

The Academy for Educational Studies presents the

# Critical Questions in Education Symposium

A blind, peer-reviewed national gathering dedicated to sharing and learning



October 29 – 30, 2018  
Marriott Hotel—Country Club Gardens  
Kansas City, Missouri

**Deadline for proposals: July 1, 2018**

The CQiE Symposium is an education conference built around conversation—conversation oriented around a focused yet flexible theme question. The Symposium offers opportunities for participants to present, talk, listen, and learn from one another—and to think about how they might change or develop their thinking about teaching and/or teacher education as a consequence of what they learn from others at the Symposium.

## 2018 Conversation Theme

### **Civics, Citizenship and Civility**

**How are these concepts framed, explored, advanced, or derailed in our public schools?**

How can we talk about civics, citizenship, and civility in ways that might help us, our teacher education students, our graduate students, and in-service teachers? What successes, qualified successes, and thought-provoking failures in regard to how schools handle these issues might we share with one another? We might talk about:

- ✓ How we teach American history and civics; character education or community service learning; civility or citizenship projects in schools
- ✓ Building kind and caring school communities; school and classroom climate; different approaches to disciplinary issues; different ways to support students
- ✓ Teaching ethics or religion in schools; role of family, church, or political traditions
- ✓ Wonderful books—from Plato, Aristotle, and de Tocqueville to figures like Kass, Pangle, Balibar, Gutmann, and Apple
- ✓ Relevant court cases; citizenship for immigrant populations; the values of liberty and equality demanded by democracy; the history of our political and educational policies on these topics; international comparisons

### **Plus, Open Topic**

**Come share conversations on the Symposium topic while presenting on an education-related topic of your choice.**

See the 2<sup>nd</sup> page of this Call for another way this theme might be addressed.

Another suggestion for presentations:

### **Secret Society for Lovers of Platonic Dialogues**

(except it's not really secret!!)

Each year the Secret Society for Lovers of Platonic Dialogues (SSLPD) thinks through the *Symposium* topic through the lens of a Platonic dialogue. With the theme of civics, citizenship, and civility, Plato's *The Republic* and *The Laws* come immediately to mind, but other dialogues speak to these issues as well. We invite proposals about any of the Platonic dialogues.

The organizing committee seeks participants who offer well-considered and reflective analysis or evaluation. Original research, research review, scholarly efforts, eloquent advocacy, or reports of inspiring practice—all are welcome.

- **Individual paper/presentation:** Single (or co-authored) papers or prepared presentations. The conference committee will group submissions based on commonality of theme or approach into a 60 or 75 minute session. Presenters will share the session, leaving time for discussion. The committee may arrange poster sessions for graduate student submissions, depending on the number of proposals.
- **Panel discussion:** Three or more presenters—named, by you, in the proposal—discuss alternative solutions, interpretations, or contrasting points of view on a specified subject or theme. Panels may be either 60 or 75 minutes in length, at the discretion of the organizing committee.
- **Book response:** Individual papers or panels on a book, especially one related to the theme question.

### **Proposal format**

**Please attach a proposal to an email, as directed below. Send the cover sheet and abstract together in a single Word document. Please do not send them as separate documents.**

**Cover Sheet—one page:** The cover sheet will not be sent to reviewers.

1. Title of presentation
2. Format of presentation: Paper/presentation, Panel, or Book response
3. Information about person submitting the proposal
  - Name
  - Email address
  - Title and institution (indicate if graduate student)
  - Telephone number
4. Additional presenters: Information about each co-presenter
  - Name
  - E-mail address
  - Title and institution (indicate if graduate student)
  - Telephone number
5. 30-word description of your presentation for the printed program.

**Abstract of presentation (not to exceed two double-spaced pages)--sent to reviewers**

1. Title of presentation
2. Description of presentation: Please do not reveal the identity of individual(s) submitting the proposal in the abstract. Proposals should clarify the objectives or purpose of the presentation, establish the importance of the topic, and indicate how the topic will be addressed.

The Conference Committee will review each proposal. The best proposals will articulate a clear objective and purpose as well as importance of the point of view to be expressed. Proposals need to show evidence of scholarly care, clear and effective argument, and/or a basis in research. Participants are welcome to submit multiple proposals. Only the person submitting the proposal will be notified of the acceptance of a paper, panel, or book response—that person must notify all other participants. **All participants to be listed in the conference program must pay the conference fee prior to October 8, 2018.**

**Send Proposals electronically to:**  
**[academyedstudies@gmail.com](mailto:academyedstudies@gmail.com)**

- Subject line: CQIE Symposium proposal
- Send all proposals as a single Word document attached to the email
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**Technology Note:** The Academy intends to provide screens and a presentation table (with power source) for each breakout room. Participants will need to provide all other equipment (computers, projectors, or other electrical cords, etc.) for their presentations.

**Costs:**

Presenters (Regular)	\$280
Graduate student presenters	\$165
Non-presenters—regular	\$280
Non-presenters—graduate students	\$165
All undergraduate students	\$ 65

- In order to keep their presentation spot, all presenters and co-presenters must pay the designated conference fee by October 8, 2018.
- The organizing committee also invites non-presenters to attend the Symposium. Group rates for K— 12 faculty and administrators are available.

The Symposium will be held at the Marriott Hotel—Country Club Gardens in Kansas City, Missouri. See: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mcipl-kansas-city-marriott-country-club-plaza/> The conference rate for hotel rooms is **\$159 per night**, double occupancy.

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