

## Call for Proposals

This Group examines religion and sexuality, broadly conceptualized. We bring an emphasis on empirical research and analysis and an intentionally multidisciplinary and comparative religious focus. We especially encourage interdisciplinary approaches, interest in gender (broadly defined), and strong attention to methodological issues. Within this mission, we invite papers and panels on the following themes:

- For a potential cosponsored session with the [Religion and the Social Sciences Section](#) and the [Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group](#), critical analysis and/or methodological reflection on sex and sexuality as categories of inquiry in empirical approaches to the study of religion. Possible themes include reading or misreading sex and desire in representations of religion and analyzing ways in which constructed meanings of sex and sexuality have shaped classificatory categories and comparative models across religious studies
- For a possible cosponsored session with the [Islamic Mysticism Group](#), comparative research in mystical traditions, with critical attention to ways to analyze languages of desire and/or eroticism in relation to sex and sexuality
- Other proposals in keeping with the general mission of the Group are always welcome

## Mission

This Group examines religion and sexuality, broadly conceptualized, and focuses on questions of why and how sex matters for particular religious persons, communities, or traditions. We welcome collaboration with other Program Units doing work in some area of sexuality. Distinguishing this Group from other Program Units are an emphasis on empirical research and analysis and an intentionally multidisciplinary and comparative religious focus. We especially encourage interdisciplinary approaches, interest in gender (broadly defined), and strong attention to methodological issues.

## Anonymity of Review Process

Proposer names are **anonymous** to Chairs and Steering Committee members during review, but **visible** to Chairs **prior** to final acceptance or rejection.

## Questions?

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