Letter from the Editor

Dear Division Members:

Hello! I have returned from four years in China, and am teaching at St. Thomas University in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada. Fredericton is a small university town as well as the centre for the provincial government. I encourage you to visit the east coast of Canada, which is indeed picturesque. The many oak and maple trees here are turning a brilliant red. It is also close to the village of Gagetown, an artist’s colony where you can buy antiques, pottery and hand-woven family tartans. I am grateful to be back in my native Canada in such a lovely place. Warm wishes to you all at the start of the new 2004/2005 term.

The Fall newsletter will address the following: 1) a summary of division activities at the recent meeting in San Francisco; 2) the Call for Papers for the 2005 Annual Meeting to be held in Philadelphia; and 3) a job position announcement in Social Work from Miami University, OH.

Yours sincerely,

Deirdre M. Smythe, Chair, Educational Problems Division

Annual Meeting in San Francisco

The chair would like to extend acknowledgements and thanks to those who participated in this year’s session organizing and presentations, especially Otis Grant at Indiana University at South Bend, Indian, and Ken Kyle at Capital College, Pennsylvania State University.

I would also like to commend and thank those graduate students who submitted papers for the Educational Problems Paper Competition. These
papers were all exceptional and making a decision for the winning paper was difficult. I encourage all students to submit papers for this year’s competition.

SSSP Call for Papers
Educational Problems Division

1. “Practice, Pedagogy and Politics in Transformative Education”

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2. “Higher Education after 911: Homeland Security in the University Curriculum” (Thematic)

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3. "Education as Politics: The Dilemma(s) of Accountability in Plagiarism and other Ethical Issues"

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4. Joint Session with Poverty Class and Inequality (Thematic)
“Education and Inequality: Fallout from the Bush Administration Reforms”

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5. Joint Session with Crime and Juvenile Delinquency
“Educational Programs and the Decriminalization of Child Prostitution”

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Position Announcement

Family Studies and Social Work: Assistant or Associate Professor to teach undergraduate social work courses; advise students; conduct programmatic research; seek external funding; provide service to the university, community and profession; coordinate the practice field experience component of the social work program; provide support for students in field placements; implement field supervisor orientation sessions. Require: Ph.D., ABDs will be considered, but doctorate must be earned by date of appointment; master's of social work degree; minimum of two years of post-MSW practice experience. For appointment to rank of Associate Professor, require strong publication record. Desire: Ph.D. in social work; higher education-level teaching experience; familiarity with the structure and function of practice skill instruction; knowledge of CSWE accreditation standards; ability to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in family studies and serve on family studies graduate committees. For appointment to rank of Associate Professor, a demonstrated record of acquiring external funding is desired.

Send letter of intent, curriculum vitae and three letters of reference to Dr. Glenn Stone, Miami University, Department of Family Studies and Social Work, 451 McGuffey Hall, Oxford, OH 45056. Contact phone number is 513-529-2323; email is stoneg@muohio.edu. Screening of applications begins December 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

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