



## **Finnish Social Pedagogy Conference 2021 – Call for Papers**

The annual Finnish Social Pedagogy Conference will be held online on **March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 2021**. This year's theme is "*Towards anti-racist social pedagogy*". Anti-racism is an active form of action against racism in our everyday environments, in the society and in the world. The conference provides us opportunities to identify and reflect on different forms of racism and to look for ways to resist and reduce racism in our encounters with others at work, in research, in civic engagements, and in life in general. The conference consists of invited speakers' lectures, research presentation sessions and practical workshops presenting practices and working methods in the field of anti-racist education and social pedagogical work.

### *Research presentations*

In research presentation sessions participants present their current social pedagogical research or other research that can be of interest in the field of social pedagogy. The presented research does not need to be related to the conference theme. We invite especially social pedagogy master students, doctoral students and students from the universities of applied sciences to come and present their research or thesis. You can present a completed research, research in progress, or even a research plan.

If you are interested in presenting your research in the conference, please send an abstract of 300 words (including contact information) by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2021** to Elina Nivala [elina\(at\)nivala.net](mailto:elina(at)nivala.net). The duration of each presentation will be 20 minutes, and the presentation can be either in Finnish, Swedish or English. You will be notified of the approval of your presentation by Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021.

The approved research presentations will be thematically and, if necessary, linguistically categorized into presentation sessions, based on their abstracts. We also accept proposals of whole sessions (2–4 presenters) around a certain theme.

Naturally, you are most welcome to join the research presentation sessions as a listener!

**Finnish Society of Social Pedagogy welcomes everyone to attend the conference!**

For more information, please visit <http://www.sosiaalipedagogiikka.fi/finnish-social-pedagogy-conference-2021/> or contact Elina Nivala, president of the Finnish Society of Social Pedagogy at [elina\(at\)nivala.net](mailto:elina(at)nivala.net).