

Values

Young people – their experiences and perspectives – and see them as critical to a better future.

Research as a foundation for raising children and for **informing educational and community programs, practices and policies** that shape the lives of youth.

Diversity of membership including national, cultural, racial, ethnic, gender, sexuality, socioeconomic, ability, and professional status.

Diversity in scholarship, including the study of diverse populations; disciplinary perspectives; and methodological approaches

Mission

Our goals are to advance understanding of adolescence and **enhance the wellbeing of youth** in a globalized world. We promote high-quality research that considers the biological, psychological, and sociocultural aspects of **development in context**. We aim to lead and **shape scientific and public discourse** on youth and adolescence, and to guide parenting, schooling, programs, and policies. In order to achieve these goals, we foster the professional development and growth of all members, and are **relevant, visible, diverse, and global** in perspective.

Did you know?

The Society for Research on Adolescence was established in 1984, following a series of small invited conferences on adolescence hosted by Hershel and Ellen Thornburg between 1982 and 1985.

The first SRA conference was held in 1986 in Madison, WI. Its focus was on education and early adolescence! Around 135 people attended!

Today...

We have over 1000 members from 36+ countries!

We have over 1500 people attending from across the globe!

**TODAY'S INNOVATIONS
TOMORROW'S INSIGHTS**

