

The International Church:

Mormonism as a Global Religion

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This conference will explore the development, tensions, experiences, manifestations, and ramifications of Mormonism in its expansion beyond the boundaries of the United States. We welcome analyses on the Church's international presence in the 21st century as well as historical studies focused on a specific time period from centuries past. We encourage papers that tackle broad questions about Mormonism's international growth as well as papers with a narrow geographical/time-based focus. Possible topics include (but are not limited to):

- Curriculum
- Temple building and public perceptions
- Perpetual Education Fund
- Processes of official legal recognition
- The impact of technology
- Center and periphery relations
- International LDS public figures
- Relations with state and other religions
- Doctrinal questions and challenges
- Source material for LDS international history
- Opposition and conflict
- Immigration to Utah then and now
- Humanitarian aid
- Perspectives from international media
- Intergenerational growth
- Turning points/key events
- Cultural influences on practices/activities
- Demographics and statistics
- Religious freedom issues
- International Church pioneers

Paper proposals from all interested participants are welcome. Proposals should be no more than one page in length, should summarize the paper's purpose, themes, and contribution(s), and must be submitted by e-mail to Linda Godfrey (linda_godfrey@byu.edu), department secretary of Church History and Doctrine, by **October 31, 2013**. Authors will be notified of acceptance by **December 2nd, 2013**. Due to the tight schedule, submission deadlines are firm. All conference papers are expected to meet the highest academic standards and to be consistent with the faith and doctrines of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It is anticipated that a volume of selected essays will be published as part of the conference proceedings.

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