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Message from the Chair



Dear Global Division Members:

I hope you all have been well. I am excited to see the newsletter published! This is my first newsletter as Chair of the Global Division. Thanks to our marvelous editor, Debadatta Chakraborty, who spent a great deal of time putting the newsletter together despite her hectic summer schedule.

Let me begin by congratulating our division's awardees: Gowri Vijayakumar, Outstanding Book Award winner; and Pamela Nwakanma, Student Paper Award winner. Besides, we have a range of topics in this issue of the newsletter, such as information on our division-sponsored sessions, graduate student spotlight, and members' recent publications.

As I have stated many times, this unprecedented pandemic has also provided an opportunity to critically reexamine the order in which the world as a whole is organized. It pushed approximately

200 million more people into extreme poverty worldwide. Our division's mission is profoundly relevant more today than ever! We will not only pay attention to how the processes of neoliberal globalization have increased inequality around the world, with a handful of people having all the wealth and resources under their control, but we must also remember that many of these adversities affecting the world's marginalized people face and will face organized pushback around the globe. We, thus, need to discuss this post-pandemic world with this duality in mind: destruction and movement resistance against it. With this conviction in mind, I look forward to working together with many wonderful colleagues in the Section to forge plans for a just world.

This year has been an exceptionally hectic year so far for me! I moved across the country for my new position at Cal Poly. Although the pandemic continues to affect our lives, it's exciting that we will meet in person in LA! I am glad to see many friends and meet new ones! It's my privilege to lead the Global Division of SSSP in this critical time. I look forward to working together to move this Section forward.

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Note from the Editor

Greetings, Global Division Members!

I am Debadatta Chakraborty, a PhD candidate in Sociology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. My research focuses on transnational authoritarianism, diasporic right-wing politics, critical sociological theory and political economy from an intersectional feminist perspective.

It has been an absolute pleasure and honor of mine to edit this issue of the SSSP Global Division's newsletter. This issue of the newsletter contains an exciting array of items. Beginning with an

inspiring message from our Division Chair, Dr. Nikhil Deb, we move on to extending our heartiest congratulations to the Division's 2022 award winners and thanking the award committees for their hard work. We also highlight the Global division sessions at this year's SSSP conference, followed by spotlighting a graduate student doing brilliant global sociological work. We end by showcasing the recent publications of our members, followed by a job announcement that might be of interest to our members.

Considering the current circumstances, the importance of global and transnational sociology cannot be overstated! As we continue to be ravaged by the pandemic and experience the devastations caused by global gendered-racial capitalism, neocolonial exploitation and deal with continuing histories of imperialism and empire, the pathbreaking work done by our members and others doing work broadly within the purview of global sociology is ever more important. We hope, through this newsletter, and through the Global division sponsored sessions at SSSP, we will be able to highlight some of this work. Even though the pandemic continues to distress us, I am looking forward to seeing several of you in-person in Los Angeles in August, as we meet for the first time for the SSSP annual meeting after 2019. The Global Division has an exciting and important array of sessions lined up. Please check those out and attend as many as you can!

Finally, this is my very first time editing a newsletter! I have been excited and apprehensive at the same time, during the entire process. I humbly apologize for any oversight on my part. Any omissions and errors are mine and I would be very grateful for any feedback on the same, so that I can improve in the future!

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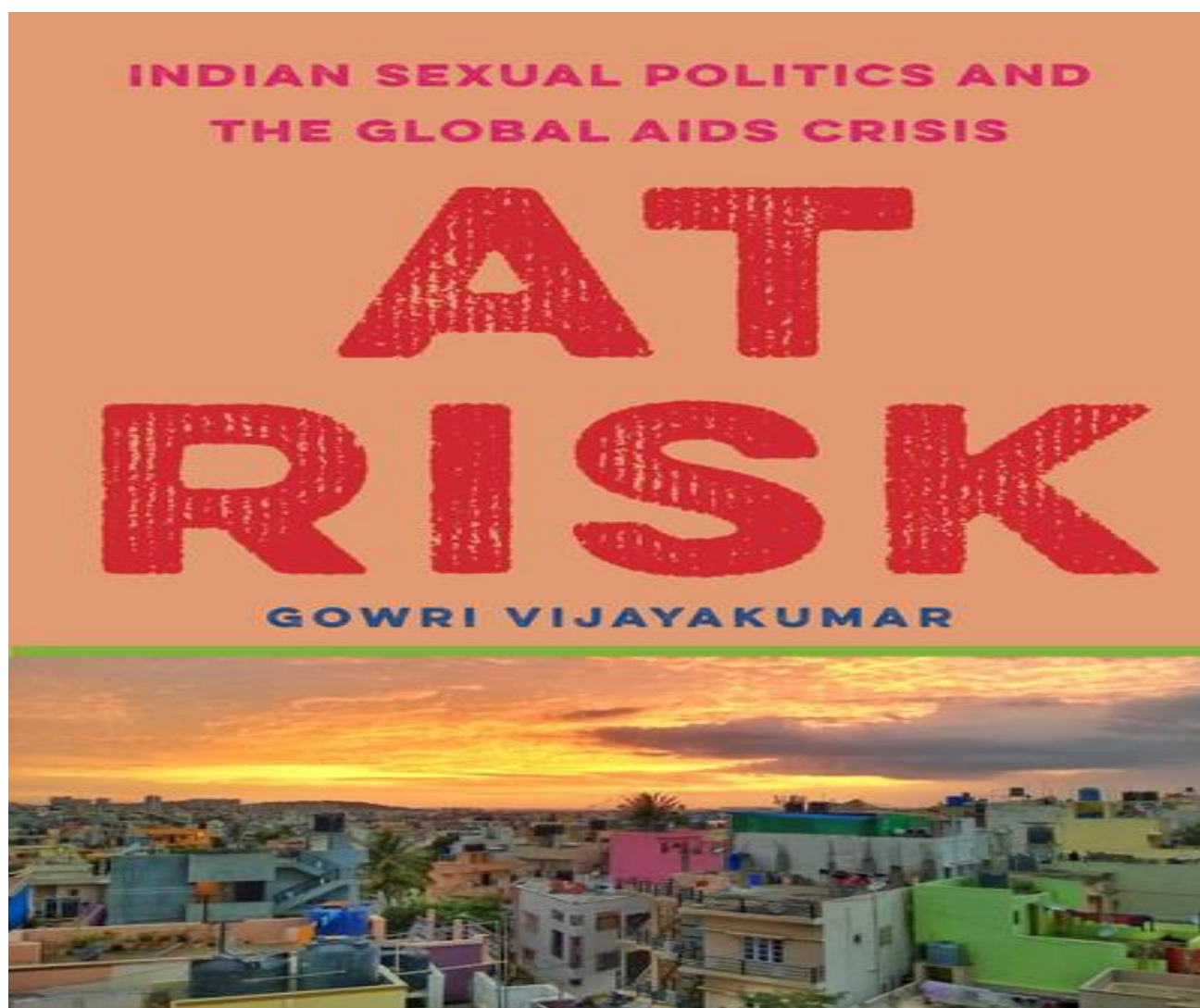
2022 Global Division Award Winners

Student Paper Award - Pamela Nwakanma (Harvard University) for “From Black Lives Matter to EndSARS: Women’s Socio-political Power and the Transnational Movement for Black Lives.”

Selection Committee: Sneha Annavarapu, Paul Gellert (chair), Caleb Scoville

Outstanding Book Award - Gowri Vijayakumar (Brandies University) for *At Risk: Indian Sexual Politics and the Global AIDS crisis*. Stanford University Press, 2021.

Selection Committee: Annie Hikido, Ben Manski (chair), and Raja Swamy



SSSP 2022 Global Division Sessions

Division-Sponsored Sessions

Saturday, August 6

8:30am – 10:10am (Pacific Time) - Session 034: Global South Ethnography

Room: Bradbury

Sponsor: Global

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Annie Hikido, Colby College

Description: This session features ethnographic research based in the Global South.

Papers:

- “Performance of Cosmopolitanism: Temporary Migrants and Their Sense of Belonging in Dubai, United Arab Emirates,” Hee Eun Kwon, University of California, San Diego
- “What are the Odds? Gambling on Precarious Transnational Labor Migration in the Global South,” Kurt W. Kuehne, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- “The Centrality of Village Authorities in Citizenship Provision Gatekeeping: Gender Discrimination in Citizenship Eligibility in Rural Myanmar,” Erin L. McAuliffe, University of Michigan

Sunday, August 7

12:30pm – 2:10pm (Pacific Time) - Session 087: Social Problems Research: Global Development, Sustainability, and Inequality

Room: Hershey

Sponsor: Global

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Debadatta Chakraborty, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Description:

The key theme of this session is global structural inequalities in access to and sustainable use of basic resources required for survival and the way social science expertise can be utilized to deal with these. The four papers in this session cover a range of topics from women's political representation under neoliberalism in the global south and sustainable development; mobilization for sanitation justice in the US; healthcare accessibility and affordable care act and how all these impact the most vulnerable economically and geopolitically.

Papers:

- “Women’s Political Representation, Neoliberalism, and Sustainable Development: A Cross-National Panel Study, 2000-2015.” Belal Hossain, Oklahoma State University
- “Post-disaster Action Research and Technical Assistance Using the Social Sciences,” Warner Woodworth, The University of Utah
- “Mobilizing for Sanitation Justice in San Diego, USA: Key Takeaways from a Public Restrooms Needs Assessment,” Megan Welsh Carroll, Adriana Koa-lani Rios, Jennifer Felner, Rebekah O'Donnell and Madison Swayne, San Diego State University
- “The Effects of State-managed Marketplaces on Out-of-Pocket Health Care Costs: Before and after the Affordable Care Act,” Zachary D. Kline, University of Connecticut

Joint-Sponsored Sessions

Friday, August 5

12:30pm – 2:10pm (Pacific Time) - *Session 010: Foreign-born Youth/Students: Challenges and Experiences in Educational Organizations.*

Room: Crocker

Sponsors: Educational Problems; Global

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Irina Chukhray, University of California, Davis

Description:

The papers for this session will focus on a broad discussion of foreign-born youth (regardless of immigration status) and their experiences in educational organizations—from primary to postsecondary institutions. We invite papers broadly examining challenges faced by immigrant youth in relation to students' experiences in educational institutions. We welcome papers with broad outcomes in relation to educational institutions, including academic, socioemotional wellbeing, and other strongly related outcomes.

Papers:

- “Immigrant Young Adults’ Educational Experiences Following Family Reunification in the U.S. Post-Deportation,” Carolina Valdivia, University of California, Irvine
- “Old Methodologies Never Die, They Just Fade Away: The Rise and Fall of Vocational English as a Second Language in the United States,” Katherine Hardin, McGill University
- “The Transition to Online Education amid the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Impact on International Students’ Mental and Physical Well-being,” Eugena Kwon, Trent University, Min-Jung Kwak, Steven Smith, Michael Zhang, Katelynn Carter-Rogers and Megan Manels-Murphy, Saint Mary's University

4:30pm -6:10pm (Pacific Time) - Session 031: Global Injustice and Social Theory

Room: Rose

Sponsors: Global; Social Problems Theory

Organizers: Saswathi Natta, University of Maryland Caitlin H. Schroering, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Presider: Vince Montes, California State University, East Bay

Description:

Papers in this session contend with theory building and present new theoretical frameworks to think about global injustice from different regions of the world. From examining how racial capitalism helps to explain disparate rates of COVID-19 infections and death around the world, to attending to the role of colonialism, empire, and transatlantic slavery in upholding unjust systems these papers introduce new frames of thinking about known issues. New theoretical frameworks examine the role of emotions and solidarity in changing unjust systems, explore new approaches for understanding global change and international systems, imperialism and the bureaucratic US-imperialist State. The papers will both expand and reimagine thinking about how systems of oppression both perpetuate global injustices, and can also imagine new worlds.

Papers:

- “Black Postcolonial Sociology: Theorizing the Human-black Dialectic,” Korey Tillman, The University of New Mexico
- “Global Racial Capitalism and COVID,” David G. Embrick, University of Connecticut and Johnny E. Williams, Trinity College
- “Inter-societal Relations: A Framework for Understanding Global Change,” Maxwell D. Rollins, George Mason University
- “Privilege, Emotions, and Solidarity: A Conceptual Framework to Redress Inequalities,” Sophia Boutilier, Stony Brook University, SUNY
- “US Imperialism and the Case of Puerto Rico: A Reconfiguration of Theory of Imperialism,” Vince Montes, California State University, East Bay

Saturday, August 6

2:30pm – 4:10pm (Pacific Time) - Session 063: PAPERS IN THE ROUND: Global Health Disparities

Room: Governor’s

Sponsors: Global; Health; Health Policy; and Health Services

Organizer & Discussant: Yuying Shen, Norfolk State University

Description: This session will focus on studies examining differences and disparities related to health, health care services, and health care policies in the national and global context.

Roundtable #1 Title: Disparities in Health & Health Care

Presider: Yuying Shen, Norfolk State University

Papers:

- “Attitudes toward Payment for Research Participation: Results from a US Survey of People Living with HIV,” Andrea N. Polonijo, University of California, Merced, Karine Dube, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Jerome T. Galea and Karah Yeona Greene, University of South Florida, Jeff Taylor and Christopher Christensen, HIV+ Aging Research Project–Palm Springs and Brandon Brown, University of California, Riverside
- “Diabetes Mellitus among African Americans: A Critical Analysis of Epigenetics Research,” Eliana Jacobs and Shannon K. Carter, University of Central Florida
- “Effect of the ACA on Racial Disparities in Children’s Health Insurance Adequacy,” Yuying Shen and Carlene Buchana Turner, Norfolk State University
- “Soil and Human Health: Understanding Agricultural and Socio-environmental Risk and Resilience in the Age of Climate Change,” Jean Faye, Centre College and Yvonne Braun, University of Oregon

Sunday, August 7

8:30am – 10:10am (Pacific Time) - *Session 074: CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Stigmatized and Criminalized Existence*

Room: Museum B

Sponsors: Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Drinking and Drugs; Global; Sociology and Social Welfare

Organizer & Presider: Christopher P. Dum, Kent State University

Description:

This critical dialogue features papers that address how different populations experience daily life in the context of a stigmatized social status. The papers will address issues such as, race and policing, stigmatization and drug use, stigmatization and reentry, border policing, and anti-homeless laws. First, authors will give short (5-minute) presentations of their work. Then, the session will pivot to conversation between the authors and the audience. This dialogue will offer important opportunities to discuss the ways in which stigma and criminalization harms and affects the life chances of various groups, and how we as scholars, organizers, and activists, can confront and alleviate those devastating effects.

Papers:

- “‘We the Unhoused’: Narratives from Individuals Living in Homeless Encampments in Los Angeles, CA,” Nicolas Gutierrez III, San Diego State University
- “Undeserving Children: The Framing and Managing of Migrant Children as a ‘Border Crisis’ in the United States under the Obama Administration,” Heidi Sarabia and Maria Vargas, California State University, Sacramento
- “Substance Use Patterns and Mental Health Outcomes among Floating Immigrant Populations,” Esmeralda Ramirez, Nefertari Rincon Guerra, Alice Cepeda and Avelardo Valdez, University of Southern California and Kathryn Nowotny, University of Miami
- “From Incarceration to Emancipation: Black-American Conversion and Reentry,” Laila Noureldin, The University of Chicago
- “Doing Race in Calls to the Police: Categorization and the Enactment of Racial Projects in Emergency Service Calls,” MJ Hill, University of California, Los Angeles
- “We Charge Genocide: A Systematic Review of Police Violence and Health,” Rahwa Haile, SUNY Old Westbury, Tawandra Rowell-Cunsolo, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Marie-Fatima Hyacinthe, Yale University, Anthonine Pierre, Executive Director, Brooklyn Movement Center, Maya Williams, Research Associate, Brooklyn Movement Center and Sirry Alang, Lehigh University

Graduate Student Spotlight

Md. Abdus Sabur, University of Massachusetts Amherst



Md. A. Sabur is a doctoral candidate in the Department of Sociology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and a senior lecturer (on leave) in the Department of Political Science and Sociology at North South University in Dhaka, Bangladesh. He is broadly interested in labor migration, the usage of remittances, and gender and class mobility in labor-sending countries like Bangladesh. His dissertation focuses on the processes of transformation in gender, religion, and Bengali cultural practices among transnational migrant families in rural Bangladesh claiming middle-class status and honor.

Sabur's dissertation project adopts a multinational framework and multi-sited strategy to investigate gender, class, and religious dynamics in transnational families while emphasizing the simultaneous, reciprocal, and regular interaction between migrant husbands abroad and their left-behind wives in rural Bangladesh. He studies Bangladeshi migrant husbands working in two Muslim majority countries — Saudi Arabia and Qatar — and two non-Muslim majority countries — Singapore and South Korea — as well as their left-behind wives in rural Bangladesh. Sabur investigates how husbands working in two orthodox Islamic and two secular countries influence their wives' religious and middle-class Bengali cultural practices. This transnational ethnography on migrating spouses overseas and their wives left behind in rural Bangladesh is expected to offer critical and significant insights into gender, social class, and religion. Recently, Sabur published an article in *Gender and Society*, titled as “[Gender, Veiling, and Class: Symbolic Boundaries and Veiling in Bengali Muslim Families](#)”, based on this dissertation.

Member's Recent Publications

- Hashemi, Manata. 2022. [Sacrificial Heroes: Masculinity, Class, and Waste Picking in Iran](#). *Ethnography*. Online First.
- Narayan, Devika. 2022. [Manufacturing Managerial Compliance: How firms align managers with corporate interest](#). *Work, Employment and Society*. Online First.
- Goldman, Michael and Devika Narayan. 2021. [Through the optics of finance: Speculative urbanism and the transformation of markets](#). *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 45(2): 205–401. (Winner: Best Article Award 2022, American Sociological Association, Sociology of Development Section & Winner: Best IJURR Article Prize 2021. International Journal of Urban and Regional Research)

- Su, Phi Hong. 2022. The [*Border Within: Vietnamese Migrants Transforming Ethnic Nationalism in Berlin*](#). Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Dean, Sarah and Phi Hong Su. [“Seeking asylum from nowhere—how origin shapes the context of reception.”](#) *WIDERAngle*.
- Su, Phi Hong. 2022. [“Welcoming evacuee neighbours in a pandemic.”](#) The Loop.
- Misra, Joya, Tannuja Devi Rozario, and Debadatta Chakraborty. 2022. [Transnational Feminist Sociology: Review of Kamala Kempadoo’s *Sexing the Caribbean*, Pei-Chia Lan’s *Global Cinderellas*, Smitha Radhakrishnan’s *Appropriately Indian*, Héctor Carrillo’s *Pathways of Desire*, Oluwakemi Balogun’s *Beauty Diplomacy*, and Rhacel Parreñas’ *Unfree*.](#) *International Sociology*. 37(2): 164-174.



Job Announcement

Assistant Professor of Global Political Economy – University of Oregon

The Department of Global Studies at the University of Oregon seeks a full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor in Global Political Economy to start in Fall 2023. We seek a scholar who holds a Ph.D. in a relevant social science, humanities, or interdisciplinary program by the time of appointment and whose expertise addresses one or more of these areas in qualitative and/or quantitative perspective: economic globalization and its political and social impacts; international political economic institutions and processes; debt, dependency, and the legacies of colonization; and the relationships between global political economy, human development, and development strategies and policies. We are especially interested in candidates who take critical, interdisciplinary, and decolonial approaches to the global political economy; and whose teaching and research complement core foci in our department, including food systems, education, global health and wellbeing, and environment and climate change. In their application materials, candidates should address how their work supports the diversity and equity goals of the department and the university, should describe a robust research agenda, and should demonstrate a high degree of proficiency in a language appropriate for their regional specialization. We particularly welcome applications from scholars who identify with populations historically underrepresented in the academy and/or who have a proven record of mentoring students from underrepresented backgrounds.

More information about the position and instructions to apply can be found here:
<https://careers.uoregon.edu/en-us/job/529427/assistant-professor-of-global-studies>