Call for Papers:
The Florida State University Department of Religion
17th Annual Graduate Student Symposium
February 22-23, 2019 • Tallahassee, Florida

The Florida State University Department of Religion is pleased to announce its 17th Annual Graduate Student Symposium to be held February 22-23, 2019 in Tallahassee, Florida.

Our most recent symposium brought together over 50 presenters from over 15 universities and departments as varied as History, Political Science, Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Classics to share their research, learn from one another, and meet many of their peers and future colleagues.

This year’s symposium will be centered on the theme “Human and Nonhuman.”

Dr. Annette Yoshiko Reed of New York University will deliver this year’s keynote address.

Due to our commitment to collaborative scholarship, students from all fields with interdisciplinary interests in the study of religion and at all levels of graduate study are encouraged to submit paper proposals.

Possible topics include, but are not limited to: Religion and the Body; Ritual, Practice, and Performance; Religion and Violence; Theories of Space and Place; Secularisms and the (Im)possibility of Religious Freedom; Sexuality and Gender; Race and Ethnic Identity; Colonialism and the Subaltern; Cosmology and Creation Stories; Method and Critical Theory on Religion; Law, Politics, Class, and Economy; Technology, Consciousness, and Posthumanity; Possession and Displacement; Comparative Examinations of Religious Groups and Texts.

Presentations should be approximately 15 to 20 minutes in length and will receive faculty responses. In addition, every year respondents select the best graduate paper to receive the Leo F. Sandon Award, an endowed award named for the Religion Department’s former chair.

Proposals including an abstract of approximately 300 words, a list of three to five key terms, and a one-page CV should be submitted by December 1, 2018 for review. Final papers must be submitted by January 31, 2019. Please send proposals to Tim Burnside at fsureligionsymposium@gmail.com.

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to hearing from you or your students and seeing you at the 2019 Graduate Student Symposium at Florida State University.