

THE STUDENT SOCIOLOGIST

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Editor's Column

By: Beth Moran, ASA Minority and Student Affairs Program Assistant

Hello Student Sociologists!

I am very happy to be finally making my presence here. I began filling the large shoes left by Karina Havrilla at the end of January and was immediately thrown into all that the Minority and Student Affairs position entails. I am please to say that I am finding my groove and completing the tasks left for me.

We have been busy here in DC with both the Honors Program and the Student Forum. Both programs are getting off the ground for 2011 and reviewing their

nominations. We are excited to being more work with both groups leading to the Annual Meeting.

I am very excited to be working at ASA and within the Minority and Student Affairs Program with the Director, Jean Shin. Since graduating from McDaniel College in 2008 with a BA in Sociology, I have been out of the field for a few years and am very happy to be back where I belong.

I am looking forward to the opportunities that ASA will bring and everything that I will learn from the position.

Karina has left me quite a bit of information and has been a great help in the transition; I'm sure you will see her influence in many things that Jean and I put out in the following months.

I look forward to meeting those of you who will be in attendance at the 2011 Annual Meeting this August in Las Vegas!

Beth

Call for Submissions: Film Screening

Members, filmmakers, and distributors who wish to provide a film for inclusion in the 2011 screening series may submit a copy of the film/video and a brief description of the work that notes its relevance to sociological instruction and research. The requirements for film submissions are listed below

Film requirements:

All films must fit into a 50-80 minute course block, films must relate to the field of sociology, no more than eight

films can be submitted from one filmmaker, member or distributor, all films must have closed captioning or a transcript that can be made available at the time of screening.

Please submit a brief description of the film and, if possible, note the film's relevance to sociological instruction and research. All film/video nominations (in DVD format).

Films will be judged on time sensitivity,

relevance to the field of sociology, and potential use in teaching. Those who submit films will be notified of screening decisions in June, and your copy of the film will be returned after the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

Submissions should be postmarked by **March 15, 2011**, to: Valerie Jiggetts apap@asanet.org

2011 Call for Student Forum Travel Award Applications

The ASA and Student Forum Advisory Board are pleased to announce that the ASA Council is making funds available to support the Student Forum Travel Awards. ASA anticipates granting approximately 25 travel awards in the amount of \$225 each. These awards will be made on a competitive basis and are meant to assist students by defraying the expenses associated with attending the ASA Annual Meeting. All applicants are encouraged to seek additional sources of funding to cover expenses associated with attending the Annual Meeting.

To apply, email one copy of the PDF

application or mail one copy of the 2011 Student Forum Travel Award Application form no later than **April 1, 2011** (postmark deadline is ok). Decisions will be announced by May 15, 2011. No part of the application may be submitted by fax and only applications from individuals on their own behalf will be accepted.

Applicants must be students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate sociology degree in an academic institution and a current student member of ASA at the time of application. Participation in the Annual Meeting program (e.g., paper sessions, roundtables), purpose

for attending (e.g., workshop training, Honors Program participation), student financial need, availability of other forms of support, matching funds, and potential benefit to the student are among the factors taken into account in making awards. A travel award committee of the ASA Student Forum convened especially for this purpose will select awardees.

For more information, contact the ASA Executive Office at studentforum@asanet.org or (202) 383-9005 ext. 322. The award application form can be found on the ASA website (www.asanet.org) under "Funding."

Annual Meeting Housing- Now Open!

The 106th ASA Annual Meeting will be held at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, Nevada. The hotel property will host all ASA services, sessions, exhibit hall and guest-room accommodations under one roof.

Blocks of sleeping rooms for ASA meeting attendees have been arranged at Caesars Palace. All housing services are being managed through, Connections Housing. Booking a room in the ASA room blocks is an important way to support the Association and ultimately keep overall meeting costs as low as possible. Staying "within the block" is also more convenient and helps you stay connected with the informal activi-

ties and networking opportunities that occur at the headquarter hotel during the meeting.

The ASA has partnered with Caesars Palace to offer a unique set of incentives that will add great value to your lodging expenses. Reservations may be made online via the link to the ASA housing site powered by Connections Housing. It may take a moment for the housing page to load, depending on the speed of your internet connection and browser choice.

When making a hotel reservation, you may request audio, visual, or mobility assistance.

If you want ASA Meeting Services to verify that your accessibility request(s) will be honored, please send your accessibility request to ASA after you have made your reservation. Send accessibility requests to: ASA Meeting Services, 1430 K Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20005-4701; fax 202-638-0882; meetings@asanet.org.

For more information go to www.asanet.org go to "Annual Meeting" and look for "Housing" under Convention Services.

Housing Deadline: August 15, 2011

Call for Papers: Undergraduate Paper Competition

The Mid-South Sociological Association invites the submission of student papers for its annual Undergraduate Student Paper Competition. The competition is open to students in the Mid-South Region and to other undergraduate students who are members of the Mid-South Sociological Association.

Each of the submissions will be evalu-

ated by a committee of scholars based on (1) originality, (2) contribution or potential contribution to the discipline, (3) clarity of arguments, and (4) mechanics (i.e. neatness, use of an appropriate format, grammar, spelling, etc.). To receive full recognition for participation, submissions must meet deadlines and participants must present their papers at the Annual Conference held each fall.

Students are strongly encouraged to

seek faculty advice prior to submission of papers.

For more information, visit: http://www.midsouthsoc.org/?page_id=21

Deadline: June 30, 2011

Call for Papers

Society for the Study of Social Problems

The Educational Problems Division

Papers must address a contemporary educational problem and may be empirical or theoretical in nature. Authors must be current graduate students or recent graduates with conferral dates no earlier than January 2011. Only unpublished, single-author papers will be considered. Winners will receive a small stipend, student membership in SSSP and conference registration to the 2011 SSSP annual meeting. For more information, visit www.sssp1.org **Deadline: May 1, 2011**

Rural Sociology Society

To enhance the involvement of graduate students in the RSS annual meeting, and to support their professional development. The paper may be co-authored with another graduate student who is a RSS member, but not with a faculty member. Papers should be of normal journal article length and format. Masters theses and dissertations will not be considered. **Submit:** One electronic copy of the completed paper. An updated version of the author's C.V. A letter from the faculty advisor or department chair of the paper author(s) certifying graduate student status.

Deadline: April 15, 2011

Journal of Women's History

Special Issue: "Human Rights, Global Congresses and the Making of Postwar Transnational Feminism." authors are invited to submit articles that address the historical dimensions of the intersection between human rights and transnational feminist organizing. Authors should place their analysis in its specific historical and social contexts. We encourage submissions from academics, activists and meeting attendees. Submit papers to both Jean Quataert at profquat@binghamton.edu and Benita Roth at broth@binghamton.edu

Deadline: May 15, 2011

Research in Social Movements, Conflicts, and Change

A peer reviewed volume, encourages submission for Volume 33 of the series. This volume will have both thematic and open-submission sections. For the open-submission/non-thematic section, submissions appropriate to any of the three broad foci reflected in the series title will be considered. The special section will focus on "new" and "old" media in social movements, conflicts, and change. We encourage submission on the relationship between older media and social movements, conflicts or change. www.emeraldinsight.com

Deadline: May 16, 2011

Society for the Study of Social Problems

The Global Division

In cooperation with the Sage journal Critical Sociology announces 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Jointly-authored papers are accepted but all contributing authors must be current graduate students or have graduated not prior to January 01, 2011. Award recipients are expected to present their paper at the 2011 Annual Meeting. For more information and view suggested paper themes, visit www.sssp1.org.

Deadline: May 6, 2011

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award

Nominations are now open for the Thomas D. Hood Social Action Award. Members are encouraged to submit names of organizations for this award. The award, established in 1991, is awarded to a not-for-profit organization in the city/area hosting the annual meeting. The award is a fitting expression of the overall purpose of the SSSP. For more information, visit: www.sssp1.org Electronic submissions only to hdalimage@roosevelt.edu

Deadline: April 1, 2011

Call for Applications: Undergraduate Social Action Award

Sociologists for Women in Society, The Undergraduate Social Action Award is designed to carry on the SWS tradition of acknowledging, affirming and inviting students to participate in SWS. The three winners of this award will be invited to attend the SWS Winter Meeting and participate in a session discussing how their experience advanced the purpose of SWS by working to improve women's lives and to create feminist social change.

Students who have participated in an

undergraduate internship of faculty-supervised social action work (e.g. internships, community-based research, activism, community work) within the past year. Students must submit a five-page paper that: 1) Describes the history, structure, funding sources and purpose of the organization or community with which they worked; 2) reports the initial goals of the internship of action work; 3) assesses the accomplishments of the internship of action work, particularly in light of how initial goals were met or were altered; 4)

Analyzes and reflects upon what was learned from the internship or action work; 5) Discusses the connections between the internship or action work and rest of student's education and 6) Reports if and how the internship contributed to women's lives and/or feminist social change.

Submit proposals to: Jodie Lawston: jlawston@csusm.edu; www.socwomen.org

Deadline: April 1st

Esther Ngan-ling Chow and Mareyjoyce Green Scholarship

Sociologists for Women in Society, invite applications for the 2011 Esther Ngan-ling Chow and Mareyjoyce Green Scholarship, formerly known as the Women of Color Dissertation Scholarship.

Sociologists for Women in Society, has worked hard to build a coalition of women scholars who share concerns about the status of women both domestically and internationally. In keeping with that mission, SWS established a

Women of Color Scholarship at its annual meeting in February 2007. The primary purposes of the scholarship are: To offer support to female scholars who are from underrepresented groups and are studying concerns that women of color face domestically and/or internationally. Also to increase the participation of students of color in SWS.

The winner will receive a \$15,000 scholarship, a plaque and SWS membership

for one year. In addition the recipient will receive free registration for both the summer and winter meetings, along with an additional \$500 grant to enable attendance at the winter meeting.

Application packets must be submitted to submissions@socwomen.org no later than **April 1, 2011**.

For more information, visit: <http://www.socwomen.org/web/awards/chow-green.html>

Upcoming Meetings for Spring/Summer 2011



- **Midwest Sociological Society**, March 24-27, 2011; St. Louis, MO www.themss.org
- **Southern Sociological Society**, April 6-9, 2011; Jacksonville, FL www.southernsociologicalsociety.org
- **Eastern Community College Social Science Association 37th Annual Conference**, March 31– April 2 at Erie Community College-City Campus, Erie, PA. Theme: "The National and Global Impacts of Economic Collapse: Perspectives from the Social Sciences." For more information, visit: www.ecc.edu
- **North Central Sociological Association**, March 31– April 2 in Cleveland, OH. Theme: Pragmatism in Research and Education. For more information, go to: www.ncsanet.org
- **39th Annual National Association for Ethics Studies Conference**, April 7-9, 2011 at Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA. Theme: The New Racism: Illusions of Equality and the Assault on Ethnic Stud-

ies. For more information, visit: <http://www.ethnicstudies.org/conference.htm>

- **8th Annual Social Theory Forum**, April 13-14, 2011 at the University of Massachusetts Boston. The theme of the conference is: Italian Society from Antonio Gramsci to Giorgio Agamben. The Social Theory Forum (STF) is an annual international conference organized jointly by the sociology and other departments, interested faculty and students at University of Massachusetts Boston, in order to creatively explore, develop, promote, and publish cross-disciplinary social theory in an applied and critical framework. For more information, visit: <http://rikowski.wordpress.com/2010/12/10/the-viii-annual-social-theory-forum/>
- **8th Annual Graduate Student Ethnography Conference**, April 15, 2011 at Stony Brook University, Manhattan Campus. Keynote Speaker: Alford A. Young, Jr. contact: sbethnographyconference@gmail.com
- **National Borders in the 21st Century**, 35th Annual PEWS Conference, April 28-30 at Stony Brook University– SUNY. Investigating ongoing transformations in the purpose and meaning of national borders in the world. For more information, contact: Timothy Moran at timothy.p.moran@stonybrook.edu
- **2nd Annual Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences Conference**, May 31– June 1 at the IRS Building in Boulder, CO. The goal of this conference is to showcase behavioral and molecular genetic studies that enhance demographic and social scientific inquiry or in some way integrate genetics and the social sciences. For more information, visit: http://www.colorado.edu/ibs/CUPC/conferences/IGSS_2011/
- **Association for Black Sociologists**, August 18-20 Las Vegas, NV. Theme: "Engaging the Global Community through Research, Teaching and Service". www.associationofblacksociologists.org
- **Rural Sociology Society in conjunction with Community Development Society**, July 28-31; Boise, ID Theme: "Shifting Boundaries: Rural Diversity and Change in an Urban Society". www.ruralsociology.org
- **Society for the Study of Social Problems**, August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV www.sssp.org

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ASA Announces 2011 Awards Recipients

The American Sociological Association proudly announces the recipients of the major awards for 2011. These outstanding scholars will be recognized at the 2011 Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony on Sunday, August 21, at 4:30 pm. The Awards Ceremony will immediately precede the formal address of the ASA President Randall Collins. All registrants are invited to attend an Honorary Reception immediately following the address to congratulate President Collins and the award recipients.

The ASA awards are conferred on sociologists for outstanding publications and achievements in the scholarship, teaching, and the practice of sociology. Award recipients are selected by committees appointed by the ASA Committee on Committees and the ASA Council.

To see the list of recipients and their awards, visit: www.asanet.org and look for the February edition of *Footnotes*.

Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM)

Synopsis The PAESMEM Program seeks to identify outstanding mentoring efforts that enhance the participation of groups (i.e., women, minorities, and persons with disabilities) that are underrepresented in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The awardees serve as leaders in the national effort to develop fully the Nation's human resources in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

This program provides educational opportunities for Undergraduate Students, Graduate Students, Postdoctoral Fellows, K-12 Educators. Individuals interested in applying for funding should see the program guidelines at: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5473&org=NSF

Deadline: October 5, 2011