



Call for Abstracts

ISSBD China Regional Workshop 2025

Theme: Adolescent Mental Health and Positive Development

October 22–24, 2025 | Shandong Normal University, Jinan, China

The International Society for the Study of Behavioural Development (ISSBD) is delighted to announce the ISSBD China Regional Workshop 2025, hosted by Shandong Normal University. The workshop will take place in the vibrant city of Jinan, China, and will focus on the theme: **Adolescent Mental Health and Positive Development**. We are inviting early-career researchers to submit abstracts to this event.

Workshop Overview

Adolescence is a critical period marked by profound physical, cognitive, and socio-emotional changes, and is also a time of heightened vulnerability to mental health challenges. This workshop aims to advance both theoretical understanding and methodological skills in adolescent mental health and positive development among early-career scholars, with a special emphasis on Asian contexts and cross-cultural perspectives. The program will feature keynote lectures from internationally renowned experts, oral and poster presentations, interactive workshops, and panel discussions.

Who Should Submit

We invite **early-career scholars** (within 7 years of receiving their highest degree) working in developmental psychology, education, mental health, or related fields to submit abstracts for oral or poster presentations. Approximately 50 participants will be selected. Priority will be given to applicants from underrepresented regions.

Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts must be written in English and should not exceed 250 words.
- Submissions should clearly state the research question, methods, main findings, and implications for adolescent mental health or positive development.
- Applicants should indicate their preference for oral or poster presentation.
- Please include your full name, institutional affiliation, and contact email.
- Each applicant may submit only **one** abstract as first author.
- Non-members whose abstracts are accepted will be expected to register as ISSBD members for the regional workshop. [Join ISSBD:](https://issbd.org/membership/joining-issbd/)
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Important Dates

- **Abstract Submission Deadline:** TBD
- **Notification of Acceptance:** TBD
- **Workshop Dates:** October 22–24, 2025

Workshop Features

- **Keynote Lectures** by distinguished international scholars, including *Prof. Tina Malti* (ISSBD President, Leipzig University), *Prof. Abigail Gewirtz* (Arizona State University), *Prof. Allan Bernardo* (De La Salle University), *Prof. Wenxin Zhang* (Shandong Normal University), *Prof. Silvia Koller* (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul), *Prof. Hyoun Kim* (Yonsei University) and others.
- **Oral and Poster Presentations** by early-career scholars.
- **Workshops and Panel Discussions** on advanced methodology and intervention development.
- **Cultural Activities** and **networking opportunities**.
- Workshop registration is **FREE**.
- Participants will be provided with **3 nights' accommodation and round-trip travel**.
- All participants must be **registered members of ISSBD**.

How to Submit

Please send your abstract (as a Word document, name the file with your name plus the title of the abstract) and a brief CV (max 2 pages) to the Local Organizing Committee at:

- **E-mail:** issbdjinan25@126.com

For further information, visit the official ISSBD website:

<https://www.issbd.org>

We look forward to receiving your abstract and welcoming you to Jinan in October 2025!