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## FROM THE SECTION CHAIR

By Linda M. Blum

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I am so honored to have been elected to represent our impressive section of feminist scholars. Many Fall Newsletters have begun with such words from previous chairs, so I know they may ring a bit hollow or formulaic. Yet the timing for me could not have felt more meaningful. I assumed the Chair's role in New York City just a week before moving my only child across the country to begin college, returning to a strangely quiet house (especially as he is a musician). Thus your recognition marks my midlife transition and I thank you for this special gift.

Our Fall Newsletters also offer the many individual thanks to those who have generously volunteered their time in the past year. First, thanks to our out-going chair, Jennifer Pierce, for all the wise decisions and attention to detail, so much invisible work, required to keep our section running superbly. (It was wonderful to renew those old grad school ties, as Jennifer and I were at Berkeley together way back when . . .) Thanks also to all of our Council members – and to our secretary-treasurer team Julie Kmec and Laurie Schaffner, whose happy events kept them away from NYC (congrats to Julie on her baby and to Laurie on her Fulbright!). We are very grateful for two volunteers who are also continuing with important tasks for the section: Website Coordinator Ashley Finley and Newsletter Editor Emily Mann. Finally, thank you to our excellent group of session organizers for the 2007 NYC program (though Meika Loe also had a new arrival keeping her from NYC -- congrats!) and to all those who served on our awards

and nominations committees throughout the year: Thank you!

\*\*\* ***In this Issue of the Newsletter:*** We honor the 2007 winners of the section's book, article, and grad student paper awards – Pei-Chia Lan, Raine Dozier, and Joan Meyers. We also tell you how to nominate scholars for next years' awards and provide contact information for our Nominations Committee. Please do nominate a colleague or friend, or you may self-nominate, to run for section office -- and send a nomination letter on behalf of a cutting-edge book, article, or grad student paper in the field of sex and gender.

\*\*\* ***Become More Familiar:*** We include the minutes from our Business Meeting to provide a sense of our section's decision-making process. Jennifer and I realized that many members are not familiar with this *fascinating* bureaucratic minutia, but if you'd like to be more involved (or have just been frustrated with the paper submission process) it might help to know more. ASA rules allocate the number of conference sessions by section membership numbers, while retaining half the sessions for "regular" panels, i.e. *not* organized through the sections. Our wonderful Sex and Gender Section receives only 6 sessions, but this is the largest allocation, for sections over 1000. Of these 6, one is always for our roundtables; and under our recent agreement with the Transnational Caucus, one has been for our jointly sponsored panel. The remaining 4 session topics and organizers are determined by the Chair from the suggestions made at the Business Meeting; we try to follow the great suggestions of our members as much as possible, balancing the need for broad, inclusive topics against the more narrow, yet exciting or innovative. ASA rules require very (VERY) early deadlines, so the section business meeting each August is the place to go!

### Next Issue

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*And FYI, our roundtables are all organized inductively, like a grounded theory exercise, from the papers submitted (and this by the Roundtable organizers, rather than the section chair).*

\*\*\***See Call for Papers:** For 2008 ASA, August 1-4 in Boston, later in this newsletter! 2008's theme will be "Worlds of Work" under ASA President Arne Kalleberg.

\*\*\***Highlights from NYC:** For this issue's Forum, we reach slightly (but just ever so slightly) outside of our formal boundaries. Emily Mann (our terrific Newsletter Editor) reports on her co-organized Special Session from last August, "Intersectional Approaches to Citizenship, States, and Politics" (featuring several section members as panelists) on page 7.

*If you would like to write a brief forum piece for an upcoming issue, do let me know.*

\*\*\***Please read on for announcements, contacts, etc.**

**CALL FOR PAPERS**  
**Sex and Gender Section**  
**2008 ASA Meetings, Boston, MA**

**1. Roundtables**

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**2. War, Empire, Gender, and Labor**

(co-sponsored with the Transnational Caucus on Gender and Sexuality)  
Co-Organizers: Patricia Richards and Mangala Subramaniam  
OPEN SUBMISSIONS

Colonial and postcolonial hegemonies historically have been maintained through war and a range of other economic, political, cultural and social practices, but they have not gone unchallenged. This session invites papers that examine the gendered, sexualized, classed, racialized, and militarized structures and processes by which contemporary forms of U.S. global domination are being produced and maintained, as well as the practices and strategies of resistance against them. Specific questions might include but are not limited to: What types of labor enable the maintenance and new constructions of US global dominance? What kinds of racialized and gendered structures get produced at the juncture of the local and the global? In what ways do these structures involve labor and how do they facilitate US dominance and empire building? What sorts of contingencies (and unintended consequences) do war and the regulation of labor involve and generate? What types of feminist organizational struggles are being waged against these hegemonic processes?

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**3. Producing/ Reproducing/Contesting Gendered Bodies**

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**4. Gendering Economic Sociology: Expanding the Field's Scope and Analytic Frameworks**

(Cospponsored with the Section on Economic Sociology)  
 Organizer: Leslie Salzinger  
 OPEN SUBMISSIONS

This session seeks papers which explore the ways that a gendered analysis expands the field of economic sociology. Attention to gender broadens the substantive scope of the field by turning its attention to aspects of social life that were previously considered to be "private" and thus not part of "the economy." Attention to gendered discourses also suggests ways that the economy itself operates as a gendered institution, at both macro and micro levels. Papers that take on these issues both theoretically and empirically are welcome.

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**6. Managed Hearts and Second Shifts: Hochschild's Theorizing of the Many Worlds of Work**

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**2007 AWARD WINNERS**  
**Sex and Gender Section Awards**

**The Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award**

*Joan Meyers, "Unpacking Bureaucracy: An Intersectional Theory of Gendered Organizations."*

Analyzing ethnographic data collected from two worker cooperatives, the author examines the extent to which bureaucracies are inevitably oppressive to women and racial/ethnic minorities. While this problem has been tackled by numerous scholars including Robin Leidner, Dana Britton, Myra Marx Ferree, Pat Martin, and Joyce Rothschild, the author finds that not all bureaucracies are inherently oppressive. Attending to different types of bureaucracies, she concludes that organizations with formal, clear rules and policies do not necessarily undermine or alienate women and racial/ethnic minorities so long as the organization operates democratically. Conversely, organizations characterized by hierarchy and governed by experts create an atmosphere of gender and racial oppression. Women quit the hierarchical cooperative at much higher rates than the women working in the bureaucratic but democratic cooperative. In sum, Meyers' finding contributes significantly to our theoretical understanding of the relationship between bureaucratic structures, work place environments, and gender and racial employment outcomes.

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*From the Sally Hacker Award Committee Chair, Belinda Robnett.*

**Sex and Gender Outstanding Article Award**

Raine Dozier, *"Beards, Breasts, and Bodies: Doing Sex in a Gendered World."*

This work is centrally focused on the production and reproduction of gender as it relates to bodies in particular. This important contribution substantially advances interactionist work in sex and gender studies, it richly addresses the ethnographic data the author collected, and it importantly contributes to transgender studies. This is a piece that has already begun to be recognized as one of the key texts in the next generation of gender theorists, and offers multiple insights to gender and sexuality scholars. Some of my colleagues and friends who specialize in gender and sexuality studies in Mexico are already reading this publication with special intellectual curiosity and I just hope this important publication will be translated and published in Spanish some day.

Raine recently completed her dissertation at the University of Washington. Her email is: [raine@u.washington.edu](mailto:raine@u.washington.edu)

*From the Sex and Gender Outstanding Article Award Committee Chair, Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez.*

**The Sex and Gender Distinguished Book Award**

Pei-Chia Lan. 2006. *Global Cinderellas: Migrant Domestic and Newly Rich Employers in Taiwan*. Duke University Press.

Global Cinderellas shifts the standpoint from domestic work in the West to domestic work in a non-Western context, albeit one where neocapitalism is flourishing. The author examines the perspectives of the migrant workers as well as their Taiwanese employers. Lan locates the study in a broad context that includes globalization and racialization and challenges the structure/agency dichotomy. She is particularly interested in how the domestics and their employers maintain boundaries. Lan offers a theoretically rich analysis that includes an examination of how racialized boundaries are drawn between women of different class backgrounds. She takes this analysis beyond the negotiations in individual households to examine how the nation-state and economic and political globalization contour these boundaries. The book concludes with policy implications and therefore offers an important contribution to feminist activist scholarship in this area.

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*From the Sex and Gender Distinguished Book Award Committee Chair, Nancy Naples.*

**CALL FOR 2008 NOMINATIONS****Sex and Gender Section Awards****Distinguished Book Award**

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.

The 2008 committee for the Sex and Gender Distinguished Book Award is currently accepting nominations of outstanding and innovative books published in 2005, 2006, or 2007. Self-nominations are accepted and authors need not be sociologists. Edited collections are ineligible, and nominations from publishers will not be accepted.

To nominate a book for this award: 1) Please send a two page letter (either through email or hard-copy) explaining how the book makes a significant contribution to the sociology of sex and gender to the Committee's Chair, Kirsten Dellinger ([kdelling@olemiss.edu](mailto:kdelling@olemiss.edu)), Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Mississippi; 203 Leavell Hall, University, MS 38677; and 2) notify the book publisher to send copies of the books by **February 15th, 2008**, to the chair and all the committee members. (See list of committee members and addresses on page 5). **Nomination deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Distinguished Article Award**

This award honors those who make a significant contribution to the understanding of sex and gender through an article or chapter on the cutting edge of sociological inquiry.

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2008 Distinguished Article Award. Articles or chapters published in 2005, 2006, or 2007 will be considered. Authors need not be sociologists and articles may be published in journals associated with disciplines other than sociology. Self-nominations are accepted.

To nominate a particular article or book chapter for this award, 1) please submit a two-page letter (either email or hard copy) explaining why the article makes a significant contribution to the sociology of sex and gender to the Committee's Chair, Patti Giuffre ([pg07@txstate.edu](mailto:pg07@txstate.edu)), Texas State University-San Marcos, Department of Sociology, 601 University Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666; and 2) send an electronic version of the article/chapter via email, or mail the letter and photocopies of the article to the committee chair and all members of the committee (See list on page 6). **Nomination deadline is February 15th, 2008.**

**Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award**

Papers are currently being accepted for the 2008 Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award. The paper should deal with a theoretical issue or empirical problem important to the field of sex and gender and should be based on a dissertation that is still in progress or was completed and approved no earlier than February 2007. Papers should be journal length (35 pages maximum.) Self nominations are acceptable. Please send a letter of nomination, a hard copy of the paper, and an electronic version of the paper to the Committee Chair, Natalia Sarkisian, Dept of Sociology, McGuinn Hall 140 Commonwealth Ave, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 ([natalia@sarkisian.net](mailto:natalia@sarkisian.net)) and to all the committee members. (See list on page 6). **Nomination deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>.**

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### **SECTION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

American Sociological Association  
 New York, NY  
 11:25 AM, Saturday August 11, 2007

**1) Introduction:** Section Chair Jennifer Pierce called the meeting to order, asked attendees to sign the attendance sheets and the volunteer sign up sheet. These were circulated.

**2) Election Results:** Pierce announced election results for our elected positions: Chair-elect, Michael Messner, Council, Michelle Budig and Patti Guiffre; and for the Sally Hacker award committee, Allison Pugh.

**3) Nominations for Nominations Committee:** Pierce opened nominations for the Nominations Committee. Rebecca Klatch and John Bloch were nominated for the two slots, and therefore, were appointed.

**4) Budget Report:** Filling in for Julie Kmec and Laurie Schaffner, Michelle Budig read the following budget report: Co-secretary/ treasurers Julie Kmec and Laurie

Schaffner report that the section is in very good financial shape. As of May 31, 2007, our Net Assets ending balance was \$10,524.00. We have significant carry-over from last year in addition to saving approximately \$1800 per year by converting to paperless newsletters. However, this figure does not reflect the cost of this year's award plaques (\$252.00) or reception (approximately \$4000.00). The largest expenditure is the section reception because hotel food costs are very expensive. As long as our membership remains high (over 1000), we should be able to expect the same budget for 2007-2008 as we received this year.

**5) Nominations for Graduate Representative:** Pierce called for nominations for the graduate representative to council, who is charged simply with bringing graduate student issues and concerns to the Council's attention. Of four nominees, Irene Boeckmann, University of Massachusetts, Amherst was selected.

**6) Reminder:** Awards will be presented this evening at the Section Reception rather than at the business meeting (6:30 Mercury Ballroom). The winner of the 2007 Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award is Joan Meyers, graduate student at UC Davis. The 2007 Distinguished Book Award goes to Pei-Chia Lan, Associate Professor of Sociology at National Taiwan University; and the 2007 Distinguished Article Award to Raine Dozier, who has recently completed her dissertation at the University of Washington. Our thanks to the Chairs of these award committees, Belinda Robnett, Nancy Naples, and Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez.

**7) Newsletter:** We will continue to solicit new forum pieces for the newsletter -- particularly scholarly kinds of pieces. Also we will continue grad student showcase in spring.

**8) Acknowledged:** all the work done this past year on behalf of the section by those who organized sessions, chaired and served on committees. Applauded.

**9) Welcome to New Chair:** Pierce welcomed Blum as new chair and gave a gift of a coffee mug reading "smart women thirst for knowledge"

**10) Next Year:** Meeting turned over to Linda to discuss next years sessions and other business:

\* ASA allocation of sessions – we are allocated 6 sessions, the largest allocation made to those sections with membership over 1,000. Members should be aware of very early ASA deadlines, with topics and organizers determined by Sept 15 for the following August, thus nearly one year in advance.

\* Of our 6 sessions, 1 is always for roundtables. Another is cosponsored with the Transnational Caucus, by recent agreement with the Caucus. That leaves 4 sessions.

\* Council recommends dedicating a panel to the scholarship of Arlie Hochschild in 2008. Blum calls for vote: by a unanimous show of hands, the section endorsed this proposal. Some discussion ensued surrounding the fact that this proposal was rejected for a 2008 thematic session by the ASA 2008 Program Committee. Section members discussed this as illustrative of general pattern in ASA thematic and special sessions. This year, for example, special sessions were devoted to male sociologists and panels that focused on men. Section members moved that, should Prof. Hochschild agree, section lodge a formal protest letter about the lack of focus on women's scholarship on thematic and special sessions to the Program Committee. Motion carried. {Addendum: in respect for Prof. Hochschild's wishes, no letter was sent.}

\*\*\*\*\*Request for topics for remaining 3 sessions:

- 1) Gender & Crime
- 2) Gender & the Body (but this year on Gender, Medicine & Body)
- 3) Feminist Practice
- 4) Restrictions on Higher Education and Impact on Women's Employment -- restricted access as described by Kathryn Newman
- 5) Gender & Politics related to the upcoming presidential election
- 6) Gender & Genetics, Technology
- 7) Gender and Income Disparities (Pay Gap) OR Gender & Persisting Inequalities in the Workplace
- 8) Generational Issues -- Gender Issues Among New Cohort of Workers (Millenials)
- 9) Gender Across the Lifecourse or Gender & Work as more broad/general topics
- 10) Globalism, Nationalism and Masculinities
- 11) Gender and Unpaid Work or Carework
- 12) Masculinity and War
- 13) Gender and the Economy or Structure of Markets, as a joint session with ASA section on economic sociology. Leslie Salzinger volunteered to speak to the Economic Sociology section chair ASAP.
- 14) Gender, Bodies and Work

\* In addition to the sign-up sheets circulated, Blum asked if you have a particular topic and will volunteer to organize, to let her know.

\* Announcement of Jessie Bernard Award winner, our own Pat Martin.

Business Meeting adjourned at 12:20pm.

**Report on an Invited Special Session:  
“Intersectional Approaches to Citizenship,  
States and Politics”**

Emily S. Mann  
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I had the honor and the pleasure of co-organizing (with Dr. Meyer Kestnbaum) an invited special session titled “Intersectional Approaches to Citizenship, States and Politics” for the ASA meetings this past August. In this report, I share with you a summary overview of the panelists’ talks, which taken together constitute an exciting, emerging body of scholarship on citizenship informed by attention to the intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality and nation.

Eileen Boris (University of California, Santa Barbara) began the panel with her talk, “Intersectionality and Citizenship: What’s Care Got to Do With It?” Boris explored how care became incorporated into the state in a racialized gendered form, enhancing the citizenship of some women but degrading others along intersecting lines of class, race and immigration status. Invoking the unintended consequences of “the new feminism” of the 1960s and 1970s, she observed that white, middle-class women won economic citizenship based on the right to work or earn on the same terms as dominant group men. As a consequence of their entrance into the labor market, they sought caretaker replacements. These paid laborers were usually other women who often were from a lower class and from a different race or national origin. Boris argued that this general development facilitated the emergence of “home care” as a low paid occupation, one dominated by women of color, many of them recent immigrants, whose right to work brings no economic citizenship but rather mere survival. When care becomes employment, noted Boris, it loses status as “labors of love” and becomes regarded as unskilled work that anyone can perform because women have historically undertaken such activities without payment. Boris argued that this constitutes a form of “lesser citizenship” because carework is devalued not only due to lack of pay but also the presumed “nature” of the doers. Though such jobs need not be performed by women of color or immigrant women, they have been historically; indeed, she pointed out, men who engage in them experience the costs of racialized feminization. The consequences of this lesser citizenship are evident in the Supreme Court’s recent decision not to confer the status and protection of formal employment on carework. Boris concluded her talk by arguing that an intersectional analysis of the relationship between carework and (economic) citizenship suggests why the Court’s decision was predictable; not only has the racialized gendered state required women’s unpaid household and reproductive labors, but it has depended on the low-paid labor of

racial and ethnic “others,” whose exclusions from citizenship enhanced the rights of those with the power of classification.

Jessica Fields’ (San Francisco State University) talk, “Sexuality Education: Lessons in Citizenship and Dissent,” highlighted an understanding of citizenship focused less on rights and more on meanings and practices of membership, belonging, and legitimacy. Underlying this frame was the recognition that citizenship is conferred unequally on various social groups within and across particular institutional contexts. Two of the contexts that informed Fields’ talk were school-based sexuality education and HIV education among incarcerated women, both of which are sites where she has done extensive ethnographic fieldwork. Fields observed that while schools and prisons can facilitate the practice of creating communities in which members respect and care for one another, work with others to create that sort of community, enjoy a sense of accomplishment, and achieve a sense of belonging in the world, they are more often than not sites of exclusion. Fields observed that while as a concept, “citizenship” provides a way to name the exclusionary implications of, for example, abstinence-only sex education, it may not provide the tools for an adequately radical response to the exclusionary practices of either school-based sexuality education or mass incarceration. She concluded her talk by arguing that scholars and researchers concerned with citizenship should name and undermine the racism, sexism, and poverty that so often defines it and insist instead upon dissent, recognition, and membership as integral to being a person.

Jyoti Puri’s (Simmons College) talk, “Precarious Citizenship,” constituted a rumination on the concept of citizenship itself. She began by troubling the notion of citizenship as “a promissory shield against the insecurities of modern life” by invoking numerous examples of the failure of citizenship to actually adequately shield so many of us from such insecurities. Using the concept of “precarious citizenship,” she noted that citizenship is a promise, at best, and a deeply precarious proposition, at worst. The effects of race, sexuality, gender, class, religion, nation, language, region, and ethnicity, she argued, ensure that the vast majority of us are never quite secure in our claims to citizenship. Rather than a monolithic category, precarious citizenship exists along a continuum of privilege and powerlessness, which can vary by context because the same subject can find herself secure in one context of citizenship and precarious in another. In an attempt to move beyond conceptualizing citizenship in terms of its political, civil or cultural “dimensions” (often conceived of in terms of “rights”), Puri posited that citizenship is produced through four “undulating terrains.” These terrains are interwoven and give the illusion of stability and coherence for some but not for

others. They include “the political and the affective,” “the biopolitical,” “the subject,” and “the body.” Taken together, they produce and align citizenship in ways that do not neatly diverge into citizens and non-citizens, but rather, citizenship as a deferred promise and a precarious position.

Nancy Naples’s (University of Connecticut, Storrs) untitled talk outlined her intersectional epistemological approach to the social regulation of citizenship that informs much of her recent ethnographic and comparative work. She noted that an intersectional approach typically includes attention to historical, cultural, discursive and structural dimensions that shape the intersection of race, class, gender sexuality, national and religious identity, among other dimensions. Most approaches to intersectionality include attention to the ways in which these interactions produce contradictions and tensions across these different levels of analysis and dimensions of difference. Intersectional analysis tends to focus on local, historically specific case studies that can reveal the complex ways that power relations land in the everyday lives of social actors, structure interactions, and are resisted in particular and localized ways. In contrast to approaches that locate an intersectional analysis in the embodied experiences of diverse social actors or in the intersectional systems of oppression, Naples advanced an approach that uses the epistemological insights of different theoretical perspectives in order to explore the ways in which gender, race, class and sexuality are constructed and regulated through the state with specific interest in the production of citizenship. She drew on four theoretical frameworks to construct this epistemological approach: (1) the embedded political economy framework which includes scholarship arguing for the social embeddedness of economic processes and the political economy of globalization and immigration; (2) racial formation theories that emphasize how different racial-ethnic groups and subgroups insert and are inserted into new social, political and economic environments as well as how their incorporation is resisted; (3) materialist feminist theories that demonstrate, among other things, how class-based socially regulatory processes are gendered and racialized; and (4) queer theoretical perspectives that view identities as fluid, attend to constructions of heteronormativity and analyses of discursive systems that sustain heterosexuality as a normative regime. Naples posited that each framework highlights one or more dimension of economic or social restructuring: i.e., class, race, gender, and sexuality. All four frames include attention to the role of the state in organizing class, racial-ethnic, gender or sexual relations to varying degrees. Naples then highlighted “social regulation” as the central conceptual frame to produce her intersectional approach to the study of citizenship, because it forms a bridge among these four theoretical frameworks. The “social regulation of citizenship” refers to the control of

citizenship through the interaction of three dimensions: (1) formal social policies and institutional practices (e.g. immigration, law enforcement, education, health care and social welfare); (2) informal social practices and local associational activities (e.g. access to housing, recreation, and other sites of community-based association) and (3) discursive fields which define who has legitimate claim to the identity of “citizen.” Naples concluded her talk with the claim that this intersectional framework allows us to better understand the relationship between the state and constructions and experiences of citizenship that does not begin and end with a particular citizens or embodied actors, although bodies do come into view.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Call for Papers

The American Men’s Studies Association (AMSA) announces the Call for Papers for the 16th Annual Conference on Men and Masculinities, “Masculinities and Institutions: Mapping the Connections,” at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, April 4-6, 2008

AMSA invites submissions that draw from academic, clinical, and related professional work involving men and masculinities and the connections between men and institutions, as well as other topics that contribute to developing a greater understanding of men’s lives. We welcome presentations based upon fully developed work as well as projects in progress or even at the “idea” stage. We provide a forum for established scholars and practitioners to share their work as well as for students to make a contribution and receive support and encouragement from active mens’ studies contributors. For details about submissions go to the AMSA website at [www.mensstudies.org](http://www.mensstudies.org) For further information contact the conference coordinator Dr. Don Levy at [dlevy@siena.edu](mailto:dlevy@siena.edu).

AMSA’s mission is to advances the critical study of men and masculinities by encouraging the development of teaching, research and clinical practice in the field of men’s studies. AMSA is an independent and interdisciplinary organization that provides a forum for teachers, researchers, students and practitioners to exchange information and to gain support for work on men and masculinities.

Call for Papers**Intersectional Analyses of the Family for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

The International Journal of Sociology of the Family invites submissions for a special issue focused upon intersectionality within studies of the family. Analyses focusing upon the intersecting forces of race, class, and gender have been around much longer than theorists in the traditions of social science and the humanities have acknowledged in recent years. In fact, much of the literature utilizing this framework of analysis emerged just after the civil rights and women's liberation movements of the 1960s. Memorable pioneers of this paradigm of analysis which draw from these social movements are Angela Davis' *Women, Race & Class* (1981), Audre Lorde's *Sister-Outsider* (1984), and Patricia Hill Collins' *Black Feminist Thought*. These crucial texts and speeches called for us to be mindful of the intersections of experience that are instrumental in the formation and maintenance of families, even as they are so often ignored in discursive theory and research, which treats race, gender, and class, sexuality, etc. as mutually exclusive social forces. This paradigm of analysis has come to be called intersectionality or intersection theory by many scholars, calling attention to the ways in which other master statuses become an integral part of this process. This approach insists that social identities and master statuses are mutually constituted and defy separation into discrete categories of analysis. Intersection theory provides a unique lens of analyses that does not question difference; rather, it assumes that differential experiences of common events are to be expected.

The purpose of this special issue of The International Journal of Sociology of the Family is to specifically draw attention to the way in which intersectional analyses have been used to articulate the experience of family and to understand the institution of the family. We seek articles and research notes which pursue meaningful inquiries emphasizing intersectional analyses of the family in studies of courtship, marriage, intimacy, sexuality, etc. as each relate to the institution and experiences of the family. Despite the fact that there has been a long tradition of scholarly research utilizing this framework of analysis, questions remain regarding how we operationalize race, class, gender, etc. to do research that speaks to the interlocking features of our various social identities and lived experiences. In other words, how do we do conceptualize and undertake intersection theory research? How do we use this paradigm of analysis to study human behaviors, social roles, and social institutions?

Submissions may be both quantitative and qualitative in methodology. Manuscripts should not exceed 30 double-

spaced pages of text, inclusive of notes and references, and should follow the "Notice to Contributors" guidelines supplied at <http://www.internationaljournals.org>. Each manuscript author must also provide a brief biological sketch (not to exceed 100 words per author) along with their submission. Completed papers and inquiries should be submitted via email to Guest Editors, Marla Kohlman and Bette Dickerson, at [kohlmanm@kenyon.edu](mailto:kohlmanm@kenyon.edu).

Please take care to identify submissions with the keyword: **Intersections**. Deadline for submission is February 15, 2008.

New Books

Elizabeth Ettorre. 2007. *Revisioning Women and Drug Use: Gender, Power and the Body*. Palgrave MacMillan.

Myra Marx Ferree and Aili Mari Tripp, eds. 2007. *Global Feminism: Transnational Women's Activism, Organizing, and Human Rights*. New York University Press.

Laura Mamo. 2007. *Queering Reproduction: Achieving Pregnancy in the Age of Technoscience*. Duke University Press.

Harriette McAdoo. 2007. *Black Families*, 4th edition. New York: Sage Publishers.

Valentine M. Moghadam, ed. 2007. *From Patriarchy to Empowerment: Women's Participation, Movements, and Rights in the Middle East, North Africa, and South Asia*. Syracuse University Press.

Laura L. O'Toole, Jessica R. Schiffman, and Margie L. Kiter Edwards, eds. 2007. *Gender violence: interdisciplinary perspectives*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. New York: New York University Press.

Denise A. Segura and Patricia Zavella, eds. 2007. *Women and Migration in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands: A Reader*. Duke University Press.

Marybeth C. Stalp. 2007 (December). *Quilting: The Fabric of Everyday Life*. UK: Berg Publishers.

New Journal Articles

Dworkin, S.L., Santelli, J. 2007. "Do Abstinence-Plus Interventions Reduce Sexual Risk Behavior Among Youth?" *Plos Medicine*, 4, 1437-1439.

Dworkin, S.L., Pinto, R., Huntr, J, Rabkin, B., Remien, R.H. forthcoming. "Keeping the Spirit of Community Partnerships Alive in the Scale Up of HIV/AIDS Prevention: Critical Reflections on the Roll Out of DEBI (Diffusion of Effective Behavioral Interventions)."

*American Journal of Community Psychology*.

Dworkin, S.L., O'Sullivan, L. 2007. "It's Less Work For Us and It Shows Us She Has Good Taste:" Masculinity, Sexual Initiation, and Contemporary Sexual Scripts." In M. Kimmell, ed, *The Sexual Self: The Construction of Sexual Scripts*. Nashville: University of Vanderbilt Press.

Dworkin, S. Beckford, S.T., Ehrhardt, A. 2007. "A Longitudinal Analysis of Sexual Scripts for Women Who Participated in a Gender-Specific HIV/STD Prevention Intervention." *Archives of Sexual Behavior* 36: 269-279.

Dworkin, S.L. Ehrhardt, A.A. 2007. "Going beyond ABC to Include GEM (Gender Relations, Economic Contexts, and Migration Movements): Critical Reflections on Progress in the HIV/AIDS Epidemic." *American Journal of Public Health* 97: 13-16.

Frances S. Hasso. 2007. "'Culture Knowledge' and the Violence of Imperialism: Revisiting 'The Arab Mind'" *Journal of Middle East Studies* 7 (Spring) <http://web.mit.edu/CIS/www/mitejmes/intro.htm>

You Yenn. 2007. "Inequality for the greater good: gendered state rule and its consequences in Singapore." *Critical Asian Studies* 39(3): 423-445.

### **Member Awards and News**

**Mary Frank Fox** (Georgia Tech) has been appointed to the Science and Engineering Human Resources Expert Committee, Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences, National Science Foundation.

**Anne Lincoln** (Southern Methodist University) and **Elaine Howard Ecklund** (University at Buffalo, SUNY) received a grant of \$299,334 from the National Science Foundation for a three-year study entitled "Perceptions of Women in Academic Science."

**Judith Lorber** (Professor Emerita, Brooklyn College and the Graduate Center, CUNY) gave a keynote address entitled "Sport: The Playing Ground of Gender," at the World Congress of the International Society for the History of Physical Education and Sport (ISHPES) and the International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA), Copenhagen, Denmark, August 4, 2007.

### **Job Announcements**

The American University in Cairo. The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, and Egyptology has two possible vacancies. One position is tenure track, with an initial two-year (renewable) appointment, subject to mutual agreement will begin

September 2008. Renewal of an appointment depends upon institutional needs and/or the appointee's performance. The second is a one-year sabbatical replacement. The successful candidates will teach both undergraduate and MA-level courses, including introductory sociology courses and courses within the areas of expertise. Rank and specialization are open, but specializations in the following areas are preferred: social inequalities (e.g. race/ethnic, class, gender), sexualities, development, social movements, research methods (quantitative and qualitative). A regional specialization in the Middle East or the Global South is a plus. Requirements: All requirements for the PhD in sociology must be completed by the time of appointment. Priority will be given to applications received by November 1, 2007. Initial interviews may be conducted at the MESA conference. All applicants must submit the following documents via online. a) an updated C.V (upload via Step 2 in the next page); b) a letter of interest; c) a completed AUC Personal Information Form (PIF). For your convenience, the PIF can be downloaded in the next page (next to upload section); d) List names & contact information of at least three references familiar with your professional background; (e) statement of teaching philosophy, research agenda, copies of recent student evaluations, and copies of two recent publications. Note: Please remember your account login enables you to respond to AUC additional questions (if required). You can apply online at <http://aucegypt.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.js?p?JOBID=6626>

Boston College. Boston College's African & African Diaspora Studies Program (AADS) invites nominations and applications for two open-rank, open field positions with a cooperating department to begin September 2008. Successful candidates will have a Ph.D. or the equivalent in a relevant field, an active research and publication profile, and demonstrated excellence in teaching. The sociology department is hoping to find an outstanding candidate for this joint appointment. We are open to all fields, but have special interest in social movements, ethnography, advanced quantitative methods, and institutions. The successful candidate will join colleagues building a vibrant intellectual community in an increasingly international city. A cover letter, curriculum vitae, writing sample of no more than 30 pages and a list of 3 referees should be sent to Cynthia Young, Director, African & African Diaspora Studies, Boston College, 140 Commonwealth Avenue, Lyons Hall 301, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467. Electronic applications in pdf format and all inquiries should be sent to [aads\\_search@bc.edu](mailto:aads_search@bc.edu). Review of applications will begin on October 31 and continue until the positions are filled.

California State University, San Marcos. Department of Sociology invites applications for a Tenure Track Faculty Position in Critical Race Studies at the level of Assistant Professor, to begin August 2008.

Qualifications: Ph.D.; ABD within one year of completion will be considered. Preference will be given to candidates with a degree in Sociology or a closely related field who can contribute to the critical race studies and social justice curriculum of the Department through excellence in teaching, service, and research. Evidence of work with a diverse student body and commitment to research about oppressed communities is highly desirable. The review of applications will begin on October 30, 2007 and continue until the position is filled. Send letter of application, including detailed statements of teaching interests and philosophy, research interests, curriculum vitae, sample of written work (up to two items), detailed description of teaching experience and ability, including used or proposed syllabi (preferably in the area of critical race studies), and three letters of reference to: Critical Race Studies Search, Sociology Department, CSU San Marcos, CA 92096-0001. Inquiries should be directed to Professor Sharon Elise, Search Committee Chair (760) 750-4165; email [selise@csusm.edu](mailto:selise@csusm.edu).

Denison University. The Department of Sociology/Anthropology invites applications for one tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level, beginning August 2008. We seek a sociologist with strong quantitative analysis skills, an active and engaging research agenda, a global perspective, and a strong commitment to liberal arts education. As one of three sociologists in a six-person department, candidates must be willing to teach in an innovative, merged sociology/anthropology curriculum that emphasizes theory and research methods. Candidates should have the desire and ability to teach quantitative research methods and data analysis to undergraduates. Ph.D. in sociology by August 2008 is required. Inquiries should be sent to Anita Waters at [waters@denison.edu](mailto:waters@denison.edu) or by telephone 740-587-6572. Candidates should send a cover letter, c.v., and the names and addresses of three references to Anita Waters, Acting Chair, Sociology/Anthropology, Denison University, Granville, OH 43023 by Friday, November 2, 2007.

Indiana University – Bloomington. The Department of Communication and Culture together with the Department of Gender Studies announce a search for a jointly-appointed senior scholar (tenured associate or full professor) specializing in gender and sexuality. We seek interdisciplinary scholars committed to enhancing our existing strengths in the study of sexualities, both national and international, and working on cultural production and representation in one or more of the following fields: rhetoric and public culture, film and media studies, and/or performance and ethnography.

Our interest extends to individuals working on gender and sexuality in one or more of the areas of: race and ethnicity; LGBT social movements; technologies of the body; cinema/television; alternative and/or new media. The Departments invite applications from scholars who are actively addressing these matters through ambitious research agendas and energetic teaching/mentoring on the undergraduate and graduate levels. The successful applicant will present an active record of scholarship and teaching that is consistent with tenure at a leading research university. The appointment will begin in fall 2008. Please submit a letter of interest detailing research agendas as well as teaching experience and philosophy, along with a CV and names, addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of three references by November 15, 2007. Please do not send letters of reference unless requested. Materials should be submitted to: Stephanie Sanders and Robert Ivie, Search Committee Co-Chairs, Indiana University, Department of Gender Studies, Memorial Hall East, Room 130, 1021 East Third Street, Bloomington, Indiana 47405. Email inquiries may be addressed to Robert Ivie, Department of Communication and Culture, at [rivie@indiana.edu](mailto:rivie@indiana.edu), or Stephanie Sanders, Department of Gender Studies, at [sanders@indiana.edu](mailto:sanders@indiana.edu). Information is available on the web about the Department of Communication and Culture at <http://www.indiana.edu/~cmcl/> and the Department of Gender Studies at <http://www.indiana.edu/~gender/html/>.

Indiana University – Bloomington. The Department of Gender Studies announces a search for the Peg Zeglin Brand Chair in Gender Studies. While area of expertise is open, we are particularly interested in interdisciplinary candidates working in feminist theory and epistemology, feminist science studies (especially work that examines the intersection of race, gender and science), and/or queer studies broadly construed. Focus could include the environment, technology, medicine, sexuality, transnational circuits of sexuality, and/or the theory and practice of science. The Department invites applications from senior feminist scholars (associate or full) who are actively addressing core questions of gender and sexuality through ambitious research agendas and energetic teaching/mentoring on the undergraduate and graduate levels. Applicants will be expected to assist in the continued development of the doctorate (now in its second year), teach core Gender Studies graduate and undergraduate courses, and work collectively to enhance the Department. The successful applicant will present an active record of scholarship and teaching that is consistent with tenure at a research university. Preference will be given to candidates with teaching experience in Women's and/or Gender Studies. The appointment will begin in fall 2008. Please submit a letter of interest, detailing research agendas as well as teaching experience and philosophy, along with a CV and names, addresses, e-mails, and phone numbers of three references (please do not have references sent

unless requested) by December 1 to *Prof. Suzanna Walters*, Chairperson, Search Committee, Indiana University, Department of Gender Studies, Memorial Hall East, Room 130, 1021 East Third Street, Bloomington, Indiana 47405

Kansas State University. The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor beginning August 2008. We seek a sociologist whose research and teaching interests focus on Gender. Preference will be given to candidates with a secondary specialization in work, criminology, or international development. Candidates will be expected to develop a productive, on-going research program in their area of expertise; evidence of ability or potential to generate external funding is highly desirable. Teaching load is two courses per semester. In addition to developing and teaching courses in their area of specialty, candidates will be expected to teach core undergraduate and graduate courses and work with graduate (MA and PhD) students. For this position, ability to teach graduate level social theory is a plus. Candidates should have experience working with diverse student populations and consider different cultural perspectives in their approaches to teaching and research. A Ph.D. in sociology is required by the time of appointment. Applicants should send a curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, and two samples of written work to: Dana M. Britton, Search Committee Chair, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, 204 Waters Hall, Kansas State University. Review of applications will begin November 1, 2007 and continue until the position is filled.

Northeastern University. The Department of Sociology and Anthropology invite applications and nominations for the position of Chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. The successful candidate will hold a full-time tenured position at the full professor level. The position of Chair is for a three-year term, commencing July 1, 2008 (or later), with the expectation of renewal for one or two additional terms. Located in the heart of Boston, Northeastern University is nationally-recognized for the quality of its research faculty, graduate and undergraduate education programs, and the integration of classroom learning with real-world experience. Northeastern's signature cooperative education program is considered the best in the nation. The Department is home to 21 sociologists and 3 anthropologists, and offers BS and BA degrees in both Sociology or Anthropology and a Ph.D. in Sociology. Areas of particular strength are (1) gender studies; (2) urban affairs and community studies; (3) globalization and international studies; and (4) social justice, conflict, and inequality. The new chair will be expected to work cooperatively with faculty to develop both the Sociology and Anthropology programs. Candidates must have a well-established record of research in the field of Sociology, and the ability to take

advantage of emerging opportunities in an interdisciplinary environment. There are significant managerial responsibilities for this position, so academic administrative experience is preferred. Candidate must have experience in, or a demonstrated commitment to working with diverse student populations and/or in a culturally diverse work and educational environment. Candidates must also be a full professor and have a Ph.D. in Sociology. Competitive salary. Area of specialization open. Mail letter of interest, CV, and names of three references to Professor Daniel Faber, Search Committee Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 509 Holmes Hall, Northeastern University, 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. Dr. Faber can be contacted at d.faber@neu.edu, or 617-373-2878. Review of applications begins on Nov 1.

Rutgers University. The Department of Women's and Gender Studies invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor to begin Fall 2008, pending final budgetary approval. We seek an interdisciplinary scholar who specializes in U.S. Latina Feminism or Latin American Feminism and who will contribute to our research and teaching missions at the undergraduate and graduate level (M.A and Ph.D.). Candidates should possess expertise in Latina feminist theory and/or feminist activism in Latin America, the Hispanic Caribbean, and/or U.S. Latina/o communities. Research interests might include waged and unwaged labor issues, sexual and reproductive rights, the political economy of migration, social movements, indigenous studies, transnationalism public policy, femicide, post-occidental theory, or cultural production. The ideal candidate should have a commitment to excellence in teaching and research and a strong interest in community outreach. We are eager to consider graduates of interdisciplinary programs including gender or ethnic studies departments, who are competent in multiple methodologies. Ph.D. is required. Applicants should send a curriculum vitae, letter of interest, samples of written work, evidence of teaching effectiveness and three letters of recommendation to Harriet Davidson and Phillip Rothwell, Search Committee Co-Chairs, Women's and Gender Studies Department, 162 Ryders Lane, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901. Review of applications begins October 22, 2007.

Rutgers University. The Department of Sociology seeks to hire a faculty member at the assistant or associate professor level whose work involves studying Global Structures and Gender. The job is to begin in September 2008. The availability of this line is subject to budget approval. The position could encompass (possibly combinations of) approaches, including: comparative, historical, archival, ethnographic, or quantitative. We are especially interested in candidates whose work spans the conventional divides separating economic, political and cultural analysis. We will begin reviewing

applications on September 20, 2007. Applications received after October 31 cannot be assured full consideration. You should send a curriculum vitae, a letter explaining your interest in this position, a writing sample, and either three letters of recommendation from scholars familiar with your work or, alternatively, the names of three references whom we can ask for letters of recommendation. Please send these materials to: Benjamin Zablocki, Chair, Department of Sociology, Rutgers University, 54 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08854-8045. Other contact information: [soc-chair@sociology.rutgers.edu](mailto:soc-chair@sociology.rutgers.edu) and 732-445-4139

Stetson University. The Department of Sociology and Anthropology invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track assistant professor position to begin August 2008. The department seeks a candidate whose areas of expertise include sociological theory, political sociology, and sociology of law. Responsibilities include teaching undergraduate courses, conducting and publishing research, and participating in college and university service and programs, including the program in First-Year Studies Program. Required credentials: Ph.D. in Sociology. Teaching experience preferred. The Department includes six full-time faculty members (five Sociologists and one Anthropologist). Qualified candidates should mail a cover letter, Curriculum Vitae, a detailed statement of teaching and research interests for a liberal arts college, sample syllabi, copies of papers and published works, and three letters of reference to Sociology Search Committee, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Unit 8387, Stetson University, 421 N. Woodland Blvd., DeLand, FL, 32723. The review of applications will begin on October 31, 2007; the position will remain open until filled. Salary is competitive and depends upon qualifications and experience.

University of Puget Sound. The Department of Sociology invites application for a tenure-track position in Social Theory at the level of Assistant Professor, beginning Fall Term 2008. Applicants should be sociologists with expertise in social theory. Preference will be given to candidates with additional expertise in the sociology of gender and the sociology of the family. The candidate is expected to teach social theory on an ongoing basis and to contribute to the department's offerings at the introductory and upper-division level and to the university's core curriculum. Other duties include continuation of professional development, advising students, and participation in departmental and university governance. Qualifications: Ph.D. (ABD considered) in Sociology with expertise in social theory, and a commitment to undergraduate teaching and liberal arts education. Search and selection procedures will be closed when a sufficient number of qualified candidates have been identified. Interested individuals are encouraged to submit application materials postmarked no later than October 26, 2007 to ensure consideration.

Applicants should send a cover letter that speaks to their interest and ability to teach social theory at the undergraduate level, teaching and research statements, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to: Social Theory Search – 867, University of Puget Sound, 1500 North Warner #1007, Tacoma, WA 98416-1007

University of Virginia. The Department of Sociology seeks a beginning or advanced assistant professor specializing in immigration, globalization, race and ethnicity, or closely related fields. Preference will be given to applicants with a comparative and/or global perspective. Please send a cover letter outlining research and teaching interests, as well as a C.V., to Chair, Search Committee, Dept. of Sociology, P.O. Box 400766, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22904-4766. Please also include the names of three references, who should be asked to send letters of recommendation directly to the Chair of the Search Committee. Only applications received by October 15, 2007 can be assured full consideration.

University of Virginia. The Department of Sociology seeks an associate professor (most likely tenured, possibly promotable to full). The position is open with respect to specialty, but preference will be given to scholars who fit broadly within the overall profile of the department, which includes interests in culture, theory, stratification, comparative-historical sociology, family, gender, race/ethnicity, and religion. Preference will be given to applicants with a comparative and/or global perspective. Please send a cover letter outlining research and teaching interests as well as a C.V. and the names of three references, to Chair, Search Committee, Dept. of Sociology, P.O. Box 400766, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22904-4766. Only applications received by October 15, 2007 can be assured full consideration.

Washington State University. The Department of Sociology and the Program in Leadership and Professional Studies invite applications for a full-time, nine-month tenure-track advanced Assistant Professor or tenured Associate Professor to begin August 15, 2008 at the Spokane, WA campus. We are a multi-campus department. Spokane campus faculty are fully integrated into the department on the main campus in Pullman and will participate in graduate student training. The primary area of specialization for this position is open. However, a successful candidate must demonstrate fit with existing areas of academic focus and research/outreach on the Spokane campus (see <http://www.spokane.wsu.edu/ResearchOutreach/index.asp>). Examples of areas of specialization that would provide this fit include the following: community sociology, criminology, environment and human ecology, family, medical sociology, sociology of mental health, race/ethnicity, social gerontology, social

justice/inequality, social psychology, and statistics and methods. We seek candidates who will advance the university's commitment to diversity and multiculturalism among faculty, staff, students, research, teaching and community outreach, with relevant programs, goals, and activities. Candidates interested in job sharing are welcome to apply. Required: PhD in Sociology (or a related field) received before January 1, 2006, an excellent record of research, and evidence of excellence in teaching/advising/mentoring undergraduate and graduate students. The successful candidate will be expected to teach upper-division sociology courses, including research methods and have a record of successful graduate student mentoring. Rank of appointment will be commensurate with experience. Additional information about the position is available on the web (<http://www.chr.wsu.edu>). Applicants should send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, samples of written work, and three letters of reference to: Julie Kmec, Chair of the Search Committee, Dept. of Sociology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-4020. Review of applications will commence October 26, 2007. WSU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. Protected group members are encouraged to apply.

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