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Call for Papers

Special Issue: 50th Anniversary of the Selma March

Inspired by the 50th year anniversary marking the landmark march from Selma to Montgomery, the journal *Making Connections: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Cultural Diversity* invites submissions for a themed special issue on *Race and 'Normalcy.'*

"*Race and 'Normalcy,'*" builds on Dr. Martin Luther King's (1965) address at the conclusion of the march, in which he states:

The only normalcy that we will settle for is the normalcy that recognizes the dignity and worth of all of God's children. The only normalcy that we will settle for is the normalcy that allows judgment to run down like waters, and righteousness like a mighty stream. The only normalcy that we will settle for is the normalcy of brotherhood, the normalcy of true peace, the normalcy of justice.

We seek manuscripts that focus on notions of "normalcy" through the lens of race in contemporary America. The topic can be examined through a variety of disciplines and frameworks, including but not limited to: education, sociology, criminal justice, literature, literacy and language studies, psychology, community health and safety, social justice, mass incarceration and the modern industrial prison complex, philosophical explorations of the topic(s), and media/performance studies. We are also open to receiving submissions that more broadly address the Selma march and/or explore the continuing relevance of historical freedom movements in today's world.

Submissions should be made in MS Word (.doc/.docx) and sent via email attachment to the Journal Co-Editors, Dr. Usree Bhattacharya (usreeb@iup.edu) and Dr. Uraina Pack (upack@clarion.edu). The email subject line should read: "Submission for Making Connections." Manuscripts should conform to current *MLA* or *APA* citation methods.

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