What is SPSSI?

Founded in 1939, SPSSI is an international group of over 3000 psychologists, allied scientists, students, and others who share a common interest in research on the psychological aspects of important social issues. SPSSI seeks to bring theory and practice into focus on human problems of the group, the community, and nations, as well as the increasingly important problems that have no national boundaries. For more information please visit our websites at: [www.spssi.org](http://www.spssi.org) or [www.spssitimeline.org](http://www.spssitimeline.org)

Scholarly Approaches to Public Policy

- SPSSI’s Policy Committee guides SPSSI’s efforts to put data into the hand of policy makers
- SPSSI’s Policy Director manages policy initiatives and coordinates opportunities for SPSSI members to share their expertise with policy makers.
- SPSSI has official NGO status at the United Nations and is active in New York and Geneva.
- SPSSI places a Postdoctoral James Marshall Scholar on Capitol Hill for a one - two year term, where s/he applies social science research to public policy.
- SPSSI hosts a graduate student-level Dalmas Taylor Minority Summer Fellow to work on policy issues for the summer.
- More info at [www.spssi.org/policy](http://www.spssi.org/policy)

Competitive Awards and Grants

### Awards
- Michele Alexander Early Career Award*
- Gordon Allport Intergroup Relations Prize
- Distinguished Service Award
- Louise Kidder Early Career Award*
- Otto Klineberg Intercultural & International Relations Award
- Kurt Lewin Award
- Social Issues Dissertation Award*
- Teaching & Mentoring Awards
- Biennial Conference Travel Awards*

### Grants
- Applied Social Issues Internship funding*
- Grants-In-Aid Program
- Clara Mayo Grant Program*
- SAGES (Action Grants for Experienced Scholars)

*primarily designed for junior scholars

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Conferences

- SPSSI sponsors a biennial conference in even-numbered years.
- SPSSI partners with the European Association for Social Psychology and others to sponsor small conference on a wide variety of topics.
- SPSSI sponsors programming at the annual APA Convention that is of special interest to our members.