

Call for Papers



The 16th annual Bellingham Summer Philosophy Conference will take place from August 2nd to August 6th, 2015, in Bellingham, Washington. Everyone in the world is invited to submit a paper, or to volunteer to be a commentator or session chair, but conference attendance is limited to those on the conference program (and also to members of the conference program committee, the assistant conference organizers, and members of the WWU philosophy department). This is partly due to funding and logistical constraints, and partly due to the fact that the BSPC is a workshop-style conference that involves in-depth discussions of works-in-progress.

To submit a paper:

Submissions must be in PDF format, and they must be prepared for blind review. They should be emailed to the BSPC 2015 Program Committee at bspc2015@gmail.com. Please include an abstract and a word count, including footnotes and bibliography, on the first page of the paper.

Papers on any topic are welcome, but the conference program committee will be looking for papers that are of interest to all BSPC participants, regardless of AOS.

Papers of any length will be considered, but shorter papers (under about 8,000 words, including footnotes and bibliography) will have a better chance of being accepted than longer papers.

The BSPC is a workshop-style conference, and the papers on the program will be read in advance by all conference participants. So please submit a paper only if you are certain that, if your paper is

on the program, you will have a chance to incorporate feedback from the BSPC in any subsequent, for-publication version of your paper.

The deadline for submissions is March 1st, 2015 (at midnight Pacific Time at the end of the day). Authors will be notified of the Program Committee's decisions by mid-May.

To volunteer to be a commentator or chair:

All volunteers should e-mail the 2015 BSPC Program Committee at bspc2015@gmail.com. Prospective commentators should indicate their areas of specialization. The deadline for volunteering is March 1st, 2015 (at midnight Pacific Time at the end of the day). Volunteers will be notified of the Program Committee's decisions by mid-May.

Please note: The BSPC is a workshop-style conference whose participants are expected to read all of the papers in advance, to attend all of the sessions, and to come prepared for discussion. You should not submit a paper, or volunteer to comment or chair, unless you plan on reading all of the papers in advance and attending all of the sessions.