



Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy  
University of Missouri

**Call for Panel Series Proposals:  
Religion & Politics in Early America Special Topics Conference**

We are currently seeking proposals for panel series for the special topics conference on Religion and Politics in Early America (Beginnings to 1820), to be held March 1-4, 2018, in St. Louis, Missouri.

As a way to ensure a diversity of topics and to add depth to specific themes, this conference will run *both* individual panels *and* a limited number of “panel series.” Each series will be composed of 3-5 related panels devoted to a single topic and culminate in a final session where all participants of that series meet to review the discussion and lay the groundwork for future study and collaboration.

Each series can mix traditional panels (3-4 papers, with or without a respondent) with roundtables and other forms. All series must have an organizer for contact information and a minimum of ten participants. The more fully formed a series is before being submitted (with titles for each panel in the series; topics or titles for each paper in an individual panel; and a list of already-committed participants), the more seriously it will be considered by the program committee. All participants in a panel series must agree to attend the other panels of their series (which will be held on Friday and Saturday), as well as the final session of the series on Sunday morning. The idea is to have each panel in each series open to *all* conference attendees while ensuring a continuity of audience and discussion across the series with fellow participants.

Please send your proposals for a panel series to [religion.politics.2018@gmail.com](mailto:religion.politics.2018@gmail.com) by January 30, 2017. The program committee will choose a limited number of series to run at the conference. There will be another CFP later for individual panels and papers, and those not selected as a series will be able to resubmit as individual panels. For now, we are seeking proposals **only for panel series**.

Any questions can be emailed to Abram Van Engen at the religion.politics.2018 address listed above.

*Co-sponsored by:  
The Danforth Center on Religion and Politics  
The Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy  
The Society of Early Americanists*