Call for Submissions

Addressing and Reducing Inequality through Developmental Science

June 12 - 13, 2020 | St. Louis, Missouri, USA

The Society for Research in Child Development invites submissions for the 2020 Special Topic Workshop: *Addressing and Reducing Inequality through Developmental Science* to be held in St. Louis, Missouri from June 12 - 13, 2020.

Submissions accepted: mid-October 2019

Submission Deadline: November 13, 2019

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Economic inequalities have profound implications for the social, behavioral, and academic lives of infants, children, and adolescents. This interdisciplinary workshop will bring together scholars from psychology, education, sociology, economics, and public policy to move the field of developmental science forward on understanding the causes of inequality and courses of action to reduce their impact. Through invited panels, hands-on workshops, data blitz talks, poster presentations, and structured conversations, this workshop will highlight innovative research on children's thinking about economics and inequality and the programs and policies that address inequality in children's lives.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submission Limits: Members and non-members of SRCD may be listed as authors on as many submissions as they would like, but are limited to TWO presenting (i.e., first-author) roles.

1. **Presenting Roles, Defined:**
   a. Presenter of a poster
   b. Presenter of a data blitz talk

Additional Considerations:

1. Only presenting roles will be protected from schedule conflicts (see role definitions above).

2. There is no limit to the number of authors for a paper or poster. Non-presenting author roles *are not protected* from schedule conflicts.

3. Do not submit the same material more than once, (e.g., as a poster and as data blitz talk).

4. SRCD normally does not accept submissions that have been presented or published before the meeting unless they differ from the original in additional data or new findings or additional comparisons, etc. Even in cases where SRCD members may not have had access to your original presentation, the current submission should not duplicate an earlier presentation.

5. **Plan ahead and submit early!**
   - The Submission site will open mid-October.
   - You may edit your submission at any time prior to the submission deadline, November 13.
   - View and/or print your submission proof and review it carefully.
   - **No changes can be made *after* the submission deadline**, November 13.

6. SRCD membership is not required to submit; however, we encourage you to take advantage of the benefits of membership: *Members in the Society are offered a significant discount on conference registration in addition to eligibility for a variety of Society resources and initiatives.*

Questions? Please contact the Meetings Team at programoffice@srcd.org.

SUBMISSION FORMATS

Submission Formats: Submissions will be accepted in the following formats and all will be peer-reviewed.

1. **Individual Poster Presentation**. Posters are individual, free-standing research presentations. They are the appropriate format when material can be explained briefly, is suited for graphic or visual presentation, and/or the presenter would benefit from high levels of interaction and discussion. Each poster occupies one 8' wide x 4' high poster board for the entire session. The poster session is unopposed.

2. **Individual "Data Blitz" Paper Presentation.** Individual "data blitz" papers are free-standing research presentations. A data blitz talk is a 6-to-8-minute presentation highlighting the key attributes of a research study and may include 4-to-8 slides. Six-to-eight individual data blitz talks that are thematically related will be included in one session with an assigned moderator engaging the audience in discussion. Individual "data blitz" papers that are highly rated but cannot be accepted under this category (either because there are not 6-8 related papers on the topic or the maximum number of "data blitz" sessions has been reached) will become Individual Poster Presentations if and only if submitters have indicated that they would like to present the research as a poster.

REVIEW PROCESS AND CRITERIA FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS

1. Submissions are rated according to the following criteria:
   a. Clarity of formulation/conceptualization
   b. Adequacy of methods
   c. Appropriateness of interpretations
   d. Importance of topic

2. A submission that does not adhere to the rules and procedures will receive a low rating. For example,
   a. Do not include author names, unless required, or other identifying material (i.e., grant support) as part of the abstract.
   b. Submitting material more than once could result in a submission not being reviewed.
   c. The abstract lacks sufficient data—coded and analyzed, even if not yet complete—to provide a basis for reviewer evaluation. Evaluation of the methods will be sensitive to qualitative and case study approaches as well as quantitative approaches.

3. Reviewers may consider SRCD's strategic plan when evaluating submissions that are of equivalent scientific merit.

ENTERING DATA INTO THE SUBMISSION WEBSITE

Please note: *Whatever you enter is what will appear in the program*.

1. **Please enter a complete, formal name** (e.g., Samuel T. Jones; H. Harrison Smith-Barton)**, current email address,** and **affiliation for each person.** Please do not enter author names in all upper-case letters or all lower-case letters. This requirement serves to uniquely identify a person included on your submission and ensures that authors receive email communications regarding the decision status of the submission.

2. **Title:** Enter a title for the submission with no more than 15 words. Use mixed-case letters (upper-case for the first letter of all words with 4 or more letters and lower-case letters for the remainder of the words) and appropriate punctuation.

3. **One person must enter all information for an entire submission**.

4. **Abstracts** entered for submissions must be typed or copied and pasted into a text box on the submission website.

   > NOTE: Your abstract should be in final form as it will be viewable in the program.

5. **File Uploads:** All graphics must be incorporated into one single file. **The document should clearly identify the presentation it refers to and** not contain any author information **or it will be disqualified**. The file must be in Adobe PDF format.

6. **Group Authorship** (e.g., consortia, projects, programs) may be entered in the specified field during the "authors" step of the submitting process.

7. **Individual requests regarding scheduling** may be made at the time of submission by entering them in the "details" step. Due to the complexities of the SRCD program scheduling process, only justified requests will be addressed, so please include the *reason for your scheduling request*. SRCD will attempt to accommodate needs in the scheduling process; however, there is no guarantee that all requests can be met.

8. After the submission deadline, November 13, no revisions can be made.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

INDIVIDUAL POSTER AND "DATA BLITZ" PAPER PRESENTATION

What You Will Need to Submit an Individual Poster or Individual "Data Blitz" Paper:

1. A title for your submission with no more than 15 words. Use mixed-case letters and appropriate punctuation in your title.

2. Enter up to 3 key words to describe your submission.

3. **Enter a full name, affiliation, and email address for each author of your poster or paper**. This information establishes a unique identity for each person, ensuring that submitters receive a decision status notification for the submission. Please notify SRCD at programoffice@srcd.org if an author has been entered with more than one email address so that duplicate accounts can be merged.

4. Identify the presenter of the submission and indicate if they are a graduate student. If the presenter is a graduate student, indicate if they would like their presentation to be considered for a Promise Award. A Promise Award recognizes a graduate student's significant scholarly contribution to addressing and reducing inequality through developmental science. One or two awards will be granted based on research relevance and presentation quality.

5. If you need to include a "group author" (consortium, program, etc.), enter it in the "Group Authors" field of the submitting process. **Do not enter individual authors in your submission in the Group Author field** or they will not be seen in the program!

    NOTE: *Do not* **include research funding support anywhere in your submission!** The appropriate place to acknowledge research funding support is in your presentation should the submission be accepted.

6. Enter an *abstract* with a maximum of 500 words. Your abstract must be typed or copied and pasted into the submission website; no file uploads are allowed. The abstract for an accepted poster will be viewable in the online program.
    a. **Single-space** your abstract.
    b. **Do not** include the title in the abstract.
    c. **Do not** include names or other identifying information in your abstract.
    d. Use standard reference citations (last name, year), but do **not** include a reference list.

7. Graphics are encouraged but *are optional*; they do **not** count toward the maximum word count for your abstract. The two graphics allowed may be:
    *   2 tables, *or*
    *   2 figures, *or*
    *   1 table plus 1 figure.

    File Uploads - all of your graphics must be incorporated into one single file. **Do not include any author information in your graphic.** The file must be in Adobe PDF format.