

SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND GLOBAL ISSUES

SSSP GLOBAL DIVISION NEWSLETTER

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Dear Global Division members,

Happy New Year! I hope you all are enjoying a rejuvenating and productive start to 2015.

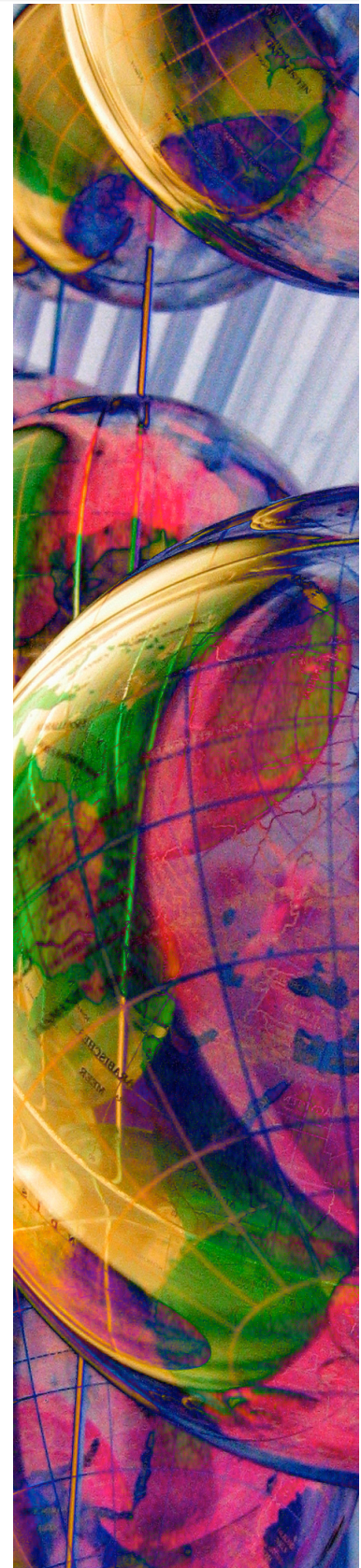
The start of the new year also brings new opportunities for sharing your work and participating in the SSSP community. The deadline for submitting an abstract or paper for consideration for the SSSP annual meeting in Chicago (August 21-23) is midnight, January 31. We have a varied and rich set of offerings with 10 sponsored and co-sponsored sessions this year, including an invited session organized by John Dale, former Global Division chair and current chair of the Transnational Initiative Committee – please see the end of this newsletter for all the exciting details of the sessions open for your contributions. And the full call for papers can be found here:

<http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/611/fuseaction/ssspsession2.publicView>

The Global Division is again sponsoring a Graduate Student Paper Award and an Outstanding Book Award. Both awards are very competitive and receive a large number of excellent submissions each cycle. You can find the full details of each award in this newsletter – please do consider nominating the work of a colleague, student, or your own work. Please note that graduate student paper submissions need to be uploaded through the SSSP submission system by the deadline of January 31st and submitted by email to the award chair.

In addition to our sessions and awards, there are great opportunities for connecting with others in the Global Division and in SSSP. Currently, there is an opening for serving on the committee to decide the 2015 Outstanding Book Award. We will also be holding elections for our next chair who will start their term at the annual meeting in August. Both opportunities are a great way to get involved and help shape the future of the division – please do let me know if you are interested in serving on the book award committee or if you

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would like to nominate yourself or someone else for chair. More details are below.

In this newsletter, we have the privilege of spotlighting the research of Dr. Mytoan Nguyen-Akbar, University of Puget Sound. Dr. Nguyen-Akbar won the 2014 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award (co-sponsored by Global Division and *Critical Sociology*) for her paper, "The Tensions of Diasporic 'Return' Migration: How Class and Money Create Distance in the Vietnamese Transnational Family." Congratulations again, Dr. Nguyen-Akbar, and I hope everyone enjoys reading about the impressive research of this terrific junior scholar in our community.

Lastly, please take a few moments and renew your membership in SSSP and in the Global Division for 2015. Your membership helps build the division and keep the important work of globally focused scholars, practitioners, and activists a vibrant part of SSSP.

Enjoy the newsletter (thanks to our newsletter editor, Jason Smith!) and if you have any questions or concerns that you would like to share, please always feel free to get in touch with me.

Warmly,
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GET INVOLVED IN THE GLOBAL DIVISION

Opportunities for Participation in the Global Division

1) We currently have an opening for the Global Division Outstanding Book Award Committee. Each year committee members have the opportunity to read some of the best books recently published on global themes. The committee will receive all submissions by the March 1st deadline and will have until early June to make a decision.

2) The Global Division will be holding elections for our next chair. The term is two years and will start at the annual meeting in August. We need at least two nominees in order to hold an election. I have enjoyed my time as chair and would be happy to share more of what the job entails, if interested. Please consider nominating yourself or someone else to be the next chair by February 5th.

Both opportunities are a great way to get involved and help shape the future of the division. If you are interested in serving in either position, or if you have questions, please contact Yvonne Braun, ybraun@uoregon.edu.

A PERSONAL JOURNEY INFORMS SCHOLARSHIP



Mytoan Nguyen-Akbar
University of Puget Sound

My general interests are on the political economy of labor migration, states, and civil society. I wrote this paper, titled “The Tensions of Diasporic ‘Return’ Migration: Money, Class, and the Vietnamese Transnational Family,” because it addressed a social paradox that had become apparent for the children of immigrants who had obtained upward mobility and were coming into contact with their non-migrating relatives back in their parents’ homeland: on the one hand, they were giving large sums of money and gifts out of a sense of class guilt and privilege because of their success as migrants, and on the other hand, they felt the need to set boundaries between themselves and their relatives because of the sets of cultural demands imposed upon them. To elaborate on how this paradox existed, I became a participant observer to the work, leisure, and family lives of transnational high-skilled workers in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. These individuals and myself shared a common background: our parents had arrived to the US as refugees of the Vietnam War, and we were now going “back” as adults to further our careers in Vietnam. In my case, it was to complete my PhD in Sociology. The stories in the field that I encountered re-affirmed for me that the children of immigrants often navigate multiple axes of social class, cultural, and gendered differences as return migrants to their parents’ homeland. For those who

were in the so-called “1.5” generation of Vietnamese Americans, even though they looked like, spoke, and were aware of local Vietnamese cultural norms, they were now caught in a world where they still felt like foreigners – neither Vietnamese enough to fit into society there, nor American enough to be recognized as complete foreigners to the land. On top of that, they were also navigating reunification with extended relatives that their families had maintained contact with since the War. Since publishing this paper with the *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, many scholars and readers have told me how relatable these experiences are to their findings in diverse communities from countryside Chinese migrants finding greater opportunities to Shanghai, to Cook Island creative class migrants going back and forth between Raratonga and New Zealand.

This award helped to fund my attendance of my first-ever annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, which is a conference that embraces theoretical and applied scholars and public sociologists. Knowing that my scholarship was recognized by this community was a huge honor and was a great way to wrap up my completion of the PhD and time at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Currently, I am a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Puget Sound in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. My family and I have decided to remain in

Seattle, as we have fallen in love with the Pacific Northwest and I am seeking applied research opportunities in the Seattle area using my expertise on immigrants/refugees and international development. In my spare time, I volunteer on the Curriculum Committee of the Rainier Valley Corps and

for the Women of Color Empowered organizing committee in Seattle. Both nonprofit and community justice oriented groups allow me to connect more deeply with communities of color in the Seattle area.

Mytoan Nguyen-Akbar recently earned her Doctorate in Sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (May 2014) with expertise in global development, social change, and racial and ethnic studies with a focus on Vietnam. Dr. Nguyen-Akbar's research has been supported in the past by the American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship, the US Fulbright IIE, FLAS, and the Center for Southeast Asians Studies at UW-Madison. In Seattle, Mytoan is a volunteer for the Rainier Valley Corps and the Women of Color Empowered. Mytoan was the 2014 winner of the Global Division / *Critical Sociology* Graduate Student Paper Award, which was entitled, "The Tensions of Diasporic 'Return' Migration: How Class and Money Create Distance in the Vietnamese Transnational Family."

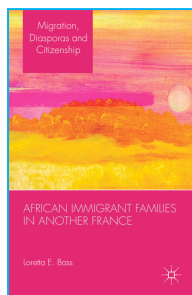
MEMBER PUBLICATIONS

Paul K. Gellert. 2014. "Optimism and Education: The New Ideology of Development in Indonesia." *Journal of Contemporary Asia*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00472336.2014.978352>

Neema Noori. 2014. "Does Academic Freedom Globalize? The Diffusion of the American Model of Education to the Middle East and Academic Freedom." *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 47(3). doi:10.1017/S1049096514000717

Isaac Kamola and **Neema Noori.** 2014. "Higher Education and World Politics." *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 47(3). doi:10.1017/S1049096514000699

NEW BOOKS BY MEMBERS OF THE GLOBAL DIVISION



African Immigrant Families in Another France by **Loretta E. Bass**
(Palgrave Macmillan, 2014)

Immigrant incorporation has become a key issue for France and other European societies. This book uses voices of individuals within Sub-Saharan African immigrant families to describe their integration experience as 'Another France.' Racialization is inherent in the immigration process for African migrants, and a low immigrant status is granted, limiting their employment and social integration, and many times irrespective of their qualifications or citizenship documents. First-

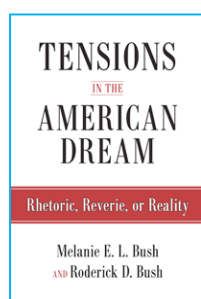
and second-generation African youth report being, 'French on the inside, African on the out' because they hold a French mentality but are continually put into an 'other' category. The 'power of skin' accords this status of 'immigrant other' which infiltrates all of their social interactions. Further, the practices of French universalism and secularism taken together have become in essence a straightjacket and 'ostrich policy' for France.

<http://www.palgrave.com/page/detail/african-immigrant-families-in-another-france-loretta-e-bass/?K=9780230361959>

To read chapter 1: http://www.palgrave.com/resources/sample-chapters/9780230361959_sample.pdf.

To request a review copy: Send your request on letterhead. By Post: St. Martin's Press, Publicity Dept., 175 5th Avenue, NY, NY 10010. By Fax: 212-674-6132 ISBN: 9780230361959

To order with a 30% discount: Use PM15THIRTY at www.palgrave.com.



Tensions in the American Dream: Rhetoric, Reverie or Reality by **Melanie E.L. Bush and Roderick D. Bush** (Temple University Press, 2015)

Could the promise of upward mobility have a dark side? In *Tensions in the American Dream*, Melanie and Roderick Bush ask, "How does a 'nation of immigrants' pledge inclusion yet marginalize so many citizens on the basis of race, class, and gender?" The authors consider the origins and development of the U.S. nation and empire; the founding principles of belonging, nationalism, and exceptionalism; and the lived reality of these principles.

Tensions in the American Dream also addresses the relevancy of nation to empire in the context of the historical world capitalist system. The authors ask, "Is the American Dream a reality questioned only by those unwilling or unable to achieve it? What is the 'good life,' and how is it particularly 'American'?" http://www.temple.edu/tempresstitles/1975_reg.html

See the website <http://rodbush.org/> for information about Rod's life and work.

MEMBER NEWS

Beth Williford has recently been granted tenure and will be promoted to Associate Professor of Sociology at Manhattanville College.

GLOBAL DIVISION GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AND BOOK AWARD**STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION**

Deadline January 31, 2015

The Global Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems in cooperation with the Sage journal *Critical Sociology* announces its 2015 Graduate Student Paper Competition. The goal is to encourage critical scholarship in the areas of global or transnational studies and social problems. Suggested paper topics include but are not limited to the following themes:

- Transnational Public Sociology
- Knowledge Production about Globalization
- Democratizing Globalization
- The Politics of Human Rights
- Re-imagining Community
- Critical and/or Institutional Ethnography and Global Governance
- Transnational Corporate Accountability
- Immigration, Citizenship, and Global Justice
- Globalization and Environmental Justice
- Transnational Movements
- Transnational Organizing within the Global South
- Gender Issues in Globalization
- Transnational Families.

Jointly-authored papers are accepted, but all contributing authors must be current graduate students or have graduated not prior to September 1, 2015. Published papers are also accepted but must have first been published after January 1, 2014. The award recipient will receive student membership in the SSSP, conference registration at the 2015 Annual SSSP Meeting in Chicago, be recognized with a plaque at the conference awards ceremony, and a \$400 prize (this award has been made possible in part by support from the Sage Journal *Critical Sociology*). Award recipients are expected to present their paper at the 2015 Annual Meeting. Winning papers will be invited to submit their paper for publication in *Critical Sociology*. Papers must be submitted electronically in a format compatible with MS WORD and authors should ensure that they receive a confirmation of receipt for their submission. Although faculty sponsorship is not formally required to enter the competition, participants are invited to request a note from a faculty member or independent scholar that speaks to the academic quality of the submission and they should be emailed directly to the address below. Note: Previous winners of this award are ineligible to compete and students may only submit their paper to one division competition. Papers should be double-spaced and not exceed 10,000 words including citations. To be eligible for consideration, submissions must be uploaded to the [online submission system](#) for the SSSP Annual Meeting and must also be sent to Dr. Mytoan Nguyen-Akbar at mytoan.nguyen@gmail.com by January 31, 2015.

OUTSTANDING BOOK AWARD

Deadline March 1, 2015

The Global Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems is pleased to announce its 2015 Outstanding Book Award. Given the massive growth of interest and research in the areas of global studies and social problems over the last decade, the Award is intended to recognize published work of exceptional quality in these areas and to encourage further critical scholarship about them. Accordingly, books on a variety of topics and themes will be considered for the Award, including but not limited to the following: alternative models of globalization; global dynamics and forms of resistance to neoliberalism (including the post-Washington Consensus era in Latin America, Asia, Africa, or the Middle East); transnational social movements; human rights struggles and global activism (around gender, indigeneity, migration, peace, social justice, etc.); transnational communities and cultural politics; global cities. We are particularly interested in books that link critical politics and activism with analytical and theoretical rigor. To be eligible for consideration, books must have been published within 3 years of the meeting (2012-2015 for this year's award). Single or multiple-authored books will be accepted. At least one of the authors must be a member of the SSSP in order to qualify for the Award, although they will not be required to present a paper at the 2015 Annual Meeting. The award recipient(s) will be recognized at the Global Division business meeting. Nominations can be made by members of the Global Division as well as by publishers; self-nominations are also welcomed. Nominees should send full publication information and a paragraph explaining why this book is recommended. If available, contact information for the author should be included. Authors will be requested to facilitate with their publishers that three copies of the nominated book be sent to the Award Committee as close to the nomination deadline as possible. Nominations must be received no later than March 1, 2015. To nominate a book for this award and to arrange sending copies of the nominated book, please send your message to the Chair of the 2015 Global Division Outstanding Book Award Committee, Dr. Rina Agarwala (agarwala@jhu.edu).

CALL FOR PAPERS

INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF QUALITATIVE RESEARCH, SPECIAL ISSUE "INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AS MODE OF INQUIRY"

Deadline January 23, 2015

Indigenous epistemologies have existed for a long time; managing to survive colonization, war, genocide and a host of colonizer policies and practices. Only recently has the academy taken an interest in Indigenous methodologies and paradigms, in particular in the field of qualitative research. Indigenous researchers and allies are thus engaged in a process of



creating space for Indigenous ways of knowing and being within and outside of academia. “Decolonization brings about the repatriation of Indigenous land and life; it is not a metaphor for other things we want to do to improve our societies and schools” (Tuck & Yang, 2012, p.1). Although relatively new to the academic landscape, decolonization has been practiced and theorized in Indigenous communities for a long time, making Indigenous communities the centre of decolonizing theory and practice (Sium & Ritskes, 2013, p. 1). “Decolonization is not a metaphor” (Tuck & Yang, 2012), for Indigenous people, colonization is a reality and it is not in the past, it is now, everyday, every moment. As Russell Bishop (2005, 2011) discusses, this struggle is one of freeing ourselves from neocolonial dominance in research “so that models of reform for the oppressed groups can be developed from within the epistemological frameworks of those groups, rather than from within the dominant” (2011, p. xiii).

The Indigenous Inquiries SIG of the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry is guest editing a second themed volume of the IRQR journal, building upon the earlier work of the first volume (Winter 2013). In the ongoing effort to evolve Indigenous Inquiries and Methodologies within and without the academy the guest editors of this second volume are taking up a decolonizing and Indigenizing approach to the creation of this issue of IRQR. We invite past and potential future participants of the Indigenous Inquiries Circle of the Qualitative Inquiry Congresses to submit works for this special second volume of Indigenous Inquiries in IRQR. We envision a submission and review process that attempts to decolonize and Indigenize traditional journal practices. That is, we invite authors to submit manuscripts and reviewers to participate knowing that it will be a fully open review process with reviewers and guest editors taking up a collaborative role with authors; working in a relational and reciprocal engagement that is holistically centered around collaboratively creating a themed issue of Indigenous Knowledge as mode of Inquiry.

We invite a range of articles, essays, and creative works that will embrace and carry your work and/or the conference experience into the journal; scholars, researchers, graduate students and community members across disciplines and praxis are encouraged to submit. If you have an interest in pursuing a manuscript for submission, please review the guidelines below and contact the editors if there are questions.

We require a working title and a 150-200 word abstract submitted through e-mail (IICirqr@gmail.com) by January 23rd, 2015. The final manuscript needs to be in our hands digitally by March 15th, 2015 (IICirqr@gmail.com).

Guest Editors:

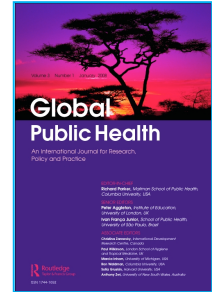
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GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH: AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL FOR RESEARCH, POLICY AND PRACTICE, SPECIAL ISSUE “THE POLITICS OF PANIC IN GLOBAL HEALTH”

Deadline January 31, 2015



More than three decades have passed since the HIV epidemic began to emerge and ushered in a new era in the field that would come to be known as global health. AIDS transformed perceptions of global interconnectedness. Understood initially as inevitably fatal, yet also mysterious and deceptive, often transmitted by people who appeared to be completely healthy, yet who were frequently members of marginalized social groups, it was associated with widespread stigma and discrimination. In many parts of the world, the emerging epidemic quickly generated widespread hysteria and even panic, taking shape not just as an epidemic of disease, but as what Paula A. Treichler described as ‘an epidemic of signification.’

Over the course of ensuing decades, the initial panic associated with HIV and AIDS would gradually give way, as the epidemic came to be better understood and more reasonably managed by public health officials. While it continued to be seen as a disaster for some of the most affected communities and population groups, and as a crisis (or even an extended crisis) for health systems, with the development of new institutions and policies, panic and hysteria would slowly wane. Yet the field of global health that HIV and AIDS helped to create, and the media attention that it helped to generate, would continue to evolve, warily watching for signs of the next coming plague. In different ways, a range of emerging epidemics or perceived threats (such SARS, H1N1 influenza, avian influenza, and Ebola) have generated different levels of crisis (a disruption of routines and systems) and panic (unanticipated and unsanctioned collective action in the absence of perceived institutional lapses) over time, unmasking key aspects and dimensions of global health that often go unnoticed and unanalyzed outside of perceived emergencies.

Public health crises and panics are hardly new, and germ panics in particular have a long history that may offer important lessons for understanding contemporary outbreak anxieties within the context of global health. But the profound changes that have accompanied the intensification of globalization and the birth of the information age have also changed the playing field on which panic takes shape in important ways that merit careful consideration.

Remarkably, there has been no sustained attention to the relationship between crisis and panic, as a routine and historically recurrent—perhaps even necessary—catalysts for public health institution-building. Some sociologists have tried to map the conditions required for panic to take hold in the context of a crisis. Predictive models assume that panic can be objectively diagnosed or denied, but they also overlook the broader social, political, cultural, and scientific context. But a thorough understanding must also

consider the role of actors who generate, respond to, worry about, contest, and manipulate crisis and panic and also the political framing process that occurs when policymakers (or their critics) make judgments about overreaching or insufficient political responses.

Panics and anxieties spurred by infectious diseases have often been rooted in prejudice and have been the source of political, social, and economic polarization. Past and present responses to disease outbreaks, or even their dramatic anticipation, are shaped by the geographical and social incidence of these events and the long-standing ideas and fears (particularly in the Global North) about the perceived origins of disease in the Global South. Assertions of “sameness” and “difference” in disease events shape ideas about developing country “victims” versus the heroic developed society “savior.” Such narratives are reflected in medical pronouncements, media coverage, disease surveillance and mapping, and institutional containment agendas. Panics and disease anxieties not only reflect the dialectics of the West and the rest but also help clarify emerging attitudes, perceived hierarchies, and ambitions within and between regions.

This special issue of *Global Public Health* sets out to publish research and analyses aimed at examining the politics of panic in global health – in both the industrialized societies of the West, as well as in the developing nations of the Global South.

Manuscripts are invited in the following areas:

1. Critical analytical and historical research on past and present panics, and disease related anxieties, their origins and making in regional and global fractures, and their implications for the future.
2. Analytical and historical research on the relationship between crisis and panic or their shifting meanings over time.
3. Studies of programs or institutions designed and implemented to manage outbreak anxieties, either in advance or in the midst of an epidemic.
4. Comparative analyses of different episodes of crisis and panic, either within a country over time or cross-nationally.
5. Studies of the impact of stigma and discrimination in relation to global health emergencies.
6. Analyses of the racial politics of panic and the ways in which racial prejudice and racial stereotypes play a special role in shaping crises and panics related to global health issues.
7. Policy research on the response to global health issues that have generated widespread social panic.
8. Studies of the ways in which international agencies and organizations addressed global health emergencies, both in the Global North and the Global South.
9. Studies of the complicated historical and colonial legacies that colour outbreak responses in the Global South.
10. Studies of the ways in which panics about dramatic new infectious diseases eclipse hard won spaces and resources for long-standing, chronic conditions.
11. Exploration of the afterlives of crises and panics in the politics of public health.

Submission Instructions

Please submit electronic versions of the abstracts as an e-mail attachment. The editors will review the abstracts and respond to the authors of the suitability of submitting a full-length paper for the special issue.

Based on a review of abstracts, selected authors will be invited to develop papers for possible inclusion in the special issue. All papers will be peer-reviewed following the policies of the journal. Only electronic submissions will be accepted. Submissions must be formatted in Microsoft Word.

The documentation and stylistic standards of each article must conform to the requirements of Global Public Health. [View the instructions for authors](#)

Submission of Abstracts: gph-msph@columbia.edu.

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is 31 January 2014.

The deadline for full-length papers is 31 May 2015.

REGIONAL STUDIES, REGIONAL SCIENCE, EARLY CAREER PAPERS SECTION

Deadline February 15, 2015

The new Regional Studies Association open access journal, [Regional Studies, Regional Science](#), has a section specifically devoted to *Early Career Papers* which focuses on publishing short articles from students and early career researchers to make their research accessible to a wider audience. Articles in the *Early Career Papers* section will have a regional focus and will succinctly present the research questions and results whether preliminary or final.



The editors of the *Early Career Papers* section are currently seeking submissions of paper proposals for short articles (max. 3,000 words). Contributions are welcomed from any discipline in the field of regional studies or regional science and with any geographical focus. The 'regional' dimension may vary from trans-national spaces with fuzzy boundaries to clearly defined spaces at the sub-national level. Authors (and co-authors) can be students or early career researchers that have completed their PhD in the last five years. RSA members are particularly invited to submit a paper proposal for consideration; however, RSA membership is not a prerequisite for submission.

Editors, *Early Career Papers* Section - RSRS

Paul Benneworth, Paul Braidford, Sabrina Lai, Marijana Sumpor & Julie Porter

Paper proposals should use the following headings, and adhere strictly to the word-limits provided:

- A title of no more than ten words
- A summary of the research idea in no more than 40 words
- An abstract of 150 words

- Introduction to the problem addressed in the paper (200 words)
- Background to the case study, and the main empirical evidence offered (200 words)
- Analysis of key points & messages from the empirical case (200 words)
- Conclusions and implications for academics, policy and practice (200 words)
- A short bio (giving institution and date of PhD if applicable)

Submissions will be evaluated for their originality, novelty and quality: successful paper proposals will be invited to submit a full paper, with a maximum of 3,000 words, for inclusion on the *Early Career Papers* open access site. Using a constructive review process, accepted authors will be supported by a named corresponding editor who will produce supportive feedback to guide the author towards a high-quality article. In addition, all articles are reviewed by the entirety of the editorial team prior to publication.

Article Publishing Charges (APCs), normally payable for papers published in *RSRS*, will be waived for those who are accepted by this *Early Career Papers* mentored route to publication. All articles published in *Regional Studies*, *Regional Science* are published open access, which means that the article is freely available in perpetuity online. There is no additional subscription fee, article pay-to-view fee or any other form of access fee; and no publication embargo is applied.

Authors may also consider submitting to the journal through the normal route but in this case an APC will apply. Visit the journal's website for more details.

To submit a paper proposal or for further information regarding any of the above-mentioned points, please contact: Marijana Sumpor, Abstract Manager of the *Early Career Papers* section, at msumpor@eizg.hr

SAGE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF DECISION SCIENCES, CALL FOR CONTRIBUTORS

Deadline February 17, 2015

We are inviting academic editorial contributors to The SAGE Encyclopedia of Decision Sciences, a new 3-volume reference to be published in 2016. A description of the project is as follows: The study of decision making and problem solving explores the cognitive, social, and economic aspects of judgment and behavior, particularly in situations with risk or uncertainty. Theories and research findings from decision science have broad application in such areas as Psychology, Business and Management, Finance, Economics, Medicine and Healthcare, Computer Science, Behavior Analysis, and Law.

This encyclopedia looks to answer questions such as: How does risky decision making in adolescence affect us as adults? How does consumer financial decision making affect a country's overall economic health? How does alcohol and drug abuse change our capacity to make decisions? How are high-stakes medical decisions made and how can the process be improved to better health outcomes? This will be an authoritative,

approachable landmark work for students and researchers who seek to become familiar with the various approaches to decision sciences as well as past and current research.

The SAGE Encyclopedia of Decision Sciences includes 3 volumes, with approximately 450 articles. Articles range from 1,000 to 5,000 words and include following categories: Business, Management, Marketing & Leadership Cognitive Psychology and Economic Psychology Computer Science, Engineering, and Information Technology Criminology, Law, and Public Policy Dynamic Decision Making and Learning Theories Human Factors and Ergonomics Medicine and Health Normative, Bounded Rationality, and Not-Normative Theories Organizations and Journals Research Methods, Case Studies, Heuristics and Biases Social, Environment and Ecological Decisions

This comprehensive encyclopedia will be published in 2016 by SAGE Publications and the editorial team includes Dr. Coty González, General Editor, as well as Eyal Ert, Joseph Johnson, Peter Lanzer, and Christopher Wickens, Associate Editors.

We are currently making assignments with a **deadline for submissions of February 17, 2015**. If you are interested in contributing to this cutting-edge reference, it can be a notable publication addition to your CV/resume and broaden your publishing credits. SAGE Publications offers an honorarium ranging from SAGE book credits for smaller articles up to a free set of the printed product for contributions totaling 5000 words or more. Each article will be signed by the contributing author in the final publication. The list of available articles is already prepared, and as a next step we will e-mail you the Article List (Excel file) from which you can select topics that best fit your expertise and interests. Additionally, Style and Submission Guidelines will be provided that detail article specifications. If you would like to contribute to building a truly outstanding reference with The SAGE Encyclopedia of Decision Sciences please contact me by the e-mail information below. Please provide your CV or a brief summary of your academic/publishing credentials in related disciplines. Thanks very much. Melodie Hagspiel Author Manager melodie@golsonmedia.com

JOURNAL OF INTERCULTURAL STUDIES, SPECIAL ISSUE "THE TRANSCULTURAL IN THE AMERICAS: APPLICATIONS, IMAGININGS, LIMITATIONS AND POTENTIALITIES OF A CONCEPT"
Deadline February 23, 2015

Fernando Ortiz's transculturalism is being applied with increasing frequency and variation in the social sciences and humanities. Existing scholarship reflects on how transculturalism exposes the dynamics of diversity and encounters in multi-ethnic, multi-national, multi-faith, plural societies, and interrogates the extent to which the transcultural reflects contemporary cultural mixing and the formation of the Self. The concept has been extended and reworked in a number of ways to lend meaning to an extensive array of subjects concerned with the material, social, political and historical aspects of cultural encounters. With this issue therefore, we return to the region from which it originated, and to which it is most often



applied, seeking examples of its development and application that can shed light on the limits and potentialities of the transcultural for the theorisation and lived experiences of cultural mixing.

The journal's editors invite papers from sociology, cultural studies, migration studies, postcolonial studies, anthropology, gender studies and politics that critically engage with and apply transculturalism in North American or Latin American contexts.

These will be considered for inclusion in a thematic issue of the journal (36/6) scheduled for publication in **December 2015**.

All submissions will undergo initial editor screening and double-blind peer review.

Submissions made after the **23rd of February 2015** cannot be considered.

[Click here to read the journal's Instructions for Authors.](#)

All submissions can be made to the journal's ScholarOne Manuscripts site: <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cjis>

Please email [Paula Muraca](#) with any questions or to register your intent to submit.

NEW SCHOLAR, SPECIAL ISSUE "THE VIEW FROM ABOVE: COSMOPOLITAN CULTURE AND ITS CRITICS"

Deadline February 28, 2015

Calling for papers for a Special Edition of *New Scholar* that will explore the notion of cosmopolitanism, both as a utopian project and as an object of critique. This Special Edition follows on from the conference, The View from Above: Cosmopolitan Culture and its Critics, which was held at the University of Melbourne on 22 and 23 September 2014. We invite contributors (*especially postgraduate students and early career researchers*) to submit papers (scholarly and/or creative) that address some aspect of cosmopolitanism.

Potential topics include:

- old and new cosmopolitanisms (including the influence of classical, medieval and early modern texts on more recent understandings of the cosmopolitan)
- cosmopolitan sensibilities in colonial, postcolonial and diasporic literatures
- cosmopolitanism and class
- feminist engagements with cosmopolitanism
- cosmopolitanism and sexuality
- cosmopolitanism, advertising, popular culture and everyday life
- transnationalism and globalisation, parochialism and provinciality
- cosmopolitan readerships and politics; the role of translation
- creative practice and the cosmopolitan
- the text as a cosmopolitan space
- utopianism and cosmopolitan futures

Submissions should be 4000-6000 words in length, and must be submitted via the New Scholar website by 28 February 2015. Articles will be single-blind peer reviewed. Submissions must conform to the Author Guidelines for New Scholar. These Guidelines are available at

<http://www.newscholar.org.au/index.php/ns/about/submissions#authorGuidelines>

For any queries on this Special Edition, please contact the editorial committee at viewfromaboveconference@gmail.com.

**ST ANTONY'S INTERNATIONAL REVIEW, SPECIAL ISSUE
"NEGOTIATION IN CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL POLITICS"**

Deadline March 1, 2015



Whether international negotiations succeed or fail depends heavily upon the environment they take place in. They therefore need to be studied with particular attention to context. Influential contextual factors range from macro-level issues such as power distribution to micro-level questions such as the personalities of negotiators and policymakers. These days, a number of trends combine to make the process of negotiation more complex than ever. If we are to draw theoretically and policy relevant insights, scholars and practitioners must be mindful of the increasingly complex realities of the twenty-first century.

St Antony's International Review (STAIR), Oxford University's peer-reviewed interdisciplinary journal of international affairs, is publishing a themed section to gather insights into negotiations in contemporary global politics. This section will focus on recent developments that have impacted negotiation scholarship, for example: the shift away from US hegemony, the presence of systemic risk, the rise of non-state actors and transnational civil society networks, and the move away from multilateral trade negotiations and the enhanced scope of bilateral deals like the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

The complexity of developments affecting the subject is best addressed by bringing together perspectives from various fields of study. Contributions are therefore encouraged from a wide range of disciplines, including International Relations, Law, Economics, Psychology, Sociology, History, and Area Studies. STAIR welcomes both theoretical and empirical work focusing on one or more aspects of the topic, including but not limited to:

Negotiation, power, and actors

- Has the role of international and supranational organizations in negotiations changed?
- How does the rise of the BRICS and particularly China affect negotiation patterns?
- Have technological developments increased the ability of non-state actors such as transnational civil society networks to affect negotiation processes?

Negotiation and the politics of scope

- Does the spatial de-bounding of risk promote successful negotiations?
- How do strategies like issue linkage affect the negotiation process? How and why do states come to prefer certain strategies over others?

Contemporary negotiation in historical perspective

- Can we see trends toward or away from attempts at international negotiation in certain issue areas?
- How have trade and economic negotiations changed in the recent past, and is TTIP a revolutionary development?
- Is the emphasis on discontinuity and context-specificity in this area of scholarship justified?

STAIR welcomes abstracts of up to 500 words in length. STAIR is also looking to publish book reviews of works related to this theme. Please submit your abstracts to negotiation.submissions@gmail.com. For more details regarding the submission procedures please consult www.stair-journal.org. This issue is scheduled to be published in spring 2016; research on ongoing issues related to the topic is welcome.

Abstracts due: 1 March 2015

Papers due: 1 August 2015

Maximum length of articles: 9,000 words

MOTHERS, MOTHERING, AND GLOBALIZATION, CALL FOR CHAPTERS

Deadline March 31, 2015

Editors: Dorsía Smith Silva, Laila Malik, and Abigail Palko

This anthology will examine the diverse and complex experiences of motherhood and mothering from a broad interdisciplinary perspective. We welcome submissions that explore how globalization influences the lives of mothers, especially in regard to cultural, political, historical, social, and economic factors. Further, we encourage writings that represent the relationships between mothering and globalization in a myriad of ways: mothers and their children, extended motherhood, perspectives of single mothers, migrant and domestic care workers, and deferred mothering.

The aim of this volume is to foster work on mothering that analyzes globalization through the lenses of feminist ideologies, literary criticism, and cultural, social, and economic analyses. We hope to include a range of academic writing and some narrative essays.

Topics may include (but are not limited to):

Representations/images of mothers and globalization and (trans)national issues; globalization of motherhood; empowerment, globalization, and mothers; (trans)national mothers and capitalism; (trans)national mothers and activism; public policy and (trans)national mothers; legal responses to (trans)national mothers; LGBTQI (trans)national mothers and social justice issues; (trans)national mothers and sex work;

suffering and survival of (trans)national mothers; creating and maintaining globalized family relationships; mothering and immigration and globalization policies; resistance of (trans)national mothers against cultural oppression; (trans)national mothers and politicians; transnationalism and adoption; race and (anti-) racism within the globalization con-text; theories of mothers who migrate; globalization of reproductive technologies and reproduction; the effects of globalization on mothering; communal support for (trans)national mothers; employment and (trans)national mothers; (trans)national mothers and the loss of identity; (trans)national mothers who build communities and networks; climate change and (trans)national mothers; mothering and cultural globalization; (trans)national mothers and language; pregnant (trans)national mothers and health care; (trans)national mothers and economic inequality; (trans)national mothers and homelessness; (trans)national mothers and education; violence against migrant and (trans)national mothers; migrant and (trans)national mothers and mental health issues; (trans)national mothers and disabilities; mothering and class issues with globalization; caregiving and motherhood in global movements; transnational movements; and online communities of (trans)national mothers

Deadline for Abstracts: March 31, 2015. Please send inquiries and abstracts to editors: Dorsá Smith Silva, Laila Malik, and Abigail Palko at MotheringAndGlobalization@gmail.com

GLOCALISM, SPECIAL ISSUE “GLOCAL SOCIAL CAPITAL”

Deadline April 30, 2015

Contrary to appearances, human relations in a globalized society seem to be becoming, in general, increasingly more significant, fed as they are by diverse forms of rationality not reducible to that of economy. Personal relations tend to integrate themselves into social networks that generate trust and create various types of interpersonal exchanges. They seem to be characterized by those “weak ties” which paradoxically have “strength”: friendly acquaintances that (differently than those shared by close friends, intimates, family and relatives) broaden the possibility of access to information and of finding self-satisfying jobs. These relations are increasingly becoming more relevant in building a social capital that brands itself as both local and global: it generates economic benefits for the individual and for the community to which he/she belongs, but not only this. In fact, social capital bases itself on trust, on shared standards and on mechanisms of relation created by human interaction. It produces inter-personal exchange and cooperation, constituting a precious immaterial resource for individual use. However, ever increasing migratory flows – which tend to characterize globalization – often challenge consolidated social equilibriums, both in the country of origin and in the country of arrival, breaking human bonds and giving rise to problems of social justice and public order. These tears can be partially repaired by the existence or by the formation of small communities (ethnic or cultural enclaves), which generate “binding social capital” and therefore positive fallout for the members of these communities. But binding social capital is unable to transform itself into “bridging” or “linking social capital” and thus

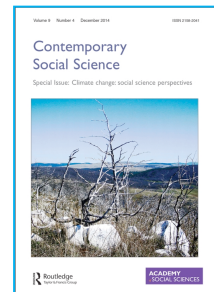
produces social fragmentation. In effect, it causes individuals and communities involved in the process of globalization to become increasingly more weak and unable to face social challenges as part of a larger community. The obvious risk is the possible disintegration of global society into a multitude of closed communities. Institutional policies or political actions produced by social collaboration can partly govern this process of intensifying human relations and create significant links between society and individuals that in the end can generate new forms of polity.

Deadline: April 30, 2015. This issue is scheduled to appear at end-June 2015.
http://www.glocalismjournal.net/Calls_For_Papers/Issues/Call-For-Papers-2015-2-GLOCAL-SOCIAL-CAPITAL.KI

CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL SCIENCE, SPECIAL ISSUE “INTERNATIONAL AND INTERDISCIPLINARY INSIGHTS INTO EVIDENCE-BASED POLICY”

Deadline June 1, 2015

Building on earlier publications of *Contemporary Social Science* on knowledge transfer, this special issue calls for papers that address the questions raised about the relationship between evidence and policy by adopting an international perspective and, where appropriate, a multidisciplinary approach to the policy process. The papers will examine both the institutions acting as evidence brokers and the different methods used to collect and assess evidence. Papers highlighting the strengths and weaknesses, or successes and failures, of different institutional and methodological approaches to evidence-based policy are, therefore, of particular interest. Papers should also consider what elements of the lessons learned might be transferable across national and cultural boundaries.



The papers will be 5–8,000 words in length. We are seeking original articles, critical reviews and case studies using a range of methods to explore academic and scholarly issues. Sound empirically based studies on the relationship between evidence and policy will be welcome as well as high quality scholarly essays. Topics of particular interest due to current policy attention include early intervention, poverty prevention, access to educational opportunities and skills, changing family structures, intergenerational solidarity, ageing and healthy living.

Submission Instructions

Manuscripts must follow the guidelines and usual format for submission of papers to *Contemporary Social Sciences* as indicated in the [Instructions for Authors](#).

Papers should be submitted online at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/rsoc> indicating that they are for inclusion in this Special Issue.

The Editors of this issue would be happy to review plans for papers in advance of their receipt. All papers will be peer reviewed. **The closing date for submitting papers**

is **1 June 2015**. The corresponding Special Editors for this issue are: Linda Hantrais, Ashley Lenihan and Susanne MacGregor.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

RURAL SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Deadline February 6, 2015



Theme: “Knowing Rural: Situating the Lived Experience of Rurality in Definitions of Rural.” Held August 6-9, 2015 in Madison, Wisconsin. Abstract submissions are due February 6, 2015. http://www.ruralsociology.us/?page_id=252

Around the globe, official definitions of “rural” vary, and each definition has implications for how we understand and give meaning to rural spaces and places. In the U.S. and Canada, official definitions of rural places are based on population size: the U.S. defines rural as locations with 2,500 or fewer residents, while Canada classifies rural based on population size but also on density of 400 or fewer residents per square kilometer. In other countries, rurality includes both population size and more qualitative concepts. In England, for instance, rural classification is based on distance from services, while in India, rural is defined as sites where a majority of male workers are employed in agriculture or related occupations. These definitions identify rural spaces by population, occupation and gender and each designation implies much about rural life. Density of population is closely tied to density of acquaintanceship; distance to services may imply inequities in terms of access to valued services such as health care. In other words, defining the rural also specifies some features of the lived experience of those who inhabit rural spaces.

Making sense of rural experiences requires understanding the diverse geographies, economies, and communities that make up rural places. After all, rural landscapes include sites of high-amenity recreation, industrialized agriculture production, chemical processing plants, prisons and pocket-size organic farms. And these sites are undergoing significant change. As rural populations age and rural communities confront the emergent complexities of contemporary life, the lived experience of rurality is undergoing rapid transformation.

What social, economic and political factors are shaping and re-shaping the lived experience of rural populations? How are rural populations responding to and adapting to these changes? How are these changes transforming rural landscapes? And, finally, how might these changes challenge the ways we all understand and define rurality? At our next annual meeting we will explore these and many related questions. We look forward to seeing you in Madison!

GULF RESEARCH CENTER CAMBRIDGE

Deadline February 20, 2015

Invitation to Participate in a Workshop on “Transnational Knowledge Relations and Researcher Mobility for Building Knowledge-Based Societies and Economies in the Gulf.” The deadline for submission is February 20th and the conference itself will take place between August 24-27, 2015. The workshop will take place at Cambridge University; participants from North America and the Middle East will receive travel allowances of 550 pounds.

This workshop will explore the intellectual relations and researcher mobility between the Gulf and the outside world with a specific focus on Gulf universities and other relevant actors such as think tanks, professional organizations, government organizations, and business communities. And, importantly, we are also interested in knowledge networks that connect the Gulf to non-Western organizations, both public and private, in Asia and beyond.

In particular, this panel seeks papers that explore the following sets of questions:

- What are the actors, universities, government institutions, think tanks, corporations, etc. in the Gulf who contribute to developing local knowledge-based societies and economies?
- What transnational knowledge networks do these Gulf knowledge actors maintain between themselves and others in Gulf societies?
- What transnational knowledge networks exist between organizations and individuals in the Gulf and those in Europe, North America, and Asia?
- How can transnational knowledge networks between Gulf societies and external actors be measured?
- What forms of knowledge (cultural, natural, social, or technological) flow between these actors in the Gulf and elsewhere?
- How is knowledge transmitted between the Gulf and external regions in the shape of people, publications, intellectual property rights, capacity building, and investment?
- What is the role of highly skilled individuals within transnational knowledge networks spanning the Gulf and other regions? Who are these individuals; what is their background; where do they come from; what roles do they play in the Gulf; and, where do they go after they leave the region? Do they maintain relations with the Gulf?
- How do the various labor regimes governing worker mobility affect intellectual exchange?
- How do GCC policies to develop local talent vary on a case by case basis? Under what conditions do they advance or undermine the development of knowledge-based societies?

The objective of this workshop is to publish an edited book based on the individual papers presented. To that end the panel directors will send a template that defines how each paper should be structured to the selected participants.

For more information about allowances and travel information please consult the following website:

<http://gulfresearchmeeting.net/index.php?pgid=Ng>

For more information about our workshop please consult the following website:

<http://gulfresearchmeeting.net/index.php?pgid=Njk=&wid=MTA1&yr=2015>

JOURNAL OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES SYMPOSIUM

Deadline April 15, 2015

Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies Symposium, August 6-9, 2015, Pasadena, CA. Theme: "Free." The Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies endeavors to bring together scholars from a wide range of disciplines and denominations for an exciting international conference that takes both scholarship and faith seriously. Deadline: April 15, 2015 Contact: Oscar Gruenwald at 1065 Pine Bluff Dr., Pasadena, CA 91107, and go@jjs3.org. For more information, visit www.JIS3.org/symposium2015.htm.

ASSOCIATION FOR HUMANIST SOCIOLOGY

Deadline May 31, 2015



Association for Humanist Sociology (AHS) Annual Meeting, October 21-25, 2015, Portland, OR. Theme: "Locavore Sociology: Challenging Globalization, Embracing the Local." The Association for Humanist Sociology announces its call for participation for its upcoming conference. Submit your complete abstract related to the conference theme or more broadly to the AHS mission of equality and social justice. Deadline: May 31, 2015. Contact: Anthony E. Ladd at aladd@loyno.edu or Kathleen J. Fitzgerald at fitzy88so@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP / POST-DOC ANNOUNCEMENTS

RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Deadline February 1, 2015

The Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) is soliciting applications for the 2015 Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship. Persons accepted into an accredited doctoral program in any one of the social and/or behavioral sciences are invited to apply for the \$12,000 Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship. All applicants must be a current member and a citizen or permanent resident of the United States when applying. Deadline: February 1, 2015. Contact: Amanda Lewis at aelewis@uic.edu.

For more information, visit

www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/261/Racial/Ethnic_Minority_Graduate_Scholarship/

BIGSSS POST-DOC PROGRAM

Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences

Deadline February 15, 2015

The BIGSSS post-doctoral competition is open to candidates who received a doctorate in political science, sociology, psychology, or related social science disciplines e.g. law, economics or mass communication within the last three years, or who can be expected to finish prior to commencing their Post-doc stay.

BIGSSS offers 2 Post-doc positions which are paid in line with TVL E13 and may be taken up for a period ranging from 6 to 24 months. The positions are full-time and subject to social insurance contribution. BIGSSS also provides funds for conducting, presenting and publishing research. All fellows are expected to choose Bremen as their place of residence.

Successful applicants to the Post-doc program will pursue a topic in one of BIGSSS' [three Thematic Fields](#).

- Thematic Field A: [Global Governance and Regional Integration](#)
- Thematic Field B: [Welfare State, Inequality and Quality of Life](#)
- Thematic Field C: [Changing Lives in Changing Socio-Cultural Contexts](#)

Diversity and Anti-Discrimination:

BIGSSS believes that diverse backgrounds and ideas are crucial to academic excellence. Therefore, BIGSSS welcomes and promotes diversity and ensures equal opportunity and inclusion for all of its members regardless of ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, age or (dis-)ability. More information and contact details of our Equal Opportunities Officers can be found [here](#).

Application Deadline:

The application period for the **Fall 2015** semester will begin on **November 15th, 2014** and go until **February 15th, 2015**. The deadline refers to the date of receipt of the application. All letters of recommendation must also reach BIGSSS by February 15th, 2015.

Email inquiries about the application process should be sent to admissions-officer@bigsss-bremen.de. Or you may call the admissions officer, Hannah Hammerschmidt, at 0049 (0) 421 200 3956.

If you have questions regarding the admissions process, please consult our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) after carefully reading the website.

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

EDITORIAL SEARCH – SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY EDITOR

Deadline February 1, 2015

The ASA Committee on Publications has extended the deadline for submission of applications for the editorship of *Sociological Theory* until February 1, 2015. The new editor (or co-editors) will serve for a minimum of three years (January 2016-December 2018), with the editorial transition anticipated in summer 2015.



See the full call at

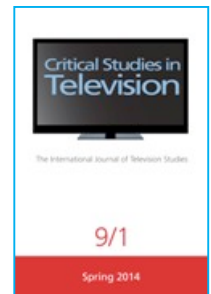
http://www.asanet.org/journals/upcoming_editorships/revised_ST_call.cfm.

See more at:

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CALL FOR REVIEWERS – CRITICAL STUDIES IN TELEVISION

Critical Studies in Television is an international, peer-reviewed journal of television studies, published three times a year by Manchester University Press. Now in its tenth year, CST publishes on a wide range of topics and, largely in response to its success in attracting high-quality articles, is seeking to expand its base of academic reviewers, especially in areas where the journal is receiving a high volume of submissions.



The editors would be pleased to receive expressions of interest from researchers with expertise in any aspect of television studies, but we are particularly interested in established scholars of global television, especially East Asian (Singaporean, Korean, Malaysian and Taiwanese and Chinese TV) and Latin America.

If you would like to be considered as a CST reviewer, please forward a CV with a statement outlining your expertise and principal interests to both:

Janet McCabe, Managing Editor, *Critical Studies in Television*, at: j.mccabe@bbk.ac.uk
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Stephen.lacey@southwales.ac.uk

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