



Poverty, Class, Inequality Division

Fall 2016 Newsletter

Welcome back, PCID members, and thanks to everyone who contributed to this fall's updates.

The PCID is preparing to hold elections for the next division chair. If you are interested in running or nominating a colleague, please let me know as soon as possible! Self-nominations are welcome.

Don't forget to visit, like, and post to our Facebook and Twitter pages at: <https://www.facebook.com/ssppcid/> and <https://twitter.com/ssppci>!

Thanks for your participation in the Division.

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Call for Papers:

The Division is sponsoring or co-sponsoring the following panels in Montreal next August. Please share! If you would like to help organize one of the sessions, please let Jennifer know.

Narratives of Poverty – Thematic Session. Organizer: Gretchen Purser, gwpurser@maxwell.syr.edu.

Resistance to Inequality – Thematic Session. Organizer: Brooke E. Kelly, BROOKE.KELLY@UNCP.EDU.

Issues in Researching and Teaching Poverty, Class, and Inequality. Organizer: Georgios P. Loizides, loizidesg@uwstout.edu.

Policy, Action, and Research in Housing and Homelessness. Organizer: Rahim Kurwa, rahim.kurwa@gmail.com. Co-sponsored with Community Research and Development and Sociology and Social Welfare.

Families and Poverty. Organizer: Michael D. Sousa, msousa@law.du.edu. Co-sponsored with Family.

Poverty and Debt. Organizer: Michael D. Sousa, msousa@law.du.edu. Co-sponsored with Law and Society.

Gender, Work, and Poverty. Organizer: Brooke E. Kelly, BROOKE.KELLY@UNCP.EDU. Co-sponsored with Society and Mental Health.

Profiting Off the Poor: The Privatization of Poverty and Poverty Entrepreneurs-Thematic Session. Organizer: Gretchen Purser, gwpurser@maxwell.syr.edu. Co-Sponsored with Sociology and Social Welfare.

Inequality in Sports and Leisure. Organizer: Rebecca Joyce Kissane, KISSANER@LAFAYETTE.EDU. Co-Sponsored with Sport, Leisure and the Body.

BE A MEETING MENTOR!

Each year, SSSP has lots of students and new members sign up for its meeting mentoring program. But the only way people can offer to be mentors is when they register for the meeting, and it's easy for folks to forget to do that, so there aren't enough volunteers. Because there aren't enough mentors, it is hard to match the interests of willing mentors with people who want mentoring.

I'm chairing the Lee Student Support Fund Committee (the group in charge of the mentoring program). I want to locate willing mentors from all of SSSP divisions. If you are planning to attend next year's meeting in Montreal, and if you'd be willing to serve as a mentor, please send me an email message (joelbest@udel.edu). In your message, list the divisions that interest you. I'll save your information and, next summer, I'll try and identify (hopefully no more than one or two) mentees who share your interests.

I've been a mentor every year since the program started, and I continue to keep in touch with some of those people. It is a great program, but we need your help to make it stronger.

Thanks,

Joel Best (joelbest@udel.edu)

Member News

New Articles, Books, and Book Chapters from Members:

Blad, Cory, Samuel Oloruntoba, and Jon Shefner. 2016. "Course Corrections and Failed Rationales: How Comparative Advantage and Debt Are Used to Legitimize Austerity in Africa and Latin America". *Third World Quarterly*. First published online at DOI: 10.1080/01436597.20161145047.

Lamphere, Jenna and Jon Shefner. 2015. "Situating the Green Economy: Discourses, Cooptation, and States". *Current Perspectives in Social Theory*, Vol. 32.

Lopoo, Leonard M., and Andrew S. London. 2016. "Household Crowding During Childhood and Long-Term Education Outcomes." *Demography* 53(3): 699-721.

Glenn, Muschert, Brian Klocke, Robert Perrucci, and Jon Shefner (editors). 2016. *Agenda for Social Justice*. Policy Press and the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Bristol, UK.

Panageotou, Steve and Jon Shefner. 2015. "Crisis Management and the Institutions of Austerity: A Comparison of Latin American and Greek Experiences." *Comparative Sociology* 14, 301-27.

Perrucci, Robert, Mangala Subramaniam and Carolyn C. Perrucci. 2016. "Who Publishes in Leading Sociology Journals, 1965-2010?" Pages 77 – 86 in Earl Wright II and Thomas C. Calhoun (eds.), *What to Expect and How to Respond: Distress and Success in Academia*. Rowman and Littlefield.

Shefner, Jon. 2015. "Introduction: Mid-level Theorizing on Macro Structures: Globalization, States, and Citizen Action." *Current Perspectives in Social Theory*, Vol. 32.

Shefner, Jon, George Pasdirtz and Aaron Rowland. 2015. "Austerity and Protest: Bringing Hardships Back In". *Journal of World Systems Research*, Vol. # 21, No. 2.

Sherman, Jennifer. "'Stress I don't Need': Gender Expectations and Relationship Struggles amongst the Poor." Forthcoming in *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Other Member Activities:

Associate Professor Michael Sousa recently presented his empirical work on consumer debtors at the Symposium on Consumer Credit in America held at Duke Law School and sponsored by the journal *Law & Contemporary Problems*. C-Span covered the symposium which included financial and consumer law scholars from around the country.

http://lcp.law.duke.edu/consumer_credit_symposium/

Former PCI Chair Dr. William Cabin of Temple University's College of Public Health has been named 2016 Best Reviewer by the *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Upcoming Conferences of Interest:

New Directions in Critical Race & Ethnic Studies Conference. April 27-29, 2017 (tentative).

Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

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Calls for Applications:

Job Opportunity: William Julius Wilson Distinguished Professor

Institution: Washington State University

Department: Sociology

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Job Description: The Department of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences, Washington State University in Pullman, WA invites applications for a permanent full-time tenure-track 9-month academic appointment position as the William Julius Wilson Distinguished Professor. The rank will be at the advanced Associate or Professor level and begin on August 16, 2017. Job duties: Conduct independent research leading to publication, secure external grant funding, teach undergraduate and graduate courses in sociology, and mentor undergraduate and graduate students. In addition, the occupant of the position will be expected to contribute to University and Departmental governance through service on appropriate committees, and to serve the university, profession, state, and national communities in ways appropriate to training and rank. Job requirements: earned a doctoral degree in Sociology or closely related field, conduct research in inequality and health, have an excellent record of research, have a track-record and potential for continued extramural funding, demonstrated teaching ability and prepared to teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate students. Applications: Submit: 1) A cover letter describing research, teaching, and grant history, 2) Curriculum Vitae, 3) three examples of scholarly work, and 4) evidence of teaching effectiveness, and 5) names and contact information for three references. The application materials must be submitted online at: www.wsujobs.com. Review of applications will begin November 15, 2016, and will continue until the position is filled. Questions regarding the position should be directed to Professor Monica Kirkpatrick Johnson, Chair of the Search Committee, 509-335-4595 or monicakj@wsu.edu. WSU is an EEO/AA educator and employer.