

2004 STUDENT PAPER COMPETITIONS AND OUTSTANDING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

sponsored by the

Society for the Study of Social Problems

COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Deadline: 2/16/04

The Community Research and Development Division announces its first Graduate Student Paper Competition to be held during the 2004 annual meeting. The goal is to encourage scholastic endeavors which enhance our understanding of issues affecting the community. Relevant paper topics can focus on various aspects of the community including its capacity (i.e., social capital), development, design, empowerment, renewal, well-being. Conventional qualitative and quantitative empirical analyses are welcome, as are evaluations of the effectiveness of community-based programs. To be eligible a paper must not be published or accepted for publication. Papers that have been presented at a professional meeting, submitted for presentation at a professional conference, or are under review for publication are eligible. Papers must be student-authored. They may be single-authored by the student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. Papers must not exceed 30 pages including all notes, references and tables. Send two copies of the paper and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered in the Community Research and Development Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Dr. Michael E. O'Neal, Urban Studies Program, Augsburg College, #116, 2211 Riverside Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55454; oneal@augsborg.edu. Please include a letter from your advisor certifying your graduate-student status and incorporating some comments about the research. The winner will be announced at the SSSP Annual Meeting in August 2004 and will receive a \$100 cash award.

CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION, AND CHANGE DIVISION

Deadline: 5/1/04

The Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division will award \$100 for a solely written paper by a current graduate student on issues related to the division's mission. Please send three copies of the paper to: Chris Baker, Walters State Community College, Morristown, TN 37813; chris.baker@ws.edu.

CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION

Deadline: 1/31/04

The Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division announces its 2004 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be empirical or theoretical, and they may be on any aspect of crime, deviance, and/or social control. To be eligible, a paper must have been written during 2003, and it may not be published, accepted for publication, or under review for publication. Papers which have been presented at a professional meeting or accepted for presentation at a professional meeting are eligible. Papers must be student-authored; they can be single-authored or co-authored by students, but may not be co-authored with a faculty member or other non student. There is a 25-page limit, including all notes, references, and tables. Send papers and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered in the SSSP Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Ken Kyle, Department of Social Sciences and Community Psychology & Social Change, School of Behavioral Sciences and Education, Pennsylvania State University, 777 W. Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, PA 17057. Include a letter from your advisor certifying your graduate student status and incorporating some comments about the paper. The winner will be announced in Spring 2004, will receive a \$300 stipend, and will be invited to present the paper at a regular Division panel session at the 2004 SSSP Annual Meeting.

DRINKING AND DRUGS DIVISION

Deadline: 3/15/04

The Drinking and Drugs Division is holding its 2004 Student Paper Competition. First place winner will receive a \$100 prize and be recognized at the 2004 meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. The division reserves the right to identify additional prizes or to not award a first place winner at its discretion. Papers must present original research (empirical and/or theoretical) related to drinking and/or drugs from a social problems perspective. To be eligible, participants must be currently enrolled in a graduate degree program and have not yet received a Ph.D., J.D., or M.D. degree at the time of submission. Participants must have had primary responsibility for preparation of the paper. All entries must be endorsed by a sponsor who is a current (2004) member of the division. Send three copies of the paper and a short letter of submission identifying your graduate program and signed by your sponsor to: SSSP Drinking and Drugs Student Paper Competition, Dr. Andrew Golub, Division Chair, National Development and Research Institutes, 71 West 23rd St., 8th floor, New York, NY 10010.

EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS DIVISION

Deadline: 5/15/04

All graduate students are encouraged to apply for the SSSP Educational Problems Division annual paper award competition. The paper should be associated with the specific interests of the Division, namely, those social problems within the broad area of education. The submitted paper should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages and should be prepared for anonymous review. The author's name, contact information and institutional affiliation should appear on a separate page at the beginning of the paper, along with an abstract of 150 to 200 words. All references to the identity of the author within the text should be removed. Current graduate students, and recent graduates who received their degrees after January 2004, may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. Papers based on theses or dissertations are acceptable. **DO NOT SUBMIT THE THESIS OR DISSERTATION ITSELF.** Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all the listed authors are current graduate students. Double submissions to other SSSP award competitions will be disqualified. The award recipient will be required

to present the winning paper at the 2004 SSSP annual meeting in San Francisco. It is strongly recommended that an abstract of the paper be submitted to any Educational Problems Division session organizer by the January 31st deadline. The award recipient will receive a monetary prize of \$100, student membership to SSSP, SSSP conference registration, and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet. Papers should be submitted electronically with a letter of introduction describing your graduate program to Professor Deirdre M. Smythe, Chair, Educational Problems Division Student Paper Competition, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), Sociology Department, Nanjing University, P. R. of China 210093; deirdresmythe@yahoo.com.

ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

Deadline: 4/2/04

The Environment and Technology Division is pleased to announce its 2004 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be theoretical and/or empirical and may be on a topic relevant to environment and technology, including environmental movements, technology and risk, political economy and the environment, or environmental justice, among others. The winner will receive a monetary award plus payment of the winner's SSSP membership fee for the 2004 SSSP meeting to help the winner attend the meeting. The winner will also be offered the opportunity to present this paper at one of the Environment and Technology sessions being held at the 2004 SSSP meetings. To be eligible, the paper must meet the following criteria: 1)The paper must have been written between January 2003 and April 2004; 2)The paper may not have been submitted for publication (papers presented at other professional meetings or that have been submitted for presentation at other meetings are eligible); 3)The paper must be authored by one or more students and not co-authored by faculty or a colleague who is not a student; 4)The paper must be 25 pages or less, including notes, references, and tables; and, 5)The paper must be accompanied by a letter from a faculty member at the student's university nominating the paper for the Environment and Technology Division Graduate Student Paper Competition. Students should send 2 copies of their paper accompanied by a letter of support to: Erin Robinson, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, OM 014B, Canisius College, Buffalo, NY 14208; (w) 716-888-2748. Papers will also be accepted over email: robinso5@canisius.edu. The winner will be announced by the end of the academic year, prior to the 2004 SSSP meetings.

FAMILY DIVISION

Deadline: 1/15/04

The Family Division announces its 2004 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers should be of professional quality, and may relate to any aspect of sociology of the family. Authors should be currently enrolled as graduate students, or individuals who received their Ph.D.s in May 2003 or later. To be eligible, a paper may not be published, accepted, or under review for publication. Papers that have been presented at a professional meeting or submitted for presentation at a professional conference are eligible. Papers must be student-authored; they can be authored by one or more students, but may not be co-authored with a faculty member or non-student. Papers should be no more than 35 pages in length, including all notes, references, and tables. Send papers and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered for the Family Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Amy Hequembourg, Research Institute on Addictions, 1021 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14203-1016. Alternatively, papers may be sent electronically to Dr. Hequembourg at ahquemb@ria.buffalo.edu. The winner and any runners-up will be announced in Spring, 2004. The winner(s) will receive a modest cash stipend, registration fees, a banquet ticket, and an opportunity to present his/her paper at the SSSP conference, held in August, 2004 in San Francisco.

HEALTH, HEALTH POLICY, AND HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

Deadline: 6/1/04

All graduate students are encouraged to apply for this annual paper award competition. The paper should be related to the broad Division interest, including health and illness, health policy, and health services. The paper submission should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages and should be prepared for anonymous review (with the author specified on a title page but not referred to in other parts of the text). Current graduate students and recent graduates (who received their degrees after January 2003) may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. Papers based on theses or dissertations are acceptable. (Please do not submit the thesis or dissertation itself.) Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all the listed authors are current graduate students. Double submission to other SSSP award competitions will be disqualified. The award recipient will be required to present the winning paper at the 2004 SSSP annual meeting in San Francisco. Thus it is strongly recommended that an abstract of the paper be submitted to any Health Division session organizer or the roundtable organizer by the January 31st deadline. The recipient will receive a monetary prize of \$100, student membership to SSSP, SSSP conference registration, and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet. Send three copies of the paper and a short letter of submission identifying your graduate program by June 1, 2004 to: SSSP Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Student Paper Competition, Professor Judith N. Lasker, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 681 Taylor Street, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

LABOR STUDIES DIVISION

Deadline: 6/1/04

One of the most important activities of the Labor Studies Division is to recognize the work of graduate students. As in the past, the division is soliciting graduate student papers that build on the legacy of the late Harry Braverman. The Award consists of a \$200 cash prize and a ticket to the annual SSSP Awards Banquet. The Braverman tradition includes work in a variety of areas, including (but not limited to): labor process studies, critical organization studies, research on the intersections of gender, race, and class at work, technical and organizational change and its impact on work culture, labor movements and resistance in the workplace, critical perspectives on labor markets and occupational transformation. Papers co-authored with faculty members will not be accepted. Single authored papers by graduate students and papers co-authored by graduate students are welcome. E-mail copies of your paper and a short letter of submission identifying your graduate program by June 1, 2004 to all committee members: Braverman Award Committee: Kris Papp, Center for Women and Work, Rutgers University (paap@rci.rutgers.edu); Lars Christiansen, Department of Sociology, Augsburg University (christil@augsborg.edu), Michael Wallace, Department of Sociology, University of Connecticut (michael.wallace@uconn.edu), Amalia Cabezas, Social Sciences and Women's Studies, University of California Riverside (amalia.cabezas@ucr.edu). If you do not have access to e-mail, snail mail submissions may be sent to: Kevin D. Henson, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Loyola University Chicago, 6525 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, IL 60626.

LAW AND SOCIETY DIVISION

Deadline: 3/1/04

The Alfred R. Lindesmith Award is annually given to the best paper presented at the previous year's (2003) SSSP annual meeting that is law-related and written by one or more untenured faculty and/or graduate student(s) and has not been submitted for publication prior to presentation at the SSSP meeting. If you or a friend have a paper that meets these criteria, please submit three (3) copies of the paper to: Mathieu Deflem, Chair, SSSP Law and Society Division, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina, Sloan College 217, Columbia, SC 29208; deflem@gwm.sc.edu; W: 803-777-6596.

MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

Deadline: 2/16/04

The Mental Health Division announces the 2004 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers should involve some sort of empirical analysis, either qualitative or quantitative, and they may deal with any aspect of the sociology of mental health. To be eligible, a paper must have been written during 2003, and it may not be published or accepted for publication. Papers that have been presented at a professional meeting, submitted for presentation at a professional conference, or are under review for publication are eligible. Papers must be student-authored. They may be single-authored by the student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. Papers must not exceed 28 pages including all notes, references and tables. Send two copies of the paper and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered in the Mental Health Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Dr. Pamela Braboy Jackson, Department of Sociology, Indiana University, Ballantine Hall 744, Bloomington, IN 47405; pjackson@indiana.edu. Please include a letter from your advisor certifying your graduate-student status and incorporating some comments about the research. The winner will be announced at the SSSP Annual Meeting in August 2004 and will receive a \$100 cash award.

POVERTY, CLASS, AND INEQUALITY DIVISION

Deadline for nominations: 2/16/04

The Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division announces a call for nominations for the 2004 Michael Harrington Distinguished Teaching Award to be awarded at the 2004 meetings of the Society for the Study of Social Problems in San Francisco, CA. The Michael Harrington Distinguished Teaching Award is meant to recognize outstanding and sustained teaching on poverty and inequality. Teaching that incorporates service learning or community outreach in the spirit of Michael Harrington's commitment to social change is particularly appropriate for nomination. Self-nomination is acceptable. Deadline for nominations is February 16, 2004. Following the nomination deadline, nominees will be asked to prepare and submit supportive materials by April 16, 2004. Nomination letters should be sent to Dr. Leon Anderson, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Ohio University, Athens, OH 45701; andersoe@ohio.edu. The winner will receive a plaque at the division's reception.

RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES DIVISION

Deadline: 2/13/04

The Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division invites papers that cover any aspect within the field of race and ethnic relations. Papers may be empirical or theoretical. To be eligible, a paper must have been written in 2003, may not have been accepted for publication, or currently under review. Papers which have been presented at previous meetings or conferences are eligible. Papers must be single authored by the student. Papers must not exceed 25 pages, including notes, tables, and references. Papers should be accompanied by a cover letter specifying their submissions as consideration for the graduate student paper competition to: Stephani Williams, Department of Sociology, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287; W: 480-965-3546; stephani.williams@asu.edu. The winner will be announced in the spring 2004 and will receive a \$100 stipend and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet.

SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, POLITICS, AND COMMUNITIES DIVISION

Deadline: 2/1/04

The Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division announces its 2004 graduate student paper competition. Papers may be empirical and/or theoretical, and they may be on any aspect of sexuality, including sexual behavior, sexual identity, sexual politics, sex law, political activism, or sexual communities. The winner will receive a stipend of \$100, payment of the winner's SSSP registration fee for the 2004 SSSP meeting (to help the winner attend the meeting), and a ticket to the banquet. The winner will be expected to present their winning paper at one of the SBPC sessions being held as part of the 2004 SSSP meeting. To be eligible, a paper must meet the following criteria: 1) The paper must have been written between January 2003 and March 2004; 2) The paper may not have been submitted or accepted for publication (papers that have been presented at a professional meeting or that have been submitted for presentation at a professional meeting are eligible); 3) The paper must be authored by one or more students, and not co-authored with a faculty member or colleague who is not a student; 4) The paper must be 25 pages or less, including notes, references, and tables; and, 5) The paper must be accompanied by a letter from a faculty member at the student's college or university nominating the paper for the SBPC Division Student Paper Competition. Students should send five copies of their paper, accompanied by a letter of nomination from a faculty member to: PJ McGann, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, 1225 South University, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2590; W: 734-764-6321; F: 734-763-6887; pjmcgann@umich.edu.

SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY DIVISION

Deadline: 4/1/04

The Social Problems Theory Division of the SSSP invites papers for its annual Student Paper Competition. To be eligible, papers must be authored or co-authored by students, have relevance to social problems theories, and cannot have been accepted for publication. Papers co-authored with faculty are not eligible. Please limit manuscripts to no more than 25 pages. The 1st place winner will receive \$150 and the 2nd place winner will receive \$100. Both winners will have their meeting registration fees paid and receive a banquet ticket for the 2004 Annual Meeting. Please send 4 copies of the paper to: Donileen Loseke, Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, CPR107, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, Tampa, FL 33620. Questions? Please e-mail the Committee Chair at dloseke@chuma1.cas.usf.edu.

SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WELFARE DIVISION

Deadline: 3/1/04

The Division of Sociology and Social Welfare will be sponsoring a graduate student paper competition. Papers should focus on issues related to either poverty and immigrants or the historical and current responses to poverty by activists. The first prize winner will receive \$150 and the second prize winner will receive \$100. Students are invited to submit papers for judging to Dr. Alfred L. Joseph, Department of Family Studies and Social Work, Miami University, 463 McGuffey Hall, Oxford, OH 45056; W: 513-529-4902; josephal@muohio.edu.

TEACHING SOCIAL PROBLEMS DIVISION

Deadline: 3/15/04

The Teaching Social Problems Division announces its 2004 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be on any aspect of teaching about social problems. Topics for papers can include "best practices" in the classroom, service-learning courses, using technology, using media, assessment of learning, and other areas. The winner will receive a stipend of \$100 plus payment of the winner's SSSP registration fee for the 2004 SSSP meeting to help the winner attend the meeting. The winner will be offered an opportunity to present this paper at one of the Teaching Social Problems Division sessions being held as part of the 2004 SSSP meeting. To be eligible, a paper must meet the following criteria: 1) The paper must have been written between January 2003 and March 2004; 2) The paper may not have been submitted or accepted for publication (papers that have been presented at a professional meeting or that have been submitted for presentation at a professional meeting are eligible); 3) The paper must be authored by one or more students, and not co-authored with a faculty member or colleague who is not a student; 4) The paper must be 25 pages or less, including notes, references, and tables; and, 5) The paper must be accompanied by a letter from a faculty member at the student's college/university nominating the paper for the Teaching Social Problems Division Student Paper Competition. Students should send five copies of their paper, accompanied by a letter of nomination from a faculty member to: Professor Will Holton, Department of Sociology, 500 HO, Northeastern University, Boston, MA 02115; (617) 373-3853; w.holton@neu.edu. The winner will be announced prior to the 2004 SSSP Annual Meeting.

YOUTH, AGING, AND THE LIFE COURSE DIVISION

Deadline: 6/1/04

All graduate students are encouraged to apply for this annual paper award competition. The paper should be related to the broad Division interest. The paper submission should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages and should be prepared for anonymous review (with the author specified on a title page but not referred to in other parts of the text). Current graduate students and recent graduates (who received their degrees after January 2003) may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. Papers based on theses or dissertations are acceptable. (Please do not submit the thesis or dissertation itself.) Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all the listed authors are current graduate students. Double submission to other SSSP award competitions will be disqualified. The award recipient will be required to present the winning paper at the 2004 SSSP annual meeting in San Francisco. Thus it is strongly recommended that an abstract of the paper be submitted to any Youth, Aging, and Life Course Division session organizer by the January 31, 2004 submission deadline. Two awards, providing at least two papers are deemed meritorious, will be made. The first place winner will receive a monetary prize of \$100 and SSSP registration for the 2004 annual meeting. The second place winner will receive a monetary prize of \$60. Send three copies of the paper and a short letter of submission identifying your graduate program by June 1, 2004 to: SSSP Youth, Aging, and Life Course Division Student Paper Competition, Dr. Tracy L. Dietz, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, P.O. Box 25000, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL 32816.

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