

Applied Communication Division

The Applied Communication Division invites papers and program proposals on applied research in communication. Papers and panels addressing the convention's theme, *Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*, are especially encouraged. Innovative formats such as roundtable discussions with specified leaders and designated participants are welcomed, along with insightful scholarly papers and panel presentations. Scholarship reporting empirical findings, addressing the intersection of theories and methods of research, and discussing ways to apply communication research in organizations or teaching is desired. Topics might include: organizational change, consulting and training, health communication, grant writing, mentoring, leadership, team-building, teaching and learning styles, or service learning. Additional relevant and creative topics are also encouraged. All papers submitted will be considered for the division's Top Paper award. Graduate students submitting papers should indicate STUDENT status on the cover sheet; the highest ranking student paper received by the division will be submitted for consideration for the Association's Bostrom Young Scholar Award.

Submissions must be received by the program planner no later than September 15, 2005. Papers and panel proposals should be sent electronically as an email attachment in Microsoft Word format (i.e., as a ".doc" file). Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission

All papers must include a 75-100 word abstract and be no longer than 25 pages (excluding tables and references). Authors should not be identifiable in the text of papers. Include a detachable cover page with the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and email addresses of all the authors.

Panel proposals must include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website.

Send submissions to Dave Gesler at david.gesler@murraystate.edu. You may also contact him at the Department of Organizational Communication, Murray State University, 301A Wilson Hall, Murray, KY, 42071 (phone 270-762-3174).

The American Society for the History of Rhetoric Interest Group

The American Society of the History of Rhetoric interest group invites submissions of panel proposals, round table discussions, workshops and competitive papers from faculty and students. While we welcome papers and proposals suited to the convention theme, “Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance,” we encourage any papers creating a broader dialogue between scholar’s interests and rhetorical history. While encouraging traditional interpretive frameworks, such as revisiting classical, Roman, medieval studies, we also solicit the use of other viewpoints to increase healthy debate. Therefore, in an effort to spur discussion, the development of gender theory, non-Western thought, or other perspectives are greatly supported. We study the theory, practice, and pedagogy of rhetoric in all periods and languages and welcome any frameworks that will help us shed light on, work through, or revise the history of rhetoric. We offer a “Top Student Paper” award as well as a “Top Paper Award.” The Top Student Paper will be submitted for consideration for the Association’s Bostrom Award. Presenters and program participants do not have to be members of ASHR.

All submissions are due September 15, 2005. Electronic submissions are preferred for both papers and panel proposals, however, hard copy submissions are accepted. Hard copy submissions should include four copies of the paper and appropriate forms for panel proposals. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission

Papers should include a cover page with title, author’s name (please indicate if you are a student), institution, mailing address, phone numbers, and e-mail address. Include the title of the paper on the first page of the text.

Panel proposals must include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the “Call for Panel Proposals” section of this website.

Send submissions to Christi Moss at clmoss@nc.rr.com or 8820 Reigate Ln., Raleigh, NC 27603. You may also contact her at 919-773-8944

Association for Communication Administration Interest Group

The Association for Communication Administrators Interest Group invites the submission of completed papers and/or panel proposals for inclusion in the 2006 SSCA Convention. Discussion of such subjects as planning and assessment, accreditation, and development, would be welcome. Also, proposals that focus of the role of administrators in “Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance,” the convention theme, are especially encouraged.

Submissions and nominations should be received no later than September 15, 2005.

Please submit electronically in MS Word as an e-mail attachment. Requests and justifications for all audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission. Authors of accepted papers and participants on all accepted panels are expected to attend the convention.

Papers should include the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses of all authors.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. Details and examples may be found in the “Call for Panel Proposals” section of this website.

The interest group also annually honors the Outstanding Communication Administrator of the year. Nominations are sought for such individuals. Please provide the name of the nominee, contact information for the nominator, and a brief explanation for the nomination.

Send your materials to David Goff (dgoff@westga.edu). Direct all correspondence concerning submissions to him at the Department of Mass Communications & Theatre Arts, University of West Georgia, 1201 Maple Street, Carrollton, GA 30017 (678-839-4934).

Communication Theory Division

The Communication Theory Division invites papers, extensive abstracts, and program proposals on all aspects of communication theory and research including, but not limited to, those that: report empirical findings guided by theory; address the relationship between theory and method; critically review theoretical literature; extend or test particular theories; or explore methods of teaching communication theory. Submissions that address the convention theme, "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance," are especially encouraged.

Deadline for receipt of all submissions is September 15, 2005. All submissions should be sent electronically to franklin@lacollege.edu as Microsoft Word attachments using the author's last name as the filename. Please indicate "SSCA 2006 Submission" in the email subject line. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission. Authors of accepted papers/panels are expected to attend the convention.

Papers should include a 75-100 word abstract and be no longer than 25 pages, excluding tables and references. Papers should include a cover page with title, author's name, institution, mailing address, phone numbers, and e-mail address. Students submitting sole-authored papers and persons who have never presented a paper at a regional or national conference should write STUDENT or DEBUT, as appropriate in the upper right-hand corner of the title page. The top graduate student paper will be submitted for the Association's Bostrom Award.

Panel proposals must include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses, and (5) a brief abstract of each panelist's contribution. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website. Panels should be submitted in the manner noted above with the panel submitter's last name as the filename. Innovative formats for panels such as roundtable discussions, poster sessions, and workshops are encouraged. Whether innovative or traditional, panels that address the convention theme are especially welcome.

**Direct all questions to Cole Franklin at Department of Communication Arts;
Louisiana College; P.O. Box 554; Pineville, LA 71359. Phone: 318-487-7597
E-mail: franklin@lacollege.edu**

Community College Divison

The Community College Division invites the submission of papers and panel proposals for presentation at the annual convention. Innovative formats such as roundtable discussions with specified leaders and designated participants are especially welcomed. Scholarly papers and panel presentations with practical in class application are encouraged. Submissions addressing the convention's theme, *Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*, are especially encouraged. This year's theme which centers upon "excellence" is the perfect opportunity for the Community College Division to showcase ourselves and share the "excellent" work that we do in the classroom.

Please send submissions ELECTRONICALLY to Robin Jensen (Jensenr@spjc.edu) in Word format no later than September 15, 2005. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Papers should include a cover page with title, author's name (please indicate if you are a student), institution, mailing address, phone numbers, and e-mail address.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Direct any questions about possible submissions to Robin J. Jensen at Communications Department; St. Petersburg College, Clearwater Campus; P. O. Box 13489; St. Petersburg, FL 33733. He may also be contacted at 727-791-2665 and Jensenr@spjc.edu.

Freedom of Speech Division

The Freedom of Speech Division is accepting scholarly papers or panel proposals for presentation at the annual convention. All papers will be blind-reviewed. Topics such as Supreme Court cases on free speech issues (especially Texas, anniversary, or 2004 term cases), the Patriot Act, academic freedom (including student Bill of Rights legislation), Internet websites, hate speech, terrorist speech, and the conference theme-related topic of censorship in the name of family values are especially sought, but papers can deal with any aspect of freedom of expression, contemporary or historical, and any methodology. Papers and panels addressing the convention's theme, *Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*, are also welcome. Graduate student papers are invited, and the top paper authored by a graduate student from the division will be considered for the Association's Bostrom Award, which honors the top graduate student paper in the Association. All complete papers submitted by the deadline will compete for the Gregg Phifer Award. Division members are encouraged to solicit free speech-related papers for the Undergraduate Honors Conference. Authors will be notified by e-mail shortly after the papers are received and distributed for review.

Completed panel or paper submissions must be received by September 15, 2005.

Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Papers may be submitted via attachment in Microsoft Word or in hardcopy. Papers should be no longer than 7500 words (excluding citations and bibliography). Hardcopy submissions should include 1) one copy of the paper with a cover page containing title, 75-word abstract, and complete author information, i.e. name of the author(s), institutional affiliation, complete mailing address, telephone and fax numbers (with area code), e-mail address, and, if applicable, identification as a graduate student paper; 2) three copies of the paper with a cover page containing title and 75-word abstract, but no author identifying information; and, 3) a 3.5 inch floppy disk containing two Microsoft Word Document file versions of the paper: one with the complete cover page and one with the cover page that contains no author identification. All hardcopy submissions of papers should be submitted on 8 by 11 inch paper and double-spaced for reviewers. Papers may be copied on the front and back of the pages.

Panel proposals must include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website. **All panel proposals must be submitted electronically via attachment in Microsoft Word.**

Papers should be mailed to: Susan Mallon Ross, Arts and Letters, Speech Communication, The University of Southern Mississippi, 730 East Beach Boulevard, Long Beach, MS 39560. Alternatively, papers may be submitted electronically by

attachment in Microsoft Word to susan.m.ross@usm.edu (including both a blind cover page and an author-identifying cover page). She may also be contacted by phone at 228-214-3360 or e-mail at susan.m.ross@usm.edu.

Gender Studies

The Gender Studies Division invites competitive scholarly papers and panel proposals which represent a creative range of gender related issues. Paper and panels that consider the 2006 theme, “*Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*” are encouraged. Other areas of research/panels might include: women in war, women in military, Title 9 issues, gender and environment, and gendered health issues. Round-table or discussion style panels, jointly sponsored panels with other divisions, and paper/panels that represent collaborations between faculty and graduate students are being sought.

Deadline for all submissions and nominations is September 15, 2006. Requests and justifications for all audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Papers should include the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses of all authors.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. Details and examples may be found in the “Call for Panel Proposals” section of this website.

The Gender Studies Division also seeks nominations for our Outstanding Gender Scholar of the Year to be honored at convention in Dallas. Nominations will be collected and reviewed by the Gender Studies Division officers, and a short list will be confirmed. Nominees will be contacted to determine their interest and availability and to request vitae from each for a final vote. The scholar who is selected will be spotlighted with an interview/discussion session. Note on your nomination the name of the scholar, the school affiliation, and a brief rationale behind the nomination.

Send four (4) copies of the paper or panel proposal to Sandra Halvorson, Florida State University – Panama City Campus, 4750 Collegiate Dr., Panama City, FL 32405. To discuss ideas, contact Sandra Halvorson at (850) 872-4750, ext. 206 or comseminars@yahoo.com. Nominations for the Outstanding Gender Scholar of the Year should also be sent to Sandra Halvorson via email at or via regular mail.

Instructional Development Division

The Instructional Development Division invites submissions of competitive papers or their extended abstracts, and panel proposals for the 2006 SSCA convention. This Division emphasizes the teaching and learning process, including teacher training and development, pedagogical strategies for teaching and assessment issues. Papers and panels should address theory or research relevant to instruction and learning, communication education, and communication in instructional settings. Reviews of literature and suggestions for application of theory and research are also appropriate. Some specific topics might include: the role of service learning in scholarship, conflict issues in the classroom, distance learning, and curricular differences at small and large universities. Any submission relating to the overall scope of instruction will be reviewed. Submissions related to the convention theme, *Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*, are also encouraged.

Deadline for RECEIPT of all submissions and nominations is September 15, 2005.

Audio and video equipment requests and justifications should accompany submissions. Please request equipment only if it is essential to your presentation. All materials must be submitted electronically as Microsoft Word Attachments using the author's last name as the filename. Please indicate "SSCA 2005 IDD Submission" in the email subject line. the address below.

Papers/Abstracts: All papers and abstracts must include title, author(s) name (s), institution, mailing address, e-mail address. Students submitting sole-authored papers and persons who have never presented a paper at an SSCA conference should write STUDENT or DEBUT, as appropriate, in the upper right hand corner of the title page. The top graduate student paper from the Division will be submitted for the Association's Bostrom Award, which is given to the top graduate student paper submitted and accepted for the conference.

Panels: Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses, and (5) a brief abstract for each panelist's contribution. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website. Panels consisting exclusively of graduate students are also welcome.

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award: This division also presents an award to the outstanding graduate teaching assistant. Any member of SSCA may nominate a graduate student who he or she feel demonstrates creative teaching strategies, teacher effectiveness, and brings depth and breadth through instruction to the classroom. Nominations should include evidence of teaching effectiveness, letters of endorsement, a descriptive overview of the student's responsibilities in the department, plus any additional supporting materials.

Send all submissions to Richard Quianthy at rquianth@broward.edu . Inquires can also be sent to Richard Quianthy at 8080 Nadmar Ave, Boca Raton, FL 33434 or 561-852-8375

Intercultural Communication Division

The Intercultural Communication Division invites submissions of papers, abstracts, and panel proposals on any aspect of intercultural communication. Papers and panels related to the convention theme, "*Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*" will be given special attention. Beyond this, we seek special papers, abstracts, and panel proposals for suggesting ways academicians and practitioners can teach intercultural communication. Papers should be of length that can be presented in less than 15 minutes.

All entries must be submitted electronically by September 15. Students should write STUDENT in the upper right hand corner of the title page. The top graduate student paper from the division will be submitted for consideration for the Association's Bostrom award. Submissions will be acknowledged electronically. Because of expense, A/V request must be submitted at time of submission and must have a rationale about being essential to the presentation.

Papers should include a cover page with the title, author's name, institution and email address. Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website.

Send submissions to Mary L. Rucker @ mary.rucker@wright.edu. If there are additional questions, Mary L. Rucker may be reached at (937) 775-2631 or Department of Communication; 425 Millett Hall, College of Liberal Arts; 3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy.; Wright State University; Dayton, OH 45435.

Interpersonal Communication Division

The Interpersonal Communication Division invites the submission of competitive papers, well-developed abstracts, panel proposals, and roundtable discussions. Submissions related to the convention theme (“*Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance*”) are encouraged. However, the division also welcomes papers on other interpersonal communication topics, including (but not limited to) interpersonal conflict; relational development, maintenance, and dissolution; dialectics; personality variables and interpersonal dynamics; and gender, ethnic, and cultural differences in interpersonal communication. Because the division includes members who utilize a variety of research approaches, the division welcomes methodological diversity in its conference submissions.

Competitively selected papers will receive the highest priority in programming. A Top Paper panel will recognize outstanding submissions to the division. The division also will recognize the Top Paper and the Top Student Paper submitted. The Top Student Paper in the division will be nominated for the Bostrom Award (given annually to the top student paper at the SSCA conference).

All submissions must be received by September 15, 2005. Audiovisual resources are limited; please include a rationale for such requests with the paper/panel/roundtable submission.

Paper Submissions: Submit four (4) paper copies (or one electronic copy, in either Microsoft Word or WordPerfect) with a separate cover page that includes the name, addresses, institutional affiliations, telephone numbers, and email addresses of all authors. All papers should include a 75-100 word abstract. Students submitting single-authored papers and persons submitting to a regional or national conference for the first time should write “STUDENT” or “DEBUT,” as appropriate, in the upper right corner of the title page.

Panel Proposals: Four (4) paper copies of proposals (or a single electronic copy in Microsoft Word or WordPerfect) should be submitted using the standard convention program proposal format. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the “Call for Proposals” section of this website. Briefly, submissions should include (a) the Program Proposal Form, (b) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (c) the program copy, and (d) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses, and (e) an abstract of each panelist's contribution. Panels consisting exclusively of graduate students are also welcome.

Roundtable Proposals: Four (4) paper copies of the roundtable proposal (or a single electronic copy in Microsoft Word or WordPerfect) should be submitted in standard convention format. Details and examples may be found in the “Call for Panel Proposals” section of this website. A roundtable discussion should facilitate audience participation and the free exchange of ideas between presenters and audience members. Hence,

presentations should be relatively short so a dialogue on a particular subject can be explored thoroughly by members of the academic community. Proposals should include (a) the Program Proposal Form, (b) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (c) the program copy, and (d) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses, and (e) an abstract of each panelist's contribution

Direct all submissions and inquiries to Michael Arrington, Department of Communication, University of Kentucky, 247 Grehan Building, Lexington, KY 40506. Phone: 859-257-8676. Email: michaelarrington@uky.edu

Kenneth Burke Society Interest Group

All interested persons are invited to submit competitive papers and panel proposals on the exploration, extension, or application of any aspect of Burkean scholarship to the Kenneth Burke Society Interest Group. Papers and panel proposals that explore the convention theme, "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance," are especially welcome. Panel proposals on teaching Kenneth Burke's work are encouraged, as are papers and topical panel proposals exploring Burkean perspectives on Texas culture, politics, or history.

The Kenneth Burke Society is particularly friendly toward graduate student work, including debut scholars, whether submitted as competitive papers or thematic panels; please identify student work. All Burke scholars are invited to submit alternative panel formats such as interactive sessions, workshops, or roundtable discussions, as well as abstracts and works in progress if so identified. Top paper and Top Student Paper will be awarded. The top student submission will be nominated for the Bostrom Award.

Submissions must be *received* by September 15, 2005. Electronic submissions as attachments in PDF or PC Word file formats are acceptable. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Papers should include a cover page with title, author's name (please indicate if you are a student), institution, mailing address, phone numbers, and e-mail address. Include the title of the paper on the first page of the text.

Panel proposals must include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposals" section of this website.

Submit 4 copies of papers and panel proposals to: Kim Golombisky, School of Mass Communications, CIS1040, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., Tampa, FL, 33620. Email: kgolombi@cas.usf.edu

Language and Social Interaction Division

The Language and Social Interaction Division invites submissions of competitive papers and panel proposals that investigate the use of speech, language, or gestures in human interaction, including microanalysis of detailed transcripts, analysis of talk based on ethnographic fieldwork, studies of discourse process, face-to-face interaction, speech act theory, conversation analysis, discourse analysis, ethno-methodology, and other similar work. The division encourages submissions emphasizing the conference theme of "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance."

All submissions must be RECEIVED by September 15, 2006 and should be emailed as a Word or RTF attachment. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

For papers, the body of the email message should serve as the detachable cover sheet and should include the name of the paper, author(s), institutional affiliation(s), mailing address(es), and email address(es). All identifying marks, except for the title of the paper, should be removed from the submitted paper. For paper submissions, only completed papers will be considered. A 50-word abstract should accompany each paper. Papers authored **solely** by graduate students should be labeled "student;" the top graduate student paper from the division will be considered for the Association's Bostrom Award, which is given annually to the top graduate student paper at the convention.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. All identifying marks, except for the title of the paper, should be removed from the rationale. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Send submissions to Dr. Christine Davis at cdavisusf@earthlink.net. For questions, she may also be reached at the Dept. of Communication Studies, UNC-Charlotte, Colvard 5007, 9201 University City Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28223 or by phone at 704-687-4005.

Mass Communication Division

The Mass Communication Division invites competitive scholarly papers and panel proposals on all aspects of mass media, mass communication, computer mediated communication, and new media technologies.

The mass communication division particularly welcomes diversity in scholarly panel proposals and research projects that include such topics as emerging technologies, the internet, on-line journalism, television, radio, international broadcasting, advertising, political communication within the media, and more. In addition to the traditional research paper and panels, the mass communication division is soliciting proposals for production showcases, presentations, round tables, and other innovative discussion formats about issues that are focal to the discipline. Submissions that focus on the convention theme, "*Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance,*" and other topics integral to the discipline are greatly encouraged.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF SUBMISSIONS IS SEPTEMBER 15, 2005

Please follow these guidelines when submitting papers and proposals:

(1) Submit an electronic version, as an attached .doc or .rtf file only of each competitive paper or panel proposal. Include a 100-150 word abstract--which should be the first page of this attached file. Papers should be written in APA, 5th edition, style. Contact the program planner if you do not receive a confirmation of receipt of the paper.

(2) Include, as a separate attached file from the paper (also .doc or .rtf format), a cover page that contains the title, author's name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, fax number, email address, and faculty or graduate student status. Papers submitted for consideration as the best student paper must not have any faculty member as one of the authors. Undergraduate students should submit to the Undergraduate Honors Conference, which has separate submission guidelines and a different submission date (early December 2005) Details about the UHC will be available on the SSCA Web Site.

(3) Your paper must not be under consideration for any other division within SSCA, nor any other academic conference.

(4) Do not identify authors in the body of the paper.

(5) All panel proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

We also invite audio/visual or film productions for the production showcase. The productions may be on any topic, but should not exceed 15 minutes in length. Send one copy of the production (1/2" VHS tape or audio cassette) and a written summary. The written summary should include: the name(s) of the producer(s), status, (faculty, student, etc), and 150-200 word description of the work

(6) Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Send papers, panel proposals, and productions to Tony DeMars at tonydemars@yahoo.com. He may also be contacted at P.O. Box 2207; Huntsville, TX 77341 or by phone at 936-294-1346.

Performance Studies Division

The Performance Studies Division invites papers, performances, panels, posters, roundtable discussions, and workshops concerning any area of performance studies but especially pedagogy, history, practice, critical studies, and culture. The division is especially interested in responding to the convention theme: "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance." Three panels will be created from contributed abstracts that address aspects of this title:

- 1) "Defining Performance in Communication Studies"
- 2) "Fostering Excellence in the Performance Studies Classroom"
- 3) "Performance Studies and Family Values"

If you would like to be considered for one of these panels as either a presenter or roundtable discussant (format is open at this time), please forward your name and a brief (50-75 word) abstract specifying your interest/focus.

Submissions must be received by September 15, 2005. For all contributions, please include room requirements as well as requests and justifications for audio or visual equipment requests (TV, VCR, slide projectors). Also, please include a statement of intention to attend the conference.

For paper submissions, please include a detachable cover page that includes the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail addresses for all authors. Students submitting papers and persons submitting to a conference for the first time should include "Student" or "Debut," as appropriate, in the upper right corner of the title page. All papers must also include a 100-125 word abstract. The division will award a cash prize to the top student paper in Performance Studies.

All panel proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a 100-125 word abstract that provides a rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses; and (5) a brief (50-75 word) abstract for each panelist's contribution. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Electronic submissions are preferred and should be sent to Jay Baglia at jaybags01@hotmail.com. Or, four paper copies can be sent to him at the Department of Communication Studies; One Washington Square; San José State University; San José, CA 95192-0112. He may be reached by phone at (408) 924-5360.

Political Communication Division

The Political Communication Division invites paper submissions or panel proposals for the 2006 convention. Submissions addressing the conference theme, "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance" are especially welcomed.

Graduate students are especially encouraged to submit completed research papers. The top graduate student paper from the Political Communication Division will be submitted for consideration for the Southern States Communication Association's Bostrom Award, which goes to the best graduate student paper. All graduate student papers must be clearly identified. No graduate student paper will be considered for top student paper if a faculty member is one of the paper's authors.

Deadline for receipt of papers or panel submissions is September 15, 2005. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission.

Please follow these guidelines when submitting papers. (1) Include a detachable cover page that contains the title, author's name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, fax number, email address, and faculty or student status. If a student paper please note on submission that you are a graduate student. Undergraduate papers are submitted under different guidelines and a different deadline. Details will be posted elsewhere on this website. (2) Include a 75-150 word abstract. (3) Do not identify authors in the body of the paper.

All panel proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a 100-125 word abstract that provides a rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses; and (5) a brief (50-75 word) abstract for each panelist's contribution. Details and examples may be found in the "Call for Panel Proposal" section of this website.

Papers and panels may be submitted by email attachment in Word format (.doc at the end of the file) or as an .rtf file to Dr. John Hendricks at jhendricks@sosu.edu. Or send four (4) copies of papers or program proposals to him at Department of Communication & Theatre; Southeastern Oklahoma State University; 1405 N. 4th Ave., PMB 4053; Durant, Oklahoma 74701-0609.

Popular Communication Division

The Popular Communication Division invites completed papers, media presentations, and panel proposals related to the location (Dallas, Texas) or convention theme: "*Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education and Performance.*" The division also welcomes scholarship related to media and culture within a popular communication framework from a broad range of theoretical and methodological approaches including: critical studies, genre studies, image and characterization research, cultural studies, cultural history, and audience-focused consumption research. Possible themes suggested but not limited to include: sports and popular communication, Southern history and popular communication, subculture/ritual and popular communication, and studies addressing popular music and other media of popular communication.

A cash award and certificate will be awarded to the top ranked paper. Student papers should be clearly marked "student." The top graduate student paper from the Popular Communication Division will be submitted for the Association's Bostrom Award for Best Graduate Student Paper.

Submissions must be received by September 15, 2005. All equipment requests and justifications must be included with the panel proposal or paper submission. Electronic submission in MS Word are preferred.

Completed papers limited to 25 pages or less are preferred. Include a detachable cover page with the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and email addresses of all the authors.

Panel proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Submit papers and panel proposals to Wendy J. Hajjar electronically at whajjar@uno.edu or mail 4 copies to her at Drama and Communications, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148. She may also be reached at (504) 488 6866.

Public Relations Division

The Public Relations Division invites completed papers and panel proposals on a broad range of theoretical and methodological approaches to public relations issues. Special consideration will be given to papers addressing the convention theme, "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance."

Top-paper recognition is given for competitive papers. Student papers should be clearly marked "undergraduate student" or "graduate student." The top graduate student paper will be submitted for consideration for the SSCA Bostrom Award, which goes to the best graduate student paper. Pedagogical research submissions are also encouraged.

Papers and panel proposals will be accepted from now until September 15, 2005. All equipment requests and justifications must be included with the panel proposal or paper submission.

Please limit completed papers to 25 pages. Include a detachable cover page with the names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and email addresses of all the authors.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a one page rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Submit all papers and panel proposals via e-mail to Brigitta Brunner at brunnbr@auburn.edu. If there are questions or problems, please contact her at 334-844-2755 or by mail at Department of Communication & Journalism; 217 Tichenor Hall; Auburn University, AL 36849-5211.

Rhetoric and Public Address

The Rhetoric and Public Address Division invites submissions for the 2006 Convention of the Southern States Communication Association. We encourage submissions capitalizing on the 2006 convention theme, "Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance." In particular, submissions focusing on Southern issues and concerns are especially encouraged, although submissions on all topics of interest to the Division also are welcome.

All materials must be submitted electronically by September 15th in MS Word format. All equipment requests and justifications must be included with the panel proposal or paper submission.

The Division will review two types of submissions: completed papers and thematic panels (these panels should include some participants from different institutional affiliation). Thematic submissions that encourage audience participation will be looked upon favorably. Students submitting papers should clearly designate the paper as "STUDENT" on the cover page. The top graduate student paper will be entered into the Bostrom awards competition for the top graduate student paper in the association.

Paper submissions must include a cover page with the following information: name, address, institutional affiliation, office and home phone numbers, fax numbers, and email address.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a 250 word description/rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the "Call for Proposals" section of this website.

Send submissions to Jim A. Kuypers at kuypers@vt.edu. Inquiries made prior to July 5th should be sent to HB 6046 Bartlett Hall; Dartmouth College; Hanover, NH 03755; (603) 646-2065; or jim.kuypers@dartmouth.edu and afterwards to J121 Shanks Hall; Communication Department; Virginia Tech; Blacksburg, Va 24061; or, 540-231-7136.

Southern Forensics Division

The Southern Forensics Division invites submissions of completed papers and thematic panels for competitive review and presentation. Southern Forensics accepts programs and papers on aspects of argumentation theory and the theory and practice of any aspect of the forensic activity.

We especially encourage programs that focus on the convention theme, “Our Family Values: Defining and Fostering Excellence in Communication Study, Education, and Performance”.

Paper on any relevant topic will be considered and panels will be formed on the basis of accepted paper submissions. Students are encouraged to submit papers and to indicate their student status on the cover sheet. The top graduate student paper will be submitted to the Association's Bostrom Award competition for the top graduate student paper in the convention. For all paper submissions, include a detachable cover page with the names, addresses, and telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of all authors. The top paper in the division will be recognized with a plaque and cash award.

All paper and panel submissions must be received by mail or e-mail by September 15, 2005. Requests and justifications for audio-visual equipment must be included with the submission

Paper submissions must include a cover page with the following information: name, address, institutional affiliation, office and home phone numbers, fax numbers, and email address.

Panel Proposals should include: (1) the Program Proposal Form, (2) a 250 word description/rationale for the proposed program, (3) the program copy, and (4) a list of all proposed participants, including their names, affiliations, mailing addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal form, additional instructions, and examples may be found in the “Call for Proposals” section of this website. Please e-mail me with any questions.

The division also invites nominations for the Forensic Educator of the Year Award that honors dedication, competitive success, and works at any level of education (high school, 2-year college, college, university) in forensics. Nominations should include a letter of justification possibly including, career accomplishments, evidence of competitive success, and/or examples of service to the forensics community.

Paper, panel, and nomination submissions should be mailed (4 copies) to Jason Hough; Instructor of Communication/ Director of Forensics; John Brown University; 2000 W. University; Siloam Springs, AR 72761; or e-mailed to him at jhough@jbu.edu. He may also be contacted at these telephone numbers: Office: (479) 524-7179; Cell:(479) 215-9281; Home: (479) 524-6895