

GLOBAL CHALLENGES/LOCAL RESPONSES



The early decades of the 21st Century have brought into stark relief the significance of the 1970s environmentalist maxim to 'think global, act local', not just with respect to the environment, but also politically, culturally, economically, and in almost all other aspects of our social lives. While Aotearoa is a small actor on the international stage, it is clear that inherently local responses that genuinely incorporate Indigenous and multicultural concerns are required to manage the effects of global forces on our shores. Historically, these actions have included Indigenous activism to redress the effects of colonisation, New Zealand being declared nuclear free, and the 1981 Springbok Tour protests.

The 21st century has seen an increasing urgency in the need for action with respect to global crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic, the spread of anti-Muslim hate speech, increasingly strident anti-trans voices, the havoc wreaked by climate change, and the environmental damage wrought by multi-national interests. In some instances Aotearoa's responses have been lauded internationally; in other cases we are still seeking how to best mitigate the effects of these crises. The need to find balance between Indigenous and tau iwi knowledges, experiences and priorities frequently results in unique actions that, while sometimes prompted by external forces, have their roots firmly grounded in the whenua of Aotearoa.

For more information: saanz.net/saanz2023

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CALL FOR PAPERS



The convenors of the SAANZ Annual Conference 2023: Global Challenges / Local Responses, are pleased to call for submissions for conference papers. Paper presentations will be 15 minutes each, with 5 minutes for questions. This call for paper proposals closes 21 August 2023. All proposals will be reviewed and included at the discretion of the conference organising committee. This process will be completed by 11 September 2023



As always, the 2023 SAANZ Conference welcomes all sociologically grounded topics, but we look forward to a focus on the local, the Indigenous, the grassroots, the community-based, drawing on the conference theme.

The 2023 conference includes a stream dedicated to critical social work, which explores everyday dissonances, hope, and social work in the context of local and global challenges and particularly welcomes exploration of this theme from Indigenous and/or postgraduate researchers. The Call for Papers for this stream can be found here.

This conference will be entirely in-person, and all participants whose papers are accepted must register for the conference by 1 November 2023 at the latest. Presenters who register after this date will be included in the conference programme at the discretion of the conference organisers.

Should you have any questions about this call for papers, please do not hesitate to contact the convenor of the conference committee, Johanna Schmidt: johanna.schmidt@waikato.ac.nz

Queries regarding the Critical Social Work stream should be directed to Liz Beddoe:

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PAPER SUBMISSIONS

Abstracts must be submitted online via either the SAANZ portal or the specific portal for the Critical Social Work stream – see below. Abstracts must include the name(s), institutional affiliation, and email contacts of the paper presenter(s), a paper title, and a 200-word abstract.



Instructions for Formatting Text Abstracts

- Format: doc or docx only
- Length: 200 words max
- Title font: Times New Roman, bold, size 16, centred, followed by a line space
- Author/s Name: Times New Roman, bold, size 12, centred
- Author/s Affiliation/s: Times New Roman, bold, size 12, centred
- Author/s email address/es: Times New Roman, bold, size 12, centred
- Abstract text: Times New Roman, size 12, justified

Note: please refer to specific calls (e.g., calls for panels, submissions to the Critical Social Work stream) for any requirements related to that call.

Please read and follow the above instructions carefully. We will have upward of 120 submissions to process and our systems are 'format sensitive' – accordingly, any deviation from the instructions below can cause significant disruptions and unnecessary demands on volunteers' time and energies.

SUBMIT YOUR 'GENERAL' ABSTRACT HERE

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT FOR THE CRITICAL SOCIAL WORK STREAM HERE

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