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Groves 2025 Conference in Washington, DC - Register by March 15 to save $100!

Greetings!

It is my pleasure to provide you with information about the 2025 Groves conference which will be held at the Courtyard Arlington Crystal City at Reagan National Airport in Washington, DC. The 2025 Conference will be held from **June 16-18, 2025.**

Our theme this year is:

"Families in a Time of Social and Political Upheaval: Lessons from the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict"



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Families in a Time of Social and Political Upheaval:
Lessons from the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Program Chairs:
Dudley Chancey, Janis L. Henderson, and Elizabeth Wroten

Location: Washington, D.C.
June 16-18, 2025

Conference Theme and Description:
In recent years, global social and political landscapes have changed in ways that have challenged families' abilities to live, work, and function in their environments. Family scientists, practitioners, and others with vested interest in families find themselves confronted with increasingly complex situations and impacts of such changes in their work with individuals and families. The more recent developments of the longstanding Israeli-Palestinian conflict provides a high-profile example. The political violence and long-reaching social ramifications have exposed a new generation of individuals and families to political violence and long-reaching social ramifications. As family scientists and practitioners, we have an important role to play in learning, reflecting and responding to social and political upheaval with criticality and sensitivity, for the sake of continuing to support families who are exposed to such upheaval. The 2025 conference offers an opportunity to critically consider the important role of family science academics and practitioners as individuals and families navigate the challenges of the social and political ramifications of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The conversation will extend to include elements of other social or political upheaval in recent years. Attendees will be invited to challenge their understanding through critical and sensitive analysis in order to best serve and support individuals and families exposed to such upheaval.

The primary mission of Groves is to foster critical thinking about issues in the area of family science and to promote social action and social justice. A variety of session formats are used (e.g., workshops, roundtable discussions, immersion experiences, field trips, plenaries, seminars, posters, etc.) designed to generate reconceptualizations of family-related issues. They are ultimately intended to hone a social tapestry that will improve the quality of life within and among families of the world.

Call for Proposals:

We welcome proposals from Groves members and nonmembers (academics, practitioners, and community members), in a variety of presentation formats including:

- Paper presentation/Discussion
- Roundtable Discussion and Resource Sharing
- Poster Presentation
- Panel Presentations
- We anticipate your encouragement and facilitation of graduate and undergraduate student participation in this conference!

Possible topics for proposals include past, current, and future issues with respect to:

- Current events and their impact on families (Elections, policy changes, the Israeli Palestinian conflict)
- Historical marginalization of families
- Extremist social and political movements and their impact on families
- Family risk, resilience, and coping amidst social and political upheaval
- Issues in policing and the criminal justice system
- Restriction of education, academic freedom, and critical thought
- Practitioner approaches to encouraging client/family coping with social and political upheaval
- Policy impact across sectors and families
- Impact of social and political movements on family functioning
- Pedagogical approaches to conflict, social and political movements
- Resistance movements at various levels (including but not limited to campus protests and conflict)
- Conflict resolution amidst social and political upheaval

Proposal Submissions
Please include the following information:

- Name, affiliation, and contact information of each presenter
- A brief 50-word bio for each presenter

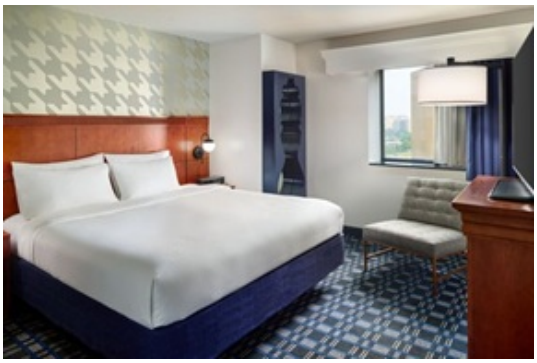
- A description of the presentation and how it fits with the theme of the conference (no more than 300 words)
- Preferred format - please list your top two choices (paper presentation/discussion, roundtable discussion and resource sharing, poster presentation, panel presentation, other)
- If other, please describe.

Submit proposals by **February 1, 2025,** via email (attached as Microsoft Word or PDF file): *GrovesConference2025@gmail.com*

Why Washington D.C.?
As the nation's capital, Washington D.C. has always been at the center of protest and political upheaval. Families are affected by policy changes and choices in both positive and negative ways and often are in the middle of political debate, conflict, and protest. Washington D. C. represents the power of policy and the freedom of speech. Building on our 2024 conference in which we examined Civil Rights and Intersecting Identities: Social movements for equality and justice, Washington D.C. provides unique opportunities and a powerful backdrop for continuing the conversation, particularly in regard to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Hotel Venue: Courtyard Arlington Crystal City at Reagan National Airport





Registration and Hotel Information:

The Courtyard Arlington Crystal City/Reagan National Airport is conveniently located near the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. There is a courtesy shuttle to and from DCA that is available for use. The hotel is conveniently located near the Pentagon, the Arlington National Cemetery, and other attractions, museums, and restaurants in DC.
2899 Richmond Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202
https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/wasct-courtyard-arlington-crystal-city-reagan-national-airport/overview/?scid=f2ae0541-1279-4f24-b197-a979c79310b0

Conference rate: $219/night
Registration due by March 15, 2025:
To register, see the Groves homepage for online registration (www.grovesconference.org).

Registration Information

Register by March 15, 2025 to save $100:
Register online here : *https://www.jotform.com/form/243166843418158* .

Full Conference Registration includes :
- Breakfasts and Lunches (Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday)
- Two excursions (Museum of the Palestinian People, Capital Jewish Museum).

Groves members: $475

Nonmembers: $575
Students: $325
(to join Groves, go to http://www.grovesconference.org/membership.html or for questions about membership e-mail grovesmanager@yahoo.com)

One-day registration: $300

Late registration (after March 15, 2025): Add $100 to applicable fee
Cancelation policy: No refunds can be made after April 30, 2025 and paid fees will be considered a donation to Groves.

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