

Call for Proposals: HSTCC-Sponsored Panels at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA), Atlanta, Georgia, January 7-10, 2016.

The next annual meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA) will be held on January 7-10, 2016, in Atlanta, Georgia. The theme for this meeting is: "Global Migrations: Empires, Nations, and Neighbors." Further information regarding the conference is available at: <http://www.historians.org/publications-and-directories/perspectives-on-history/september-2014/call-for-proposals-for-the-130th-annual-meeting-of-the-aha>

The AHA encourages its affiliated societies to submit panel proposals to its Program Committee. Although the Program Committee applies the same criteria to all proposals, panel proposals submitted by affiliated societies have a greater chance of success than those submitted by individuals. Once accepted, panels sponsored by affiliated societies are included in the official meeting program and listed as sponsored by a particular affiliated society.

As an AHA affiliated society, the HSTCC intends to enhance its visibility within the AHA and encourages its members to present their research at AHA annual meetings. The HSTCC hence invites members to submit proposals for organized panels for this meeting. To increase the likelihood of acceptance by the AAS Program Committee, we encourage proposal submitters to develop themes that are important for understanding modern Chinese history. The HSTCC neither accepts nor sponsors individual papers for submission to the AHA. Individual papers stand little chance of being accepted because it is often difficult to organize them into formal panels. Except for panel chairs and commentators, HSTCC membership is required for paper presenters. The HSTCC will only submit panel proposals for current HSTCC members.

The HSTCC sponsors up to five panels for the 2016 AHA meeting. A regular panel should have three or four papers, a chair, and a commentator (optional, and the chair and the commentator can be the same person). A complete panel proposal should include: a panel title (no more than 20 words), a panel abstract (up to 300 words), individual paper titles and abstracts (up to 200 words each), a biographical paragraph (up to 150 words) and correct mailing and email address for each participant, the panel chair, and the commentator.

The deadline for submitting session proposals to the HSTCC is **April 25, 2015**. All session proposals should be sent electronically to Dr. Timothy Weston, HSTCC Conference Coordinator, at Weston@colorado.edu as a MS Word document.