

**Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
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Practicing Religion In the 21st Century

Over the past decade, the sociology of religion has been reinvigorated by a focus on new religious communities, new types of religious organizations, theoretical accounts of religious-institutional change, and analyses of the links between religion and other institutions in the broader society. What do we know, at the dawn of the new century, about religious practice? Where do traditional forms of religious practice thrive, and what new forms are emerging? In what kinds of social spaces (networks, organizations, families) are religious practices practiced? How does religious practice vary across gender, social class, ethnic and racial boundaries, and religious subcultures? How does religious practice remake or subvert dominant relations of power within religious communities, or bring about social change?

Session topics might include:

- eclecticism, creativity, and syncretism in religious practice
- religious practice in everyday life
- religious practice and social identity
- religious practice and the transformation and reproduction of religious institutions
- health, healing, and religious practice
- the family, sexuality, and religious practice
- research methods for the study of religious practice
- the standardization and control of religious practice

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Deadlines:	January 15, 2002	Session proposals
	March 15, 2002	Paper Proposals
	September 30, 2002	Completed Papers