SSSP Mental Health Division Spring 2012

August 16-18, Denver, Colorado, Mental Health
Division Schedule of Sessions & Reception

Date: Thursday, August 16
Time: 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM
Session 39: Reconciling Advocacy and Research in Mental Health Services Research
Room: Mt. Harvard (GH)

Presider & Discussant: Alisa Lincoln, Associate Professor of Health Sciences and Sociology, Northeastern University

“Advocacy And Aggravation: Negotiating Consensus Among Stakeholders,” Teresa Scheid, University of North Carolina - Charlotte

“Cumulative Adversity and Other Correlates and Predictors of Posttraumatic Growth,” Sarah L. Jirek, University of Tampa

“Evidence Based Practice of Mental Health Courts: Barriers to Data Dissemination,” Stephanie W. Hartwell, Lisa-Marie Guzman and Taylor Hall, UMass Boston

“What Our Doing Does: The Unintended of Mental Health Advocacy in Canada,” Gary RS Barron, University of Alberta

RECEPTION – We will present our student paper award and the Greenley Award at the reception Thursday night so please come and celebrate!

When: 6:30PM – 7:30PM
Where: Pub 17, Grand Hyatt Hotel Bar
Sessions Continued...

Date: Friday, August 17
Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM

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Session 67: Diagnosis and Labeling: A Contested Process
Room: Maroon Peak (GH)

Presider & Discussant: Jo C. Phelan, Professor of Sociomedical Sciences, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

“Insurance Companies, E-Records, and Patients—oh my! Deception in the Borderline Personality Disorder Diagnosis,” Sandra Sulzer, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Dept. of Sociology


“Social and Structural Factors Underlying the Disproportionate Labeling of Racial Minorities in High School with Learning Disabilities,” Dara Shifrer, The University of Texas at Austin

“The Impending Globalization of ADHD,” Peter Conrad and Meredith Bergey, Brandeis University

Date: Saturday, August 18
Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

Session 111: Emerging Institutional Contexts for Mental Health Care
Room: Mount Evans B (AT)

Presider & Discussant: Stephanie W. Hartwell, UMass Boston

“Effectiveness of a Recently Established Mental Health Court,” Padraic Burns, Virginia Aldige Hiday and Brad Ray, North Carolina State University

“Institutional Logics, Occupational Hierarchy, and Worker-Client Relations in Community Mental Health Services,” Kerry M. Dobransky, James Madison University, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

“Methodological Challenges and Conceptual Directions for Assessing Latino Views of The Causes of Mental Illness,” Rachael Gorab and Christopher Prener, Northeastern University

“Reducing Health Disparities Among Service Users at an Urban Behavioral Health Clinic: examining the impact of a Peer-Navigation Program,” Alisa Lincoln, Associate Professor of Health Sciences and Sociology, Northeastern University, Margot Abels, Northeastern University and Peggy Johnson, Carney Hospital
Greenley Award Winner 2012 Announced
We are proud to award the 2012 James R. Greenley Award for Distinguished Contributions to the Sociology of Mental Health to Dr. Jo C. Phelan Professor of Sociomedical Sciences, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University. She was recommended and selected by a group of her peers who know her as a former chair and champion of the SSSP Mental Health division. Dr. Phelan’s work is notable for its creativity in research design to test theories and for its rigorous and sophisticated methodology. Because of this sound theoretical and methodological basis, her empirical work has advanced our understanding in several important areas of mental health to which she has directed her attention and in the more general area of inequality in the larger society. The committee viewed her contributions impacting 3 major areas in the sociology of mental health: (1) biological attribution of disease and stigma; (2) social stigma and mental health; and (3) social conditions and disease. We are happy to say congratulations as we award her this honor, Thursday August 16th at 6:30pm at the SSSP reception, Pub 17 Grand Hyatt Hotel.

Mental Health Division Graduate Students Win SSSP Travel Awards for the Annual Meeting
Two graduate students in the Mental Health Division were awarded SSSP travel award to present in Thursdays’ Reconciling Advocacy and Research in Mental Health Services Research session. Congratulations to Taylor Hall and Lisa Marie Guzman from UMass Boston!

Student Paper Competition
Richard Carpiano (University of British Columbia) and his team remain busy reviewing the very competitive student papers for this year’s student paper competition. The review team received 6 worthy papers. Technically, they had 7, but one got officially published on the day of the deadline!

Thank you to Rich and the committee: Jason Houle (a former winner; at Univ. Wisconsin-Madison), Dawne Mouzon (Rutgers), and Ginnie Hiday (NC State).