

CALL FOR PAPERS

ENGAGING PARTICULARITIES XIII: NEW DIRECTIONS IN COMPARATIVE THEOLOGY, INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE, THEOLOGY OF RELIGIONS, AND MISSIOLOGY

**MARCH 26-27, 2015
BOSTON COLLEGE
CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS**

In keeping with the 1995 General Congregation of the Society of Jesus' initiatives on interreligious dialogue, the U.S. Jesuit Assistency for Mission and Interreligious Dialogue and the Boston College Theology Department announce their 13th annual graduate student conference in the areas of comparative theology, interreligious dialogue, theology of religions, and missiology. This conference is open to graduate students both at Jesuit institutions and at other schools of higher education. Undergraduates whose work comes highly recommended by faculty advisors will also be considered.

GENERAL CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite proposals on critical issues and themes from various disciplinary perspectives (such as but not limited to ethics, systematics, historical studies, biblical studies, philosophy, sociology, anthropology, etc.) in four areas:

- ❖ **COMPARATIVE THEOLOGY**
- ❖ **INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE**
- ❖ **THEOLOGY OF RELIGIONS**
- ❖ **MISSIOLOGY**

SPECIAL FOCUS 2015: "SUFFERING AND MORTALITY"

The conference will dedicate a part of its program to specifically examining the universal themes of suffering and mortality from comparative theological perspectives. We encourage proposals that explore these themes in light of contemporary issues, especially the climate crisis; war, terrorism, and religious conflict; AIDS, Ebola, and other international health issues; international migration and refugee crisis; and growing global economic inequality and instability.

To submit a proposal, please e-mail an abstract of no more than 250 words to Won-Jae Hur at <wonjae.hur@bc.edu> by **Friday January 16, 2015**. Please indicate whether you are submitting for the general call or the special focus and include your contact information, institution, and program. For proposals for group panels, please submit a 250-word abstract for the whole panel, and names and contact information of the presider and individual panelists.

Funds are available for participants to help supplement travel expenses. For more information, please contact the Conference Director, Won-Jae Hur at wonjae.hur@bc.edu

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