

## **DoSAA 2018 Convention**

## When:

Friday, September 28, 2018 8:30-4 pm

## Where:

John Jay College of Criminal Justice Moot Court 524 W 59th St, New York, NY 10019

## **Call For Proposals**

The Division on South Asian Americans (DoSAA) is under the Asian American Psychological Association and we are a community of students and professionals committed to understanding social, emotional, political, and personal influences affecting South Asians in psychology while creating a forum to impact change for the betterment of South Asian mental health.

Often South Asian Americans struggle to find a voice in discourses around practice, policy, and mental health, leaving members of the South Asian American community feeling invisible and unheard. Additionally, there is a critical need to focus on mental health needs and research focusing on South Asian American communities so we can better serve, understand, and represent these communities. For DoSAA's first-ever conference, the theme will be focused on raising South Asian voices and discussing the importance of South Asian visibility across different areas, including the field of mental health. The conference will focus on bringing to light critical issues and mental health research involving our South Asian American communities while creating a forum to impact change for the betterment of South Asian mental health.

Thus, with this understanding of the importance of centering the needs of South Asian communities, we are seeking proposals that address promoting South Asian voices while breaking down obstacles to visibility. We are seeking research that focuses on identifying, understanding, and addressing the significant issues impacting our communities. The health disparities of our communities within the mental health field are real and this conference is dedicated to furthering the conversation and providing meaningful insights on a path forward. Submissions that focus on other areas will be welcome but priority will be given to those that directly address the conference theme.

**Submission Types:** Papers, Presentation Speakers, Round table Speakers

**Submission Deadline:** Email proposals (250-500 words) to dosaaconference@gmail.com by July 15, 2018.

