

We are seeking abstracts for a session entitled "Theoretical Interventions in the Anthropology of Mathematics" (Panel Organizers: Stephen Chrisomalis and Samar Zebian) to be held at the Society for Anthropological Sciences 8th Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada, February 22-25, 2012. Deadline for abstract: November 20, 2011.

A considerable body of important research bears directly on the relationship between mathematics and aspects of language, cognition, and culture. However, disciplinary trends in anthropology and linguistics have insufficiently integrated this important work into basic theories of human behavior, cognition, and cultural variability. We are seeking papers on any aspect of mathematics, numeracy, or number systems that clarifies and expands the theoretical contribution of the social-scientific study of mathematics beyond its current purview. We particularly are interested in papers that bridge the various human sciences including cognitive science, anthropology, linguistics, psychology, history, and/or philosophy.

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Send abstracts (max 200 words) by email to both chrisomalis@wayne.edu and samar.zebian@lau.edu.lb by November 20, 2011, including names and contact information for all authors. We expect to know if the panel has been accepted by early-mid December to facilitate travel plans. Papers presented at the conference are normally 20 minutes in length. For more information, please email Stephen Chrisomalis at chrisomalis@wayne.edu.