A Note From the Chair

A warm greeting to all!

The end of the Spring and the beginning of Summer is upon us, a great chance to finish projects and spend time with family and friends. In a little over two months, the SSSP annual meeting will take place in Philadelphia and we have an exciting slate of presentations and events. This year we have 40 plus presentations sponsored and co-sponsored by our division! We will also have our divisional meeting on Friday, August 10th from 4:30pm to 6:10pm, make sure to mark your calendars and share your ideas for sessions for next year’s meeting. Remember also to attend our reception on Saturday, August 11th at 7:45pm. This will be a great time to interact and share some time together!

I look forward to seeing you all in Philadelphia!

Remember to follow us on Twitter @SMHSSSP

2018 James R. Greenley Award: Dr. Rogelio Sáenz

We are delighted to announce that this year’s James R. Greenley Award for Distinguished Contributions to the Sociology of Mental Health winner is Dr. Rogelio Sáenz, Dean of the College of Public Policy at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Rogelio Sáenz holds the Mark G. Yudof Endowed Chair at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr. Sáenz has written extensively in the areas of demography, Latina/os, race and ethnic relations, inequality, immigration, public policy, social justice, and human rights. He is co-author of Latinos in the United States: Diversity and Change (Polity Press) and is also co-editor of The International Handbook of the Demography of Race and Ethnicity (Springer Press). Dr. Sáenz regularly writes op-ed essays on current demographic, social, race, economic, and political issues with his contributions appearing in such newspapers as the Austin American-Statesman, El Paso Times, New York Times, Rio Grande Guardian, and the San Antonio Express-News. He is also a Policy Fellow of the Carsey School of Public Policy at the University of New Hampshire. In addition to this prolific research agenda, Dr. Saenz has many contributions to the sociological study of mental health including research analyzing the relation between aging and migration, issues of worry and concern surrounding anti-immigrant laws, suicide, and the relationship between traditional sex roles, ethnic integration, marital satisfaction, and psychological distress among Chicanas.
2018 Society and Mental Health Division Student Paper Award

This year winner is: “Exiters of Religious Fundamentalism: Reconstruction of Social Relationships and Support Related to Mental Well-being,” Andreea Nica, Portland State University

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.

2018 SSSP Society & Mental Health Division Sponsored Sessions

Numbers refer to session numbers in the Program Schedule

Date: Friday, August 10
Time: 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM

THEMATIC Session 8: Mental Health and the Opioid Epidemic

Room: Salon 5
Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs & Society and Mental Health
Organizer & Presider: Jason A. Ford, University of Central Florida

Papers:

“Addicted Bodies in Neoliberal Discourses: Opioid Crisis, Mental Health, and Racialization,” Omar Tariq Bird, University of Hawai’i at Mānoa

“Disability Status and Prescription Drug Misuse among U.S. Adults,” Jason A. Ford, Melanie Sberna Hinojosa and Harvey L. Nicholson, University of Central Florida

“Mental Health and Polysubstance Opioid Use in a Criminal Justice Sample: A Latent Class Analysis,” Amanda M. Bunting, Carrie B. Oser, Michele Staton and Erin Winston, University of Kentucky


“The Criminal Justice Consequences of Opioid Prescription,” Alix S. Winter, Harvard University
“Puerto Rican Migrant Intragroup Relations in Poinciana, Florida,” Stephanie A. Dhuman, University of Florida

“Negotiating Racialized ‘Illegality’: Undocumented Asian Americans and New Belongings,” Jessica Law, The University of Chicago

“Broken Bodies, Broken Selves: Policing and Punishment Along the U.S.-Mexico Border,” Heidy Sarabia and Maria Vargas, California State University, Sacramento

“Determinants of Health-Related Social Support among Sri Lankan and Roma Immigrants in Europe,” David Cañarte and Raffaele Vacca, University of Florida and Tommaso Vitale, Sciences Po, Centre for European Studies and Comparative Politics, Italy

“Social Mobility and Medical Care Experiences among Immigrant Latina Women,” Sonia Mendoza, Adria N. Armbrister and Ana F. Abraido-Lanza, Columbia University

“I Stopped Going because I Was Tired of Keeping that Guera Happy’: Depression, Talk Therapy, and Emotion Management in the Lives of U.S. Women of Mexican Descent,” Angie Mejia, Syracuse University

“Local Identity, Discrimination, Aloha Spirit, and Mental Health in Hawaii,” Krysia N. Mossakowski and Jennifer Darrah-Okike, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

“Shared Status as a Resource: Perceived Discrimination and Stress-buffering Effects of Social Support in Black Friendship Networks,” Nicholas Chad Smith, Indiana University

“Trapped: Inescapable Sustained Trauma Exposure and Health among Black Mothers in Chicago,” Ruby Mendenhall and Meggan J. Lee, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Kristen Ethier, The University of Chicago
**Session 41: Mental Health, Sport, and the Body**

Papers:

“Does Stigma Make You Sick? Assessing the Health Consequences of Perceived Stigma over a Three-year Period,” Evan J. Batty and Robyn Brown, University of Kentucky

“The Cumulative Influence of Perceived Discrimination and Prejudice on Depressive Symptoms from Adolescence into Young Adulthood,” Mara N. Eylion, Northeastern University

“The Thrill of Victory, The Agony of Injury,” Kaitlin A. Pericak, University of Miami

“Totemism: Nationalism, the American Flag, and the Take a Knee Movement,” Adonis Timothy William Kernen, University at Buffalo, SUNY

“What Does Being Healthy ‘Look Like’? Body Shaming: Peering into the Expectations and Cultural Identity of Outward Appearance on Health in Impoverished America,” Natalee Briscoe, University of Alabama

**Session 55: Migration, Citizenship, and Mental Health: Methods for Understanding, Impacts, and Responses**

Papers:

“Effects of External Threat on Immigrant Community Cohesion,” Carly Offidani-Bertrand, The University of Chicago

“Disrupted Lives: Legal Precariousness for 1.5-generation Immigrants in the Age of Increased Anti-immigrant Hostility,” Kara Cebulko and Diana Canales, Providence College

“Deferred But Not Forgotten: Documenting the Experiences of DACA Recipients in Uncertain Political Times,” Júlia F. Mendes, Loyola University Chicago

“Psychological Distress and Coping in Undocumented College Students,” Rosalie A. Torres Stone, Clark University/UMass Medical School

“Another Way Forward: An Exploration of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) and Psychological Distress in the Hispanic Community,” Angela Vergara and Fernando I. Rivera, University of Central Florida
Date: Saturday, August 11
Time: 12:30 PM - 2:10 PM
Session 77: Migration, Citizenship, and Well-being Across Different Context
Room: Independence D
Sponsors: Community Research and Development & Society and Mental Health
Organizer & Presider: Alex Trillo, St. Peter’s University

Papers:

“Ethnic Social Support, Palancas and Class Convergence,” Maria G. Rendon, University of California, Irvine

“Integration in the Shadow of Assimilation: The Case of Turkish Immigrants in Berlin,” Ezgi Deniz-Rasit, Northeastern University

“Intersecting Blackness: Analyzing Race and Ethnicity amongst Black Caribbean Migrants,” Jamella N. Gow, University of California, Santa Barbara

“Perception of Access to Citizenship Rights by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity in Latin America,” Cristian L. Paredes and Fatema Zohara, Loyola University Chicago

“The Making of Transnational Movement for Marriage Migrants,” Hsiao-Chuan Hsia, Graduate Institute for Social Transformation Studies, Shih Hsin University, Taiwan

Date: Saturday, August 11
Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM
Session 90: Housing, Mental Health, and Communities
Room: Independence D
Sponsor: Community Research and Development, Society and Mental Health & Sociology and Social Welfare
Organizer & Presider: Patricia Chen, University of Texas, Dallas

Papers:

“Fear of Crime and Health in Public Housing,” James Pope, California State University and Arturo Baiocchi, California State University, Sacramento

“Mental Health Service Use by Low-income Latino and African American Youth: What Role Does Neighborhood Play?” Anna Maria Santiago, Michigan State University

“Navigating the City of Boston: A Look at Health Outcomes for Those in a Publicly Funded Outpatient Drug and Alcohol Recovery Setting,” Christopher Lamar Rogers, Northeastern University

“New Look at an Old Puzzle?: Exploring the Utility of Ecological-level Measures in Understanding County-level Suicide Rates,” N. F. Parsons, Portland State University

“Residential and Neighborhood Resources and Emotional Well-being in East Asia,” Anastasia S. Vogt Yuan, Virginia Tech
Description: Workplace tensions tend to be distributed down to the front-line workers. Four papers explore variations on these negative work environments with a focus on brief presentations of their findings, with time for discussion and questions.

Papers:

“A Big Win in Smalltown: Demanding Dignity in an Era of Neoliberal Austerity,” Todd E. Vachon, University of Connecticut

“Navigating Mental Health Court: Identifying Different Types of Engagement in a Hybrid Criminal Justice and Social Welfare Organization,” Cheyney Dobson, University of Michigan


“The Customer is Always Right: Tension within the Dollar Store Service Triangle,” Tracy Lynn Vargas, Syracuse University

Papers:


“Crowdfunding Depression,” Kristen R. Witzel, Andrews University

“Does Ethnic Identity Buffer or Intensify the Stress of Discrimination among the Foreign Born and U.S. Born? Evidence from the Miami-Dade Health Survey,” Kryisia N. Mossakowski, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, Turro Wongkaren, University of Indonesia, Terrence D. Hill, University of Arizona and Robert Johnson, University of Miami

“Exiters of Religious Fundamentalism: Reconstruction of Social Relationships and Support Related to Mental Well-being,” Andreca Nica, Portland State University, Winner of the Society and Mental Health Division’s Student Paper Competition

“The Dynamics between the Food Environment and Residential Segregation: An Analysis of Metropolitan Areas,” Ferzana D. Havewala, University of Baltimore
2016 SSSP Society & Mental Health Division Reception and Special Events

Society and Mental Health Divisional Meeting: Liberty Ballroom A
Date: Friday, August 10
Time: 4:30 PM – 6:10 PM

Awards Ceremony: Horizons Rooftop Ballroom
Date: Saturday, August 11
Time: 6:45 PM – 7:45 PM

Division-Sponsored Reception: Independence Ballroom
Date: Saturday, August 11
Time: 7:45 PM – 8:45 PM

Papers:
“Can You Handle It? Mental Illness Stigma in Mental Health Care,” Kerry M. Dobransky, James Madison University

“Health Coaching: Consumerism and Health in a Neoliberal Age,” Meredith R. Bergey, Villanova University

“Queering Essentialism? Sexual Regime Change and Specialization in Transgender Care Provision,” Chris Wakefield, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

“Removing Barriers to Treatment? Stigma and Psychiatric Hospital Website Content,” Emma Frieh, Indiana University Bloomington

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