

**Fall 2019**

# Society for the Study of Social Problems: Fall 2019 Family Division Newsletter

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## **FROM THE DIVISION CHAIR**

Dear Family Division,

Greetings from the Family Division! Congratulations to Sarah Ahmed, winner of the 2019 Family Division Graduate Student Paper Award for her work entitled "I am my own person," Women's Agency Inside and Outside the Home in Rural Pakistan. One reader noted, "the author provides a convincing analysis that shows how women in rural Punjab resist patriarchal control and exercise their agency in ways often missed and ignored by Western-centric scholarship on the less industrialized parts of the world."

The Family Division needs you! Consider submitting your research to one of the Family Division sponsored sessions or to one of six co-sponsored sessions for the SSSP 2020 annual meeting in San Francisco. This year's theme is Bringing the Hope Back In. Please encourage your students to submit their excellent work to our Family Division Graduate Student Paper Competition. They need to register for the conference to qualify.

We are seeking volunteers to serve as newsletter editor and/or social media master.

Do you have a new publication, award, promotion, or grant? We want to know for our Spring Newsletter! Send your great news to me [krwilson@cabrillo.edu](mailto:krwilson@cabrillo.edu) and I will pass it along.

It's election time! We decided at the summer business meeting to elect Division Co-Chairs this time. So nominate yourself or someone who agrees to be nominated before January 31, 2020! Send an email to [krwilson@cabrillo.edu](mailto:krwilson@cabrillo.edu).

Finally, please plan to attend the Division Business Meeting in August. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in our division and to keep our presence strong within the SSSP organization.

I look forward to seeing you in August!

Kristin J. Wilson  
SSSP Family Division Chair  
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## More ways to participate

**If you are a new member**, let us introduce you to the division! Email: [krwilson@cabrillo.edu](mailto:krwilson@cabrillo.edu)

**Submit a resolution.**

**Volunteer to be a session presider or discussant.**

**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 2021 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 San Francisco, CA. All nominations should be submitted prior to Monday, June 15, 2020. The Board of Directors will approve the slate of candidates for the 2021 General Election on August 9, 2020. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen M. Budd, Chairperson, Council of the Divisions and Chair, Nominations Committee.

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 2020 [Call for Papers](#) 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.

70<sup>th</sup> SSSP Annual Meeting: This year's theme selected by President Heather M. Dalmage is Bringing the Hope Back In: Sociological Imagination and Dreaming Transformation. It is being held August 7-9, 2020 at the Park Central Hotel in San Francisco.

### **SSSP 2020 FAMILY DIVISION SPONSORED SESSIONS**

1. Session type: Regular [thematic]  
Title: Poverty and the Family: Bringing the Hope Back In  
Organizer: Brooke Kelly (brooke.kelly@uncp.edu)  
Presider: Brooke Kelly

2. Session type: Critical Dialogue [thematic]  
Title: Migrant Families and Dreaming Transformation

3. Session type: Roundtable  
Title: Building Families  
Organizer: Kristin J. Wilson (krwilson@cabrillo.edu)  
Presider/Discussant: Kristin J. Wilson

### **SSSP 2018 CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS**

1. Session Type: Regular  
Session Title: Gender and Work  
Organizers: Lisa Huebner, lhuebner@wcupa.edu and Jen Haskin (jhaskin5@asu.edu)  
Presider/Discussant: Lisa Huebner  
Co-Sponsors: Labor Studies, Gender, and Family

2. Session Type: Regular  
Session Title: Family, Health, and Reproduction  
Co-Organizers: Derek Siegel (Dpsiegel@soc.mass.edu) and Josephine Greenbrook (josephine.greenbrook@gu.se)  
Co-Sponsors: Family; Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

3. Session Type: Regular  
Session Title: Climate Change and Family

Organizer: Nancy Mezey  
Co-Sponsors: Environment; Family

4. Session Type: Regular  
Session Title: Power, Politics, and Family in the Global Context  
Organizer: Sarah Ahmed (sahmed2@uoregon.edu)  
Co-Sponsors: Global, Family

5. Session Type: Critical Dialogue  
Session Title: Family, Children, and Sports  
Organizer: Chrischelle Borhani  
Co-Sponsors: Youth; Family

6. Session Type: Regular [thematic]  
Session Title: Hopeful Interventions in Families  
Organizer: Miriam Landsman (Miriam-landsman@uiowa.edu)

**CALL FOR PAPERS:** Call for Proposals: Regular Session  
Power, Politics & Family in the Global Context  
Jointly sponsored by the Family and Global Divisions

The relationship between power, politics and family vary across space and time. Family can be analyzed as an institution through which power is exerted as well as maintain, traditions and customs observed and that may impinge upon the mobility and aspirations of vulnerable populations. How are families changing with increased globalization, multicultural and blended families, and the emergence of new actors becoming heads of household.

This session seeks papers that cover a wide range of fields: how power and politics are implicated in the family, how power can manifest differently across diverse family structures, understanding family politics and power structures through a racialized and/or gendered lens, transformations underway in how families are changing in the 21st century and the emergence of power structures and actors implementing change.

Organizer: Sarah Ahmed sahmed[at]uoregon[dot]edu

## RESOURCES FOR SSSP MEMBERS

Share news of recently published books, articles and papers, award nominations and other items of interest with SSSP. Additionally, the Administrative Office would like to encourage SSSP members to share news of recently published books, articles and papers, award nominations and other items of interest, with us. If you or your division members wish to have an announcement posted, send an e-mail to Zaina Shams, GRA & Webmaster at [ssspgra@utk.edu](mailto:ssspgra@utk.edu) with the announcement attached and she will post them on the Society's [website](#).

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