A Note from the Chair

Society and Mental Health Division Members,

Greetings! Hope you are having a productive Fall! First, I want to thank all of our session organizers, discussants, and presenters for all their work during the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. We had a total of 47 papers included in the program between sponsored and co-sponsored sessions. Take a look at all of the pictures on page 3.

Second, I want to urge you to renew your SSSP and Division membership and encourage others to join. As of July 31, 2018, we had 105 members and I will like to continue expanding or membership.

Third, the time has come to elect our next division chair, please let me know if you are interested in being considered for the position. It is a relatively easy process and I will be more than happy to discuss in more detail the expectations for the role of any division member interested in the position.

Finally, for our 2019 meeting in New York City we will have 3 sponsored and 7 co-sponsored sessions. Make sure to visit SSSP call for papers at: https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/755/fuseaction/ssspsession2.publicView

Also, remember to nominate or apply for the James R. Greenley Award and the Graduate Student Paper Award competition. For more information: https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageid/2172.

Make sure to follow us on Twitter @SMHSSSP

Sincerely,

Fernando I. Rivera
2018 Society and Mental Health Division Student Paper Award

Deadline: January 31st, 2019

The Society and Mental Health Division announces the 2019 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers should involve an empirical analysis, either qualitative or quantitative, dealing with any aspect of the sociology of mental health. To be eligible, a paper must have been written during 2018 or 2019, and it may not be published or accepted for publication. Papers that have been presented at a professional meeting, submitted for presentation at a professional conference, or are under review for publication are eligible. Papers must be student-authored. They may be single authored by the student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other nonstudent. Papers must not exceed 28 pages including all notes, references, and tables. Please note that your paper may only be submitted to one division competition. To submit your paper for consideration, send two online copies to: Fernando I. Rivera (Fernando.Rivera@ucf.edu). Please include (1) a cover letter indicating that you are submitting your paper for the competition; and (2) a letter from your advisor that certifies your graduate-student status and offers some brief comments about your work. In addition, authors are required to submit their papers through the annual meeting Call for Papers online system. The winner will be announced at the 2019 Annual Meeting and will receive a $150 cash award, a plaque recognition, conference registration, and student membership.

James R. Greenley Award

Deadline: April 1st, 2019

The Society and Mental Health Division invites nominations for the 2019 James R. Greenley Award for distinguished contributions to the sociology of mental health. With this award, the Division seeks to recognize individuals who have distinguished careers and made a significant impact on the field through their scholarship, teaching, and community involvement. Previous award winners include Peter Conrad, Bruce Link, Thomas Scheff, Walter Gove, R. Jay Turner, Bruce Dohrenwend, William Avison, Virginia Hiday, Eric Wright, Jo Phelan, Peggy Thoits, Jane McLeod, Allan V. Horowitz, and Rogelio Saenz. Nominations, including a letter of nomination and a copy of the nominees CV, should be sent via email to Fernando I. Rivera (Fernando.Rivera@ucf.edu) by April 1, 2019. The winner of the 2019 award will be notified in June and the award will be presented at the Society and Mental Health Division’s annual Business Meeting in New York City.

Recruit your colleagues and students to SSSP!

Please encourage your colleagues and students to join or renew their membership to the Society & Mental Health Division! Membership renewal is easy and secure online at www.sssp1.org. The benefits of membership include receiving Social Problems journal and division newsletters, updates about the annual meeting, opportunities for involvement in special problems divisions, and leadership within the organization.
News & Announcements

2018 Annual Meeting
Abolitionist Approaches to Social Problems
August 10–12, 2018
Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel
Philadelphia, PA

Dr. Fernando Rivera, Division Chair and Dr. Rogelio Saenz, 2018 James R. Greenley Award winner

Graduate Student Paper Award Winner 2018

Presidential Address
Philadelphia 2018

Session: Migration, Citizenship, and Mental Health

Philadelphia
“The City of Brotherly Love”
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Vanderbilt University, Assistant Professor in Sociology of Health

Open Date: Sep 6, 2018
Close Date: Nov 30, 2018

Department of Sociology Position:
Tenure-track Assistant Professor in Sociology of Health

The Department of Sociology at Vanderbilt University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor in the area of health and well-being to begin fall semester 2019. We seek a scholar who focuses on the intersection of race/ethnicity with other key dimensions of inequality, including, for example, gender, social class, aging, and disability status in shaping health disparities. Strong quantitative skills, with an ability to teach graduate quantitative methods, interest in participating in the new undergraduate Quantitative Social Science Program, and the capacity to attract external funding are highly desirable. Candidacy for this position will be strengthened if the applicant can also contribute to one or more of our existing departmental strengths in social movements, politics and organizations, work, race, gender, global/comparative, or population and migration.

Qualifications

Vanderbilt expects excellence in research and teaching. The Ph.D. is required by fall 2019.

Application Instructions

To apply, please submit via Interfolio at this link: http://apply.interfolio.com/54141 the following: 1) a letter describing your research/teaching interests and professional experience; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) two samples of your scholarly writing; 4) available evidence of teaching effectiveness; and 5) three letters of reference.

Applications will be reviewed starting October 15, 2018 and continue until the position is filled. Please contact André Christie-Mizell (andre.christie-mizell@vanderbilt.edu), search committee chair, or Larry Isaac (larry.isaac@vanderbilt.edu), department chair, with any questions. Vanderbilt University is committed to recruiting and retaining an academically and culturally diverse community of exceptional faculty. Women, minorities, and members of other underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. Vanderbilt University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer.

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