Session Title: The State of the Discipline: An Open Art History Session for Undergraduate and Graduate Students.

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The purpose of this session is to provide a forum for the exceptional undergraduate student and promising graduate student studying the history of art to present their research in a professional venue. Art historical projects on any variety of topics, periods, and genres while operating within the study of art history qualify for inclusion in this open session. Of particular interest are papers that address topics that have previously received scant attention. Papers that examine canonical works or groupings of canonical works using non-traditional methodologies or address the intersection between the theorization of art and its historical specificity are particularly welcome. While there is not a strict theme to dictate the papers selected, only those that demonstrate in-depth research and strength of knowledge in their topics will comprise the session. 4-5 students will be selected for inclusion in the session, with the aim of provided as diverse a forum as possible.