

Fall 2017

Society for the Study of Social Problems: Family Division Newsletter

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FROM THE DIVISION CHAIR

Dear Family Division,

Happy almost winter break, everyone!

In this newsletter, you can read about some of the great accomplishments of our members, and learn how to get involved in the Family Division. Also in this issue is information so that you can start planning for the SSSP 2018 annual meeting in Philadelphia. We have three Family Division sponsored sessions, and five Co-Sponsored sessions. Please consider submitting your research. Links to the Call for Papers, and Student Paper Competitions is available!

Finally, I want to send my sincere thanks to Kaylee Glenn for helping me get this newsletter together. I also want to thank Heather Dillaway, Nancy Naples, and Rachel Macfarlane for stepping in for me at the SSSP meeting in Montreal, when I could not be there. If I missed anyone, please know that I really appreciate y'all making that happen.

Have a safe and wonderful end of Fall 2017 semester!

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GET INVOLVED

If you are a new member, let us introduce you to the division! Please contact me for more details.
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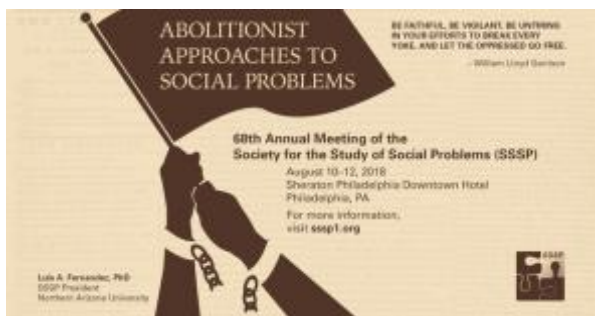
Write a brief piece about an issue, research topic, or current event that relates to families.

SSSP Call for Nominations: Nominations are open for candidates to run in the 2019 General Election. We will be electing a President-Elect, a Vice-President Elect, regular and student members of the Board of Directors, members of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, Committee on Committees, Editorial and Publications Committee, and the Membership and Outreach Committee. Please consider nominating a colleague or yourself for one of these offices by completing the [online nomination form](#).

In order to be considered for office, nominees must be current members. Nominations should include a brief description of the nominee's SSSP involvement and other relevant experiences. The Nominations Committee will meet at the SSSP Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA. **All nominations should be submitted prior to Friday, June 15, 2018.** The Board of Directors will approve the slate of candidates for the 2019 General Election on August 12, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Bhoomi K. Thakore, Chairperson, Council of the Divisions.

Note: If a SSSP member is interested in serving on an appointed committee, the member may select the appropriate committee when renewing membership. The Administrative Office will give the name to the Committee on Committees for consideration.

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION



SSSP Call for Papers: The [Call for Papers](#) for the 2018 Annual Meeting is now live.

SSSP Student Paper Competitions and Outstanding Scholarship Awards: View the [Student Paper Competitions and Outstanding scholarship Awards](#) announcement and submit a paper or nominate a book, article, or scholar.

68th SSSP Annual Meeting: This year's theme selected by President Luis A Fernandez is Abolitionist Approaches to Social Problems. It is being held August 10-12, 2018 at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel in Philadelphia, PA.

SSSP 2018 FAMILY DIVISION SPONSORED SESSIONS

- Papers in the Round, Jennifer Haskin, jhaskin5@asu.edu
- Regular Session: Life Course Perspectives and Family, Heather Dillaway, dillaway@wayne.edu
- Regular Session: Families and Poverty, Brooke Kelly, brooke.kelly@uncp.edu

SSSP 2018 CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

Title	Co-Sponsor(s)	Organizer	Email Address
Regular Session: Families and Mass Incarceration	Poverty, Class, and Inequality	Rachel Macfarlane	macfarla@unlv.nevada.edu
Regular Session: Social Organization of Family	Institutional Ethnography	Rashmee Karnad-Jani	rashmee.karnad.jani@mail.utoronto.ca
Regular Session: Family, Health, and Employment	Health, Health Policy, and Health Services	Jennifer Haskin	jhaskin5@asu.edu
Regular Session: Mixed-status families in the U.S. and across borders	Global	Cassandra Rodriguez	cassandra.rodriguez@unlv.edu
Regular Session: Supporting Work- Life Balance— 'The Impossible Dream'?	Labor Studies	Cassandra Engeman	cassandra.engeman@sofi.su.se

DON'T FORGET!

Renew Your Membership:

<https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/255/fuseaction/ssspmember.portal>

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Erdmans, M. P., and Black, T. (2015). *On becoming a teen mom: Life before pregnancy*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.



Congratulations to Family Division Mary Erdmans whose co-authored book won the Distinguished Book Award, Honorable Mention, from the Race, Class and Gender Section of the American Sociological Association, for 2017.

In this myth-shattering book, the authors tell the life stories of 108 brown, white, and black teen mothers, exposing the problems in their lives often overlooked in pregnancy

prevention campaigns. Some stories are tragic and painful, marked by sexual abuse, partner violence, and school failure. Others depict "girl next door" characters whose unintended pregnancies lay bare insidious gender disparities. Offering a fresh perspective on the links between teen births and social inequalities, this book demonstrates how the intersecting hierarchies of gender, race, and class shape the biographies of young mothers.

CALL FOR PAPERS: MICHIGAN FAMILY REVIEW

Submission of original essays, empirical research articles, and critical reviews are encouraged on all topics related to the study of contemporary families across the life course. Submissions can address a variety of family topics while prioritizing a life course perspective. Specific topic submissions can include but are not limited to relationship patterns across the life span, key family moments and transitions, divorce and other relationship dissolutions, childbirth and childrearing, grandmothering and grandfathering, retirement and other paid work transitions, blending and unblending households, caregiving transitions, migration and immigration, end-of-life and other aging experiences within family life, family members' disclosures of LGBTQIA identities, familial dealings with chronic illness diagnoses and other adverse events, and negotiations that individuals make during other family transitions. We encourage research that takes into consideration the wide variety of contemporary contexts that directly impact definitions of family, the rights of parents or partners, the wellbeing of children or the elderly, communication with families, family identity, family structure, the diversity of families, the everyday dynamics or realities of family life, and theoretical or methodological contributions to the study of families. We especially encourage submissions from students and junior faculty.

Submit manuscripts electronically by February 15, 2017, to Heather Dillaway at dillaway@wayne.edu. Please include "Michigan Family Review, Volume 22" in the subject line.

RESOURCES FOR SSSP MEMBERS

Share news of recently published books, articles and papers, award nominations and other items of interest with SSSP. If you wish to have an announcement posted, please send an e-mail to Caitlin Mize, GRA & Webmaster at ssspgra@utk.edu with the announcement attached and she will post them on the SSSP [website](#).

Additions the SSSP webpages:

- [SSSP 2018 Annual Meeting](#)
- [SSSP 2018 Call for Papers](#)
- [SSSP Awards](#)
- [SSSP Fellowships](#)
- [SSSP Scholarships](#)
- [SSSP Student Paper Competitions and Outstanding Scholarship Awards](#)
- [Job Opportunities](#)
- [Affiliated Call for Submissions and Conferences](#)