**46th Annual IAPSP International Conference**

**Mind-ing Our Gaps: Cultivating Vulnerability and Presence in the Face of Otherness**

**Thursday, October 16 – Sunday, October 19, 2025**

**Westin Pasadena, Pasadena, CA USA**

**PAPER or PANEL SESSIONS**

**Paper Session:** These sessions are scheduled for 1.5 hours. The paper presentation will be limited to 35 minutes, followed by a discussant, and then questions and comments from the audience.

**Panel Session:** Panels should include two 30-minute papers on a related topic, followed by audience participation.

*Note: Accepted papers may be paired with another paper OR they may be assigned a discussant.*

Proposals for individual papers and for each of the papers in a panel proposal should be 5-10 double-spaced pages, with the font no smaller than 12pt, and with 1-inch margins on four sides. Proposals should include a summary of the paper’s thesis, a clear delineation of its major points, and convey a sense of the author’s voice and writing style.

Authors of accepted papers / panels are expected to present their papers in person at the conference.

Authors of accepted papers wishing to use their paper for submission to a trade periodical or journal in the future, first consideration must be given to IAPSP’s peer-reviewed journal: *Psychoanalysis, Self & Context (PSC)*, published by Taylor & Francis.

Discussants and time slots will be chosen by the Conference Planning Committee.

All papers need to be original, unpublished and not previously presented at an IAPSP conference.

**Deadline to submit proposals is March 1, 2025**

**Acceptance notices will be sent by April 7, 2025**

**Final papers will be due by June 30, 2025**

**SUBMISSION PROCESS**

The **deadline for submitting your proposal is March 1, 2025**. **No names should appear on your proposal.** Please send your submission as an email attachment **ONLY** to: [admin@iapsp.org](mailto:admin@iapsp.org), along with the following:

* A completed **Call for Papers** [Cover Sheet](https://iapsp.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/Paper_Panel-Submission-Coversheet.docx). Please complete a separate cover sheet for each author.
* **A one paragraph abstract**
* **Three learning objectives** for your presentation (“At the conclusion of my presentation, the participant will be able to: (verbs to use: list, describe, recite, write, compute, discuss, explain, predict, apply, demonstrate, prepare, use, analyze, design, select, utilize, compile, create, plan, revise, assess, compare, rate, critique). The abstract and three learning objectives should be on the same page.
* **A Curriculum Vitae**
* **One-paragraph professional bio**.
* At least **three current (within the last 10 years) and relevant references**, in APA citation format. Please note that books are not accepted references; all references must be from journals.

**Notes:**

Due to continuing education application requirements, all required materials must be submitted in order for your paper or pre-conference workshop proposal to be reviewed. We regret that materials submitted without all of the above items cannot be considered for review.

Authors will be notified of the Paper Committee’s decision by April 7, 2025. Paper / Panel and Pre-conference sessions are limited by space availability. You must be an IAPSP Member in good standing in order to present a paper/panel or pre-conference workshop. If your proposal is accepted, you will need to register for the conference. Conference registration is not complimentary for paper or pre-conference presenters.