

2023 Section Annual Report: Part 1 for International Migration

Introduction

Annual reports are used by the Sections Committee to assess the health of a Section, measure the Section's vitality, and identify processes, programs, or initiatives that could serve as a model for other Sections. In addition, they serve to provide institutional memory, socialize new Section leaders, and promote transparency to Section members.

This annual report covers the period of Section activity from September 2022 to August 2023 and a fiscal year from January 2023 to December 2023. This portion of the report will be shared publicly.

Section Governance

Provide details of your Section's governance activity during the period between September 2022 and August 2023.

Business Meeting

Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes from the Section business meeting which include a count of members present and summary of decisions made at this meeting. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings, but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

Annual Meeting Agenda:

- Review of priorities for 2022-2023
- Recognition of IM Subcommittees and Council: Professionalization and Mentoring, DEIJ, and Communications
- Priorities for 2023-2024
- Announcement of Section Survey
- Financial report
- Presentation of Section Awards

Annual Meeting Minutes:

Please see attached minutes.

Council Meeting

Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes of all council meetings. Minutes must include a list of council members present and a summary of decisions made. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings, but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

The Council met on August 1, 2022 before the ASA and we used this as the transition meeting to the new term (new members also invited). Minutes appeared in last year's report.

The Council met again in March 10, 2023 (11am MST). Council members in attendance included: Jean Beaman, Jaeun Kim, Hajar Yazdiha, Jody Agius Vallejo (Chair-elect), Helen Marrow (past Chair).

IM Section Meeting Agenda
March 10, 2023

Topic	Context/ problem	Proposed course of action
1. Do you approve of the changes proposed by the Committee for the Public Sociology Award?	A person who received an “honorable mention” in 2021 wondered if they could be nominated again with full information. They were previously nominated without their knowledge and therefore their dossier was incomplete.	Add the following language to future announcements: “Those who receive Honorable Mention for the Public Sociology award may be nominated again after a period of 3 years since the date of the award. In addition, those who nominate candidates for this award should contact the nominee to ensure that they agree to be nominated.”
2. Do you have advice about changes/actions proposed by DEIJ for the next round of awards	The DEIJ committee is concerned about the equity of current section awards processes and proposed several changes. Some can easily be implemented, but others would require further consideration by the Council.	<p><u>Short-term changes/ easily implemented:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Educate members about the nomination and submission process via newsletter or other communications. 2. Instruct awards committees on what factors to <u>take into account</u> to increase equity and which not to consider. 3. Remind membership of awards and possibility of self-nomination (where applicable) <p><u>Long term:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Affordability of ASA for students and early career faculty 2. Affordability/equity of book submission process which requires sending hard copies of books to committee members. PDFs? Can we ask publishers to submit directly to the section? 3. Can we develop a “blinded” review process for books and articles? 4. Accessibility of mini conference to a broader range of participants. Can we make it hybrid? Can we change the format to one of smaller working groups/tables rather than panels?
3. What has been your experience with ASA Connect? Suggestions for the Comms Subcommittee. Protocol for communications?	We’ve passed the 6-month mark with ASA Connect and may now have a better sense of its limitations and possibilities. We lost our listserv which in turn has affected the division of labor (formerly listserv managed by Associate Editor)	The Comms Subcom will meet next week to discuss this as well as to plan the next newsletter.
4. Volunteers to assist with meeting planning?	I’ll explain	

Criteria that should be shared with the Committee Chairs:

Criteria which should NOT be considered when selecting the winners include:

- a. The age, rank, or title of the author
- b. The author’s home institute (e.g., prestige, location, etc.)
- c. The author’s scholarly reputation outside of the publication
- d. The prestige of the journal (or Academic Press).
- e. How close it is to your work in topic or method; make a concerted effort to recognize excellence in fields that are farther from your own”

Determinations:

- “Honorable mentions” count as awards
- Jean Beaman reminded us that there is ASA-wide language for all awards

- The DEIJ subcommittee suggested several guidelines to make awards even more equitable (see in agenda). Future subcommittees can review these. Self-nominations are already a practice. No letter of nomination needed.

Awards

Provide a list of Section awards and awardees conferred in the past year.
 [See attached minutes for the business meeting]

2023 Finances

Provide a narrative on how the 2023 budget matched with actual expenses and income from 2023. Please account for any substantive differences.

[Total income as of 2023 was \$4610. Total expenses were \$2,831, mostly related to the ASA reception in Philadelphia as of October 2023, the sections net assets were \$7042. We were able to save relative to the previous ASA meeting by cosponsoring the reception with the Asian and Asian American section. The projected budget for June 2024 is \$12,158. Please see attached slides for details.]

Section Finances as of October 2023

	Year To Date	Acct #
INCOME & EXPENSE		
Income		
Dues Income	\$755	37200
Other Income	1,500	37220
Section Budget Allocation	2,355	37250
Total Income	4,610	
Expenses		
Annual Meeting Reception Expens...	2,831	37300
Total Expenses	2,831	
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets	\$1,779	
NET ASSETS		
Net Assets - Beginning Balance	\$5,263	
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Net Assets - Ending Balance	\$7,042	

Section Reception Costs

- **2023 - Philadelphia Section Reception Costs: \$2831.00**
 (co-hosted with Asia/Asian-America in ASA Conference Hotel)
- **2022 – Los Angeles Section Reception Costs: \$8530.00**
 (Reception was Co-Hosted by UC Davis Sociology Dept and included event for Dr. C. Menjivar)

Projected Budget for June 2024

Base Section Allocation

Based on this year's final membership count taken on September 1, our Base Allocation for 2024 is **\$1000**

Per Member Section Allocation

Based on this year's final membership count taken on September 1, Sections receive two dollars for each member.

Per Member Allocation for 2024: **\$1218**

Premium Dues

Estimates for 2024 based on 2023 membership counts

Premium Dues – Regular Members: \$796

Premium Dues – Student Members: \$352

TOTAL PROJECTED INCOMING REVENUE FOR 2024

• Base Section Allocation	1000.00
• Per Member Section Allocation	1218.00
• Premium Dues (Estimated)	1148.00
• ERS Donation for Reception	1250.00
• Advertising Revenue	500.00
• 2023 Balance	7042.00

\$12,158.00

The Previous Year

Describe Section activities during the period between September 2022 and August 2023.

Provide an overview of the Section's communications with its members and include explanation of how your communication strategy meets the goals and values of the Section. Include links to the section website, newsletters, and any other electronic media used.

[This year the section communicated with its membership via social media (X, Facebook, the ASA IM Website, and the IM wordpress site), the World on the Move Newsletter, ASA Connect (through August 2023), and subsequently through the old listserv system. It took the communications team several months to figure out how to effectively use ASA Connect only to have it discontinued in August. The listserv/ASA Connect and social media accounts are used to inform members about employment, conference and publication opportunities, while the newsletter features profiles of section members, their achievements, the call and results of section awards, and the ASA's call for submissions, among other items of interest. Members send information of interest to the section's communications team, who oversee all communication modalities.)]

Describe the Section's diversity, equity, and inclusion goals. What steps were taken this year to achieve those goals?

[The diversity, equity, and inclusion goals have included greater and more equitable access to opportunities for leadership and recognition, professionalization and mentoring resources, and representation. These goals build on the analysis conducted in 2020-2021 (see my predecessor's exhaustive report) and continue with policies implemented during that period including the establishment of a DEIJ Subcommittee which this year focused on examining not only

membership diversity but also attending to the processes and procedures related to leadership and awards.]

Provide an overview of the section's programming at the annual meeting and include explanation of how this programming meets the goals and values of the section (e.g. intellectual exchange, professional networking, mentoring, inclusion).

[For the 2023 annual meeting, section Chair-Elect Jody Agius Vallejo organized four section-sponsored panels, in addition to roundtables. Ideas for titles and abstracts for these panels were drawn directly from a call for solicitations and volunteers we sent out to the entire section in September 2021, with special attention paid to diversifying our coverage of topics of interest to members of racial/ethnic minority groups and of non-U.S. migration flows, as encouraged by the findings of the inaugural 2020-21 DEI report. These panels included:

1. Time, Life Stage, and Temporalities in Migration Studies. Organizer: Amanda Rachel Cheong
2. Migration, Citizenship, and Legacies of Empire and Colonialism. Organizer: Stephanie L. Canizales
3. Violence and Migration: Theory, Praxis and Resistance. Organizer: Andrea Gomez Cervantes
4. Frameworks Revisited: Advancing an Intellectual Agenda on Race and Migration. Organizer: Jody Agius Vallejo.

International Migration Refereed Roundtables

Organized by: Stephanie Canizales, Amanda Cheong, and Andrea Gomez Cervantes

The section cosponsored a reception at the annual meeting with the Section on Asia and Asian America which we estimate attracted 350 people and featured music by Ali Chaudhary. Ethnic and Racial Studies underwrote a portion of the expenses for the event which was much cheaper due to the co-sponsorship.

Provide an overview of the Section's programmatic activities outside of the Annual Meeting (e.g. webinars, networking events, mentoring initiatives, resources for dissemination) and include explanation of this programming meets the goals and values of the Section.

[Our Mentoring & Professionalization subcommittee continued with a full schedule of activities in 2022 and 2023 including two workshops, and starting a new mentoring network in which senior members who volunteered their time were connected to two early career faculty or graduate students. The program continues into 2023/ 2024. Volunteers are meeting twice during the academic year to discuss items of interest to mentees. For instance, I met with my assigned mentees to discuss book publishing and networking strategies.]