

2026 Conference Program

International Society for the Scientific Study of Subjectivity

Kent, Ohio, USA | September 16–18, 2026

Legend: *Italic surname* = presenting author. **Bold** = online presenter. Moderator noted per session.

Wednesday, September 16

8:30 - 9:00 AM	Coffee Break & Registration	
9:00 - 12:00	Intro Q Workshop – Ramlo & Rhoads	
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch (on own)	
1:30 - 2:45 PM	Opening Plenary “My Favorite Brown Article” – Rhoads, Nauman, Gaukel, Ramlo, Zanolli, Albright, Eckert, J. Bartlett	<i>Rhoads – Leader</i>
2:45 - 3:00	Coffee Break	
3:00 - 4:30 PM	Parallel Session Block A	
	Room A Session A1 – Student & Faculty Perspectives <i>Moderator: Ramlo</i> – <i>McLaughlin</i> – Research Experiences and Undergraduate STEM Identities – <i>Edwards</i> – Speaking Science: Faculty and Students Define Science Communication – <i>Shirley</i> – Building Successful Applied Science Transfer Pathways	Room B Session A2 – Justice & Policy <i>Moderator: Rhoads</i> – <i>Litvaitis</i> – Best Interest Decisions under Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards – <i>Brown</i> – Q Methodology and the Policy Sciences – <i>Wartts</i> – Distinguishing Physical Discipline from Abuse
		Room C Session A3 – Health Professional Perspectives <i>Moderator: Albright</i> – <i>Tornwall</i> – Future of Nursing Education in Kyrgyzstan – <i>Bashatah</i> – Female Pre-nursing Students' Perspectives on Nursing – <i>Al Motairi</i> – Nurses' Viewpoints on Empathy in Patient Care: A Q-Methodology Study in Saudi Arabia
5:00 - 6:00 PM	Opening Reception – Fashion Museum [short walk from hotel] https://www.kent.edu/museum	
Evening	Dinner on own	

Thursday, September 17

8:30 - 9:00 AM Coffee Break

9:00 - 10:30 I4S Business Meeting

10:30 - 12:00 PM Parallel Session Block B

Room A Session B1 – Mental Health & Wellness <i>Moderator: M. Bartlett</i> – <i>Olla</i> – Subjective Viewpoints on Nicotine Use Across the Ability Spectrum – <i>Bashatah</i> – Teachers' Perceptions of Student Mental Health and Substance Use – <i>Archer</i> – Wellness Perceptions of Master's Level Counselors-in-Training	Room B Session B2 – Q Methodology Theory & Foundations <i>Moderator: S. Brown</i> – <i>Ramlo</i> – A Kuhnian Moment in Q Methodology: Exploring Perspectives on Tradition, Innovation, and Technological Change – <i>Good</i> – William Stephenson and the Notion of the Self – <i>Zanoli</i> – To Q or not to Q: a beginner's guide to avoiding the inappropriate use of Q methodology	Room C Session B3 – Identity, Oppression, and Social Meaning <i>Moderator: Chapman</i> – <i>Unal</i> – Collective Victimization among Kurds – <i>Langston</i> – How Educators Make Meaning of Equity – <i>Albright</i> – Volunteers and Educators Working with Prisoners
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12:00 - 1:45 PM Lunch (on own)

1:45 - 3:15 PM Parallel Session Block C

Room A Session C1 – AI, Concourse, and the Future of Q <i>Moderator: Zanoli</i> – <i>Nauman</i> – Investigating AI Use in Concourse and Q-set Creation: Beyond Simple Pros and Cons – <i>Grosswiler</i> – A Conversation with AI about Q – <i>Wolf</i> – Concourse in the Age of AI – <i>Ramlo</i> – Concourse, Patterns, and People: AI, Q Methodology, and Human Subjectivity	Room B Session C2 – Planning, Governance, and National Futures <i>Moderator: Riggs</i> – <i>Rhoads</i> – America at 250 – <i>Gaukel</i> – Applying Q to Estimative Political Analysis – <i>Lanphier</i> – Public trust in urban planning	Room C Session C3 – Organizational Change and Professional Collaboration <i>Moderator: M. Bartlett</i> – <i>Rutledge</i> – Building a Q Team – <i>Sokolich</i> – Humanizing Change Management in Higher Education – <i>Borthwick</i> – Assessing the Influence of Data Beyond the Sort
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Evening Dinner on own

7 PM and beyond Social time at the hotel bar

Friday, September 18

8:30 - 9:00 AM Coffee Break

9:00 - 10:30 AM Parallel Session Block D

Room A Session D1 – Innovative Applications in Education <i>Moderator: Tornwall</i> – Zanoli – Integrating Q into Design Thinking – Talarico – Scaling Up Deliberative Experiences Using Q Sort Apps – Albright – Using Q Methodology to Track Changes in Student Admission Characteristics for an Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU)	Room B Session D2 – AI Experiences & Trust <i>Moderator: Riggs</i> – Gauttier – Mediating Agency: How Humans Experience Augmentation in Interaction with Generative AI – Munno – Sorting Trust: A Q Methodology study of audience perceptions of AI use in news production – Kinsey – Made by Machine, Heard by Humans: Mapping Fan Perspectives on AI-Generated Music	Room C Session D3 – Emerging Academic Identities and Research Pathways <i>Moderator: Eckert</i> – Bartlett – Viewpoints on Doctoral Program Selection – Miyatake – Perceptions of Interpersonal Connections with GC-AI – Pidgeon – Stepping Into Q: Divergent Orientations Among Novice Researchers
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10:45 - 12:15 PM Parallel Session Block E

Room A Session E1 – Meet the Editors Angel Riggs and James Good talk about Operant Subjectivity and submitting manuscripts to our Q journal	Room B Session E2 – Perceptions of Higher Education <i>Moderator: Albright</i> – Kim – Students' and Professors' Perceptions of a Good University – Ramlo – Faculty sense-making of student evaluations of teaching – Eckert – Students' Sense of Belonging	Room C Session E3 – Markets, Consumers, and Economic Decision-Making <i>Moderator: Mandolesi</i> – Rubin – Financial Advisors' Fiduciary Duty under Pressure – Mandolesi – Organic Edible Rose Supply Chain – Bouhlal – Online Word-of-Mouth and Consumer Purchase Intentions
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12:15 - 1:45 PM Lunch (on own)

1:45 - 3:15 PM Parallel Session Block F

Room A Session F1 – AI in Higher Education <i>Moderator: Ramlo</i> – Layton – Utilizing Q Methodology to Understand K-12 Administration regarding AI Governance – Bartlett – AI in Graduate Coursework: It's Complicated – Chaney – Understanding Undergraduate Students' Perceptions of Generative AI	Room B Session F2 – Environment, Ecology, and Stewardship <i>Moderator: Eckert</i> – Punniyarajah – Rights of Rivers in Sri Lanka – Berard – Good Farmers and Environmental Stewardship – Joseph – Agency and Economic Futures in Costa Rica's Cloud Forest	Room C Session F3 – Crime, Politics, and Public Perspectives <i>Moderator: Rhoads</i> – Ravazza – Students on Social Theories of Justice and Crime – Chapman – Understanding the True Crime Fascination – DiPatri – Young Women's Expectations of Influencers to Share Political Information
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3:15 - 4:00 PM Final Session / Wrap-up

Afternoon May 4 Center / River Walk

6:30 PM Closing Banquet + Keynote

Start between 6–7 PM

