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CRISIS AND CRITIQUE TODAY

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

*Our times are often described in terms of **crisis, threat, indeterminacy, transformation, and hope/lessness**. In this moment we want to ask: What **sociological imagination** do we need now to understand the present and make sociology relevant to the **future**?*

*Along with addressing pressing issues such as **migration, social welfare, community mobilization, homeownership, disaster, and war**, we want to think about sociology's understanding of **time, place, and experience**.*

*What is our understanding of **crisis time, future time, historical time**? Does sociological thought about **modernity and***

***postmodernity** offer adequate temporal frameworks? What assumptions about **space** and the boundaries of place do we hold and how must we rethink them? What understandings of the **nation, the family, the community, the market, or the institutions of civil society** should we deploy in sociological research? How is our concept of experience meeting changes in practices involving the **body, affect, spirituality, and reason**? How are thoughts about race, sexuality, ethnicity and class implicated? What **technologies** are influencing our understanding of **methodology, the collection and presentation of data, and the transmission** of information?*

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