

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Sociology of Hope: Ecologies, Embodiments, and Everyday Lives

In recent years, we have witnessed a series of global crises that have profoundly impacted individuals, communities, and societies. From the COVID-19 pandemic to the climate emergency, from political polarization to social inequality, we face complex challenges requiring innovative and collaborative responses. In this context, the Sociology of Hope conference aims to explore varying perspectives on hope in sociology by examining its construction, practice, and experience in various social contexts. The goal is to gain insights into promoting positive change, resilience, agency, and solidarity. The conference seeks to bring together diverse perspectives on hope, from theoretical to practical, to develop a nuanced understanding of hope as a sociological phenomenon. It aims to create a space for interdisciplinary engagement and dialogue on the role of hope in shaping individual and collective behavior, navigating social hierarchies, and promoting social justice and human rights.

The Philippine Sociological Society (PSS) invites scholars, practitioners, and students worldwide to submit abstracts related to the Sociology of Hope, including but not limited to the following sub-themes:

1. Ecologies of Possibility, Environmental Ethics, and Sustainability
2. Embodiment of Hope through the Life Course
3. Everyday Agency and Empowerment
4. Governance, Collective Action, Social Movements, and Social Change
5. Media Representation and Technological Innovations
6. Education and Learning
7. Migration and Workplace Culture
8. Creativity, Spirituality, and Religion
9. Health, Well-being, and Resilience
10. Community Building, Social Networks, and Connection

Criteria for the abstract:

1. Be no more than 250 words
2. Include title of paper, author name(s), affiliated institution(s), and contact information
3. State the research question, methods, findings, and relevance to conference theme

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Deadline: June 1, 2023
Notification of accepted abstracts: August 15, 2023