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Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division Newsletter

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Notes from the Division Chair

Join Us For Our
65th Annual Meeting
at The Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel
Chicago, IL

AUGUST 21-23, 2015

Removing the Mask, Lifting the Veil:
Race, Class, and Gender in the
21st Century

President Marlese Durr

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City of Chicago

Springtime is exciting times: submitting to conferences, submitting for awards and scholarships. At the 2015 SSSP meeting in Chicago, our division is hosting a range of panels and critical dialogues relating to conflict, social action, and change.

Several of our ten allotted division sessions align with the theme, including a co-sponsored session titled "Conflict and Social Welfare in the 21st Century: Neighborhoods, Cities, and Nations" and our own panel on "21st Century Community Based Social Justice Activism." We are also hosting a special invited panel that will address "What is Scholar Activism?"

Please see our full list of panels on the next page and consider submitting before the January 31st deadline.

At the Chicago conference, we are trying new formats to best use our time together. We are dedicating one of our allotted division session slots to mentoring, networking, and connecting. We are also going to join an off-site co-sponsored division reception to embrace local labor activism in Chicago.

Please encourage graduate students to apply for the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship (deadline is February 1st) and Beth Hess Memorial Scholarship (deadline is April 1st). These are great scholarships that honor students with monetary support and recognition in the field.

Many thanks to everyone who helped set the panels and find organizers for the 2015 meeting. Cheers to a smooth beginning of the spring semester and a productive 2015!

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The column to the right includes all the open sessions sponsored or co-sponsored by our division.

I encourage new members to check out “Questions that you may have about the SSSP Annual Meeting....but are too embarrassed to ask” by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/SSSPnewmtgqs>

SUBMIT TODAY!
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT A
PAPER IS JANUARY
31ST, 2015, BY MID-
NIGHT (EST).

Visit the website <http://www.sssp1.org/> and go to the “call for papers” for the 2015 Annual Meeting to submit.

You may check to see the panels for all the divisions online. Remember that you are allowed to submit one solo-authored paper and one critical dialogue paper. You may submit additional co-authored papers.

Our division meeting is TBD. I welcome everyone to the division meeting. When we meet, we discuss panels that you would like to see for the following year. In fact, I encourage you to contact me before the 2015 meeting with ideas for panels for 2016!

The CSAC Division is tentatively committed to participating in an off-site co-sponsored reception about local labor activism in Chicago. We are working with the following other divisions: Family; Global; Educational Problems, and Labor Studies to host the reception (find a spot, invite local activists, etc.).

There may be a committee with one person from each division to organize the event. If you are in Chicago, or are familiar with Chicago labor activism, and would like to be the CSAC representative/point person for this committee, please email the division chair, Crjackson@jjay.cuny.edu.



Session #4 Conflict and Social Welfare in the 21st Century: Neighborhoods, Cities, and Nations
Organizer: Alissa Klein, aklein2@mail.usf.edu

Co-sponsored with:
Community Research and Development
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Sociology and Social Welfare

Session #11 Deconstructing Privilege to Encourage Social Action
Organizer: Matthew E. Wilkinson, wilkinson21@gmail.com

Session #12 (Thematic) 21st Century Community Based Social Justice Activism
Organizer: Julie B. Wiest, jbwiest@gmail.com

Session #13 LGBTQ Activism and Education
Organizer: Maralee Mayberry, mayberry@usf.edu

Co-sponsored with:
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Educational Problems

Session #14 Communities and Environmental Justice-
Organizer: Mark Salvaggio, markosalvaggio@gmail.com

Co-sponsored with:
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Environment and Technology

Session #15 Family and Social Movements
Organizer: Kristin J. Wilson, krwilson@cabrillo.edu

Co-sponsored with:
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Family

Session #16 (papers in the round)
Gambling and Society
Organizer: Sarah A. St. John, sarahastjohn@yahoo.com

Co-sponsored with:
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services
Sport, Leisure, and the Body

Session #17 Law, Conflict, and Social Change
Organizer: Jay Borchert, borjay@umich.edu

Co-sponsored with:
Conflict, Social Action, and Change
Law and Society

GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AWARD

CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION, AND CHANGE GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AWARD

Deadline: 1/31/15

The Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division announces its 2015 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Students are encouraged to submit theoretical or empirical papers that address some aspect of the interrelation of conflict, social action, and change. The winner of the competition will receive \$200 cash award, a plaque, a one-year student membership to SSSP, and conference registration fees to the 2015 SSSP meeting in Chicago.

To be eligible for submission, a paper must not be published or accepted for publication. Also, papers must be authored by a current graduate student (either solely or co-authored by more than one graduate student) and may not be co-authored by a faculty mem-

ber or other non-student. The student may not submit the same paper to more than one division.

The winning author is required to present the paper at a Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division session during the 2015 SSSP meeting in Chicago, August 21-23, 2015. Papers must not exceed 30 pages including all notes, references, and tables.

TO SUBMIT: Please both upload your submission to the annual meeting submission site AND send an electronic copy of the paper and a cover letter to Crystal Jackson at crjackson@jjay.cuny.edu with the subject line: SSSP-CSAC Student Paper Competition.



Call for a social media intern

Currently, the CSAC has a Facebook page, which has seen little growth. It will be terminated with the creation of a Facebook group, so that any and all members who join it can post to it. Groups tend to be more robust on Facebook.

Please contact me if you are interested in being the CSAC Social Media Intern! There is a tentative small stipend available (\$50/semester). The Intern will be in charge of creating a CSAC Facebook group, and posting relevant content. The Intern will be expected to communicate regularly with the CSAC chair. The Intern may also be tasked with promoting SSSP related information on the Facebook group page, and working with other social media tools (e.g., Twitter during conferences).

At least one other division has a social media intern with great success. Let's see CSAC do the same!



CELEBRATING CSAC MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

In Fall 2014, Valerie Chepp became a new Assistant Professor in the Sociology Department at Hamline University, where she will also be directing the Social Justice Program.

Jennifer Heineman. Forthcoming publication. "Sex Worker or Student? Legitimation and Master Status in Academia." *Studies in Law, Politics, and Society*, special edition on "Problematizing Prostitution."

GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship. Deadline is February 1st.

Text from the website http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/261/Racial/Ethnic_Minority_Graduate_Scholarship/

“The purpose of the scholarship is: To identify and support developing minority scholars who exemplify and give fresh voice to the SSSP history and commitment to scholar activism; To give renewed energy and wider lenses to diversity in scholarship; To increase the pool of minority social and behavioral scientists; To establish a formal commitment to diversity through support of a minority doctoral student in the social and/or behavioral sciences inclusive of course work or dissertation research support who demonstrates a commitment, through his or her scholarly examination, of any aspect of inequality, injustice and oppression. [...] A \$12,000 scholarship will be funded to one student with an additional \$500 awarded for attendance at the annual meeting.” The scholarship is open to graduate students who have defended their dissertation proposal. Full details and instructions on the website.

Beth Hess Memorial Scholarship. Deadline is April 1st.

Text from the website http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/336/Beth_B_Hess_Memorial_Scholarship/

“The Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an advanced sociology Ph.D. student who began her or his study in a community college or technical school. A student advanced to candidacy (ABD status) in an accredited Ph.D. program in sociology in the U.S. is eligible to apply if she or he studied at a U.S. two-year college either part-time or full-time for the equivalent of at least one full academic year that was not part of a high-school dual-enrollment or enrichment program. The Scholarship carries a stipend of \$15,000 from Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS) with assistance from the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) to be used to support the pursuit of a Ph.D., as well as one-year memberships in SWS (including a subscription to Gender & Society) and SSSP.” Full details and instructions on the website.



“HANGING OUT” AT SSSP 2015 A SESSION DEDICATED TO NETWORKING, MENTORING, & SHARING OF STRATEGIES

Several SSSP members voiced a desire to have time dedicated to talking, mentoring, and sharing of strategies at the 2015 meeting. CSAC dedicated one of its panel session times to this (co-sponsoring with Labor Studies).

Please look for this unique session in the forthcoming program. This will not be a traditional panel, but a time for people to come together and share teaching strategies, talk about mentoring and perhaps get mentored/mentor someone, and generally “hang out.” Think of it as in-between a reception and a formal panel.

Feel free to join this session with ideas in mind (or in hand!).

