

2026 Annual Meeting Attendance Report By Divisions and Program Committee

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Community, Research, and Practice			
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		Critical Race and Ethnic Study	
26	PAPERS IN THE ROUND: Scholar Café: Building Collective Wisdom through Intergenerational Scholar Sharing	Community, Research, and Practice	6
41	PAPERS IN THE ROUND: Building Collective Wisdom through Intergenerational Scholar Sharing	Community, Research, and Practice	7
		Labor Studies	
54	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Where We Belong: Community Responses to Exclusion and Harm in 2026	Community, Research, and Practice	16
62	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Co-constructing Methodologies for Community-engaged, Participatory Action Research	Community, Research, and Practice	18
		Global	
69	People Have the Power?: Community Power and Community Decision-making - Thematic	Community, Research, and Practice	10
77	Rural Spaces and Services I - Thematic	Community, Research, and Practice	11
		Sociology, Social Work, and Social Welfare	
		Sport, Leisure, and the Body	
83	Rural Spaces and Services II - Thematic	Community, Research, and Practice	5
		Sociology, Social Work, and Social Welfare	
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Conflict, Social Action, and Change			
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27	WORKS IN PROGRESS / RESEARCH FEEDBACK: Media and Technology as Sites of Digital Contestation and Resistance	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	4
34	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Decolonizing Solutions: Lessons from the Global South for the Global North	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	11
		Global	
		Social Problems Theory	
50	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Teaching Social Problems through Experiential Learning	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	23
		Teaching Social Problems	
56	Unequal Environments: Ecological Disparities and Violence - Thematic	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	6
70	Racial Politics and Resistance in the Midst of Settler Colonialism I	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	14
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84	Racial Politics and Resistance in the Midst of Settler Colonialism II	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	24
		Critical Race and Ethnic Study	
Crime and Justice			
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17	Algorithmic Injustices: Effect of AI on Vulnerable (Marginalized) Communities	Crime and Justice	14
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		Environment and Technology	
23	Beyond Therapeutic Regimes: Critiquing Traditional Medical and Criminal Legal Responses - Thematic	Crime and Justice	27
		Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	
		Law and Society	
25	Weaponization of Child Welfare	Crime and Justice	19
		Sociology, Social Work, and Social Welfare	
31	Gender and Violence: International Perspectives	Crime and Justice	11
		Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	
		Law and Society	
39	Mass Incarceration and Perpetual Punishment I	Crime and Justice	7
47	Mass Incarceration and Perpetual Punishment II	Crime and Justice	9
55	State of Policing I	Crime and Justice	13
63	State of Policing II	Crime and Justice	22
73	Mass Incarceration and Perpetual Punishment III	Crime and Justice	14
80	The Border Crossed Me: Shifting Lifeworlds of Immigration - Thematic	Crime and Justice	11
		Critical Race and Ethnic Study	
		Labor Studies	
		Law and Society	
87	Gender and Violence: Structural Issues	Crime and Justice	7
		Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	
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89	Gender and Violence: Institutional Perspectives	Crime and Justice	8
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Critical Race and Ethnic Study			
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7	Colonial Racial Capitalism Today: Spectacularization, Dispossession, and Resistance	Critical Race and Ethnic Study	17
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22	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Teaching and Engaging with Reparations and Restorative Justice	Community, Research, and Practice	19
		Critical Race and Ethnic Study	
38	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Under Siege: Power, Resistance, and Solidarity in Higher Education	Critical Race and Ethnic Study	10
		Educational Problems	
46	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Right to Resist: Counter-Hegemonic Agency and Emancipatory Anti-colonial Political Praxis	Critical Race and Ethnic Study	21
70	Racial Politics and Resistance in the Midst of Settler Colonialism I	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	14
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Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice			
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23	Beyond Therapeutic Regimes: Critiquing Traditional Medical and Criminal Legal Responses - Thematic	Crime and Justice	27
		Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	
		Law and Society	
24	Families in Distress: Caregiving for and with Family Members with Disabilities and/or Social Identity Challenges	Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	9
		Family, Aging, and Youth	
45	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Exploring and Resisting Academic Ableism	Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	11
		Educational Problems	
51	Medicalization as a Social Problem: A Tool of Oppression and Resistance	Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	18
		Social Problems Theory	
74	Disability, Mental Health, and Society	Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	18
81	Community Approaches to Mental Health: Educators, Policy-Makers Activists, and Social Identities - Thematic	Disability, Mental Wellness, and Social Justice	12
Educational Problems			
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13	WORKS IN PROGRESS: Problems and Issues in Medical Education, Policy, and the Health Professions in a Time of Social Backlash	Educational Problems	5
		Health, Health Policy, and Health Services	
38	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Under Siege: Power, Resistance, and Solidarity in Higher Education	Critical Race and Ethnic Study	10
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42	WORKS IN PROGRESS: Environment, Inequality, and Marginalized Knowledge	Environment and Technology	7
		Poverty, Class, and Inequality	
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32	Invisible Families	Family, Aging, and Youth	5
		Poverty, Class, and Inequality	
67	Resisting Colonization of the Family - Thematic	Family, Aging, and Youth	3
		Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	
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2	The Biopolitics of LGBTQ+ Lives in the Age of Disinformation	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	9
12	GSBPC Works in Progress	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	5
18	Masculinities & Political Power	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	14
31	Gender and Violence: International Perspectives	Crime and Justice	11
		Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	
		Law and Society	
36	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Resistance and Joy	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	7
44	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Medicalization and Surveillance of Gender and Sex	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	13
		Health, Health Policy, and Health Services	
59	The Politics of Disinformation and Gender	Gender, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities	22

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Global			
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4	Doing Research in Global/Transnational Contexts with Critical Decolonial Lenses: Tools and Epistemologies - Thematic	Global	14
30	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Fighting Global Inequalities: Actions towards Social, Ethnoracial and/or Gender Justice	Global	19
		Poverty, Class, and Inequality	
34	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Decolonizing Solutions: Lessons from the Global South for the Global North	Conflict, Social Action, and Change	11
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62	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Co-constructing Methodologies for Community-engaged, Participatory Action Research	Community, Research, and Practice	18
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79	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: New Trends in Global Migrations and (Im)mobilities in Anti-immigration Contexts	Global	10
88	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Mapping Colonization of Lifeworlds: "How Institutions Invade Daily Life"	Global	16
		Institutional Ethnography	
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35	Disasters and Health	Health, Health Policy, and Health Services	16
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82	How Institutional/Systemic Factors Impact Family, Health & Well-Being - Thematic	Health, Health Policy, and Health Services	12
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Labor Studies			
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53	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Labor and Class I	Labor Studies	12
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33	Law in/as Crisis: Punishment and the Legitimacy of State Violence - Thematic	Law and Society	12
48	Law in/as Crisis: Legal Consciousness and Rights Mobilization - Thematic	Law and Society	11
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Membership & Outreach Committee			
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Poverty, Class, and Inequality			
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16	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Institutional Inequalities: Constraints on Communication, Research, Organizing, and Action	Poverty, Class, and Inequality	20
30	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Fighting Global Inequalities: Actions towards Social, Ethnoracial and/or Gender Justice	Global	19
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32	Invisible Families	Family, Aging, and Youth	5
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42	WORKS IN PROGRESS: Environment, Inequality, and Marginalized Knowledge	Environment and Technology	7
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66	Class Across the Lifecourse: Birth, Health, Aging, Death	Poverty, Class, and Inequality	5
85	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: American Colonization of the Sociological Imagination: The Intersection of Colonization and PCI	Poverty, Class, and Inequality	5
Social Problems Theory			
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43	Anticolonial Social Movements - Thematic	Sociology, Social Work, and Social Welfare	17
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72	Colonization, Inequality, and the Changing Classroom - Thematic	Teaching Social Problems	11
86	WORKS IN PROGRESS: "Bring Your Own Brilliance": Sharing Our Ideas That Have Been Successful in Teaching	Educational Problems	11
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21	Navigating Graduate School: Stress, Support, and Student Well-Being	Program Committee	6
28	The Problem Pipeline: How Social Problems Become Research Agendas - Special Issue of Global Discourse	Program Committee	17
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37	Teaching Hope, Joy, and Justice: Reclamation of Lifeworlds	Program Committee	17
40	Academic Freedom in the Current Climate: A Conversation with the Scholars at Risk Network	Program Committee	8
49	Author Meets Critics: Anti-Racism as Communism by Paul Gomburg, Bloomsbury, 2024	Program Committee	13
58	Publishing Tips from the Editors of Social Problems	Program Committee	12
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76	Author Meets Critics: Indefensible Spaces: Policing and the Struggle for Housing by Rahim Kurwa, University of California Press, 2025	Program Committee	10