

# Florida State University

## GRADUATE STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

### CALL FOR PAPERS

The Florida State University Department of Religion's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student Symposium has partnered with the Society for Women's Advancement in Philosophy's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to present an interdisciplinary graduate student symposium to be held **February 19-21**. Graduate students are invited to submit proposals that engage this year's theme:

#### **Sects and Sexuality: Issues of Division and Diversity**

We encourage submissions from graduate students in **all levels and fields** with interdisciplinary interest in the study of Religion and Philosophy. We also welcome a variety of methods and approaches, particularly in regards to (1) Religion, Ethics, and Philosophy; (2) American Religious History; (3) Religions of Western Antiquity; (4) History and Ethnography of Religions (specializing in Asian, African, Mediterranean, and Western European Religions); and (5) Philosophy dealing with Race, Class, Sexuality, and Gender.

This is an **Open Call** for papers. Possible topics may include, but are not limited, to: Celibacy and Asceticism, Issues of Inclusion and Exclusion, Notions of the Forbidden, Sectarian Conflicts, and Community Identities.

Presentations should be 15-20 minutes in length and will receive faculty responses at the conclusion of each panel. The Leo F. Sandon Award will be given for the best paper of the symposium. The Heidi L. Millarker Award for Excellence in Interdisciplinary Feminist Scholarship will also be given.

Proposal submissions are due **December 1, 2009**, and should consist of an abstract (up to 800 words) including a list of key terms for review and a CV. Final papers must be submitted by **January 15, 2010**. Proposals should be emailed to Brooke Sherrard <fsugradsymposium@gmail.com>.