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FROM THE SECTION CHAIR

By Amy S. Wharton
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It's an honor and a pleasure to be this year's chair of the Sex and Gender Section. I look forward to working with you and representing such a vibrant, intellectually exciting, and diverse group of scholars. Many of you participated in the Section's activities at the recently concluded ASA meetings - thank you for your contributions to our section! I would also like to thank our previous chair, Denise Segura, for her hard work. The program theme she selected, "Gendering Human Rights and Social Justice," was carried through a series of well-attended panels focusing on global feminist issues and fit nicely with the broader ASA theme of "Public Sociologies."

Section chairs change every year, but much of the section's real work (& institutional memory) resides with other officers. One of these is our incredibly efficient & well-organized secretary-treasurer, Patti Giuffre, whose term continues through this year (thanks, Patti!). I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of the Sex and Gender Council (see last page for names & contact info), our website coordinator, Ashley Finley, and newsletter editor Dula J. Espinosa. Dula reconsidered her earlier decision to step

down and has graciously agreed to continue as editor this year. I'd like to thank her for her past efforts & willingness to continue serving.

This is the Section's second electronic newsletter. At the recent business meeting in San Francisco, we agreed that we would use this format for all three newsletters this year and to revisit the issue at a later date. While electronic newsletters are much less costly to produce and make Dula's job a bit easier, some of our members worried that our newsletters would end up like so many e-mails we receive on a daily basis - unread & quickly deleted. Please feel free to send me feedback about the electronic format.

Looking Ahead to the 2005 ASA Meetings

Just as last year's ASA theme resonated with the longstanding concerns of our section, the 2005 ASA theme, "Comparative Perspectives, Competing Explanations," speaks to issues important to our members. Equally significant is that this year is the ASA's centennial with the program offering opportunities to reflect on sociology over the past century. Feminism & the birth of our section are key parts of that history, and you should expect to see at least one (if not more) ASA-sponsored sessions exploring this topic.

As the ASA approaches its 100th birthday, our section continues as its largest with 1,040 members at the end of September. Although sex & gender research is flourishing, our success raises interesting

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logistical & intellectual challenges. The centennial offers a perfect time to confront & explore these issues. I have tried, with input from Council & section members, to design our upcoming program in ways that may help us begin this process.

Let me first call your attention to the invited session focusing on the 20 year anniversary of Stacey and Thorne's classic article, "The Missing Feminist Revolution in Sociology." I envision this session as not only providing a look back at where we have been, but also as a look forward to the next 20 years of feminist scholarship. This session is in the planning stages, so please feel free to offer suggestions for speakers, format, etc.

One of the most debated topics at our business meeting in San Francisco concerned the issue of narrow vs. broad session themes. Some were in favor of narrowly drawn session topics crafted to reflect and chart a specific agenda for sex & gender scholarship, while others argued against this idea. The main objections were that sessions too narrowly defined might not capture enough of the kinds of research done by our members and could result in a problem that arose last year – the failure to generate enough submissions.

This debate continued via the section listserv this fall in response to my query. The results of this unscientific survey showed strong support for broadly defined session topics. Many argued that this strategy was the best way to accommodate a membership with interests as broad and diverse as ours. Of course, even with the maximum number of sessions from the ASA, we will never be able to showcase everyone's research. We also know that many members prefer to submit their work to other sections or session organizers. A quick look at last year's program reveals that sex & gender scholarship is everywhere. However, as sex & gender research proliferates and finds niches in an increasingly specialized discipline, it is vital that our program not become too narrowly focused.

Our 2005 section program, thus, addresses these concerns. Two sessions - "Gendered Institutions/ Gendered Organizations" and "Gender Inequality"

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were designed to cast wide nets in their call for sex and gender research. Another, "Gender, Science, and Technology," co-sponsored with the Section on Science, Knowledge, and Technology, is less broad, yet taps several thriving research areas. Our final session is co-sponsored with the Caucus on Sex and Gender in International Contexts; caucus members selected "Gender and Sexuality in the U.S. Global Military Empire" as the session theme.

Newsletter Items? Discussion/Debate Topics?

I invite you to send me items for the newsletter, as well as other information you would like to share with section members. In the meantime, please visit us at: www.asanet.org/sectionsexgend/index.html. We can post announcements there and share them with section members via our listserv. My contact info, as well as the contact info for other section officers, committee members, & session organizers, appears in this newsletter.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to chair the Sex and Gender Section. Here's to a productive year, with peace, prosperity, and "regime change" in November!

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

August 13-16, 2005

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Theme: "Comparative Perspectives, Competing Explanations"

Sex & Gender Session Information 2005

1. One-Hour Refereed Roundtables

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2. Title: "Gender, Science, and Technology"
(co-sponsored with the Section on Science, Knowledge and Technology)
Open Submission
Organizer: Mia Ong (ongmi@gse.harvard.edu)
Graduate School of Education, 451 Gutman Library, 6 Appian Way, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138, PH: 617.496.4236.
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Invited Session
Organizer: Amy S. Wharton (wharton@vancouver.wsu.edu), Department of Sociology, Washington State University 14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave., Vancouver, WA 98686, PH: 360.546.9617.
4. Title: "Gendered Institutions/Gendered Organizations"
Open Submission
Organizers: Sharon Bird (sbird@iastate.edu)
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5. Title: "Gender Inequality"
Open Submission
Organizer: Louise Marie Roth (lroth@u.arizona.edu), Department of Sociology, 433 Social Sciences Building, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721, PH: 520.621.3525.
6. Title: Gender and Sexuality in the U.S. Global Military Empire (co-sponsored with the Caucus on Sex and Gender in International Contexts)
Open Submission
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2004 SECTION AWARD WINNERS

Distinguished Book: Julie Bettie (University of California-Santa Cruz): *Women without Class: Girls, Race, and Identity*. University of California Press (2002).

The Committee on Sex and Gender Book Awards, chaired by Raka Ray, is delighted to present this year's award to Julie Bettie for her book, *Women without Class: Girls, Race, and Identity*. This rich and evocative ethnography, which examines working-class white and Mexican American girls in a small California town, reframes the usually monocausal theory of class construction and provides an important anti-foundational theorization of class. Bettie shows how social class is enacted through clothing, make-up, use of school space and classroom behavior, and always refracted through gender and race. She also explores class as one's place in a cultural economy of meaning infused with countervailing forces of race-ethnicity, gender, and sexuality. We predict that this book will become one of the most widely read on class identity in the next decade.

Honorable Mention: Leslie Salzinger (University of Chicago): *Genders in Production: Making Workers in Mexico's Global Factories*. University of California Press (2003).

The Committee is also pleased to award Leslie Salzinger with the distinction of Honorable Mention for her fascinating ethnography, *Genders in Production: Making Workers in Mexico's Global Factories* (2003). Drawing on fieldwork in maquiladoras between late 1991 and summer 1993, this work challenges the all-too-often essentialized trope of submissive femininity in global factories. Her case studies bring awareness to the importance of *seeing*, as ethnographer, supervisor, and worker. We come to appreciate the significance of the factory managers' idealizations of the appropriately gendered worker for the idiosyncrasies and

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differences in shopfloor culture. Similarly to Bettie's work (see above), this ethnography builds off of and complicates Judith Butler's work on gender performance, yet taking off from the work of Braverman and Taylor extends such a feminist analysis into a sophisticated analysis of the race, class, and gender conditions of production in transnational factories.

Distinguished Article: Patricia Yancey Martin (Florida State University), "Saying and Doing Vs. Said and Done: Gendering Practices, Practicing Gender at Work." *Gender & Society* 17 (3), 2003:342-366.

This article, chosen by the committee chaired by Naomi Cassirer, explores the dynamic of gender in the workplace in those fleeting moments of interaction between individuals where gender is drawn upon and 'practiced' expertly and unreflexively using interviews and observations from large private sector organizations, Martin differentiates the concept of 'practicing gender' from the concept of 'gender practices', which are related but more static in nature. She also draws our attention to the roles of agency, intentionality, & reflexivity in practicing gender, and highlights its unidirectionality - the irreversibility of undoing something already said or done. By considering these aspects, along with power & accountability, Martin provides fresh & compelling insights into the dynamic aspects of 'doing gender' while her analysis makes clear the harmful consequences of such action for reiterating the institution of gender & women's disadvantages in the workplace. This innovative article represents a major contribution to the field of gender studies and is sure to shape the direction of research for years to come.

Sally Hacker Award: Anna Korteweg (University of California- Berkeley; As of 8/04, University of Toronto) for Welfare Reform and the Subject of the Working Mother: Get a Job, a Better Job, then a Career."

The recipient of the 2004 Sally Hacker Award,

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which was selected by the Committee headed by Mindy Stombler, is Anna Korteweg for a paper recently published in *Theory & Society*. Korteweg examines how JobsClubs trainers (front-line representatives of the state in their implementation of welfare reform) generate citizen-subjects. The analysis, based on participant observation and in-depth interviews, shows that while current welfare reform legislation promotes both marriage and paid employment, JobClub trainers enforce a decidedly masculine worker-citizen subject through a variety of strategies. Korteweg presents these strategies in a theoretically sophisticated paper, illustrating how the state shapes gender and how gender ideologies shape state programs.

CALL FOR 2005 SECTION AWARD NOMINATIONS

Distinguished Book Award

The 2005 Committee for the Sex and Gender Distinguished Book Award is currently accepting nominations of outstanding and innovative books published in 2002, 2003, or 2004. This award honors those who make a significant contribution to the field of sex and gender through a book on the cutting edge of sociological inquiry. Authors need not be sociologists but nominators must be members of the Section and edited collections are ineligible. To nominate a book, please send a 2 page letter explaining how the book makes a significant contribution to the sociology of sex & gender to the committee's chair: Leslie Salzinger; Sociology Department; McGuinn Hall 409; Boston College; 140 Commonwealth Avenue; Chestnut Hill, MA 02467; PH: 617.552.4134; leslie.salzinger@bc.edu.
Nomination deadline is February 15, 2005.

Distinguished Article Award

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2005 Distinguished Article Award. This award honors those who make a significant contribution to the understanding of sex & gender through an article

or chapter on the cutting edge of sociological inquiry. Articles or chapters published in 2002, 2003, or 2004 will be considered. Authors need not be sociologists & may be published in journals associated with disciplines other than sociology. Self-nominations are accepted. To nominate an article or chapter, please submit a two page letter explaining why the article makes a significant contribution to the sociology of sex and gender together with an electronic copy of the article through email, or send the letter and 4 photocopies of the article by post to the committee's chair: Jyoti Puri; Department of Sociology; Simmons College; 300 The Fenway; Boston, MA 02115; PH: 617. 521.2593; Jyoti.puri@simmons.edu. **The deadline for nominations is February 15, 2005.**

Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award

Papers are currently being accepted for the 2005 Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award. The paper should deal with a theoretical issue or empirical problem important to the field of sex & gender. It should be based on a dissertation that is still in progress or was completed and approved no earlier than February 2004. Please send a letter of nomination, one hard copy of the paper, and an electronic copy of the paper through email to the committee's chair: Bernice McNair Barnett; University of Illinois; P.O. Box 2353; Champaign, IL 61825; PH: 217.333.7658; bmbarnet@uiuc.edu. **Nomination deadline is February 15, 2005.**

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SECTION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

**San Francisco, CA
August 15, 2004**

1. Introductions

Chair of the section, Denise Segura, opened the meeting and introduced Ashley Finley (section webmaster), Dula J. Espinosa (newsletter editor), Amy Wharton (incoming chair) and Patti Giuffre (secretary-treasurer).

2. Election results

Sharon Hays is the new Chair-Elect. New Council Members are Sarah Fenstermaker & Nancy Naples.

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3. Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Secretary/treasurer Patti Giuffre reported that the section is in good financial shape and should finish the year above budget projections. ASA did not send specific budget information this year before the meetings as they have in the past so Giuffre did not have a specific proposed budget for 2005.

In terms of membership, we are slightly below where we were last year. According to the most recent ASA info, membership is 989 (it may be higher since some people wait until just before the meetings to update their membership). Since we expect similar revenues, we proposed a budget similar to last year's. Our largest expenditures are the newsletter and reception.

4. Awards

Mindy Stompler, chair of the Sally Hacker Committee, announced that the winner of its award was Anna Korteweg. Her paper, which was recently published in *Theory and Society*, is entitled "Welfare Reform and the Subject of the Working Mother: Get a Job, a Better Job, then a Career."

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5. Martin Levine Award Announcement (Sexualities Section Award)

This year's recipient is Salvador Vidal-Ortiz (City University of New York).

6. Beth Hess Scholarship Announcement (Sociologists for Women in Society)

Denise Copelton announced the recipient of the first Beth Hess Scholarship, Michelle Proctor. This award is given to a new or continuing graduate student who began her or his study in a community college or technical school.

7. Nominations Committee

At each business meeting, we choose two members for the Nominations Committee. These committee members for 2004-05 are Natalie Bennett (DePaul University) and Laurie Schaffner (University of Illinois at Chicago).

8. New Graduate Student Representative

At each business meeting, we draw names from volunteers for graduate student representative. Our new 2004-05 representative is Sabine Merz (University of Massachusetts-Amherst).

9. Discussion of Newsletter

Attendees discussed the pros and cons of paper and electronic newsletters. Dula J. Espinosa, newsletter editor, expressed support for the electronic format. The advantages are that it is easy, fast, and saves money. With an electronic newsletter, we can go over 8 pages without incurring extra costs and we can save the \$670 spent for printing and mailing each of the 3-4 newsletters that we send out every year. Others expressed concern that some members might be less likely to read an electronic version or even be unwilling, or unable, to open attachments.

One question that attendees discussed briefly was how the section might use the money if we decided to do an electronic newsletter. One suggestion was to use the extra money for better receptions, which are very expensive.

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If we decide to try an electronic newsletter, we should remind members to print it since they will not receive a hard copy, and should offer to send hard copies to anyone who wants one. We can place the newsletter on the section webpage, and send an announcement to the listserve with the URL of the newsletter. If someone prefers an attachment, they can request one and the chair, editor, or secretary-treasurer can send one to them.

One attendee noted that SREM began using an electronic newsletter and found that many people wanted the hard copy since some had deleted the message or forgot to print the newsletter. After much discussion, attendees decided that the section shall try the electronic newsletter for a year, and take an online membership poll about it next year.

We are pleased that Dula is going to stay on as newsletter editor.

10. New Business

A. The Caucus for Research on Gender and Sexuality in International Contexts

Denise Segura stated that the Caucus has had an informal relationship with the Sex and Gender Section, and that one of the informal agreements was that the Caucus organize one of the section sessions each year. There has been a lack of communication about this despite the good relationship. The Caucus attends the section business meeting as one way to ensure the discussion and representation of gender & sexuality in international contexts. Another way is to dedicate a slot to the Caucus with a member of the Caucus organizing this session (the section chair will not choose a chair for that session). Denise suggested that this slot should go to the Caucus for next 2 years. After that, the section chair, council, and Caucus chair should re-evaluate the process to see how well it is working. The section chair should also make sure that the relationship clear. It should be written down, kept informal, and all such decisions should be placed in a notebook for subsequent chairs.

One member of the Caucus stated that the Caucus

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has about 90 members. Originally, the Caucus identified gaps in the section. She noted that the Caucus has a good relationship with the section & clarified that the Caucus would like to maintain its independence.

B. Co-sponsorship

Denise Segura raised co-sponsorship of sessions for discussion. Co-sponsoring requires a two-year obligation with one section organizing & having the session “charged” to them one year & the other session taking on both responsibilities the following year. While much of this has been done informally, Denise argued that the decision to co-sponsor should not be up to the chair alone but should instead involve the chair seeking council feedback. Attendees agreed.

11. Transfer of Leadership

Denise Segura transferred leadership to Amy Wharton.

12. Next Year's Sessions: Topics for 2005

Amy Wharton noted that one session has been allocated to the Caucus for Research on Gender and Sexuality in International Contexts. The Council discussed the fact that someone from the Section on Science, Knowledge, and Technology (SKAT) proposed that our section co-sponsor a session with them for the next two years. If the incoming chair, Council, & section members (based on feedback during & after the business meeting) agree, then SKAT will organize the 2005 session and we the 2006 session. In all, we will likely have 6 sessions this year (including the 2 set-aside for the Caucus and SKAT). The business meeting and roundtables also fill a session slot. Amy proposed a shorter business meeting to leave more time for roundtables.

Amy's ideas included the following: (1) a central theme of "Gendered Institutions, Gendered Organizations"; (2) a session devoted to the 20-

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year anniversary of Stacey and Thorne; and (3) given that next year is the Centennial of ASA, opportunities to reflect on gender. Others at the meeting proposed numerous themes including the following: Low wage work and women; the military regimes w/ attention to gender and sexuality, and to both the US and international contexts; What is gender? A practice? An institution?; the missing feminist revolution w/ a transnational perspective on the issue; Given that women of color are the fastest growing prison population, and that girls' arrest rates are increasing, perhaps a session about girls, adolescents, and the law; gender and empire (brings together military etc.); gender & the media; gender & health; Homeland Security; gender and war.

Other comments about topics: We should consider the salient questions that feminists are asking, that also fit into sociology, e.g. gender and citizenship; gender and labor; and gender and migration; and themes should provoke and inspire, and be pointed yet broad. Also raised were comments regarding Stacey and Thorne: What about today? What's missing today in the feminist revolution?

There was much discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of using broad vs. specific topics. Some attendees were concerned about using narrow topics since organizers received few papers this year for section sessions. The suggestion was made to have very broad topics and decide on the themes after receiving all papers. One problem with broad topics: Induction. What if an organizer receives 15 completely different papers?

An attendee noted that half the sessions belong to the various ASA sections and the other half (the "Open Sessions" which are very broad) to the ASA Program Committee. There was some support for broader topics, e.g. Gender I, Gender II, Gender III etc. Such topics could be more open and make potential submitters less fearful than submitting to very narrow topics. Amy stated that she prefers our section themes to have extremely broad topics, e.g. "Gender I."

Attendees' suggestions: Ask listserv for areas of research. Remind people about January deadlines for ASA submissions. Encourage people to submit via listserv. Allow organizers to sort sessions (if they are broad). Try other formats, e.g. teaching workshops, invited sessions, e.g. an invited session on Stacey & Thorne. (1 person opposed teaching workshops since SWS conducts many of these.) One session should deviate from usual paper presentation format, e.g. 6 papers, 5 minutes each, with lots of discussion, or "author meets critic."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call for Papers

The Center for Research on Women and the Benjamin L. Hooks Institute for Social Change at the University of Memphis invite proposals for papers to be delivered March 24-26, 2005 at a multidisciplinary, international symposium on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The symposium will be held at the Fogelman Executive Center on the campus of the University of Memphis. Proposals that address social inequality and social justice activism, both locally within NAFTA's signatory countries and across borders, are particularly encouraged. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to, labor activism and worker-to-worker exchanges, local community impacts and civic engagement, the environmental consequences of NAFTA, gender & immigration, citizenship & racial/ethnic identities, & transnational communities. Papers that include descriptions of specific research experiences and methodological concerns from projects examining NAFTA's effects during the past decade are especially welcome. Scholarship that explores the future development and possible implications of the NAFTA corridor (I-69, for which Memphis, Tennessee lies at the mid-point) is also of interest. Interested scholars/activists/practitioners should submit a proposal of about 500 words (excluding references) that summarizes the topic, methods of investigation & conclusions. A brief biographical statement & full contact info should also be included. To ensure consideration,

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proposals must be sent to NAFTA Symposium Center for Research on Women, The University of Memphis, Clement Hall 337, Memphis, TN 38152, by November 1, 2004.

Fellowship Opportunity

University of Minnesota. Department of Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts: National Research Service Award Fellow position, sponsored by NIMH, Mental Health & Adjustment in the Life Course. Full-time, 12-month, post-doc research training. Stipend, tuition, fees, and medical insurance provided in accordance with NRSA. Review of applications begins: November 15, 2004. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. For full description and qualifications visit <http://www.soc.umn.edu/>, or call (612)624-6333. The University of Minnesota is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Educator.

Job Announcements

American University. The Department of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences, invites applications for a tenure-track position at the assistant professor level to begin Fall semester 2005. Responsibilities include: scholarship, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, advising undergraduate and graduate students, mentoring women and minority students, supervising student research and University service. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching undergraduate courses in the General Education Program of the University (Global Sociology), plus social policy and courses related to areas of research interest at undergraduate and graduate levels. Research specialties can include 1 or more from among ethnicity/Latino studies, immigration, social inequality/social justice, and social policy/community involvement. Qualifications for the position include: Ph.D., evidence of excellent teaching, strong scholarship and research promise. Send Curriculum Vitae, letter describing interests, research and teaching experience - including teaching evaluations (if available), (p)reprints, and three letters of reference to: Bette J. Dickerson, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Sociology,

American University, Washington, DC 20016. Review of applications will begin October 1, 2004, and will continue until the position is filled. American University is an equal opportunity / affirmative action institution; minority & women candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

Florida State University. The Department of Sociology invites applications for up to 3 positions at the assistant and/or associate ranks (the latter with possibility of tenure upon appointment), effective August 2005. They are: (1) Inequality & Social Justice (social policy, social movements, political sociology, and/or comparative/historical), (2) Immigration, & (3) Race/ethnicity. Candidates who specialize in one or more of our departmental areas and can teach graduate level classical and/or contemporary theory will be given priority. Departmental areas are Demography, Health & Aging, Inequality & Social Justice, and Social Psychology. Candidates' letters should describe how their research and teaching interests meet departmental needs, summarize their research accomplishments, & show scholarship's promise for obtaining external grant support. Applications must include a personal letter, curriculum vitae, 3 letters of reference, and one writing sample. We strongly welcome race/ethnic minority applicants. Screening begins October 1 and continues until positions are filled. Send materials to: Patricia Yancey Martin, Chair, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee FL 32306-2270 or email sociology@fsu.edu. For more information, please visit our website: www.sociology.fsu.edu. Florida State University is an Affirmative Action/ Equal Opportunity Employer.

University of Kansas. The Department of Sociology & American Studies seeks a tenure-track, assistant professor starting August 18, 2005, for a joint appointment with Sociology being the primary unit. Position is contingent upon final budgetary approval. We seek candidates with specific theoretical & substantive interests that relate race & ethnicity to social inequality generally and to the processes of immigration, migration, and/or globalization, especially as they

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pertain to African Americans and/or Latina/os. Candidates will also contribute to graduate training in either quantitative or qualitative methods. The appointment is part of a special University faculty enhancement initiative to add faculty whose presence will strengthen not only a single department, but complement and reinforce existing strengths and targeted areas of growth throughout the entire university. Thus we welcome broadly trained applicants whose theoretically informed approaches to comprehending race & ethnicity in the United States & globally will contribute to the university-wide goal of critically examining the increasing interconnectedness of peoples throughout the world. Application review begins November 15, 2004, and continue until position is filled. Applicants should send a letter of interest including a teaching and research statement, curriculum vitae, 3 letters of reference, teaching evaluation summaries and sample course syllabi, and a sample of written work to: Professor Joane Nagel (nagel@ku.edu), Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Fraser Hall, 1415 Jayhawk Blvd. Rm 716, Lawrence, KS 66045-7556. Lawrence is a college town of 85,000 with a vibrant arts and music community, located thirty minutes from metropolitan Kansas City. The University of Kansas is an Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer.

Kansas State University. The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position beginning August 2005. We seek a sociologist whose teaching and research interests focus on criminology. She or he will have the opportunity to participate in an expanding graduate program that takes an integrative approach to criminology & other specializations in sociology. The successful applicant must be able to teach undergraduate & graduate courses in criminology & sociology, maintain an active program of research & publication, & work with graduate (MA & PhD) students to develop & carry out research projects (see <http://www.ksu.edu/sasw/socio/grad/grad.html> for more information on our graduate program). The teaching load is two courses per semester. Review of applications will begin December 15, 2004, and continue until the position is filled. Applicants should send a curriculum vita, 3 recommendation

letters, & 1 or 2 samples of recent work to: L. Susan Williams, Criminology Search Committee Chair, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work, 204 Waters Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506-4003. KSU is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, and has a strong commitment to faculty diversity. Women and minority scholars are strongly encouraged to apply.

University of Michigan-Dearborn. The Center for Arab American Studies invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position starting September 1, 2005, in history or another relevant discipline, such as anthropology, communications, or cultural studies. Applicants' research agenda should address any aspect of Arab diasporas. Secondary areas are open but we are particularly interested in an intellectual focus on women & gender studies, critical race theory, or comparative citizenship analysis. Candidates should have a Ph.D. by appointment time, teaching experience, and knowledge of Arabic. Preference will be given to those with a commitment to teaching excellence, strong methodological skills, and a promise of research productivity. Experience & interest in developing curriculum for a minor, major, & M.A. in Arab American Studies is also important.

Application review begins November 30, 2004, and will continue until position is filled. Initial screening will take place at the MESA (Middle Eastern Studies Association) meetings in San Francisco on Sunday, November 21; if you are attending MESA, please send your contact info. Send application letter, CV, three letters of recommendation, a sample syllabus, & a writing sample to CAAS Search Committee, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, CB 2002, University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn, MI 48128-1491. The University of Michigan-Dearborn is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment, & strongly encourages applications from minorities & women. The University of Michigan-Dearborn is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of advanced Assistant or beginning Associate Professor, to start as early as July 1, 2005. Strong candidates will have built strong records of empirical research in the field of social stratification, particularly in sex & gender, and will have interests in comparative and international studies. We will also give preference to applicants whose research focuses on either labor markets and occupations or health disparities across race and class. Successful candidates must exhibit strong commitment to research and publication and show potential for excellence in teaching. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, four letters of recommendation, and samples of recent papers and published work to: Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, CB# 3210, Hamilton Hall, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3210. Deadline: Postmarked by November 15, 2004. UNC-CH is an equal opportunity employer and is strongly committed to the diversity of our faculty and staff. <http://www.unc.edu/depts/soc/>.

University of Oklahoma. The Department of Sociology at the University of Oklahoma invites applications for two tenure-track assistant professor positions to begin August 16, 2005. For one position the Department seeks candidates whose area of expertise is race/ethnicity and stratification with preference given to those who also could teach courses in demography. For the other position, the department seeks candidates whose area of expertise is criminology/criminal justice. While all candidates for this position will receive serious consideration, the Department would be particularly interested in candidates whose research examines the connection between race/ethnicity and crime/criminal justice or includes an international perspective. Successful candidates must hold a Ph.D. in Sociology at the time of appointment and demonstrate promise of becoming an exceptional teacher and researcher. The Department is housed in the College of Arts

and Sciences, offers BA, MA, and Ph.D. degrees, and currently has 14 full-time faculty, 35 graduate students, and an undergraduate program with general sociology and criminology options. The University is located in Norman, a university community approximately 20 miles from Oklahoma City, the state's largest city and capital. Applicants should send a letter of application, a Curriculum Vitae, and samples of written work to: Craig St. John, Department of Sociology, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019. Applicants should have three references send letters directly to the same address. To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by December 31, 2004. The University of Oklahoma is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

San Francisco State University. The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenured senior faculty position at the rank of either associate or full professor. We seek candidates with expertise in Social Change and Social Inequalities in one of the following institutional contexts: health, education, poverty, work & labor, and/or globalization. We are particularly interested in scholars exploring the intersections of class, ethnicity, gender, nationality, race, and sexuality within the social institutions listed above; we are also interested in scholars who consider social change and inequalities in the context of social change organizations. The new faculty member will be expected to develop new courses and/or invigorate our current curriculum through their area of expertise. We also expect that person to contribute to the core curriculum by teaching statistics, theory and/or research methods & to have sufficient leadership experience and achievements to participate in a 3-year rotation as Department Chair early in her/his tenure. Appointment will begin Fall 2005. Salary is commensurable with qualifications and fully competitive. San Francisco State University, a member of the California State University system, serves a diverse student body of 27,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The mission of the University is to promote scholarship,

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freedom, human diversity, excellence in instruction, and intellectual accomplishment. San Francisco State University faculty are expected to be effective teachers & demonstrate professional achievement & growth through continued research, publications, and/or creative activities. SFSU is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity/ADA Employer and strongly encourages applications from people of color, women, sexual minorities, and people with disabilities. Applicants should send a letter describing teaching and research interests, a current curriculum vita, three letters of recommendation, a teaching portfolio, and a sample of written work. Send all materials to Dr. Luiz C. Barbosa, Chair, Department of Sociology, San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94132. Complete applications must be postmarked by January 14, 2005.

Seattle University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position in Sociology for Fall 2005. Sociology is housed within the Department of Society, Justice, & Culture with programs in anthropology, criminal justice and social work. Qualified candidates must have a Ph.D. in Sociology and teaching experience in the area of race and ethnicity. A background in Women Studies or other multicultural disciplines is helpful but not necessary. Candidates should show promise of excellence in scholarship and teaching and be prepared to participate in an interdisciplinary scholarly environment. Candidates should also be familiar with the Jesuit educational mission. Applicants should submit a letter of interest with details regarding teaching philosophy and scholarship agenda, a curriculum vitae, and three letters of recommendation to: Jodi O'Brien, Chair, Department of Society, Justice and Culture, Seattle University, Seattle, WA 98122, Phone: (206) 296-5384, Fax: (206) 296-5997, jobrien@seattleu.edu. Application deadline: November 15, 2004. Seattle University, founded in 1891, continues a four hundred and fifty year tradition of Jesuit Catholic higher education. The University's Jesuit Catholic ideals underscore its commitment to the centrality of teaching, learning and scholarship, of values-based

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education grounded in the Jesuit and Catholic traditions, of service and social justice, of lifelong learning, and of educating the whole person. Located in the heart of dynamic Seattle, the University enrolls approximately 6,000 undergraduate and graduate students in eight colleges and schools. Students enjoy a university ethos characterized by small classes, individualized faculty attention, a strong sense of community, a commitment to diversity, and an outstanding faculty.

Sonoma State University. The Department of Sociology invites applications for 3 tenure-track Assistant Professor positions to begin Fall 2005. Successful candidates will be teacher-scholars with a serious commitment to undergraduate teaching in a liberal arts setting and active involvement in the discipline of sociology. The 1st position (#102355) requires expertise in Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory, as well as demonstrated competence in additional areas of sociology. The 2nd position (#102356) requires demonstrated competence in Sociological Theory, as well as expertise in 1 or more of the following areas: (1) race/diversities/social inequalities, (2) sociology of social welfare/social policy/medical sociology, (3) sociology of culture/sociology of religion, (4) sociology of science and technology/sociology of the environment, (5) socialization/families/gender. The 3rd position (#102357) requires expertise in Sociological Research Methods with an emphasis on Quantitative Analysis, as well as expertise in 1 or more of the five areas listed above in relation to the second position. Salary range: \$47,800- \$50,100. Ph.D. required by time of appointment. Review will be conducted for applications sent by December 1, 2004. Another review, if a position is not filled, will be conducted for applications sent by January 3, 2005. For complete application info, please see www.sonoma.edu/facaffairs. For more info, contact Myrna Goodman, myrna.goodman@sonoma.edu, or Melinda Milligan, melinda.milligan@sonoma.edu. Sonoma State University is an affirmative action/equal employment opportunity employer.

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University of South Carolina. The Women's Studies Program (WSP) invites applications for a tenure-track joint appointment with an emphasis on race, class, gender, and sexuality at the assistant or associate professor level. The specific focus of research/writing is not limited to but may include any of the following: theory, health, education, work, policy/law, literature, culture, family. The successful candidate will be able to teach courses on race, class, gender, and sexuality at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The department to share the joint appointment will be determined to ensure the most appropriate fit for the successful candidate. The WSP currently has eight joint-appointment tenure track faculty in English, Political Science, Psychology, History, Nursing, Sociology, Public Health, and the Medical School. For program info, please visit <http://www.cla.sc.edu/WOST>. We will begin screening November 15th and continue until the position is filled. Applicants should send a letter of interest, detailed curriculum vitae, and 3 reference letters to Dr. Wanda A. Hendricks, Search Committee Chair, Women's Studies Program, 201 Flinn Hall, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208. The University of South Carolina is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Educator and Employer that invites and encourages applications from women and minorities.

University of Tennessee-Knoxville. The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track position at the advanced Assistant Professor or Associate Professor level. The preferred candidate should possess a PhD at the time of appointment and have strong quantitative skills (advanced statistical training, construction of hybrid data files using federal and/or state data bases, and familiarity with GIS methodology). He or she should be able to teach research methods and statistics at the graduate and undergraduate levels. The area of research is open but preference will be given to applicants who conduct research within one or more of the department's social justice interest areas (criminology, criminal justice, environmental justice, political economy, and globalization). The department has research and teaching ties with

interdisciplinary programs such as African and African American Studies, American Studies, Environmental Studies, Women's Studies, and Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries. The department offers a highly collegial & supportive environment for collaborative research & teaching & its members are committed to work together on a range of social justice issues. Preference will be given to individuals with strong evidence and promise of publication and obtaining external funding. Applicants should submit a letter of application, a statement of their teaching philosophy and research agenda, curriculum vitae, samples of publications, evidence of teaching excellence, and contact information for three references. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. Address materials to: Donald W. Hastings, Chair of the Methods Search Committee, Department of Sociology, 901 McClung Tower, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 3799-0490. Review of applications will begin January 14, 2005 and continue until the position is filled. UTK is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/Title IX/Section 504/ADA/ADEA Employer.

University of Tennessee-Knoxville. The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level. PhD required at the time of appointment. The department's overarching focus on Social Justice unites faculty research interests with undergraduate and graduate curricula. Faculty members' research centers on the interest areas of criminology, criminal justice, environmental justice, political economy, and globalization. Candidates must have research and teaching interests in social justice issues that intersect with departmental interest areas. Preference will be given to individuals with strong evidence and promise of publication and obtaining external funding. The department offers a highly collegial and supportive environment for collaborative research and teaching, and its members are committed to work together on a range of social justice issues. Applicants should submit a letter of application that clearly articulates his/her fit with the department's Social Justice focus, a statement

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of teaching philosophy & research agenda, curriculum vitae, samples of publications, evidence of teaching excellence, and contact information for three references. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. Address materials to: Sherry Cable, Chair of the Social Justice Search Committee, Department of Sociology, 901 McClung Tower, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-0490. Review of applications will begin January 28, 2005 and continue until the position is filled. UTK is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/Title IX/Section 504/ADA/ADEA Employer.

New Book

Jacobs, Jerry A. & Janice Fanning Madden (editors). 2004. *Mommies and Daddies on the Fast Track: Success of Parents in Demanding Professions*. A Volume of The Annals of The American Academy of Political and Social Science Volume 596.

Section Website News

Our website, <http://www.asanet.org/Sections/sexgend.htm> consists of the following sections: 1) News and Information, 2) Awards, 3) Links of Interest, 4) Discussion Forums, 5) Listing of Section Officers, and 6) Listing of Council Members. Please feel free to visit the site and & whatever items you consider to be of information/interest to our Website Coordinator, Ashley Finley.

Short Message from Dula

The submission process has now changed. In the past, members have been asked to submit all newsletter items to me, which I have then forwarded to the section chair for approval. While members may still continue to follow this process, Amy has graciously offered to have items sent directly to her. We are hoping that the new streamlined process will encourage more submissions and lead to shorter turnaround times.

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