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## Call for Papers

### INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF THE NETWORK OF VIGNETTE AND ANECDOTE RESEARCH

*'Crafting transnational dialogical spaces in the Global North and the Global South'*

**24 - 25 October 2024**

Auditorium, Groenkloof campus, University of Pretoria, South Africa

Symposium webpage: [VignA South Africa Symposium](#)

The VignA South Africa Symposium on Vignette and Anecdote Research invites scholars, researchers, and practitioners from around the world to submit proposals for presentations at our upcoming event hosted by the University of Pretoria in South Africa. The symposium will take place on October 24th and 25th, 2024, on the Groenkloof campus of the University of Pretoria and will focus on the theme of "Crafting Transnational Dialogical Spaces in the Global North and the Global South."

Vignette and Anecdote research offers a unique approach to understanding complex social phenomena by providing rich and detailed snapshots of individual experiences, interactions, and cultural contexts. This symposium seeks to explore how vignette research can contribute to the exploration and construction of transnational dialogical spaces, particularly between the Global North and the Global South.

We welcome submissions that address, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- Theoretical frameworks and methodologies in vignette and anecdote research
- Collaborative approaches to vignette and anecdote research across geographical and disciplinary boundaries
- Vignettes and anecdotes as tools for cross-cultural, multiperspective understanding and communication, pointing out potentials and challenges, communication challenges and misunderstandings



- Intersectionality and vignette and anecdote research: exploring multiple axes of identity
- Ethical considerations in conducting vignette and anecdote research in diverse global contexts
- The role of vignettes and anecdotes in promoting social justice and equity
- Using vignettes and anecdotes to examine transnational issues such as migration, globalization, quality education, quality-of-life, wellbeing and sustainability
- Challenges and opportunities in translating vignette and anecdote research findings across cultural and linguistic contexts

*Submission Guidelines:*

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Abstracts for in-person presentation have closed, but submissions to present in hybrid format are now open!

Sign up and submit your abstract here:

<https://www.up.ac.za/cf-vignasouthafrica>

Abstracts to present in hybrid should be submitted by **23 August 2024**. It should be between 300 and 450 words in length. Submit your abstract by signing up on the Symposium webpage. Find 'My Abstracts' and click on 'Upload an abstract' or 'Submit another abstract' at the bottom of the page. Complete the Abstract template - include a title, author(s) name(s), institution(s), and also your full abstract. Select the stream entitled, 'Hybrid abstracts' (all themes). Submit your abstract. You can check the status of your abstract online.

*Important Dates:*

Deadline for abstract submission in hybrid format: 23 August 2024 [23.08.2024]

Notification of acceptance: By 16 September 2024 [16.09.2024]

Symposium dates: 24 - 25 October 2024 [24.10.2024 - 25.10.2024]

We encourage submissions from scholars at all stages of their careers and from diverse disciplinary backgrounds, including education, sociology, psychology, anthropology, public health, and more. Join us in exploring the potential of vignette research to foster meaningful dialogue and understanding across borders.



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For practical inquiries and further information, use the subject line ‘VignA South Africa’ and email prof Irma Eloff ([irma.elloff@up.ac.za](mailto:irma.elloff@up.ac.za)).

We look forward to your contributions and to welcoming you to the Symposium on Vignette and Anecdote Research on the Groenkloof campus of the University of Pretoria in October 2024 – as well as the online platform for the symposium.

Sincerely,

Prof. Irma Eloff in collaboration with the [VignA core team](#)

