

CALLING ALL UNDERGRADS! – FALL UNDERGRAD RELIGION SYMPOSIUM!

Students Organized for Religious and Cultural Exploration (SORCE)—a.k.a. the "Religion Club"—announces the Fall 2019 Undergraduate Student Religion Symposium on **Saturday, November 9th**, location to be determined. Coffee, lunch, and refreshments will be served! This year's theme is **"Religion Matters: Rituals, Practices, and Texts."** Our deadline for proposal submissions is **Thursday, October 17 at 11:59 p.m.**

Conference Theme:

This conference explores the "matter" of religion, how we see religious thought manifested in our world. We aim to explore the presence of religion in the world through (as the subtitle suggests) ritual, practice, and text, although that list is not exhaustive. Many topics related to the materiality of religion are welcome, including those related to race, gender, political structures, "tradition", health, human rights, narratives and media, stigmas, spirituality, and violence.

We seek paper, poster, and brief video documentary submissions from students interested in participating.

Presentations will be ten-minutes in length (for papers, roughly five double-spaced pages in twelve-point Times New Roman font with one-inch margins). We welcome posters and ten-minute film documentaries or excerpts as well. Students may present on work – including final projects – that they have completed or one which they are currently or previous religion-related course at FSU, a directed independent study (DIS), honors-in-the-major thesis, or independent research or service-learning project. If you have presented at a previous religion symposium, we encourage you to apply again with a new proposal!

Submission Deadlines:

Please **submit your proposals** to Lucy Miree at lem16f@my.fsu.edu, with the following information by **Thursday, October 17, at 11:59 p.m.:**

1. a clear thesis statement
2. an abstract of 150-300 words summarizing the paper, poster, or brief film's content
3. clear references in your proposal to the theme of the conference as discussed above.

If we select your proposal for presentation, we will ask you to participate in a workshop for writing, editing, and presenting student research – date and location TBA. The workshop will give presenters an opportunity to develop their work and practice presenting prior to the event.

Even if you have yet to complete your paper or related research, we encourage you to apply, as long as you will have five pages/ten minutes of material to present by the day of the symposium.

Thank you, and we look forward to receiving your submissions!