



Call for Papers
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6th Edition: *Interdisciplinarity — An Umbrella Term?*

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Framework and aims:

There is no unitary theory of interdisciplinarity, but we are most certainly crossing a postdisciplinary era, one in which inter-, multi-, transdisciplinarity have already merged into a meta-discipline, a new idiom where all these prefixes are partially interchangeable. But what does the conceptual vocabulary of interdisciplinarity consist of today? Which are its applicative methodologies? How do we acknowledge the potential meeting points of two distinct disciplines? How can these meetings be encouraged? And how does the imperative of being interdisciplinary shape the policies of research and the academic culture?

In order to answer these questions, the 6th edition of the PHSS Conference will focus on four thematic areas: *conceptual vocabulary, epistemologies and methodologies, interferences, forms of collaboration*. Theoretical approaches, as well as focused case studies and inter- and transdisciplinary explorations are welcome. Our selection will attempt, as far as possible, to come with a balanced selection of these four areas of interest:

Conceptual vocabulary

- Theories of post-, inter-, multi-, transdisciplinarity
- Operational metaphors of interdisciplinarity: *hibridization, contamination, virus*, etc.
- From the humanist model of antiquity to transdisciplinarity: key concepts and their historical evolution
- Interdisciplinarity within the Academia: new disciplines and cross-disciplinary research areas

Epistemologies and methodologies

- Models of world representation from an inter- and transdisciplinary perspective: theory of evolution, world-systems theory etc.
- Interdisciplinarity in contemporary literary theory
- Objects of speculative thinking in antiquity: from theology to physics, from ethics to political studies
- Inter- and transdisciplinary methods in social sciences and humanities

Interferences

- Multi- and interdisciplinary research fields: memory studies, trauma studies, gender studies, etc.
- Digital literacy: modes of writing and reading in the digital medium
- Intermediality and intertextuality in literature, film, visual arts and performing arts
- Computational linguistics: instruments and applications of classical linguistics
- Martianus Capella and the system of the seven *artes liberales*

Forms of cross-collaboration

- Forms of collaboration among science, art and technology
- Interdisciplinarity, knowledge-transfer and cooperation with business and local communities
- Interdisciplinarity in the entrepreneurial environment
- Interdisciplinarity and interculturality

Conference languages: Romanian, English, and French.

There is no participation fee for this year's edition.

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Deadlines:

Submission of Abstracts: **22 April 2019**

Notification of Acceptance: **within 7 days from the submission date**

The organizers plan to publish a thematic issue with some of the articles resulting from conference talks. Further details will be provided soon.

For registration and additional information regarding the conference, please visit us at: <https://conferencephss.com/>.