

# TWENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE ON SLAVIC AND EAST/CENTRAL EUROPEAN STUDIES

## CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to participate in the Twenty-Sixth Annual University of California Undergraduate Conference on Slavic and East/Central European Studies. The conference will be held on Saturday, **April 27 2024, in a hybrid format at the University of California, Los Angeles.**

## PURPOSE

One of the great benefits of knowing a foreign language is being able to use source materials in the language. This conference allows students to integrate their language skills with research on some aspects of Slavic and East/Central European studies and to present their work in an academic and, at the same time, friendly and supportive environment. Presenting a conference paper is an ideal way to strengthen graduate school applications or add an academic component to your résumé. In addition, those interested have the opportunity to submit their papers for peer-reviewed publication in the online *UC Journal of Slavic and East/Central European Studies*.

## TOPICS

Your presentation may be an extension of a paper written for a Slavic or East/Central European studies course or a project related to your interests. You may work alone or jointly with another student. Instructors from your campus Slavic, Russian, or East/Central European Studies program will serve as project advisors. Any undergraduate enrolled in a Slavic or East/Central European language, literature, linguistics, history, political science, music, folklore, or other relevant courses may participate. Graduate students are invited to serve as panel moderators.

## REQUIREMENTS

The paper must incorporate some materials in a Slavic or other East/Central European language. Your level of proficiency will determine the extent to which foreign language materials should be used. For example, beginning students might incorporate titles of books or articles or place names in the original language; intermediate students might read some passages in the original from relevant sources; advanced students might base their papers on sources in the given language. Your presentation must include quotations, citations, or other evidence of using original language materials. Individual presentations should be **10-15 minutes**; joint presentations should be **15-20 minutes**. *A slide presentation is highly recommended.* You must have a faculty advisor on your home campus with whom you will work on the conference presentation.

**FIRST DEADLINE:** Please plan to submit a proposal for your presentation to a faculty member on your campus as well as to the conference submissions site (to be opened in February) by **March 1st, 2024**. Include your title, a short description, and the name and email of your faculty advisor in your home institution.

## **DEADLINES AT A GLANCE**

**March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024:** Submission of proposal and tentative title to a faculty advisor from your campus and to the conference organizers through the [Proposal Submission Form](#)

**April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024:** Submission of finalized paper title and short abstract (200-250 words) through the [Abstract Submission Form](#)

**Date of the conference: Saturday, April 27th, 2024, at UCLA campus and on Zoom**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Please contact a Slavic or East/Central European Studies faculty member on your campus or contact the UCLA conference faculty organizer, Dr. Ivanova-Sullivan at [tivanovasullivan@humnet.ucla.edu](mailto:tivanovasullivan@humnet.ucla.edu)