

From: [Lisa Osbeck](#)

Greetings,

Having just returned from an invigorating convention, we are delighted to note that Division 1 is thriving: We are attracting new members and launching new directions of empirical and theoretical research, conversation, and practice. If you attended, we hope you enjoyed the excellent program and came away inspired by it.

We now wish to draw your attention to next year's APA's convention, which will be held in Washington DC (August 6 - 9, 2020). Highlighted below are details and important dates for proposal submissions, as well as significant changes to APA convention programming for 2020:

To encourage scholars from different divisions to work together, **APA's Collaborative Programming Group (CPG)** promotes **Collaborative Programming**, which includes presenters from two or more divisions to address topics of broad significance. The **deadline** for submitting proposals for Collaborative programming to each of the participating division program chairs is **October 11th** **but owing to travel abroad, Barbara Held, Program Chair, hopes to get all collaborative programs submitted to us by Tuesday October 1**, so she can coordinate with participating program chairs and obtain their approval or request revisions by **Thursday October 10**. **Then the final collaborative proposal will be submitted to APA (CPG) by Thursday October 17**. Collaborative programming hours are **supplemental** to the hours allotted to each division. We are currently working on a proposal for a collaborative program which we hope will include Divisions 1, 9, 24, 34, and 48. The working title for the proposed collaborative program is ***"Toward an Ethically Sustainable World": General, Theoretical, Social-Issues, Environmental, and Peace Psychology Perspectives.*** We welcome additional collaborative proposals.

The deadline for submitting proposals for standard programming is **Monday, December 2**. Please note that the APA submission portal now requires all submissions to be for symposia, skill-building sessions, discussion sessions, or posters. **Thus, proposals for individual papers will not longer be accepted through the APA submission process. We are concerned that this shift will hinder applications from new scholars and, therefore, are still offering the opportunity for individual paper submissions within this division, by submitting individual papers to Barbara Held (bheld@bowdoin.edu). Individual paper submissions will be due November 13th, and the three Division 1 Program Chairs will coordinate a review process and then develop thematic symposia from them. The program will then be submitted to APA by December 2.**

As with this year, supplemental programs will be offered in the **Division 1 Hospitality Suite**. Proposals for Hospitality Suite programming should also be submitted directly to the Program Chairs by **November 13th**.

Our program theme for 2020 is "**The Scientific Imagination**," intended to convey two aims:

1. We hope to explore the **role of imagination in scientific reasoning** and **consider its implications for psychological science**;

2. We encourage imagination of new trajectories for psychological science in an era marked by critical global challenges.

We will send further details about the program and the submission processes later in the fall, but for now, please be thinking about how your work and interests might connect to the program theme.

Please feel free to write to Barbara with any questions or concerns.

Best regards,
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