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Call for Proposals: 2026 Special Topic Meeting

SRCD is pleased to announce a new call for proposals for its 2026 Special Topic Meeting.

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SRCD is planning its 2026 Special Topic Meeting. The Society has a long tradition of offering special topic meetings in the off years of its Biennial Meeting. Special topic meetings provide the opportunity for a more intimate convening and focused examination of a specific topic of interest to the developmental science field.

In December, the SRCD [Governing Council](#) approved new guidelines (see below) for planning Special Topic Meetings in order to ensure that the process is equitable, impactful, and aligns with SRCD's mission, commitment to diversity and inclusion, and advances its anti-racism principles.

Uncertain about an idea? These were the most popular topics from our 2024 Member Professional Development Survey:

- Advances in Developmental Science Research Methods
- Family Relationships, Involvement, and Engagement
- Community-Based Participatory Action Research
- Connecting Your Work to Federal Policymakers: Advocates, Agencies, and Congress
- Neurodiversity in Children and Adolescents

- Cognition, Attention, and Perception
- Peer Relationships
- K-12 Education Policy
- Indigenous Knowledge Systems
- Effects of COVID-19 Pandemic on Children

One proposal will be selected for 2026. **Proposals are due on Friday, January 24, 2025, at 11:59 PM EST** and will require:

- a 1,000-word statement describing the approach to addressing the topic;
- biographical sketches and CVs or resumes of the proposed organizers;
- development plan for raising the minimum requirement of \$50,000.

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