



2017 HUMANITIES IN MEDICINE SYMPOSIUM

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Call for Abstracts

Crossing Disciplines: Strategies for Humanizing One Another

Sponsored by the Dolores Jean Lavins Center for Humanities in Medicine

In 2017, we choose to focus on how the health humanities can address differences among cultures and value systems in the healthcare workplace and beyond. We seek tools to address the concept of otherness and celebrate difference. We encourage proposals for presentations offering strategies for sustaining empathy in challenging situations—strategies that may be employed in healthcare practice, education and research. What notable examples exist in the health humanities that demonstrate cross-cultural engagement or alternative ways of thinking about difference, and model collaborative meaning-making? Who are the key practitioners who show us how to cross disciplines, blur the boundaries of otherness and listen authentically to other perspectives? How can the health humanities assist us in acknowledging bias and approaching patients and peers with openness and respect, while sustaining empathy?

Abstract Submission

In a Word document using a 12 pt font, include the following:

1. Full Name, Academic Credentials/Licensure
2. Position/Title, Organizational Affiliation
3. Mailing Address
4. Email
5. Phone
6. Brief Bio (50 words maximum)
7. Preferred Format (first and second choice)
8. Title of Presentation
9. Presentation Description (no more than 250 words)
10. Presentation Learning Objectives (2-3)

Email completed abstract submission forms to: Humanitiesrochester@mayo.edu by Friday July 14, 2017.

Presentation Format:

We ask that you indicate your preferred format from the options below; however, final selection will be determined by the review panel.

Paper

In this format, individuals will have 15 minutes to present a brief structured discussion or lecture on a focused topic, followed by 5 minutes for discussion. Up to three presentations will be grouped in a 60-minute session. Two or three presenters who wish to collaborate on a central question or issue may propose a 60 minute session. Each panelist should submit an individual abstract with information re: its relevance to the overall panel proposed.

Gold Mining Best Practice Sessions

Goldmine topics describe innovative programs or projects that have demonstrated success. Each roundtable session is 20 minutes in length and is presented three consecutive times. This format offers attendees the opportunity to choose topics and obtain information in an abbreviated, interactive format. Presenters describe their project in 10 minutes, reserving 10 minutes for questions and discussion with attendees.

Workshop

In an interactive session of 60 minutes, presenters will engage attendees in an applied practice of medical humanities, such as literature, theater, visual art, music, film or a cross-disciplinary genre relevant to the practice and teaching of healthcare.

Performance

We encourage proposals for theatre, music, dance, or spoken word performances of 30 minutes or less. Please keep in mind that space and technical support is limited in the conference venue. Questions regarding capacity for presentation/performance ideas are welcome.

Please note:

- Submission deadline is **11:59 pm Central Time, Friday July 14, 2017**. Proposals received after the deadline will not be reviewed.
- If accepted, all presenters will be required to complete financial disclosure forms to qualify for continuing education credit.
- Presenters are required to complete a registration form, pay the registration fee for the whole meeting or for one day, and cover all travel and personal expenses.

Avoidance of Commercialism: Presentations that constitute promotion and advertising (including the use of logos) will not be considered. If the cost of any presentation has been underwritten to any extent, a clear acknowledgement stating the support, identifying the source, and describing the methods for keeping the content unbiased must be included. Potential presenter financial conflicts of interest must be acknowledged.

Responsibility for Expenses: Presenters are responsible for all expenses, including session expenses (e.g., handouts) and personal expenses (e.g., travel, hotel, and symposium registration fees). **Presenters are required to register the day on which they are scheduled to present, at minimum.**

Permission for Session Documentation: Presenters agree to email their presentation and any handouts in Word or PowerPoint format to Mayo Clinic three weeks in advance of the symposium.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

\$250 full symposium/\$175 single day

Registration information is forthcoming.

Presenters must be registered attendees at the symposium.

Limited scholarships for artists and students may be available.

Questions? Email humanitiesrochester@mayo.edu