

Psychology Learning and Teaching – Scientific Thinking in Challenging Times

Bi-annual Conference of the *European Society of Psychology Learning and Teaching* (ESPLAT)
1 to 3 September, 2025 in Münster, Germany

Call for Papers

The *European Society of Psychology Learning and Teaching* (ESPLAT) is a European academic organisation whose aim is to advance the learning and teaching of psychology at all educational levels, and to provide a forum to engage researchers and teachers of psychology in communication and exchange.

In times we face complex global challenges and increasing science denial, **critical, sophisticated scientific thinking is a key competence**. The teaching of psychology can foster scientific thinking in all domains in which human learning, decision making, judgement, the development and change of attitudes and beliefs are crucial. Equally, teaching students to think critically about psychological contents, research, and methods promotes the development of psychology as a science.

The ESPLAT conference is a forum for the exchange of research on the teaching of psychology, best practices and teaching innovations. ESPLAT emphasises an international perspective on how psychology is taught in different academic contexts, in different countries and under different cultural conditions, as these insights can enrich psychology as a whole.

We invite contributions on all topics related to learning and teaching psychology in the form of

- individual oral presentations or posters
- symposia
- discussion sessions.

Abstracts can be submitted from 1 November 2024 to 15 February 2025. For more information, see the conference website:

<https://www.uni-muenster.de/Psychologie/en/forschung/Konferenz/25esplat/>

If you are interested in offering a pre-conference workshop on a topic related to the learning and teaching of psychology, please contact the local organising team by e-mail at ESPLAT25@uni-muenster.de. Pre-conference workshops could take place on Sunday afternoon (31 August, 2025).

We are looking forward to your submissions!

Stephan Dutke
for the local organizing team

Abstract submission

Please submit abstracts via our conference website. All information and the link to the submission form can be found at:

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“Call for Papers & Submissions”

Each submission should include information on the author (and co-authors), and an abstract (max. 300 words) ideally structured according to the IMRaD format (Introduction, Methods, Results and Discussion).

Types of contribution

Individual oral presentation

Individual presentations will be grouped with others into sessions according to their content. Please use up to 5 keywords to assist this process.

Poster

Posters will be presented in poster sessions. You are encouraged to prepare an elevator pitch summarising the main points to be presented during the session.

Symposia

Symposia may be proposed on any topic related to the learning and teaching of psychology, but symposia specifically related to the conference motto *Scientific Thinking in Challenging Times* are particularly encouraged. Each symposium may last up to 90 minutes, with a maximum of 4 individual papers and a general discussion. Shorter symposia will also be considered.

Symposium proposals should be submitted by the organiser and include information on the organizer(s) and the discussant, a symposium abstract (max. 300 words), and information on each individual presentation in the symposium (authors and abstract of max. 300 words).

Discussion sessions

Roundtable discussions on any topic related to the learning and teaching of psychology can be proposed. Submissions should include information about the organiser(s) and an abstract (max. 300 words) introducing the topic to be discussed.

Important dates

Submission of abstracts opens:	1 November, 2024
Deadline for the submission of abstracts:	15 February, 2025
Notification of the acceptance of contributions:	1 April, 2025
Registration opens:	1 April, 2025
Deadline for registration:	1 July, 2025
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