



SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY DIVISION

of the Society for the Study of Social Problems

SUMMER 2015 NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings, Social Problems Theory Division Members!

The 2015 SSSP meeting in Chicago is fast approaching! This newsletter includes news and information to get you ready for the meeting. You'll find announcements about our Outstanding Article Award, a list of our sessions, and information about our divisional meeting and other notable SSSP events.

I look forward to seeing many of you at this year's meetings — and, I hope, at one or more of our sessions. This year, we have three sole sponsored sessions that address new work and theory in social problems research. Donileen Loseke and Joel Best have organized two critical dialogues sessions on constructionism; the sessions feature authors from Loseke and Best's recent *Qualitative Sociology Review* special issue. The sessions ("**Constructionist Futures**") are back-to-back on Friday, August 21 in the Atlantic E room. The first runs from 10:30-12:10 and the second follows at 12:30. The sessions should provide an opportunity for division members to discuss, at length, the current state and future of social problems theory. R.J. Maratea has also put together a very compelling session, featuring five original papers, on social problems theory. The session, "**New Work in Social Problems Theory & Research**," is on Sunday, August 21, from 10:30 AM—12:10 PM in the Pacific 3 room.

This year, we have several exciting co-sponsored sessions. The sessions focus on a range of timely and important topics, including immigration, racial identity, police violence, problematized urban communities, educational problems, and environmental concerns.

Following this year's meeting, the division will hold an election for its next chair. We'll discuss this during the business meeting. If you are interested in running for this position, please drop me an email in advance of the meeting!

Jared Del Rosso
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Social Problems Theory Division Chair (2014-2016)

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The Social Problems Theory Division is always looking for content to feature in the newsletter. If you have ideas for a brief essay or commentary that you would like to contribute, announcements about new publications that you would like to share with the division, a call for papers, or if you are working with a student whose research you think should be highlighted here, let me know by emailing me at jared.delrosso@du.edu.



2015 OUTSTANDING ARTICLE AWARD

Each year, the Social Problems Theory Division recognizes an outstanding piece of scholarship on the social construction of social problems. In odd-numbered years, we give this award to published articles; in even-numbered years, we recognize an outstanding book. The 2015 Outstanding Article Award Committee consisted of Dave Lane, who chaired the committee, Keith Johnson, and Lynn Letukas. Thank you, Dave, Keith, and Lynn for your work on the committee!

The committee selected Michael C. Adorjan's article "Igniting Constructionist Imaginations: Social Constructoinism's Absence and Potential Contributions to Public Sociology" (*American Sociologist* 44[1]:1-22) as its 2015 Outstanding Article Award Winner. The committee noted that the article pushed "constructionism to ask serious theoretical questions about ideas circulating in mainstream sociological circles." As one member indicated, Adorjan's "article challenges constructionists to rethink the role of social constructionist theory in public arenas."

Congratulations, Michael, on the well-deserved recognition!

You can access Michael's article @ <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs12108-012-9172-3>.

2015 BRIAN MCCONNELL BOOK AWARD



Congratulations to division member Joel Best & Kathleen A. Bogle! Best and Bogle's book *Kids Gone Wild: From Rainbow Parties to Sexting, Understanding the Hype over Teen Sex* (NYU Press, 2014) received the 2015 Brian McConnell Book Award from the International Society for Contemporary Legend Research.

2014 | NYU Press | 200 pp.
\$24.95 cloth
978-0-8147-6073-4
ebook available
[website](#)



2016 ANNUAL MEETING

GLOBALIZING SOCIAL PROBLEMS

August 19-21, 2016

Westin Seattle Hotel

EXCERPT FROM THE PROGRAM THEME STATEMENT



David A. Smith

University of California,
Irvine

SSSP President (2015-16)

Today, there is a broad consensus that we live in a world dominated by “globalization” (though, of course, there is much less agreement on precisely what that means). A robust field of current research directly focuses on understanding global political economy, world cultural influences, and the ubiquity and importance of international networks. A special issue of our journal devoted to “Globalization and Social Problems” in 2001 and the subsequent founding and rapid growth of the SSSP Global Division marked the rising interest in global/international issues within our society. This work is diverse and includes studies on changing international divisions of labor; the transnational nature of race, class and gender hierarchies; population dynamics and migratory flows across the entire earth; the unequal spread of science, technology and innovation; and the worldwide dynamic of today’s ecological crisis, among others. Clearly, the 2016 SSSP conference should be a platform to discuss these obviously “global” social problems – they are among the world’s most pressing. Indeed, arriving at some sort of “solution” to vexing issues like world climate change, intensifying global inequality, and the threat of war in an era of weapons of mass destruction are imperative for the survival of humanity on this planet.

But I hope this theme is not limited to a few explicitly global/comparative sessions or papers, or the work of some of us who specialize in this sort of research. My view, perhaps in the tradition of SSSP, is a much more “radical” one than that! While I know that many of my colleagues, in their narrow silos of specialization probably don’t spend much time considering this, in fact, I would argue that ALL of the social problems we study today, in fact, are impacted by various global forces. Virtually every subfield and nearly all research – including that which seems to have much more narrow geographic or institutional foci – can be enriched by “bringing the global in,” and locating the specific sociological facts in term of their places in a matrix of various worldwide vectors of global influence, flows, and structures. Inequalities of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation/identity, aging, health, labor, and class in this country (and around the world) are increasingly and inexorably connected to worldwide currents; institutions like schools, the family, the criminal justice system, workplaces and neighborhoods are also rapidly “globalizing.” If we “leave this out,” our work will be not only scientifically “incomplete,” but also less likely to be relevant for formulating strategies for social change. I challenge all of you to bring a “global imagination” to your analysis to complement our sociological one: To remain relevant in our 21st century world – and honor the best traditions of SSSP – this is an imperative, not an option!

[Read more at the SSSP’s 2016 Annual Meeting page.](#)



CALL FOR SESSIONS

The Social Problems Theory Division will be organizing three sole-sponsored and up to seven co-sponsored sessions for the 2016 annual meeting. If you are interested in proposing a session for next year’s meeting in Seattle, I encourage you to attend this year’s divisional meeting on Saturday, August 22, at 10:30 a.m. in the Atlantic C room. If you can’t, just drop me an email with your idea for session, a proposed title, and a brief description. If you think the session would work best as a co-sponsored session, let me know what other division you think might be interested in co-sponsoring it.



RECENT MEMBER PUBLICATIONS



Confronting School Bullying

Kids, Culture, and the Making of a Social Problem

JEFFREY W. COHEN AND ROBERT A. BROOKS

Is bullying an innocent part of growing up ... or a serious problem requiring large-scale policy remedies? What is behind our rapidly changing perceptions of "acceptable" behavior? And when is the remedy worse than the problem? In their in-depth view of school bullying, Jeffrey Cohen and Robert Brooks navigate between empirical evidence and breathless media accounts to make sense of ongoing debates and provide insights into the failure of punitive antibullying policies.

"This book should be a permanent part of the libraries of scholars, practitioners, and parents who are seeking an extensive review of bullying and techniques to effectively address factors associated with school bullying. Highly recommended."—Choice

2014 | Lynn Rienner | 253 pp.
978-1-62637-152-1
[website](#)

"Strongly recommended.... Any attempt to make sense of the current debates around bullying requires the kind of incisive and detailed analysis that the authors provide."—Vincent Sacco, Queen's University

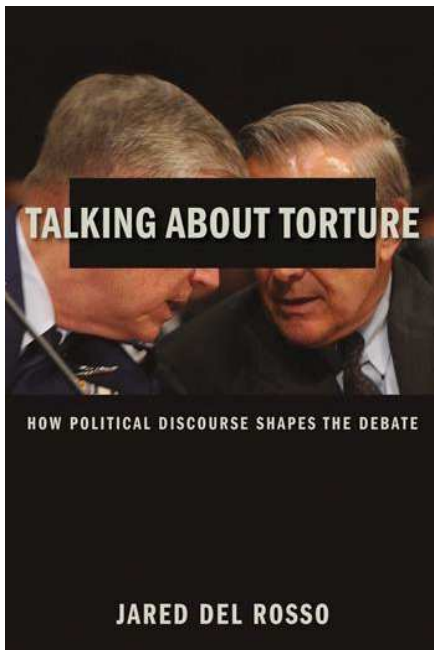
Jeffrey W. Cohen is assistant professor of criminal justice at University of Washington, Tacoma.

"A major contribution to understanding the social and ideological construction of bullying.... compelling throughout. The overview of the antibullying movement alone is worth the price of the book."—Joshua R. Klein, Iona College

Robert A. Brooks is associate professor of criminal justice at Worcester State University.



RECENT MEMBER PUBLICATIONS



2015 | Columbia | 296 pp.
9780231170925
ebook available
[website](#)

Jared Del Rosso is Assistant Professor of Sociology and Criminology at the University of Denver.

Use Promo Code **deltal** on the Columbia University Press website for a 30% discount.

Talking About Torture

How Political Discourse Shapes the Debate

JARED DEL ROSSO

When the photographs depicting torture at Iraq's Abu Ghraib prison were released in 2004, U.S. politicians attributed the incident to a few bad apples in the American military, exonerated high-ranking members of the George W. Bush administration, promoted Guantánamo as a model prison, and dismissed the illegality of the CIA's use of "enhanced interrogation." By the end of the Bush administration, members of both major congressional parties had come to denounce enhanced interrogation as torture and argue for the closing of Guantánamo. What initiated this shift? In *Talking About Torture*, Jared Del Rosso reviews transcripts from congressional hearings and scholarship on denial, torture, and state violence to document this wholesale change in rhetoric and attitude toward the use of torture by the CIA and the U.S. military during the War on Terror. He plots the evolution of the "torture issue" in U.S. politics and its manipulation by politicians to serve various ends. Most important, *Talking About Torture* integrates into the debate about torture the testimony of those who suffered under American interrogation practices and demonstrates how the conversation continues to influence current counterterrorism policies, such as the reliance on drones.

"Jared Del Rosso takes a discourse-analytic, social-constructionist approach to understanding the meaning of 'torture,' developing well-known and powerful analytic traditions to shed light on an important and controversial issue that is still topical today." — James Holstein, Marquette University

"By tracing the evolution of Congress's conversations on topics ranging from Abu Ghraib to waterboarding, Jared Del Rosso shows how facts, policies, and principles can be created, challenged, and changed. His painstaking analysis offers both a careful history of recent claims about torture and a model for those who want to penetrate officials' language about other issues." — Joel Best, University of Delaware

"Jared Del Rosso delivers a compelling and timely analysis of governmental discourse on torture in the United States. He skillfully delves into the politically embedded debate and contentious processes through which an electoral democracy grapples with human rights violations authorized or perpetrated by its own state officials. *Talking About Torture* reveals the multiple forms of denial, justification, partial acknowledgment, and denunciation advanced by members of the government confronted with evidence of abuse and torture in U.S.-run detention sites after 9/11. In doing so, Del Rosso exposes how accountability is eschewed, how political opponents draw on shared cultural frames regarding torture, and how the legacies of the 'torture debate' continue to shape current policy and political discourse. This book offers a powerful examination of the U.S. government rhetoric on torture and the high stakes involved in such political talk." — Barbara Sutton, SUNY-Albany



RECENT MEMBER PUBLICATIONS

Social Deviance

A Mathematical Sociology Approach to Understanding Positive and Negative Social Action

PAUL THOMAS MCFARLANE

2015

Sociometry Press

ISBN 978-0-615-32790-7

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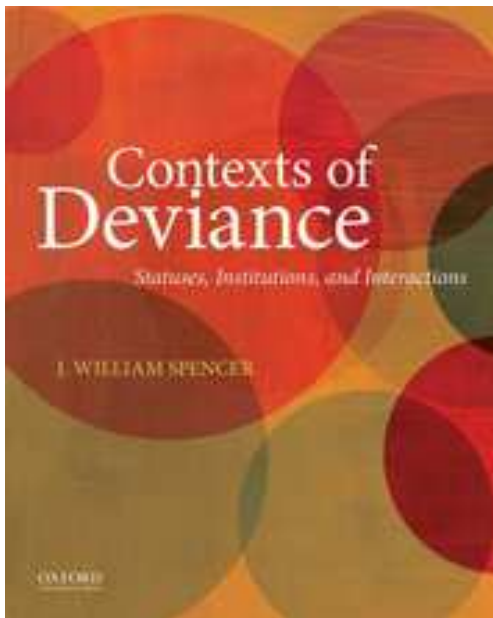
CHAPTER 7: SUMMARY

Paul Thomas McFarlane is an American sociologist specializing in theoretical and empirical studies of social deviance. He received his formal training and education in this area from Jackson Toby and Matilda White Riley at Rutgers University and Arthur Stinchcombe and James S. Coleman at the John Hopkins University. He is the author of four books and numerous professional articles and formal paper presentations. Having taught over 5,000 students in nine colleges and universities, in both undergraduate and graduate courses during the years between 1969 and 2010, he is now retired from the classroom, but not from thinking, reading, writing, editing and consulting rooms.

Members interested in a review copy of *Social Deviance* should email requests to publisher@mcfarlanemail.com with the subject line "Request for a Review Copy - SOCIAL DEVIANCE A MATHEMATICAL SOCIOLOGY APPROACH TO UNDERSTANDING POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE SOCIAL ACTION."



RECENT MEMBER PUBLICATIONS



2014 | Oxford | 528 pp.
9780199973576
[website](#)

J. William Spencer is Associate Professor of Sociology at Purdue University. He is the author of *The Paradox of Youth Violence* (2011).

Contexts of Deviance

Statuses, Institutions, and Interactions

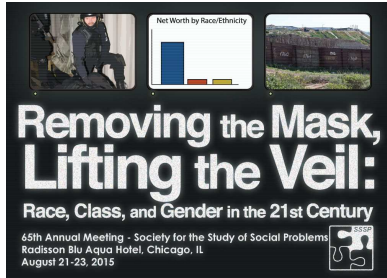
J. WILLIAM SPENCER

While most readers focus more on deviance than sociology, *Contexts of Deviance: Statuses, Institutions, and Interactions* brings sociology front and center by examining deviance and social control in their social contexts. This fresh and innovative anthology shows students how deviance and control can be studied at different levels of analysis and from a range of theoretical approaches using different methodologies. The collection is divided into six parts: theory, social control, statuses and identities, institutions, subcultures, and social movements. The readings range from classic to contemporary pieces, from macro-level studies to studies of face-to-face encounters. *Contexts of Deviance* also represents a wide range of theoretical traditions--from functionalist and critical to post-modern and interactionist. Introductions in each section help students to understand what it means to study deviance and control in a social context, to appreciate research questions at different levels of analysis, and to recognize how a positivist orientation is different from a subjectivist orientation.

"*Contexts of Deviance* is essential for instructors who seek to tie major sociological concepts to the themes and topics of deviance our students often readily recognize, but do not always connect to the fundamentals of our field. The approach is fantastic."--Thomas N. Ratliff, *Arkansas State University*

"I like the approach of this reader. The strong, upfront presentation of sociology is wonderful--this is a refreshing difference from other readers on the market. The introduction will help non-majors become familiar with the sociological perspective. I also appreciate that it emphasizes different levels of analysis."--Bev Carlsen-Landy, *Texas Woman's University*

"This anthology is refreshingly different, comprehensive, and engaging. I like the way the author relates theoretical information to practical, concrete, everyday examples. I believe the writing style will engage students and keep their attention. It is rare to find an author who can communicate in such a clear, precise fashion without using jargon or talking down to the audience. I am extremely impressed."--Lori E. Azzara, *Massasoit Community College*



2015 ANNUAL MEETING

August 21—23, 2015
Raddison Blue Aqua Hotel
Chicago, IL

DIVISIONAL MEETING & CONFERENCE EVENTS

SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY DIVISION MEETING

Saturday, August 22, 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM, Atlantic C

Please join me at the Social Problems Theory divisional meeting to begin planning for next year's conference in Seattle, develop committees for our student paper and published article awards, and discuss other Division business. No prior experience with the SSSP or the Division is required to attend the meeting. New members and student members are especially encouraged to attend! If you're new to the Division or simply looking for a way to get more involved with it or the SSSP, I think you'll find our division meeting to be a low-pressure and welcoming way of doing so. Feel free to email me with questions about the division or ideas for the 2016 conference if you're unable to attend this meeting.

SSSP'S WELCOMING RECEPTION

Friday, August 21, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM, Outside Terrace

Open to SSSP Registrants

All meeting registrants are invited to the Welcoming Reception on Friday, August 21, to celebrate the opening of the meeting. This social hour kicks off at 6:30 PM and provides opportunities to renew past acquaintances, chat with old friends, and find a newcomer to befriend. New members and first-time meeting attendees are particularly encouraged to come and have fun!

Graduate Student Happy Hour

Friday, August 21, 10:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Filini Bar (Hotel Bar)

Open to SSSP Graduate Student Members

New Member Breakfast

Saturday, August 22, 7:15 AM - 8:15 AM

Atlantic C

Open to new SSSP members and hosts.

Presidential Address

Saturday, August 22, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Atlantic D

Division Sponsored Reception

Saturday, August 22, 7:15 PM—8:15 PM

Atlantic E



2015 ANNUAL MEETING SPONSORED SESSIONS

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SESSION 5: KNOWLEDGE, POWER, & THE POLITICS OF REALITY: CRITICAL STUDIES OF GLOBAL ENCOUNTERS

Friday, August 21, 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM, Atlantic E

Sponsor: Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: Jared Del Rosso, University of Denver

PAPERS

"C. Wright Mills and the Situation in Cuba: Research Then and Now," A. Javier Trevino, Wheaton College

"Jewish Tourism to the Palestinian Territories and its Effects on Diaspora Identities and Politics," Emily Schneider, University of California, Santa Barbara, Winner of the Global Division/*Critical Sociology* Student Paper Competition

"Violence and the Visual Encounter: Tourist Behavior at Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum," Jared Del Rosso, University of Denver

"Chinese Maternity Tourists in the 'Anchor Baby' Debate: Disdain and Racialized Conditional Acceptance of Non-citizen Reproduction," Cassandra Rodriguez, University of Massachusetts

"Returning from Iraq: The Roads Away from Memory and Melancholia," Derek W. Morris, University of Oklahoma

SESSION 15: CRITICAL DIALOGUE: CONSTRUCTIONIST FUTURES: NEW DIRECTIONS IN SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY

Friday, August 21, 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM, Atlantic E

Sponsor: Social Problems Theory

Organizer: Donileen Loseke, University of South Florida & Joel Best, University of Delaware

Presider: Donileen Loseke, University of South Florida

PAPERS

"Bringing Historical Dimensions into the Study of Social Problems: The Social Construction of Authority," Frank Furedi, University of Kent

"Constructing Crime in a Database: Big Data and the Mangle of Social Problems Work," Carrie B. Sanders and Antony Christensen, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada

"On-Line Claims-Making: The NRA and Gun Advocacy in Cyberspace," R.J. Maratea, New Mexico State University

"Social Workers and the Sociological Sense of Social Problems: Balancing Objectivism, Subjectivism and Social Construction," Maria Appel Nissen, Aalborg University

"Towards a Theory of Interest Claims in Constructing Social Problems," Patrick Archer, St. Ambrose University



SPONSORED SESSIONS

SESSION 25: CRITICAL DIALOGUE: CONSTRUCTIONIST FUTURES: NEW DIRECTIONS IN SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY II

Friday, August 21, 12:30 PM - 2:10 PM, Atlantic E

Sponsor: Social Problems Theory

Organizer: Joel Best, University of Delaware & Donileen Loseke, University of South Florida

Presider: Joel Best, University of Delaware

PAPERS

"Claims-making and Human Rights in Domestic and International Spheres," Jun Ayukawa, Kwansei Gakuin University

"Constructionism and the Textuality of Social Problems," Jared Del Rosso, University of Denver and Jennifer Esala, Center for Victims of Torture

"Contextualizing Understanding in Constructionism: A Holistic, Dialogical Model," Lawrence T. Nichols, West Virginia University

"Social Constructionism Turned into Human Service Work," Margarita Jarvinen, University of Copenhagen and Gale Miller, Marquette University

SESSION 139: NEW WORK IN SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY & RESEARCH

Sunday, August 23, 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM, Pacific 3

Sponsors: Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: R.J. Maratea, New Mexico State University

PAPERS

"The Place of Mindfulness in an Exploitative Society," Gordon Welty, Adelphi University

"Taking on Culture: Time, Structure and Cultural Change," John P. Gonzalez, Florida Atlantic University and Alexandra Casuso, University of Massachusetts Amherst

"Slippery Slopes, Camels' Noses, and Feet in Doors: Rhetoric about the Implications of Social Problems Claims," Joel Best, University of Delaware

"There's Something Bigger: Getting to the Heart of Our Most Publicized Fears," Ira D. Silver, Framingham State University

"The Presentation of Incompetence as a Social Problem: A Comparative Analysis of Multiple Cases," Dorothy Pawluch, McMaster University, Arthur McLuhan, York University and William Shaffir, McMaster University



CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

SESSION 55: IMMIGRATION: REPRESENTATIONS, INSTITUTIONS, AND IDENTITIES

Friday, August 21, 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM

Sponsors: Institutional Ethnography & Social Problems Theory

Organizer : Fatima Sattar, Boston College

Discussant: Kamini Maraj Grahame, Penn State University

PAPERS

“‘I’m not the only one struggling’: Immigrant women’s recognition and responses to translocal processes that coordinate economic and social integration,” Heather Holroyd, University of British Columbia

“(Un)Deserving Iraqi Refugees? Racialized Moral Boundary Constructions among US Resettlement Bureaucrats,” Fatima Sattar, Boston College, Honorable Mention of the Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division’s Student Paper Competition

“A Danger to US Citizens: Concepts of Threat, Belonging, and Morality in Deportation Proceedings of Detained Immigrants at the Chicago Immigration Court,” Michelle M.F. VanNatta, Dominican University

“‘Just Be American’: Exploring the Links between Immigration Policy Opinions and National Identity Opinions,” Laura Landers, University of Illinois, Chicago

Session 59: Matters of Concern: Environmental Problems and Debates

Saturday, August 22, 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM, Aegean

Sponsors: Environment and Technology, Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: Monique Y. Ouimette, Boston College

PAPERS

“Green Economic Development: Contentious Discourses and State Activity,” Jenna A. Lamphere and Jon Shefner, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

“Individual health status as environmental privilege: The case of fragrances in the workplace,” Monique Y. Ouimette, Boston College

“Inevitable Harms: The Discursive Construction of Accidents Caused by Unconventional Natural Gas Drilling,” Kayla M. Stover, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

“Nuclear Denial in Japan: A Network Analysis of the Nuclear Power Industry, the State and the Media in Post-Fukushima Japan,” Michael C. Dreiling, University of Oregon, Tomoyasu Nakamura, Senshu University, Nicholas Lougee and Yvonne A. Braun, University of Oregon

“Social Construction of Climate Change in Print News Media, 1988-2014,” Shawn A. Trivette, Louisiana Tech University and Bryant Devillier, Louisiana State University



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SESSION 87: Educational Problems and Debates

Saturday, August 22, 12:30 PM - 2:10 PM, Adriatic

Sponsor: Educational Problems, Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: Lynn Letukas, College Board

PAPERS

"Class or Student Solidarity? Solidarities in Conflict in the Chilean Higher Education Student Movement,"
Sebastián G. Guzmán, Universidad Andrés Bello

"Grassroots and Grass tips: Inside Coalitions, Collective Impact and The Education Reform Industry," Frank Ridzi, Le Moyne College/CNY Community Foundation

"Layers of Social Constructions," Keith Roberts Johnson, Oakton Community College

"The Social Construction of Reading Problems," Frank Furedi, University of Kent

"Tip of the Iceberg: The Role of Summer Melt in the Postsecondary Pathway," Brian Holzman, Stanford University

SESSION 122: PROBLEMATIZED URBAN COMMUNITIES AND THE LEGACY OF THE CHICAGO SCHOOL

Sunday, August 23, 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM, Pacific I

Sponsors: Global, Social Problems Theory, Teaching Social Problems

Organizer & Presider: Courtney A. Waid-Lindberg, Northern State University

PAPERS

"Building Bridges or Hunkering Down? Social Capital and Social Interaction in a Diverse Urban Neighborhood,"
Joseph F. Cabrera, University of La Verne and Meghan Ashlin Rich, University of Scranton

"For Whom Does a Neighborhood Effect Matter? Neighborhood Trajectories of a Cohort of Released Prisoners,"
Jessica T. Simes, Harvard University, Winner of the Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division's Student Paper Competition

"HomeWork: What To Do About The Social Effects of Concentrated Incarceration on People and Places?" Keadra Young, Opplnc. One-Stop Workforce Center and Kristen DeVall, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

"The neighborhood I live in is not nice: Residential incorporation of Hispanic immigrants in economically depressed new destinations," Jacqueline Villarrubia, Colgate University

"Weeds, Rats, and Crackheads: Re-examining the Ecological Paradigm in Postindustrial Detroit," Paul J. Draus and Juliette Roddy, University of Michigan, Dearborn



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SESSION 155: Ferguson and Beyond: Policing and Social Control in a Global Context

Sunday, August 23, 12:30 PM—2:10 PM, Red Sea

Sponsor: Law and Society, Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: Brian Monahan, Marywood University

PAPERS

“‘Sound of the Police, Sound of the Beast’: Gender Differences in Attitudes toward and Interactions with Police among Street-Life Oriented Black Men and Women,” Brooklynn K. Hitchens, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

“The U.S. State and the Social Order: How Police and Military Institutions Serve Ideological Reproduction,” Vince Montes, San Jose State University

“Urban Cleansing: Evictions, Exclusion, and State Violence in Contemporary Urban India,” Autumn L. Mathias and Liza Weinstein, Northeastern University

“Policing in Israel: Sentiments of Police Relations with the Local Populace,” Janet Garcia and Kashea Pegram, Rutgers University

“Abuse of Power and the Power to Abuse: Do Complaint Processes Reduce Incidents of Police Abuse of Force?” Peter A. Hanink, University of California, Irvine

SESSION 161: CRITICAL SCHOLARSHIP ON CONTEMPORARY RACISM

Sunday, August 23, 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM, Aegean

Sponsors: Race and Ethnic Minorities, Social Problems Theory

Organizer & Presider: Tim Berard, Kent State University

PAPERS

“Bursting Whose Bubble?: The Racial Nexus between Social Disaster, Housing Wealth, and Public Policy,” Kasey Henricks, American Bar Foundation and Loyola University, Chicago, Honorable Mention of the Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division’s Student Paper Competition

“Don’t Call it Racism: A Case Study of Racialized Framing Contests Between an Interracial Coalition and Its Opponent,” Angie Beeman, Baruch College, CUNY

“The ‘New Racism’? Colorblindness, Colonialism, and White Knowledge,” Marzia Milazzo, Vanderbilt University

“The Bigger Dilemma: The Modern Social Psychological Consequences of America’s Racial Caste System,” Richard Thomas, Texas Christian University and Jordan E. Mazurek, Eastern Kentucky University

“Frameworks of Inequality: Exploring the Relationship between Ideology and Structure,” Watoii Rabii, University at Buffalo, SUNY



CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

SESSION 172: EXPERIENCING & MANAGING RACIAL IDENTITIES

Sunday, August 23, 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM, Aegean

Sponsors: Race and Ethnic Minorities, Social Problems Theory

Organizer: Tim Berard, Kent State University

Presider: Nicole Rousseau, Kent State University

PAPERS

"Why Schools Are Important to the Color-Line Debate: The Racialization of West Indian Students in a Diverse High School,"
Bedelia Richards, University of Richmond

"Entering the Census Debate: (re)Examining the Case for a MENA Category," Bradley J. Zopf, University of Illinois at Chicago

"White Like (or Not Like) Me: An Examination of the Factors that Contribute to White Racial Identity and How these Factors Differ Based on Social Position," Paula K. Miller, Michigan State University

"Racial Fluidity, Skin Tone, and Immigrant Status in the NLSY97," Andrea Kauffman-Berry, University of Pennsylvania

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PHOTOGRAPH OF SSSP 2013 MEETING (P. 3)

Michele Smith Koontz

Layout of Book Announcements (P. 4-5)

Based on Temple University Press's flier for *Contemporary Social Constructionism*