

**Sektion
„Soziale Probleme
und soziale Kontrolle“**

Call for papers
Everyday Life, Social Control and Ethnography
July 21-24, 2011, Kassel University, Kassel, Germany
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction – European Conference 2011

The University of Kassel is proud to host the 2nd European meeting of the *Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction* in cooperation with the Section Social Problems and Social Control within the German Association of Sociology (DGS) and the German Society for interdisciplinary Criminology (GIWK). We wish to invite proposals and participation from all segments and interests within the interactionist tradition.

The sociology of everyday life, the analysis of social control (as the sociology of the construction of social problems or “deviance”) and ethnographic studies both within and outside these fields are three of the major pillars of contemporary interactionism. While social problems and social control have long played a major role in the worldwide interactionist dialog, the commitments to ethnographic work and everyday life have not followed suit to quite the same extent in Europe. The SSSI’s European meeting *Everyday Life, Social Control and Ethnography* wishes to pick up on established debates, add new voices, and offer opportunities for dialog and exchange. We are inviting papers, ethnographic or conceptual, that fit the broad themes of the conference, including, but not limited to: Ethnographies of Everyday Life; Music in Everyday Life; Language and Everyday Life; Sexuality; Motive Accounts; Emotions; Everyday Rituals; Deviance and Social Control; Health and Social Control; The Construction of Social Problems; Social Selves; Conceptual Work in Interactionism; Empirical Work in Interactionism.

We are also inviting proposals for full, or almost full, sessions.

The deadline for paper and session proposals is **February 15, 2011**. The conference program will be available in March 2011.

Please send all proposals to:
sssi@uni-kassel.de

As the conference is about presenting work in interactionism, but also about *interacting*, there will be daily social gatherings and a gala banquet on Saturday, as well as excursions to the beautiful Kassel mountain park.

There is no conference participation fee. Banquet participation will be €60 for faculty participants and €20 for student participants. We have made special arrangements with a number of hotels that offer accommodation for €43-€75 per person per day in single occupancy (~US\$60-US\$100) and €31-€45 per person in double occupancy (~\$40-\$60). There will also be a special “student host” program for students attending the conference, where students of Kassel University will host visiting students free of charge.

Please also register non-presenting participation with us if you wish to participate in the banquet or wish to receive assistance with accommodation in Kassel, either in hotels or with student hosts. Special hotel rates can only be made available through us and will also be available before and beyond the conference dates.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Kassel!