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**36<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the  
Eastern Community College Social Science Association**

***“Cultivating Interdisciplinary Collaboration,  
Creativity and Innovation:  
A Leadership Role for the Social Sciences”***

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**Proposal Due Date: October 1, 2009**

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### **Conference Overview**

The Eastern Community College Social Sciences Association (ECCSSA) invites your participation in its 36<sup>th</sup> annual conference. We will explore together new challenges related to the conference theme and emergent leadership opportunities for higher education. Among these challenges are increasing interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary collaborations, preparing our faculty and students to be creative and imaginative in a challenging economy and global world, and encouraging visionary leaders of the future.

In this age of information and accelerating technological change, global competition and intercultural conversation, the role of the community college in local networks can be uniquely transformational. The need is imperative: to develop strategies for cultivating a resilient and creative imagination in our students and their communities, to promote a civic ethic, and to create a capacity to envision and implement the innovations of the future.

ECCSSA welcomes models, projects of innovative collaboration, research paradigms, new programs for professional development, corporate/university partnerships, international study and travel and more for students, faculty, professionals and administrators as we explore topics related to the theme of this conference.

ECCSSA invites interested professionals to join us in dialogue. The call welcomes proposals for papers and research, panel discussions, roundtables and posters, workshops, digital portfolios, websites, and other multimedia presentations.

### **SPECIAL CALL FOR STUDENT PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS**

The 2010 ECCSSA conference also welcomes student papers and other presentations. These student projects may be developed independently, in conjunction with class assignments, or under the supervision of an instructor. The projects may include work from Service Learning, Honors, linked courses, Second Life, or papers and projects from interdisciplinary majors; Environmental Studies, for example, or Women's and Gender Studies.

ECCSSA strongly recommends that Association members and teaching faculty encourage student participation in the conference. Student participants will have the opportunity to dialogue with conference participants about their work.

Guidelines for student and faculty papers and presentations can be found on the ECCSSA website at [www.eccssa.org](http://www.eccssa.org).

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## **Suggested Conference Themes & Topics for Papers and Presentations**

Current inclusive descriptions of the social sciences cite the following areas as members:

Anthropology  
Cultural Studies  
Economics  
Education  
Geography  
History  
Law  
Linguistics  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Social Work  
Sociology

We welcome papers with interdisciplinary approaches related to any of these fields of study and to the conference topic.