Truth, Transformation, and Healing

5th Annual
Transcending Boundaries Symposium
Virtual on April 29, 2023
University of Chicago

This symposium is an opportunity for students to share their process of discovering truths that can facilitate transformation or healing in their field or discipline.

Speaking "Truth, Transformation or Healing" can include work that:

- Challenges, proves or disproves current thought or research in your field
- Offers a transformative reframe or innovative solution to a problem
- Sharing creative ideas for further study that fosters healing within the community

The 5th annual Transcending Boundaries Research Symposium, **Truth, Transformation, and Healing**, invites UChicago's <u>historically marginalized graduate student and postdoctoral population</u> to present their scholarship related to this theme, which we conceive of quite broadly and invite proposals from **<u>all divisions and fields</u>**. Some questions you might consider include:

<u>Speaking Truth:</u>

- How does your work or research question conventional wisdom?
- In what ways can new or old ideas about our social, political, and economic world speak truth in today's society?
- How do they shape how we act, think, perceive, and/or feel about one another?
- Considering the impact of the digital world (social media, online forums, interactive video games, gig working (*e.g., Uber, Instacart, Upwork*) in what ways has technology revealed new truths in today's society?

<u>Transforming Systems:</u>

- How does your research help to narrow or close disparity gaps?
- How have you nurtured an environment of learning and doing for impact?
- How do your improved or new tools or technologies make our lives better? More efficient? Healthier? More environmentally conscious? How have you optimized this technology?

<u>Healing Communities:</u>

- How do new additions to scholarly bodies of knowledge facilitate healing and interrupt previous avenues of thinking?
- What social practices, scientific discoveries, or innovations were disregarded in their era but hold relevance for our world today?

- What intersections between religion and culture have empowered or dismantled methodologies or practices in your field?

We invite you to [RSVP to attend](). If you are interested in presenting, please read the Presentation Procedures below and [submit an abstract]().

Presentation Procedures

Virtual Planning

For the safety and accessibility of all participants, the symposium will be held on Zoom. Please complete the [RSVP form]().

Format

Presenters will have the opportunity to present either a short form or a long form presentation.
- In the short form presentations, each speaker will have a *total* of 15 minutes for their presentation: 10 minutes to present their work, followed by 5 minutes for questions.
- In the long form presentations, each speaker will have a *total* of 30 minutes for their presentation: 20 minutes to present their work, followed by 10 minutes for questions.

Keep in mind that your audience comes from a variety of backgrounds, so please keep disciplinary jargon to a minimum. In your presentation, please take time to explore how your topic or personal experience relates to the symposium's theme. If you have any questions, contact the program committee.

Abstract Requirements

We invite you to submit abstracts on published work or work in progress. You can also use this as an opportunity to practice presenting for a conference in your respective field, with the following requirements:
- The title must be in all caps and no longer than 15 words
- The body of the abstract must adhere to a maximum of 300 words. This does not include the abstract title and the author listing (if applicable)
- Please make the abstract as informative and representative of your presentation as possible

Submission

Abstracts are due on **March 22, 2023** at 11:59 pm Central Standard Time (USA). No late abstracts will be accepted. Please submit abstracts [here](). Selected presenters will be notified by **March 27, 2023** with further details. Only one proposal per person is allowed.

If you have any questions, please contact the program committee at graddab@uchicago.edu
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