

The RMGP Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion and Religion & Bible Society of the Rocky Mountain Great Plains Region

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah • March 22–23, 2024

Call for Papers

The Regional Program Committee invites proposals for papers and panels to be presented at the 2024 Rocky Mountain Great Plains (RMGP) regional meeting of the American Academy of Religion (AAR) and Religion and Bible Society of the Rocky Mountain Great Plains Region (RBS) hosted by Brigham Young University at the Provo Public Library (Provo, UT), March 22-23, 2024. **The deadline for submissions is Monday November 27, 2023, at 5:00 pm MST.**

Proposals dealing with any aspect of the fields of religious studies, biblical studies, and Near Eastern studies are welcome. We seek proposals on all topics, religious traditions, historical periods, and biblical (including pseudepigraphical and deuterocanonical) texts and traditions. We welcome proposals for single papers, panels with multiple papers, or other types of sessions, such as roundtables involving structured discussions of pre-circulated questions. Proposals addressing issues such as pedagogy, instructional technology, philology, ritual, the body, religion and media, religion and politics, and current trends in the profession are also encouraged.

Proposal Requirements

All proposals should follow the instructions listed below and need to be submitted by the deadline to the following:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HOPJ21SGC4FDfJEeBsUEijsRijCoWM3wg2mYfBICp3Q/edit?ts=64f8e4c7>

Each proposal should include a tentative title as well as a name, institutional affiliation, and email address. They should include an abstract of no more than 300 words that has a clear thesis and discusses the subject matter and methodology of the paper, as well as the significance of the subject within the broader field of interest.

Panel proposals should include (1) an abstract of no more than 300 words that discusses the subject matter and significance of the session as a whole; and (2) individual abstracts of no more than 300 words for each paper, addressing the subjects, methodology, and significance of those papers. Please note that individual paper abstracts for a proposed panel need to specify for what panel they are being submitted.

Proposals for other types of sessions should include an abstract of no more than 300 words describing the format, subject matter, and broader significance of the session.

If you require technological support for your presentation, such as audio and/or projection equipment, please request it with your proposal; the Program Committee will make every effort to accommodate such requests.

All regional members are supported and welcome to attend. Anti-discrimination policies and procedures for RMGP will be upheld and can be found [here](#). The general website for the Religion and Bible Society of the Rocky Mountain-Great Plains Region is: <http://rmgp.org/>

Undergraduate Student Paper Session:

To foster undergraduate involvement in the 2024 Regional Meeting there will be at least one (or more) undergraduate student sessions. Undergraduates who would like to submit an abstract for this session should follow the Proposal Requirements outlined above and specify on the proposal that they are submitting for the undergraduate session. In addition to the online abstract submission, an email should be sent to Krystal V. L. Pierce (krystal_pierce@byu.edu) by a faculty member from the student's institution who is familiar with the student's work and can attest to their potential and ability in the field.

Program Committee

Members of RMGP who hold a faculty position at a university within the region and who are willing to serve on the Program Committee and review proposals are asked to email George A. Pierce (george_pierce@byu.edu) by November 6, 5:00 pm MST. It is hoped that at least one faculty from each of the participating schools in the region will serve on the Program Committee. Details on the Program Committee proposal review process will be emailed to those who self-identify by the deadline.

Questions

Questions about the conference or call for papers should be sent to one of the following:

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Sponsors

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