

Call for Papers

The Society for the Study of American Literary Naturalism
American Literature Association 37th Annual Conference
May 20-23, 2026
Chicago, IL

The Frank Norris Society, The Jack London Society, the Stephen Crane Society, and the Theodore Dreiser Society have united for the American Literature Association into the Society for the Study of American Literary Naturalism.

The Society for the Study of American Literary Naturalism will sponsor multiple sessions at the 2026 American Literature Association Conference. While we are open to any topic related to the works of Norris, London, Crane, or Dreiser, we are also open to considerations of other authors—either in the traditional naturalist period or in any time after—embracing or working within a broadly defined “naturalist ethos.” For this year’s conference, we are especially interested in papers that address contemporary naturalisms, broadly defined.

Send proposals of 200-250 words for 20-minute papers/presentations by January 15 to: Adam H. Wood, Georgia College & State University at adam.wood@gcsu.edu

Email proposals only.

Provide contact information including email, address, and academic affiliation.