

Call for Papers, 5th International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Emotional Geographies Edinburgh, Scotland, 10-12 June 2015

Emotional geographies of faith, spirituality and religion

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This session explores the intersections of emotional and affective geographies with analysis of the spaces and places of faith, spirituality and religious identity. How are emotional and affective registers engaged in religious practice? How are affective spaces of religious and spiritual meaning both made and encountered? What are the tensions between narratives of faith and the emotional? How do affective spaces of religion become legible with - or in opposition to - the affective spaces of the secular, or those of religious 'others'?

Papers are welcome which cover any aspect of the emotional geographies of faith, spirituality and religion. Contributors might include reflection on the emotional geographies of faith communities or practitioners; the making of affective religious or spiritual spaces; the ways in which emotions are engaged by researchers and participants; emotions and ethics in research on faith, spirituality and religion.

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