

HSS 2000: CALL FOR PAPERS

2-5 NOVEMBER
VANCOUVER, B.C.

The History of Science Society will meet along with the Philosophy of Science Association in Vancouver, B.C. 2-5 November 2000. Proposals for sessions and contributed papers must be submitted by **3 April 2000** to the HSS Executive Office, Box 351330, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195-1330; phone: (206) 543-9366; fax: (206) 685-9544; e-mail: hssexec@u.washington.edu.

All Proposals **must be** submitted on the HSS Web site (<http://depts.washington.edu/hssexec>) or on the annual meeting proposal forms, which are located on pages 8-9. *We strongly encourage electronic submissions from the link provided on the HSS Web site.* For those unfamiliar with the E-submission process or just want to learn more, we encourage you to read the E-Submission Primer available on the Web site. (Follow the link on the annual meeting page.) HSS members are encouraged to circulate this announcement and copies of the HSS Paper Proposal to interested colleagues who are not members of HSS but who may be interested in submitting a paper proposal for the Annual Meeting. **Only one proposal per person may be submitted for the Annual Meeting.** For additional information concerning the 2000 meeting, contact the HSS Executive Office, or contact the program co-chairs, Lynn K. Nyhart, Thomas Broman, and John Harley Warner.

Additionally, HSS members should note that the HSS Council accepted the Committee on Meetings and Programs' "Guidelines for Selecting Papers and Sessions." These guidelines, printed below, will be used in determining the acceptability of session and paper proposals for the Vancouver meeting.

As its membership expands in interests and in numbers, the History of Science Society seeks to maintain at its Annual Meeting broad coverage of research topics and wide participation. Unfortunately, there is no longer space nor time at the meetings to include all of the submitted papers and sessions. Therefore, the Committee on Meetings and Programs (CoMP) has created a set of guidelines—specific but non-

binding—to help direct Program Chairs as they evaluate papers and sessions for possible inclusion in the meetings.

In listing the following guidelines, CoMP assumes that applicants will honor the stated deadline when submitting the HSS Annual Meeting "Session and Paper Proposal" forms, located on the Society's Web page and reprinted on the following pages.

HSS COMMITTEE ON MEETINGS & PROGRAMS GUIDELINES

1. In evaluating individual proposals for possible inclusion in general sessions created by the Program Chairs of "contributed papers":

(a) The principal criterion will be the quality of the proposal.

(b) A second factor of substantial weight will be the need to bring balance to the program.

(c) No person, but for the most exceptional circumstances (to be cleared with the chair of CoMP), may appear on the program twice (as presenter of a paper, commentator, discussant, or chair). A person may, however, serve more than one function in a single session—e.g., as chair and presenter or commentator or discussant or as a presenter in a panel. Also, a person is exempt from the stricture against duplication if he or she serves only as an organizer of another session or a presenter in a special gathering such as a workshop.

(d) Priority will be given to people who did not appear on the previous year's program.

(Note) The Program Chairs will reserve a block of sessions for "contributed papers," primarily, but not solely, by graduate students. Graduate students are also encouraged to apply as participants in regular sessions.

2. In evaluating sessions that organizers submit as wholes and whose proposals support unified themes:

(a) The principal criterion will be the importance of the topic and the perceived quality of the proposals and their integration into a meaningful and useful session.

(b) Another criterion will be the need for balance in the subjects covered on the program.

(c) Another factor will be sponsorship by an official HSS interest group or committee (one session only).

(d) Another factor will be involvement of participants representing diversity of institutional affiliations.

(Note) Sessions may not, but for the most exceptional circumstances (to be cleared with the chair of CoMP), include people on the program in another session (as presenter, commentator, discussant, or chair). Where possible, Program Chairs are also encouraged to select sessions that include a mix of men and women. The chairs are further encouraged to choose sessions that include participants representing a balance of professional ranks (avoiding sessions composed exclusively of, for example, graduate students).

(Note) For inclusion in the official program, the following activities require regular applications as sessions: public forums or speakers sponsored by HSS interest groups and committees; honorific sessions sponsored by members' colleagues; commemorations of historic events; Thursday evening plenary sessions; and other special gatherings. Program Chairs will judge these submissions along with other sessions on their merits. (Of course, official HSS interest groups and committees remain welcome to mount special programs in the time-slots normally allocated for their business meetings. Similarly, HSS members remain welcome to organize private activities independent of the official program).

3. In evaluating workshops, field trips, or site visits:

(a) The principal criterion will be the activity's relevance to the Society's collective goals.

(b) A related issue will be the activity's logistical feasibility.

(c) Another factor of importance will be the need to bring balance to the program.

(d) A final aspect will be sponsorship by an official HSS interest group or committee, including the local arrangements committee. (Note) The program chairs will reserve periods during Thursday afternoon and Friday evening for workshops, field trips, site visits, and related activities.

If you have questions about the CoMP guidelines, please contact the HSS Executive Office (hssexec@u.washington.edu).

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SESSION AND PAPER PROPOSALS

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

MEETING DATES ARE 2-5 NOVEMBER 2000

SESSION PROPOSALS: For those organizing a session, please complete the "Session Proposal" form and select a Session Format. Session organizers are responsible for sending the entire session proposal, complete with paper proposals, to the HSS Executive Office by 3 April 2000. **EXCEPTIONS TO THE DEADLINE CAN NOT AND WILL NOT BE MADE.**

PAPER PROPOSALS: For those who are proposing a paper as part of a session, or who wish to have a paper considered as a Contributed Paper, please complete the Paper Proposal form. An abstract is required for all papers and must be submitted in the space provided on the proposal form.

WORKSHOP PROPOSALS: Contact the HSS Executive Office for directions.

PLEASE NOTE: HSS will provide an overhead projector and/or a slide projector. Other a/v needs are the responsibility of the presenter.

SESSION PROPOSAL

(This form is to be filled out by session organizers only.)

SESSION ORGANIZER(S): _____

INSTITUTION(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

PREVIOUS SESSIONS ORGANIZED? _____ PITTSBURGH (1999) _____ KANSAS CITY (1998) _____ SAN DIEGO (1997)

SESSION TITLE: _____

SESSION PARTICIPANTS: (NAME AND INSTITUTION) AND PAPER TITLES:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

CHAIR (NAME AND INSTITUTION): _____

COMMENTATOR (NAME AND INSTITUTION): _____

SESSION FORMAT (CHECK ONE): ___ (3) ___ (4) PAPERS W/ COMMENTATOR OR ___ (4) ___ (5) PAPERS W/O COMMENTATOR

Session Organizers should mail this form with all required paper proposal forms to: History of Science Society Executive Office, ATTN: Session Proposals, University of Washington, Box 351330, Seattle, WA 98195-1330.

DUE IN HSS OFFICE BY 3 APRIL 2000. EXCEPTIONS CAN NOT AND WILL NOT BE MADE.

PAPER PROPOSAL

This form is to be filled out by those proposing a paper as part of a session or a contributed paper.
Electronic Submission strongly encouraged.

NAME: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

PREVIOUS PAPER DELIVERED? _____ PITTSBURGH (1999) _____ KANSAS CITY (1998) _____ SAN DIEGO (1997)

STATUS (CIRCLE ONE): *FACULTY* *ADMINISTRATOR* *POST-DOCTORAL FELLOW* *INDEPENDENT SCHOLAR* *GRAD. STUDENT*

TYPE OF PAPER PROPOSAL: ___ PART OF A SESSION ___ CONTRIBUTED PAPER

PAPER TITLE: _____

Contributed paper proposals should be sent to the History of Science Society Executive Office, Attn: Paper Proposals, Box 351330, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195-1330. DUE IN HSS OFFICE 3 APRIL 2000.

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TYPE ABSTRACT IN BOX BELOW.