



Call for Papers

Making Strangers: Outsiders, Aliens and Foreigners

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Lincoln University of Pennsylvania, USA

The College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences at Lincoln University of Pennsylvania is requesting proposals/abstracts for its fifth international conference, to be held on **Saturday, April 1, 2017**. The conference theme is ***“Making Strangers: Outsiders, Aliens and Foreigners.”***

The recent refugee crisis in Europe and the growing political fallout in western democracies of widespread anti-immigrant sentiment have put the issue of otherness on the front burner as a cultural, political, social, human, and existential drama. Coinciding with the 75th anniversary of Albert Camus’ famous novel, *The Stranger*, this conference will examine the reality and representations of strangers, outsiders, aliens and foreigners across all academic disciplines and in particular the humanities and the social sciences. Topics may include but are not limited to:

- Refugees, migrants, asylum seekers, outsiders, aliens, foreigners, travelers, bohemians, exiles, nomads
- Representations of foreigners in literature, cinema, television, social media, political speech
- Marketing fear of foreigners and the rise of nationalism and xenophobia
- Politics of immigration, state law, international law
- Ethical depictions of strangers in world religions
- Melting pot, assimilation, segregation, exclusion, Apartheid
- Social and economic impact of immigration in host countries
- Experience and concept of strangeness

Abstract Submission Deadline: January 15, 2017

The following submissions in MS Word are required: (a) Name; (b) Affiliation as you would like it to appear in the conference program; (c) Title of the proposal; (d) Body of the proposal/abstract, which should not exceed 300 words; (e) Brief bio (job title or status if any, publications, etc.); (f) Contact information: e-mail, work (or home) address and phone number.

Please send your proposal to Abbes Maazaoui, at maazaoui@lincoln.edu on or before January 15, 2017.

All submissions are subject to double-blind review. Authors will be notified of the status of their proposals on an ongoing basis (3-4 weeks after submission).

A revised version of selected papers will be considered for publication in the fifth issue of the refereed *Lincoln Humanities Journal (LHJ)*. For more information, see <http://www.lincoln.edu/humanitiesconference/>

Note: Lincoln University is a not-for-profit organization and cannot assist with conference travel and expenses.