New Directions in the Humanities
Delegate Packet

Dear Delegate,

Thank you for participating in the Seventeenth International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities. We are pleased you will be joining us in Granada, Spain at the University of Granada, and hope you are looking forward to coming together with colleagues and members of the New Directions in the Humanities Research Network this July.

In preparation for the conference, we have put together some information that we hope will prove useful to you as you begin to prepare for the conference and your arrival in Granada. In this document, you will find a variety of information on subjects, such as transportation, hotel and travel, activities and extras, conference registration, equipment, and session types.

This packet is a starting point for your preparations, and we realize you may have some additional questions after reviewing the material here. For any questions that remain please visit the Knowledge Base at https://cgscholar.com/cg_support/en.

We hope your planning goes well, and we look forward to seeing you in Granada!

Best wishes,
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Conference Producer
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Venue and Conference Information

Conference Venue

The University of Granada
School of Education

Address:
University of Granada
School of Education
Campus Universitario Cartuja
18071 Granada, Spain
See map

Note: Some rooms will not have air conditioning, so please dress accordingly.

Registration Desk Hours and Location

The conference will take place from 3-5 July 2019. The conference registration desk will be located at the Facultad de Ciencias de la Educacion (School of Education) building on the University of Granada’s Cartuja campus. Registration will begin at 8:00 AM on the first and third days of the conference, and 8:30 AM on the second day. The registration desk will be open throughout the hours of the conference.

Any questions that arise at the conference should be directed to the staff at the conference registration desk. This includes questions regarding presentation equipment, your particular presentation, and questions about submitting your article to the journal.
Session Types

For a complete description of session types please visit our website.

**Plenary Sessions:** Plenary speakers, chosen from among the world’s leading thinkers, offer formal presentations on topics of broad interest to the community. One or more speakers are scheduled into a plenary session, most often the first session of the day. As a general rule, there are no questions or discussion during these sessions. Instead, plenary speakers answer questions and participate in informal, extended discussions during their Garden Conversation.

**Garden Conversation:** Garden Conversations are informal, unstructured sessions that allow delegates a chance to meet plenary speakers and talk with them at length about the issues arising from their presentation. When the venue and weather allow, we try to arrange for a circle of chairs to be placed outdoors.

**Talking Circles:** Held on the first day of the conference, Talking Circles offer an early opportunity to meet other delegates with similar interests and concerns. Delegates self-select into groups based on broad thematic areas and then engage in extended discussion about the issues and concerns they feel are of utmost importance to that segment of the community. Questions like “Who are we?”, “What is our common ground?”, “What are the current challenges facing society in this area?”, “What challenges do we face in constructing knowledge and effecting meaningful change in this area?” may guide the conversation. When possible, a second Talking Circle is held on the final day of the conference, for the original group to reconvene and discuss changes in their perspectives and understandings as a result of the conference experience.

**Themed Paper Presentation:** Paper presentations are grouped by general themes or topics into sessions comprised of three or four presentations followed by group discussion. Each presenter in the session makes a formal twenty-minute presentation of their work; Q&A and group discussion follow after all have presented. Session Chairs introduce the speakers, keep time on the presentations, and facilitate the discussion. Each presenter’s formal, written paper will be available to participants if accepted to the journal.

**Colloquium:** Colloquium sessions are organized by a group of colleagues who wish to present various dimensions of a project or perspectives on an issue. Four or five short formal presentations are followed by commentary and/or group discussion. A single article or multiple articles may be submitted to the journal based on the content of a colloquium session.

**Workshop/Interactive Session:** Workshop sessions involve extensive interaction between presenters and participants around an idea or hands-on experience of a practice. These sessions may also take the form of a crafted panel, staged conversation, dialogue or debate— all involving substantial interaction with the audience. A single article (jointly authored, if appropriate) may be submitted to the journal based on a workshop session.

**Poster Sessions:** Poster sessions present preliminary results of works in progress or projects that lend themselves to visual displays and representations. These sessions allow for engagement in informal discussions about the work with interested delegates throughout.

**Virtual Lightning Talk:** Lightning talks are 5-minute “flash” video presentations. Authors present summaries or overviews of their work, describing the essential features (related to purpose, procedures, outcomes, or product). Like Paper Presentations, Lightning Talks are grouped according to topic or perspective into themed sessions. Authors are welcome to submit traditional “lecture style” videos or videos that use visual supports like PowerPoint. Final videos must be submitted at least one month prior to the conference start date. After the conference, videos are then presented on the community YouTube channel. Full papers can based in the virtual poster can also be submitted for consideration in the journal.

**Virtual Poster:** This format is ideal for presenting preliminary results of work in progress or for projects that lend themselves to visual displays and representations. Each poster should include a brief abstract of the purpose and procedures of the work. After acceptance, posters are provided with a template, and Virtual Posters are submitted as a PDF or in PowerPoint. Final posters must be submitted at least one month prior to the conference start date. Full papers can based in the virtual poster can also be submitted for consideration in the journal.

**Focused Discussion:** For work that is best discussed or debated, rather than reported on through a formal presentation, these sessions provide a forum for an extended “roundtable” conversation between an author and a small group of interested colleagues. Several such discussions occur simultaneously in a specified area, with each author’s table designated by a number corresponding to the title and topic listed in the program schedule. Summaries of the author’s key ideas, or points of discussion, are used to stimulate and guide the discourse. A single article, based on the scholarly work and informed by the focused discussion as appropriate, may be submitted to the journal.
Presentation Equipment

Computers will be provided in each of the presentation rooms, and rooms also come equipped with screens and projectors. Please bring a USB memory stick with your presentation. The computers in the classrooms can accommodate basic PowerPoint presentations as well as audio files, and all classrooms will be WiFi enabled. All other equipment or materials needed for individual presentations, including hand-outs and visual aids must be furnished by presenters.

Program

The conference schedule of sessions can be found at https://thehumanities.com/2019-conference/program#block-2. In addition to this, you will receive a program booklet at the conference with the final schedule for the plenary and parallel sessions.

Internet Access

WiFi will be provided onsite, throughout the University of Granada, to all conference delegates. Please see the conference registration desk for login information.

Power Sockets

For our international delegates, power sockets used in Spain are of Type F. For those sockets, Type C, E & F plugs can be used. For more information on Spanish power requirements, including voltage information, please click here.

Type F Socket and Type C, E and F Plugs:

Conference Activities and Extras
**Conference Dinner: La Chumbera**

Thursday, 4 July, 20:30 PM / 8:30 PM

Join other delegates, plenary speakers, and our local hosts from the University of Granada and take in a sunset dinner while enjoying views of Alhambra. The Restaurant La Chumbera is situated in an Old Quarter of Sacromonte. From here you can enjoy the views to the Alhambra, the Cathedral, and Sacromonte Caves. Enjoy the flavors of Granada in this unique venue.

For more information or to make your booking, please visit:  

**Pre-Conference Tour: Walking Tour of Granada**

Join other conference delegates and plenary speakers the day before the conference for a walking tour of Granada. On this tour, we will visit Plaza Nueva and Plaza Larga, Carrera Darro (the most beautiful street of the city along the river), and the old walls and gates of Granada.

**Date:** Tuesday, 2 July  
**Time:** 18:00 (6:00 PM)  
**Duration:** Approximately 2 hours  
**Price:** US$25.00  
**Meeting Location:** Plaza Nueva Square (next to the fountain)

**Note:** It is recommended to wear comfortable footwear as this tour includes climbs up the slopes.

**Conference Opening Reception and Live Flamenco Music**

**Date:** Wednesday, 3 July  
**Time:** 19:00-20:30 (7 PM-8:30 PM)  
**Location:** Taberna Matipé, Calle Enriqueta Lozano, 14, 18009 Granada (see map)  
**Cost:** Complimentary to all conference delegates  
**There is no need to pre-register for this event.**

Common Ground Research Networks will hold an opening reception at the Taberna Gasto-Pub Matipé. Join other delegates and plenary speakers to enjoy complimentary drinks, tapas, and live flamenco music.
Accommodation Information

The New Directions in the Humanities Conference is pleased to offer a room block at the Hotel Granada Center.

Address:
Hotel Granada Center
Av. Fuentenueva s/n
18002 Granada
958 205000

This specially negotiated rate for the New Directions in the Humanities Conference participants is subject to availability. Room rates are quoted in Euros. To take advantage of the conference rate, please contact the hotel directly at recep.hgc@hotelescenter.com. Contact us for any questions at https://cgscholar.com/cg_support/en.

Directions and Transportation in Granada

Arriving in Granada by Air

Connecting flights to Granada are offered by a variety of different airlines as Granada does not have an international airport. Granada Airport (GRX) is a single-terminal facility that acts as a gateway into Andalusia. The airport only caters for domestic flights with the majority of Granada flights arriving from Barcelona and Madrid. The airport is officially known as the Federico Garcia Lorca Granada-Jaen Airport (GRX).

Transportation from Granada Airport

**Taxi:** Granada Airport is approximately 10 miles (17 km) from the Hotel Granada Center. For those delegates that will not be hiring a car, we recommend using a taxi service as the easiest and most convenient way to arrive at the hotel. The price would be around 25-35€. Please see above for Conference Hotel Addresses.

**Bus:** Alternatively, you can arrive to Granada in a bus. The bus that is connecting the airport with the city is usually departing after each arrival flight and can be found at the exit. Ticket costs 3€ and can be bought from the bus driver. It takes around 40-50 minutes to get to the hotel, which is about a 10 minute walk from the bus stop.

Transportation From the Conference Hotel to the Venue

**Taxi:** The Granada Conference Center is approximately a ten minute drive from the Hotel Granada Center. For those delegates that will not be hiring a car, we recommend using a taxi service as the easiest and most convenient way to arrive at the venue.

**Walk:** The Hotel Granada Center is a 30 minute walk through the city center to get to the conference venue. See map.

**Bus:** From the Hotel Granada Center, you can take bus U2 or U3 to get to the conference venue. See map.
General Travel Tips & Information

*Get to know the city you are going to visit before you leave home.*

Many resources are available to help navigate the different sights and cultures abroad, and help you to more easily find your way around. Remember, the conference organizers are visitors to this beautiful city, too, and although we do our best to assist our conference delegates, we may not be best qualified to offer directional or tourism information. For this, we encourage delegates to engage the many helpful resources of a hotel’s concierge desk or reference trusted travel sites and guidebooks, such as www.Frommers.com, www.Fodors.com, or www.TripAdvisor.com.

*Know where you’re going and how to get there.*

Differences in languages can sometimes make getting around a foreign city challenging, even for the savvy traveler. It’s helpful to have the addresses for both your hotel and the conference venue handy. Showing a taxi driver or ticket operator a written address is a helpful way to get you to your destination within the city when you arrive. If during your trip you will be on a schedule and need to get to places by a certain time (ie. conference check-in, presentation times, tours, dinner reservations, etc.), it’s recommended that you explore and “test drive” the route you’ll be taking ahead of time so that you’re aware of the time it will take to get there. Taking this step also helps you know exactly where you’ll be heading without the worry of getting lost. Maps, along with utilization of your hotel’s concierge desk, and a little research of the local transportation systems ahead of time will also make your trip more enjoyable and run more smoothly.

*Familiarize yourself with the transportation options available in your destination city.*

Knowing the best way to get around any city is key. For instance, in many larger cities, public transportation is the preferred and often times the most economical and quickest means of transportation. These robust public transportation systems mean there are often metros, subways, busses, trollies, and trains available to get you from one point to another seamlessly throughout a city, many times more economically and quicker than taxi or car hires.

*Use only certified and registered public transportation when abroad.*

If using taxis, avoid using taxis that are unmarked and have no identifying company emblems. It’s always a good idea to call and order a taxi from a central dispatch office to ensure safe, professional service and pricing. If you need to hail a taxi on the street, be sure to look for a familiar taxi emblem from one of the major taxi companies in town and negotiate the fare before getting into the taxi to ensure a fair and agreed upon price.

*Make hotel reservations before you arrive at your destination.*

To ensure the availability of accommodations, make sure to confirm a reservation at the conference hotel or hotel of your choosing before leaving home. Often times, and also depending on the time of year and what events are going on in your destination city, hotels fill up well ahead of the conference date, and accommodations can be very difficult to secure upon arrival. Reserving accommodations well ahead of your arrival (2-4 months prior to trip is recommended) can avoid much stress and often times can result in more economical rates versus last-minute accommodations.

*Exchange money before you leave home.*

Whether you plan on exchanging the majority of your currency when you arrive at your destination or anticipate paying
mostly with credit cards, it's always a good idea to exchange a small amount of money before you leave home to have on-hand in case you can’t find an exchange desk/shop right away upon arrival. Be sure to carry at least enough for transportation to your hotel and a meal or two. When exchanging money abroad, be aware of service charges noted in small print and shop around for the best exchange rates.

**Be aware of the currency differences and familiarize yourself with the local currency.**

Having a working knowledge of the various denominations ahead of time will help you avoid common tourist pitfalls such as short-changing and over-charging.

**Bring country/region appropriate power adapters and voltage converters.**

Standard electrical outlets and voltage amounts vary from country to country. Prior to leaving home, confirm the correct adapter type and voltage for the region and country you’ll be visiting so that you'll be able to easily connect and use laptops, e-readers, cell phone chargers, electric shavers and hair dryers during your trip. Foreign adapters and converters can be purchased at most electronic stores and airport newsstands. Note that more powerful appliances, such as hair dryers, also require voltage converters to function properly overseas. Be sure to research and confirm what each of your devices will need in order to function safely and properly.

**Consider purchasing travel insurance.**

The savvy traveler is always prepared for the unforeseen and occasional emergency situation. Travel insurance is a smart way to make sure you’re covered in case a medical emergency arises. Contact your insurance provider to see if they have travel policies that cover you overseas. Some credit card companies also offer travel insurance that cover travelers in case they experience medical or dental emergencies while abroad.

**Bring any personal items and medications you will need during your time abroad.**

Although pharmacies and grocery stores are easily found in many major cities, be sure to bring personal items and necessary medications with you, especially if you require a specific brand or prescription that can't easily be found or filled abroad.

**Familiarize yourself with your cell phone carrier’s roaming and international rates/charges prior to leaving home.**

Often times, using personal cell phones abroad can be very costly depending on your carrier’s roaming and international rates. Some companies have temporary international plans that can be purchased during your time abroad. Contact your cell phone carrier prior to your trip to inquire about the options available to you.