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Call for Papers

The Society picks conference themes to encourage faculty from the relevant areas to submit papers, panels, or other standard forms of presentation, but submissions may speak to any issue regarding ethics across the curriculum. Questions about possible submissions should be sent to the directors at Wade.Robison@rit.edu.

Theme: Teaching Citizenship and Civility

It is a hallmark of civility within a society that those of opposing points of view can reasonably discuss their differences and find common ground amidst their disagreements. Teaching students to become civil citizens and modeling a civil society within our classes are always pressing concerns. The concept of citizenship may encompass a wide variety of ethical actions (such as volunteerism or philanthropy) and political relations (such as nationalism or globalism). Teaching students to become civil citizens requires consideration of the content and practice of citizenship, in all its forms. Even in classes where the content is far removed from what seems relevant to a civic education, the way in which the class is taught -- how disagreements about answers are resolved -- can teach lessons essential to civility. Teaching civility, in all its forms, is an education across the curriculum. Although the theme of the conference highlights the content and practice of teaching civil citizens, submissions are not limited to the conference theme.

Submissions (either papers or abstracts) should be formatted for blind review and sent by September 15th 2009 to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society, Donna Werner, DWerner@stlcc.edu or by hard copy to Dr. Donna Werner, Philosophy Department (HE 103), St. Louis Community College, Meramec, 11333 Big Bend Boulevard, St. Louis MO 63122-5799. Phone: 314.984.7934.

We will make decisions about papers as soon as we can after they arrive. So the sooner you submit your abstract or paper or panel suggestion, the sooner you will hear from us regarding its suitability for the conference.

The Society publishes *Teaching Ethics*, and papers for conferences may be considered for publication either in that journal or in a possible anthology on teaching citizenship and civility.