



Western Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies

Eighteenth-Century Collaborations

WSECS 2026

Allan Hancock College,
Santa Maria, CA

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This HyFlex conference invites in-person and remote attendance and

takes place Friday and Saturday of the Presidents' Day weekend. We welcome proposals from all disciplines for individual papers and full panels. Potential topics for the conference theme, "Eighteenth-Century Collaborations," include:

Commonplace books, scrapbooks, and ephemera collections that represent authorial collaboration, as well as collaborative relationships across various media; collaborative assignments or pedagogical practices for teaching the 18th century; collaborative readings of 18th century texts; collaborations between the 18th century and other time periods; digital collaborations surrounding 18th century materials; 18th century musical collaborations; collaborations across 18th century visual culture; collaboration and conviviality in 18th century social culture; collaborations across the arts and sciences; collaborative collecting practices; institutional collaborations; collaborative research practices.

We also welcome papers and panels not directly related to the conference theme and that conceive of the 18th century on broader terms. Please indicate your modality preference when applying and send an abstract (approximately 250 words) by November 1, 2025 to WSECS2026@gmail.com.

