# **Call for Proposals**

This Group invites comparative, constructive proposals related to the following themes:

- For a cosponsored session with the <u>Contemplative Studies Group</u>, contemplative practice and theological comparison

- For a cosponsored session with the <u>Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group</u>, post-Shoah and post-genocide theologies in comparative perspective (e.g., forgiveness, guilt, and reconciliation)

- Comparative theology in/after Empire

- Comparative theology in relation to peace-building, environmental activism, and/or social movements

- Finality and/or finalities in comparative theology
- Gendering comparative theology

- Panel proposals on Jeanine Diller's *Models of God and Other Ultimate Realities* (Springer, 2013), the Peeters/Eerdmans series "Christian Commentaries on Non-Christian Sacred Texts," or another significant recent publication in the field

We will also consider proposals on other topics. The Group strongly encourages roundtable or prearranged papers session proposals. The Group hosts a listserv to facilitate such collaboration; to subscribe, contact David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame, This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it .

### Mission

Comparative (interreligious) theology tries to be seriously theological, interreligious, and consciously comparative — all at the same time. It is, like other forms of theology as familiarly understood, primarily a matter of "faith seeking understanding" (or, more broadly, perhaps "the practice of reflective meditative perception" or "insight") and reflection on this faith as it has been enacted in doctrine, argument, meditation, ritual, and ethical behavior. Like other forms of theology, it is an academic discipline, but may also be about and for the sake of knowledge of

God or, more broadly, the ultimate mystery toward which life points. In comparative theology, faith and practice are explored and transformed by attention to parallel theological dimensions of one or more religious or theological traditions, examined historically or in the contemporary context. As a discipline within the academy, this communal and intercommunal faith and practice are open to the analyses, comments, and questions of insiders to the involved traditions, and to scholars not necessarily defined by any such commitments who are nonetheless able and willing to explore the full range of dynamics of faith seeking understanding in a comparative perspective. Please contact any Steering Committee Member for further information on the Group, including the most recent self-study and statement of purpose, or to be added to the Group.

## **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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## **Method of Submission**

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