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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings Drinking and Drugs Division Members,

Hello from the new Chair of the Division! After being a member of SSSP for years, I attend my first Council of Division Chairpersons committee meeting this past August. It came as no surprise to me that Drinking and Drugs had more members attend the division business meeting than any other SSSP division. By no means are we the biggest division in SSSP, but we clearly are the most engaged. The fact that we are a thriving division is a testament to the quality of our members.

The 69th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems will be at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City from August 9-11, 2019. The Drinking and Drugs division is sponsoring ten sessions, will recognize the work of a distinguished senior scholar, and award an outstanding graduate student paper. I want to thank all of the session organizers and the members who volunteered for the award committees. Information about the joint reception with the Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco section of the American Sociological Association is forthcoming.

Finally, I would like to thank Alex Bennett for the time and energy he put into being the division chair for the past two years.

I hope this newsletter finds you well,

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Roosevelt Hotel (photo from 1920s)

Graduate Student Paper Competition: Deadline 1/31/19

Please encourage doctoral students in your departments to apply for the 2019 Bruce D. Johnson Student Paper Award. The First Place Winner will receive a \$100 stipend and recognition at the annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Papers must be empirical and/or theoretical, no longer than 30 pages in length, and must present original research related to drinking and/or drugs. The entrant must have had the sole responsibility of preparing the manuscript, be a student currently enrolled in a graduate degree program, and not yet received a Ph.D., J.D. or M.D. degree at time of submission. Self-nominations are permitted. Applicants should send the paper as an attachment along with a cover letter identifying the graduate program by January 31, 2019 to: Honoria Guarino, PhD (guarino@ndri.org).

Interdisciplinary Research Training Institute (IRTI) on Hispanic Drug Abuse

The Interdisciplinary Research Training Institute (IRTI) on Hispanic Drug Abuse program at the University of Southern California is now accepting applications through **January 28, 2019**. The application is available online at www.irti.usc.org/eligibility-and-application-requirements/

This NIDA funded program is designed to promote the career development of pre-doctoral, post-doctoral and early career scientists interested in conducting research on drug abuse among Hispanics. The IRTI aims to ensure a formal support infrastructure for fellows to present, publish, and acquire funding for NIH research. Fellows in the program have access to the expertise of leading NIDA researchers and will receive training on topics specific to the socio-behavioral and bio-medical areas of Hispanic Drug Abuse.

Program fellows will:

- Spend 5 days in Los Angeles for an intensive summer training.
- All expenses associated with travel and lodging are covered by IRTI.
- Additionally, each fellow receives a stipend of \$500.
- Receive formal mentoring by senior faculty members.
- Provides \$2,000 in travel for attendance at scientific conferences or workshops.



Since 2010, the program has provided training, mentoring, and technical assistance to 49 early career scientists from universities in the continental US and Mexico. To date, program participants have been awarded several grants including 12 multi-year awards from NIH including R03, R36, K01, and F31 awards. Program participants have also made a scientific impact, generating over 400 articles. For more information about the program, please visit the website at <http://www.irti.usc.edu/> or contact Program Administrator, Erika Smith, at (erikague@usc.edu) or telephone (213) 821-3537.

2018 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thanks to the dynamic members of the Drinking and Drugs division, we had another successful meeting. The division sponsored 10 sessions, with nearly 50 papers on a variety of topics related to drinking and drugs. We recognized the outstanding accomplishments of our members at the division reception, organized with the American Sociological Association section on Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco. The reception was held at The Trestle Inn and was the highlight of the meeting. In addition to our division awards Charles Kaplan, one of our members, was acknowledged by the American Sociological Association section on Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco as their Senior Scholar award winner.





2018 Annual Meeting Bruce D. Johnson Student Paper Award

Congratulations to Janna Ataiants a doctoral student in Community Health and Prevention at the Dornsife School of Public Health at Drexel University. Her paper “Multiple Victimizations and Overdose among Women in a Harm Reduction Program,” was the 2018 student paper division award winner! Relying on mixed methods, her transdisciplinary research focuses on women who use drugs, overdose, HIV, and risk environments.

2018 Annual Meeting Junior Scholar Award

Congratulations to Dr. Brett Wolfson-Stofko, the winner of the division’s Junior Scholar Award! Brett is a Research Scientist with the Center on Community and Health Disparities Research at the National Development and Research Institutes. He has a Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and his research focuses on opioid overdose, public injection, naloxone distribution, HIV/HCV/HBV, and synthetic cannabinoids. He is an outspoken advocate for the operation of Supervised Injection Facilities (SIF) and member of SIF NYC (sifnyc.org).



2019 ANNUAL MEETING - Sessions Sponsored by the Drinking and Drugs Division

- The deadline to submit abstracts for the 2019 Annual Meeting is January 31, 2019.

Session	Title	Sponsor(s)	Organizer(s)
5	Human Subjects Research: Tricky Subject, Tricky Research, and the IRB	1. Community Research & Development 2. Drinking & Drugs	Roddy, Juliette jroddy@umich.edu
22	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Sociolegal Approaches to Drugs and Drug Use in Marginalized Populations	1. Crime & Juvenile Delinquency 2. Drinking & Drugs	Victory, Eric T. etv5@zips.uakron.edu
37	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Prescription Drug Misuse	1. Drinking & Drugs	Frank, David dfrank40@gmail.com
38	Emerging Drug Trends	1. Drinking & Drugs	Elliott, Luther C. elliott@ndri.org
39	Social Determinants of Drinking and Drug Use- THEMATIC	1. Drinking & Drugs	Ford, Jason A. Jason.Ford@ucf.edu
40	Shifting Policy Environments and Drug Use	1. Drinking & Drugs 2. Health, Health Policy, & Health Services 3. Law & Society	Tatch, Andrew ajt277@msstate.edu
41	CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Revisiting the War on Drugs in the era of Trump	1. Drinking & Drugs 2. Law & Society	Kelley, Margaret S. MSKELLEY@KU.EDU
42	Drug Use, Health, and Self-Medication	1. Drinking & Drugs 2. Society & Mental Health	Benoit, Ellen benoit@ndri.org
43	Mental Health and Substance Use: Parity, Equity, or Whatever?- THEMATIC	1. Drinking & Drugs 2. Society & Mental Health 3. Sociology & Social Welfare	Cabin, William wcabin@umich.edu
44	Harm Reduction: Contexts, Populations, and Approaches	1. Drinking & Drugs 2. Sociology & Social Welfare	Lamonica, Aukje K. lamon-icaa1@southernct.edu

RESEARCH ACTIVITY OF MEMBERS

Funded Research

Stephen Lankenau, Drexel University

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) has funded a five-year \$4.1 million study to research the medical and personal use of cannabis in Los Angeles among young adults aged 18 to 30. This project (2R01 DA034067-06A1) is a continuation of a NIDA study begun in 2013 to research the impact of medical cannabis laws on health, drug use, and cannabis use among young adult medical cannabis patient and non-patient users in Los Angeles. This new study, which began on September 30, 2018, is the first project funded by NIDA to specifically examine cannabis use among young adults in California following the legalization of cannabis for personal use in 2016. Dr. Stephen Lankenau, a Professor in the Department of Community Health and Prevention at Drexel University's Dornsife School of Public Health, is the principal investigator of this new study as well as the original 2013 study.

Kathryn Nowotny—University of Miami

Kathryn Nowotny is site-PI (Co-I) on a recently funded (R01 MD013573, PI: Brinkley-Rubenstein) multisite longitudinal cohort study, "The Southern Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis Cohort Study: Longitudinal PrEP Initiation and Adherence among Parolees." She was also awarded a Pilot Award from the Miami Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) (P30AI073961) for her study entitled, "The National Survey of Health Care in U.S. Jails."

Jason Ford – University of Central Florida

Jason Ford is a co-investigator on "Prescription Drug Misuse Characteristics in Adolescents and Young Adults: Influence of School Enrollment" funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (R01 DA043691). Despite evidence that adolescents and young adults not currently in school have higher rates of prescription drug misuse (PDM), nothing is known about the effect of school status on PDM characteristics (e.g., motives for misuse). By examining the influence of school status on younger prescription misusers, the proposed research will identify the psychosocial and PDM traits of more vulnerable misusers, allowing for targeted prevention and treatment interventions. Thus, this research is relevant to the mission of NIDA because it will further efforts to limit the prevalence and consequences of PDM in the most affected groups: adolescents and young adults.

Books

Erich Goode's study of deviance and social control in New York's Washington Square Park was just published as *The Taming of New York's Washington Square: A Wild Civility*, by New York University Press.

Steven E. Barkan. 2019. *Race, Crime, and Justice: The Continuing American Dilemma*. New York: Oxford University Press.

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Hope to see you in New York!