

SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

Please read before accepting the symposium invitation and respond as requested

The symposium is a 24-hour/day, full-week commitment. All participants are required to attend the entire symposium.

Do not accept the symposium invitation unless you agree to:

Arrive at the Conference Center by **5:00 pm on Monday Sept. 10** and

Commit for the entire symposium period, ending the morning of Sept. 17.

We will schedule one afternoon for some sort of field trip as part of the group activities, but otherwise you will be at the symposium site 24/7 for the duration of the meeting. This means there will be no time for visiting with local family or friends during the week of the symposium. Housing is available only to participants. Do not make airline reservations yet, but please do check on airline fares and provide us with an estimate of the cost of your ticket. Once you are confirmed as a participant, Sue Weiler's office will inform you as to how to go about making airline reservations. This office will also make reservations for you at the Conference Center for the time period of the symposium. You may extend these reservations yourself at the discounted conference rate of \$90/day for a 6-person dorm room. The per-person rate will vary from \$15 - \$90 depending on the number in the room. We encourage you all to use this opportunity to extend the visit before the meeting to recover from jet lag and explore the environment.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING by August 5th:

Please send the following information to discrs@whitman.edu:

For posting on the public DISCCRS website and the DISCCRS Symposium website:

- **Photograph** (JPEG format, passport style)
- **Current position with departmental & institutional affiliation** (for example, Postdoctoral Researcher, Geography Department, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA);
- **Brief description** (50 words or less) of your current research interests/areas of expertise (for posting on the DISCCRS website)

Confidential information:

- **Any strict food requirements** or **food allergies**.
- **Any health** or **family issues**. We will be at an isolated location with limited health facilities and housing. To ensure proper treatment we need to know of any allergies, chronic conditions like diabetes, use of a pacemaker or other medical instrumentation, special situations such as pregnancy, nursing infant, etc. Information will be held confidentially and used only as needed.
- **Any special needs concerning housing**. We have reserved "bunk" rooms, each with six beds. Toilets and showers are down a hallway. Please let us know if for some reason you cannot share a room and we will try to arrange alternate housing if necessary. Due to our limited budget, you may be required to pay any room costs above the group rate.
- **The 4-letter code from the Jung Typology test** posted at <http://www.humanmetrics.com/cgi-win/JTypes2.asp>

Rationale for Jung Typology test: During the symposium, there will be a brief 'training session' on personality traits. Based on experience, academics are pretty skeptical about personality typing and have an innate fear of being 'classified' as a 'type'. Nevertheless, when you find yourself working collaboratively, it will be useful to understand at least the rudiments of personality types. We therefore request all participants to take the free, on-line type indicator called the "Jung Typology Test" and send it along with your photo, etc. It shouldn't take more than 15 minutes to complete.

Instructions: Answer all questions. If you are uncertain about an answer, go with your gut feeling, the "all other things being equal" answer. Some of you may respond differently at home than at work. Try to answer using your innate personal preference, not what your work or family demands require. After you hit "score it", you will be given a four-letter code that identifies your preferences in the context of the four "dichotomies". It will also give you some numbers that indicate the "clarity" of your answer – this has nothing to do with a gradient of type; it is just an indicator of the consistency of your answers. You can also access a description of that type as well as some basic information about the Jung typology test from the website. *Remember your type since you will want to refer to it during the symposium.* Once on site you will each receive a book on the MBTI and typing. This information will be held in confidence and not shared with any participants unless you want to divulge it yourself. Your code is requested because the data points are used for statistical purposes. If you have any questions or reservations about taking the test and/or providing the DISCCRS office with the data, please contact Sue Weiler at weiler@whitman.edu.

SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS:

Be prepared to make the following presentations at the symposium

- **One image and a Two-minute self introduction:** You may use no more than one image to accompany your introduction. Anything goes here. Use it to help participants get to know you as an individual as well as a professional; make yourself memorable, and *have fun* doing this. Be creative and don't stress about this. Save your time and energy for your oral presentation.
- **8-Minute Oral Presentation:** Your talk should provide a brief (eight-minute maximum!) overview of your Ph.D. dissertation research and current research. Do not provide the type of talk usually given at a specialized meeting of experts in your field.
- **Poster Presentation:** Each participant will present in poster as well as oral format. This is where you can present all the gory details that were could not be part of your talk because of time constraints.... The poster may, but does not have to be, on the same topic as your talk. It can be on your Ph.D. research, on your current research or other professional activity, or some combination of the three.