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**Social Studies: The Core of Teaching and Learning**  
**NYS CSS & NYS4A 77th Annual Convention**  
**Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Center**  
**March 11 – 14, 2015**

**Call for Papers and Panels on Social Studies Research**

You are invited to submit a conference paper or panel proposal for our 77th Annual Convention! Our theme celebrates and promotes the central role of higher education in P-12 social studies education through school-university partnerships. We plan to host a series of strands (including full- and half-day ticketed clinics and workshops) tailored to the unique needs faculty and students in teacher-training programs and other subject areas.

Each paper or panel should address the themes below:

- Implementation of the *New York State K-12 Social Studies Framework*.
- A celebration of teachers and the roles of teacher preparation and professional development on student achievement.
- Establishing a pipeline between P-12 schools, higher education institutions, and other education organizations to foster 21st century social studies education.

We seek a wide range of conference paper and panel proposals from undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate students and faculty members for our annual convention. Submissions from history, economics, geography, political science, sociology, anthropology, and cross-disciplinary works are especially encouraged.

### **Paper Proposals**

Paper proposals should be no longer than 500 words, and contain the following information:

- The author(s) name and institutional affiliation(s)
- E-mail contact for the lead author
- Working title for the paper
- Description of how the proposal fits within the convention themes
- Summary of the research
- Methodology
- Tentative findings

A bibliography is not necessary but is encouraged. Charts and graphs are not required at this time.

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## Panel Proposals

NYSCSS & NYS4A encourage scholars seeking to present early research findings or engage in collegial conversations. Our panels are a great opportunity for professors and their students to present initial research findings for dissertations, theses, and research projects – or to discuss the state of social studies theory and research. Requirements for a panel proposal are the same as for a paper session proposal.

- Panels will provide their own facilitator/ discussant.
- Names and institutional affiliations for all members are required.
- A brief, 500-word summary of the panel is required.

NEW! Five strands of sessions and clinics are customized for specific audiences. Your paper session or panel proposal might address one of these strands (optional):

- **Strand # 1: Language, Culture, and Social Education** for pre-service and in-service Bilingual, English Language Learner, Languages Other Than English, Social Studies, and Special Education teachers and faculty members.
- **Strand # 2: Leadership and Learning** for pre-service and in-service administrators, lead teachers, and educational leadership faculty members.
- **Strand # 3: Libraries and Information Literacy in the Social Studies** for pre-service and in-service school and academic librarians, teachers, and faculty members.
- **Strand # 4: Professional Learning Communities and Technology in the Social Studies** for teachers and faculty members interested in professional development and technology integration in face-to-face, online, and blended formats.
- **Strand # 5: Theory and Research into Practice** for faculty members, researchers, post-graduate students, and interested teachers to discuss educational theory and research trends translated into practice, building the P-16 school-university pipeline.

**All proposals must be received by 11:59 PM on Wednesday, October 15, 2014!** Authors will be notified of decisions on their paper or panel proposals by December 1, 2014. For any questions, please contact [president-elect@nyscss.org](mailto:president-elect@nyscss.org). On behalf of the 2015 Syracuse Convention Steering Committee, thank you for your interest in sharing expertise with our members.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Paska, Ph.D.

President-Elect and 2015 Convention Chair, New York State Council for the Social Studies

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Format (panel only – select one):    60 min. panel                    90 min. panel

*Note: all paper sessions are 60 mins.*

Audience (panel only – select one): Elementary    Middle    Secondary    Administrator    General

Preferred Date (optional – select one):            Thursday                    Friday

Strand (optional – select one):

- Language, Culture, and Social Education
- Leadership and Learning
- Libraries and Information Literacy in the Social Studies
- Professional Learning Communities and Technology in the Social Studies
- Theory and Research into Practice

PROPOSAL TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter # 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter # 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter # 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Description (max. 500 words): \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you be willing to have your session recorded and streamed on our web site?

\_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ ASK ME LATER

Which partnering professional association(s) are you a current member of?

\_\_\_\_\_ NYASBE \_\_\_\_\_ NYLA \_\_\_\_\_ Learning Forward NY \_\_\_\_\_ NYSCEA

All presenters must be members of the New York State Council for the Social Studies (NYSCSS) upon acceptance of a proposal. Effective July 1, 2014, NYSCSS Regular Membership is \$35 per year. By completing the information below, I agree to this term on behalf of myself and any other presenters.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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