

Call for Proposals

This Group encourages proposals from scholars of diverse religious traditions and locations who engage in historical, social scientific, humanistic, conceptual, and other methods of research related to children and childhood. We invite proposals for individual papers, papers sessions, and roundtables in all areas. In addition, we especially welcome proposals on the following topics (please contact the listed organizers if you wish to contribute):

- For a cosponsored session with the [SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Group](#), women biblical (and Qur'anic) interpreters through the centuries: writing for and about children — Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Premodern constructions of childhood — Marcia Bunge, Valparaiso University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Child saints in world religions — Vanessa Sasson, Marianopolis College, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- Children, religion, and comic books — John Wall, Rutgers University, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- For a possible cosponsored session with the [North American Hinduism Group](#) and the [Religion and Migration Group](#), the transmission of tradition to North American Hindu children — Rita Biagioli, University of Chicago, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

- For a cosponsored session with the [Religion and Migration Group](#), the religious practices, expressions, and beliefs of young migrants, including those that discuss issues pertaining to second or third generation immigrants — Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

Mission

This Group's overall aim is to investigate the complex and multifaceted relation between religion and childhood. The specific goals of the Group are as follows:

- Provide a forum for focused interdisciplinary and interreligious dialogue about the diverse relations of children and religion
- Heighten academic interest in this topic in all fields represented in the AAR
- Prepare scholars in religious studies to contribute to wider academic discussions about children and childhoods
- Lend the voice of the academy to current questions of public policy and child advocacy

The focus of the Group is both timely and significant given the present concern for children across the globe and the rising interdisciplinary academic interest in childhood studies. The Group functions as a forum at the AAR for advancing childhood studies as a new line of scholarly inquiry.

Anonymity of Review Process

Proposer names are **visible** to Chairs and Steering Committee members at all times.

Questions?

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Method of Submission

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