that authors will discuss in our poster sessions, featuring individual and/or group work.

For **Symposia**, please indicate in this order:

• The type of proposal (symposium)

- Preferred time slot (60 or 90 minutes, as available)
- The name and contact information (including email addresses) for all participants, including chair and discussant(s) (as applicable) and whether they are a student or professional.
- An overarching symposium title and abstract (not to exceed 300 words)
- Complete titles and abstracts (not to exceed 300 words each) for the individual presentations in the symposium.

## For Individual papers and Posters, please indicate in this order:

- The type of proposal (paper or poster)
- The name and contact information (including email addresses) for all participants, including chair and discussant(s) (as applicable) and whether they are a student or professional.
- The paper title and abstract (not to exceed 300 words)

## For **Conversation Hours**, please indicate in this order:

- The type of proposal (Discussion Hour)
- The name and contact information (including email addresses) for all participants, including chair and discussant(s) (as applicable) and whether they are a student or professional.
- An overarching discussion hour title and abstract (not to exceed 300 words)

Conference details will be posted at <a href="http://sqip.org/sqip-2019-conference/">http://sqip.org/sqip-2019-conference/</a> as they become available.

To join SQIP please visit: <a href="http://sqip.org/membership/">http://sqip.org/membership/</a>.

We look forward to seeing you at Simmons University in June!

Profs. Suzanne Kirschner & Gary Senecal, Program Committee Co-Chairs Prof. Suzanne Kirschner, Host Committee Chair

\*An optional PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP will be offered on the afternoon of Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, for a nominal fee. This year, we are delighted to host a workshop led by Heidi Levitt, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology, University of Massachusetts/Boston:

## Methodological integrity in qualitative research:

Strengthening the design of your study and your communication with reviewers
This 4-hour workshop provides an overview of the concept of methodological integrity that was put forward by a SQIP task force to guide the process of research designs and journal review and adopted by the APA reporting standards. The workshop will guide you to use this perspective to strengthen your qualitative research designs, across methods, and to tailor procedures to your question, goals, and approaches to inquiry. Also, you will learn how to use this concept to communicate with reviewers and craft arguments to support your methods within the journal review process.