

Society for Anthropology in Community Colleges (SACC)

Great Lakes Regional Conference

March 30–31, 2018

PARKLAND COLLEGE Champaign, Illinois

THEME: *Anthropology Engagement in the Community*

Anthropology faculty at community colleges introduce the study of the human condition to students and community members who are exposed to the discipline for the first time. These college programs not only educate students but are uniquely positioned to engage with community organizations. They have myriad initiatives that showcase how anthropology can provide useful tools to improve our understanding of and seek solutions for relevant social issues. In fact, community colleges help apply anthropology in the broader communities they form part of whether by helping organize educational activities at local elementary and high schools, volunteering students and faculty at museums, archives, and libraries, or collaborating with nearby research institutions through independent studies, honors projects, field schools, and investigative projects, to name a few.

Our conference theme invites attendees—community college anthropology faculty and students, and their community collaborators—to address the unique challenges and rewards in executing anthropology collaborative projects at the institutional or individual level. Following the trends in the discipline in the past two decades, we wish to explore how community colleges practice both engaged and public anthropology. Engaged anthropologists collaborate with community members in research processes, advocate for these members, and teach and educate the public while critically addressing social issues. Public anthropology promotes communicating anthropological knowledge to a primarily non-academic audience. Following the mandate of other SACC regional conferences, we hope to provide a forum for community college faculty and students, and those with whom we work in partnership, to network and benefit from shared information and strategies on ongoing collaborations.

Please address any questions regarding the conference and this Call for Papers to the SACC Great Lakes Regional Chairs: Dr. Karen Muir, at kmuir@csc.edu or Dr. Isabel Scarborough, at iscarborough@parkland.edu.



call for papers and posters

The Society for Anthropology in the Community Colleges (SACC) is a section of the *American Anthropology Association (AAA)*. The Great Lakes Region includes the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; however there is no restriction regarding residency as colleagues of other states are welcome to participate.

Proposals for paper presentation topics relating to collaborative initiatives and engagement with the community will be given priority. Presentations that highlight applied or public anthropology work will also be given priority. Proposals can cover any of the four fields of anthropology: Archaeology, Cultural Anthropology, Biological or Physical Anthropology, and Linguistic Anthropology.

Paper presentations are scheduled for 20 minutes. Papers will be divided into panels by the organizers. Given the short timeframe for this conference, we ask that all participants be mindful and follow this time limit.

POSTERS: We invite students, faculty, and community collaborators to submit a poster for our conference poster session.

Prospective presenters should send an abstract—no longer than 125 words—to the Program Chair, Dr. Isabel Scarborough at:

iscarborough@parkland.edu.

Please also include your name and institution affiliation as you wish it to appear in our program, and your paper or poster title. Abstracts and narratives must be received no later than **February 28, 2018**.

All received submissions will receive a confirmation email within a week of submission. Notification of acceptance or rejection of proposals will be communicated by **March 7, 2018**.

conference registration

TO REGISTER:

Please register through the American Anthropological Association at the following link: www.americananthro.org/section-meetings.

Scroll down and look for the SACC Great Lakes Regional Conference.

cost

***PRE-REGISTRATION:** American Anthropological Association (AAA) member: \$60, non member: \$65. Registration must be received by March 10, 2018 through the [American Anthropological Association website](http://www.americananthro.org).

REGISTRATION ON-SITE: AAA member: \$65, non member: \$70.

STUDENTS: only \$30 preregistration fee! \$35 for student non members. \$35 on-site for AAA members, and \$40 on site for non members.

program

The conference will be held at Parkland College campus in Champaign, Illinois. In addition to presentations by attendees, publisher displays, and a fieldtrip Saturday afternoon to the Spurlock Museum, there will be paper sessions in the afternoon on Friday and on Saturday morning followed by a lunch.

NEED A PLACE TO STAY?

If you want to check out all the options for hotels and dining, please see **Visit Champaign County** at <http://www.visitchampaigncounty.org/>

tentative schedule

FRIDAY, March 30

11 am	Registration
12 pm	Lunch
2–3:30 pm	Afternoon presentations
3:30–4 pm	Keynote Speaker Presentation: Dr. Susan Frankenberg Program Coordinator of Museum Studies, UIUC
4–5 pm	Poster session
6 pm	Friday Evening Reception

SATURDAY, March 31

9 am	Welcome
9:30–11:30 am	Morning presentations.
12 pm	Lunch
2 pm	Field trip to the Spurlock Museum

cancellation policy

- If you register and need to cancel: Cancellation requests received within 21 days or more of the first day of the meeting will receive a full refund.
- Requests received from 21 days until the first day of the meeting, will receive a 50% refund
- If the cancellation is requested after the meeting has begun, no refund will be made

All refunds will be processed after the meeting is completed.