Letter from the Chair

Dear Members of the Youth, Aging, and Life Course Division,

Hello! I hope this newsletter finds you well this fall semester.

Plans for the SSSP Annual Meeting (August 18–20, 2023) are well underway with the theme “Same Problem, Different Day: Recognizing and Responding to Recurring Social Problems.” I am excited for the TEN (10!) sessions that YALC will be sponsoring and co-sponsoring. Details on these and other sessions are available online.

In addition to submitting abstracts for the meeting, please consider submitting nominations for YALC’s two awards— 1) the Graduate Student Paper Award Competition (committee: Chris Wellin, Ann M. Beutel, and Valerie Leiter (chair)), and 2) the Maggie Kuhn Award for Scholar–Activists (committee: Jennifer Bulanda and Christina Barmon (chair)). Thank you to those who volunteered to serve on the committees! Details on the awards and nomination processes can be found here.

Deadlines for all of the above are January 15, 2023.

We have some changes in YALC leadership—

First, please welcome our new newsletter editor Pat Barrett!

Second, we are looking for a new social media manager! Our current manager, Lea Marzo, is stepping down (Thanks for your work!). If you are interested in this job (with a ~$75 stipend/year), please let me (julia.wolf@utsa.edu) know.

Third, we are transitioning from a single chair model to a co–chair model for YALC. Please let me (julia.wolf@utsa.edu) know if you are interested in nominating yourself for the role!

Please continue to send us your important news, announcements, and accomplishments! YALC has a newsletter we distribute three times a year and active Facebook page and Twitter accounts. Send your information to Pat Barrett (pbarrett4@gsu.edu) and/or myself (julia.wolf@utsa.edu).

Cheers,
Julia Kay Wolf
Student Paper Competition Winners

Congratulations to the 2022 student paper competition winners and honorable mentions! We would like to highlight the YALC division winner, Vanessa Delgado, and honorable mention author, Annaliese Grant.

Vanessa Delgado, PhD
University of California Irvine, Class of 2022


Annaliese Grant, MS
University of Wisconsin–Madison, PhD Candidate

Annaliese’s paper, “Growing Into Unequal Adulthoods: Daughters’ Responsibilities in Financially Struggling and Stable White Families”, investigates classed differences in daughters’ responsibilities in white families, and how these facilitate different experiences in young adulthood.

You can read the winning paper abstracts and see the full list of division competition winners on the SSSP website, here.
Member Accomplishments and Highlights

Lisa Covington
Congratulations to YALC Division member Lisa Covington for being chosen for the University of Arizona inaugural President’s Postdoctoral Fellowship Program!

Additionally, Lisa would like to announce the ArtCenter College of Design has established The Global Institute for Black Girls in Film & Media, for which she is the Lead Cultural Consultant and Scholar in Residence, focusing on specialization research and youth inclusivity. This research collective designed to help scholars, artists, filmmakers and visual storytellers shine a light on how Black girls are represented in film, television and across other mediums.

Erica Jablonski
YALC Division member and University of New Hampshire Postdoctoral Research Associate, Erica Jablonski, has been accepted into the Spring 2023 cohort of the University of New Hampshire Research Communications Academy. As a member of the 2023 Research Communications Academy cohort, Erica will learn alongside UNH faculty, graduate students, and other postdoctoral researchers to effectively communicate the power and impact of their scholarship with a broad audience. Congratulations, Erica!

Yu-Ri Kim
Congratulations to YALC Division member and Vanderbilt University PhD Candidate, Yu-Ri Kim, for earning an Honorable Mention in the Association for Anthropology, Gerontology, and the Life Course Margaret Clark Award Competition for her submission. Yu-Ri’s paper “Partner Dance Businesses, Demographic Aging, and the Urban Revival in South Korea” also won the 2022 Student Paper Competition for the Sport, Leisure, and the Body Division of SSSP.

Julia Kay Wolf
YALC Chair and University of Texas San Antonio Postdoctoral Researcher, Julia Kay Wolf, has two new publications to announce!
