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Registration is still open!
http://www.sprweb.org/2018-registration-fees/

Be sure to register for the conference before September 7 to ensure early bird rates!

Reserve your room!
http://www.sprweb.org/annual_meeting/hotel-accomodations/
SPR has reserved a hotel block at The Hilton Quebec. Please secure your hotel reservations by September 7.

Download the SPR Conference App BEFORE you travel!
Download the SPR mobile app from the iTunes Store or Google Play—search for “2017 SPR Annual Meeting App.” Access the program, abstracts, and more! Plan to download the app before you travel, or be aware of data charges if downloaded on-site.

SPR Family Care Grant
SPR is launching a new pilot program at this year’s Annual Meeting to help offset costs for attendees with significant family care responsibilities. SPR members with one or more dependents who require childcare, elder care, or care due to disability are eligible to apply for up to $400 in funding. This can be used to offset costs for dependent care at home or at the conference site. Preference will be given to early career members or members for whom attendance at this meeting is especially important for professional development. For more information and access to the application, please visit http://www.sprweb.org/spr-family-care-grant/ or contact Anna Weinberg (anna.weinberg@gmail.com).
**Things To Do In Quebec City**

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It is easy to fall in love with Quebec City. Come explore Quebec City’s delightful mix of architectural styles, natural beauty, French-language culture and cuisine, and enjoy the Canadian friendliness that comes with the city. We are excited to share with you the countless student-friendly attractions, food, nature, and nightlife options that this beautiful city has to offer.

**Places to Explore:**

You can’t miss the opportunity to explore some of Canada’s most important historical parks, including the [Plains of Abraham](#) or the changing of the guards at [La Citadelle](#) (left).

Or enjoy the natural beauty of Quebec City by taking in spectacular views of the [St. Lawrence River](#) and the breath-taking [Montmorency Falls](#) (right).

We also recommend the [Quebec Levis Ferry](#) ($4.00/per person), which affords jaw-dropping views of the city skyline, or taking a walk along [Dufferin Terrace](#) (left), one of the city’s most lively and popular riverside walkways.

**Things to Eat:**

Of course, your stay in Quebec City would not be complete without trying authenic Canadian [poutine](#) (right) and [touütire québecoise](#), the city’s signature meat-filled pastry.

And don’t miss the delicious crepes (left) at [Casse-Crêpe Breton](#), another local favorite.

Continue planning your stay by checking out [Quebec City Wikitravel](#).

*Au revoir* – we are looking forward to seeing you in Quebec City!
Don’t Miss These Must-See Invited Addresses!

**Thursday, October 4, 2018, 10:45-11:45 a.m.**

**Regina Sullivan**, PhD, Professor, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Nathan Kline Institute, Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, New York University, Langone Medical Center. Invited address entitled, *Neurobiology of infant attachment: Why do the abused attach?*

**Friday, October 4, 2018, 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Birte Forstmann**, PhD, Professor for Cognitive Neurosciences, University of Amsterdam. Invited address entitled, *Toward a mechanistic understanding of terra incognita: The human subcortex.*

**Friday, October 4, 2018, 4:40-5:40 p.m.**

**Ahmad R. Hariri**, PhD, Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience, Laboratory of NeuroGenetics (LoNG), Duke University. Invited address entitled, *Neural signatures of risk for mental illness.*

**Early Career Award Addresses, Saturday, October 4, 2018, 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Anja Riesel**, PhD, Humboldt University. Award address entitled, *The erring brain: Error-related brain activity as a risk-marker for psychopathology.*

**James Cavanagh**, PhD, University of New Mexico. Award address entitled, *EEG as a theoretical and methodological hub for the neural sciences.*

**Presidential Address, Saturday, October 4, 2018, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**Kara D. Federmeier**, PhD, Professor, Department of Psychology, Program in Neuroscience, and the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. Address entitled, *When words are binding: Prediction and attention in language comprehension.*

This year, SPR will have a lactation room available onsite and will be livestreaming keynote addresses for viewing on personal devices.
Consider Registering for a Preconference Workshop

Registration and fees required: http://www.sprweb.org/pre-meeting-workshops/

Pre-Conference Workshop #1: Mini ERP Boot Camp
Tuesday, October 2: 10:00am- 4:00pm & Wednesday, October 3: 9:00am - 4:00pm

This two-day workshop with Emily Kappenman aims to provide you with a sufficiently detailed overview so that you can fully understand and evaluate published ERP studies and start on the road to conducting your own ERP studies.

Pre-Conference Workshop #2: Multilevel Modeling
Wednesday, October 3: 9:00am - 4:30pm

This day-long workshop with Elizabeth Page-Gould aims to provide the conceptual and pragmatic knowledge you need to immediately begin analyzing psychophysiological data with MLM.

Pre-Conference Workshop #3: Machine Learning for Neuroimaging Data: Building and Using Predictive Models
Wednesday, October 3: 9:00am - 4:30pm

This day-long workshop with Leila Wehbe aims to teach you the entire pipeline of building encoding models, and how to use these models to make inferences about what is being represented in different brain areas.

Special Events at SPR 2018

Every year, the SPR meeting features several special events of interest for all conference attendees.

On Friday, October 5th, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, you are welcome to join the Women in Science and Education (WISE) and Diversity Luncheon. This year’s topic focuses on how to promote the visibility of women and minority scientists via media and science communication. The lunch and panel discussion are inclusive and open to all, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or career level. To register, please check the appropriate box when registering for the annual SPR meeting. The fee is $10 USD per person. Please register by September 14th (registration is on a first come, first-served basis).

On Saturday, October 6th, 12:45 pm - 2:45 pm, you are welcome to join the SPR Business Meeting and Luncheon. During the luncheon, you can learn about SPR as a society as well as the current officers. Furthermore, the Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychophysiology, SPR’s highest honor, is awarded at the luncheon. To register, please check the appropriate box when registering for the annual SPR meeting. Please note: students pay no fee for attending the luncheon! The fee for regular (non-student) members is $10 USD.

Also, on Saturday, October 6th, 9:00 pm - 12:00 midnight, you can join the SPR Saturday Night Social. As every year, the SPR Blues Band (consisting of SPR members of all career stages) will play their (only!) annual gig. Don’t miss them, since they always are a lot of fun to listen and dance to!
Student Events in Quebec City!

Student Social
Friday, October 5, 2018, 10:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., L’Atelier
Come meet other students and have a great time at the annual Student Social at L’Atelier (https://bistrolatelier.com)! It is only an 8-minute walk from the conference hotel. Be sure to bring your SPR badge for entry. The first 100 students will receive free drink tickets and there will be appetizers as well! We look forward to seeing you there! See the map for details.

Join us! Committee to Promote Student Interests Meeting
Friday, October 5, 2018, 8:15 p.m. – 9:15 p.m., Location TBD
Are you a student or early career member of SPR? Are you interested in meeting other students and faculty passionate about SPR and psychophysiology? Do you have ideas on how to improve student experiences in SPR? Do you want to make an impact planning student events in SPR 2019 in Washington, D.C.? If you said yes to any of these questions, you are invited to join the Committee to Promote Student Interests to share your ideas and help make SPR an even better society! Please contact the CPSI chair, Sarah Sass (ssass@uttyler.edu) with any questions.

Research Postdocs and Careers in the VA: Special Interest Meeting
Friday, October 5, 2018, 2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. (open to suggestions) Location TBD (meet in front of the poster session room)
Join other interested members for an informal discussion about working at the Veterans Affairs Administration with Laura Zambrano-Vazquez (laura.zambrano-vazquez@va.gov). Contact her if interested in participating. If space is available following advanced registration, signup sheets will be posted on the announcement board located next to the SPR Registration Desk.

Bringing Your Research Closer to the Public: Outreach Luncheon
Thursday October 4, 2018, 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Location TBD
Join other interested members for an informal discussion about increasing public awareness of your research with Jens Foell (foell@psy.fsu.edu). Contact him if interested in participating. If space is available following advanced registration, signup sheets will be posted on the announcement board located next to the SPR Registration Desk.

Have an exciting opportunity for our student members or a fun student event planned for the 59th annual SPR conference in 2019? We’d love to highlight it in our next newsletter!
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