

ORGANIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL HISTORIANS

“The Process of Reform and Change in the History of Education”

NORTH PARK UNIVERSITY
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CALL FOR PAPERS

Since 1965, the Organization of Educational Historians, formerly the Midwest History of Education Society, has brought together a wide range of scholars to examine the history of education through diverse lenses and experiences.

This year’s annual conference theme, “**The Process of Reform and Change in the History of Education,**” invites papers/presentations that examine the impact of social, political, economic and cultural reforms on the history of education. Local, national, and international topics are welcome.

Papers are not restricted to topics that focus on the conference theme. However, proposals that relate to the conference theme will be grouped into the topical sessions and presented in the main meeting room to accommodate larger audiences.

All papers presented at the annual conference can be submitted for peer review and possible publication in the *American Educational History Journal*.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND DATES

Submission of Proposals: Scholars are invited to submit proposals on topics within the field of educational history of the United States and of other parts of the world. Senior scholars have found OEH sessions to be valuable venues to present their work and research. Graduate students also encouraged to present their work within this supportive, yet challenging environment.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to the program chair, Theodore G. Zervas, Ph.D., North Park University, no later **March 1, 2017** for early submissions and **April 30, 2017** for final submissions. Please send the proposal as a Word document attachment in an e-mail addressed to tzervas@northpark.edu. The subject line of the e-mail message should read "OEH 2017 Proposal." Acceptance notification will be **April 15, 2017** for early submissions and **May 31, 2017** for final submissions.

Length: Proposals for papers, panels, symposia, and alternative formats should be between 500-750 words. A *proposal* should restate the title of the paper, describe its contents, discuss its significance and include a description of historical sources

used. All proposal submissions must be accompanied by an **abstract** of the paper, poster, panel, symposium or alternative format presentation composed of no more than 50 words. All proposals must also include a cover sheet (described below).

Cover Sheet: Each proposal should have a cover sheet that lists: (1) title or topic of the proposal; (2) category of the proposal (paper, symposium, panel, poster, alternative); (3) names, affiliations and relevant backgrounds of all participants (and, in the case of a symposium, the title of each participant's presentation); (4) address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person submitting the proposal and addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of all other participants; (5) technology needs (see below); and (6) indicate if you are willing to serve as a session chair and/or proposal reviewer. The cover sheet will not be sent to proposal reviewers. After the cover sheet, the proposal must not contain any information that identifies participant(s) named in the proposal. **ALL** proposals and participant information for symposia or panels must be submitted at one time by the organizer.

Technology: Please indicate on the cover sheet what technology you require for the conference. OEH can provide a screen and projector free of charge. Presenters are responsible for providing working computers and VGA adapters for their computers if needed. Participants requiring additional technology will need to bring the items themselves.

Individual Papers: A paper is a scholarly examination of a topic of interest to OEH members. Following the cover sheet, a paper proposal should restate the title of the paper, describe its contents, discuss its significance and include a description of historical sources used. An abstract is also required as described above. Presenters will have approximately 15 minutes to read or, preferably, summarize their work. *Full papers are due to the session chair by September 1, 2017.*

Symposia: A symposium is composed of participants who deliver brief presentations based on prepared papers on a common theme. Following the cover sheet (which should specify the title of each participant's presentation), a symposium proposal should include the topic, its significance, and the titles of the presentations. Most symposia will be allocated 90 minutes on the program. Time should be allowed for each presenter, for a discussant or critic, and for audience participation. Therefore, the organizer of the symposium should plan accordingly and give each presenter a time limit. A chair and/or a discussant should be identified on the cover sheet or, alternatively, can be assigned by the Program Committee. *If a chair is assigned by the Program Committee, full papers for all symposia presenters are due to the session chair by September 1, 2017.*

Panels: A panel discusses a topic as a group rather than through formal individual presentations. Following the cover sheet, a panel proposal should indicate the topic, its significance, and the way it will be approached or discussed. Panelists should keep in mind that they will have no more than 90 minutes for their discussion,

including audience participation, and plan accordingly. Panel submissions should identify a session chair to lead discussion.

Blind Review and Notification: The Program Committee will review each proposal. Criteria for review include purpose of the presentation, theoretical context/framework, contribution to the field, and written presentation. The person who submitted the proposal will be notified of the Committee's decision; it is the submitter's responsibility to notify other presenters of the Committee's decision.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

North Park University is located at 3225 West Foster Avenue, Chicago, IL. Hamming Hall, near the corner of Foster and Kedzie Avenues, will serve as the main meeting area for registration, opening welcome, keynote address, reception, business meeting, presidential address, and closing.

Public Transportation: The campus is accessible through public transportation from the Loop (Downtown Chicago): six blocks north of the Kedzie Brown Line 'L' stop or four blocks north and one block east of the Kimball Brown Line 'L' station at the corner of Kimball and Lawrence avenues. North Park is also served by the Foster (92) and Kimball (82) buses, and the California/Dodge (93) bus also stops at the corner of Foster and Kedzie. Please see www.transitchicago.com for more information.

Driving: **(From the North)** Take I-94 eastbound (Edens Expressway) to the Cicero (to Foster) exit. Take Cicero south to Foster Avenue, turn east (left) on Foster and continue to the 3200 block, about two miles. The campus is on the south (right) side of Foster. **(From the South)** Take I-94 westbound (Dan Ryan Expressway) and proceed northwest on I-90/94 (Kennedy Expressway). Exit at Kimball Avenue. Travel north (right) on Kimball, about two miles, to Foster Avenue and turn east (right). Proceed two blocks, and the campus is on the right (south) side of Foster. **(From the West or from O'Hare Airport)** Take I-90/94 eastbound (Kennedy Expressway) to the Austin (to Foster) exit. At the end of the exit ramp, turn east (left) and follow the curve to reach Foster. Turn east (left) on Foster and continue to the 3200 block, about three miles. The campus is on the right (south) side of Foster. **(From the East)** Take Lake Shore Drive (from either direction) to the Foster Avenue exit. Travel west on Foster and continue to Kedzie Avenue, about three miles. The campus is on the left (south) side of Foster.

Parking is located throughout the residential neighborhood that surrounds campus.

REGISTRATION

All individuals whose proposals are accepted for the 2017 OEH Program are required to register for the conference by August 1, 2017. Conference registration

and payment not received by August 1, 2017 will lead to the removal of an accepted individual paper from the conference program. Registration and payment not received by August 1, 2017 by each participant of a symposium or panel will lead to the removal of the respective group proposal.

Registration information is located at www.edhistorians.org under Annual Meetings.

Conference registration includes annual membership to the Organization of Educational Historians and a digital subscription to the *American Educational History Journal*.

Registration Fees: Regular (\$180) Student (\$80)

The Fifty-Second Annual Conference of the Organization of Educational Historians is partly sponsored by the School of Education, North Park University, Chicago, IL.