Submitting Papers for the 2020 Annual ACPA National Meeting

“The Good, the True, the Beautiful: Through and Of the Ages”
2020 Annual ACPA Meeting

Deadline for Submission: **1 March 2020.**

Send all submissions to: **acpa@stthom.edu**

1) The theme of the 2020 meeting is “The Good, the True, the Beautiful: Through and of the Ages.”

2) Here is President-Elect Thomas Cavanaugh’s description of the theme: “We are pleased to invite you to the 2020 ACPA annual meeting in New Orleans, LA. hosted by Loyola University of New Orleans, LA.

**Description:**

Augustine of Hippo suggests one facet of our theme for the 2020 conference in his Confessions, “Late have I loved you, beauty so ancient and so new, late have I loved you.” Philosophy, named by its attitude – friendship-love – towards its subject rather than by its subject – knowledge of which one would call wisdom – implies subject matters that admit of being loved. Broadly: the good, the true, the beautiful. Philosophy abounds with questions concerning this trio. Questions of ontology, epistemology, ethics, and politics, to name a few. Augustine’s, “so ancient and so new” points to the perennial and novel character of these subjects. This temporal aspect brings to mind the history of philosophy in its treatment (or lack thereof) of these subjects addressed collectively and singly. Can one intelligibly speak of continuity across eras or does one find these subjects only of this age or that, but not through them? How do these subjects relate to one another? Can one maintain ‘Beauty is truth, truth beauty, – that is all/Ye know on earth, and all ye need to know” or that “beauty will save the world”? What needful or redeeming knowledge, if any - does that of beauty, truth, or goodness offer? And what of the false, the bad, the ugly? Can beauty not ally itself with the false or the true with the ugly? Consideration of these and allied questions is invited as a way of addressing the inexhaustible theme of the good, the true, the beautiful. We encourage submissions from a variety of perspectives as well as philosophical traditions and approaches. Papers from all specialties and sub-disciplines are welcome, including metaphysics, epistemology, moral theory, applied ethics, philosophy of religion, history of philosophy, political philosophy, philosophy of science, etc.

3) Papers must be received no later than 1 March 2020. The authors of the papers must be members of ACPA at the moment of submission.

4) Submissions must be received through email. Please save your paper in Microsoft Word (.docx preferred) or PDF. (Other formats are not acceptable.) The text of your paper should not exceed 15 typed, double-spaced pages, 12 point (30 minutes reading time). The paper **must** begin with a short abstract (150 words), suitable for inclusion in the conference program. (The abstract will not be counted against the overall length of your paper.)
5) The format of the paper should be appropriate for blind reviewing; that is, nothing in the paper itself should reveal the author’s identity. (We will take care that your paper is not identifiable in the way it is saved by us, as blind review is one of the strengths of our conference papers and our proceedings.)

6) In the body of your email, please include:
   - Author’s name,
   - University affiliation,
   - Postal address,
   - Phone number,
   - E-mail address (correct from 1 March 2020 through 1 November 2020).

7) It is understood that, by submitting material for possible presentation at the 2020 Annual Meeting, authors agree that, should the paper be accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting and publication in the annual Proceedings, they will deliver the paper in person at the 2020 ACPA Conference, and they agree to allow the ACPA to hold the copyright to their paper published in the Proceedings. If the paper is accepted, you will be asked to sign a publication agreement with us.

8) Those authors who wish to have their papers considered for the ACPA Young Scholar’s Award (scholars 35 years of age or younger, regardless of academic position, are eligible) should indicate as much in the body of their email.

9) We will acknowledge receipt of your paper by email, shortly after it is submitted. If you do not hear from us within one week of submitting your paper, please contact us by email. Then by 15 July 2020, we will inform you if your paper has been accepted for the conference and publication in the ACPA Proceedings.

10) If you would like to comment on a paper or to chair a session, please let the ACPA Secretary know by sending a separate e-mail or by writing to the ACPA’s National Office. Be sure to provide your e-mail address, as well as your telephone numbers, and your area of philosophical expertise.