

# Network News

Winter 2018

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Writing this is a little bittersweet, as it is my final *Network News* letter as SWS President. It has been an exciting year, with lots of good experiences and learning many new things. I thank you all for the trust you've placed in me in electing me to this role, and I hope I've done the organization proud. Since I'm feeling reflective, I hope you won't mind if I take a little time to think back on all the things that we've accomplished over the year. I am so proud of the energy, dedication, and hard work that members have put in to this organization, as it has translated into a number of major gains. We now have an active media subcommittee that works overtime to promote the excellent work that members are doing and highlights our expertise for interested media outlets. We also have working groups that are currently putting together a variety of interesting and

important initiatives: planning special meeting events for our 50th anniversary in 2021; assessing whether changes should be made to our awards policies; and determining how to develop an ombuds committee that can address internal complaints and issues that members may face. Sister to Sister has a Facebook group where women and nonbinary people of color can form a space for community. We have switched to Member-Clicks, a service that should greatly ease membership renewal and meeting registration. We've ironed out the relationship between national office and the local and regional affiliates. We've also switched to a system where our accountant and bookkeeper are under one roof, which aids tremendously in keeping our finances orderly and



easily accessible. And we've taken a decisive stand against a number of important issues that are incompatible with our values as an organization—sexual and gender harassment in academia and in society more broadly; the decision to eliminate gender studies in Hungary; and the current administration's attempts to marginalize and deny legal protections to transgender and intersex people. Wow. Listing all of these things feels really good. But I also know that true to the spirit of SWS, I

can't take sole credit for a single one of the above accomplishments. And the reason for that is that every last thing we've accomplished this year has been a collaborative effort. It's a result of all of you being willing to ensure that this organization continues to work towards its

vision—of being a beacon for and an example of feminist leadership. Of course, there are still areas for improvement, and there probably always will be. But I believe SWS is in excellent hands going forward, and I am humbled by the trust and faith you have displayed in me

by electing me to the office of the Presidency.

Thank you for this opportunity. It was my honor and privilege.

Adia

## President-Elect's Column: *Tiffany Taylor*

Hello SWS! I want to invite you to attend what I think will be an amazing 2019 Winter Meeting! The theme of the meeting will be ***Building Solidarity: Celebrating the Past, Navigating the Present, and Preparing for Our Futures***. The 2019 Winter Meeting will be in Denver, Colorado from February 7-10, 2019, at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Denver Downtown Convention Center. Please click [HERE](#) to access the Winter Meeting 2019 website and to register for the meeting.

We have some fun celebrations planned to honor the past that I think you will enjoy. We will have a few receptions, including our welcome reception and a special reception, which I have been calling "Books and Brews" to highlight members' books and to meet the authors. We'll enjoy beer from local feminist brewers, [Lady Justice Brewing](#), and wine from feminist wine-

makers, [Wild Women Wine](#). Representatives from a local bookstore, [the Tattered Cover](#), will be available Friday and Saturday selling members' books that some of you may have submitted on the book submission form that the Executive Office circulated earlier this fall. Of course, we will have our biggest celebration, our Banquet. Please remember to bring items for our silent auction. This year we will raise money for an all-volunteer organization, [Girls Rock Denver](#). We'll even be treated to a live performance!

Bring your wallets and let's raise some money for this great organization that according to its website works to:

"empower girls and gender expansive youth through music education, creation, performance and community, working to put instruments in their hands to unveil what they already possess in



their feet, fingertips, vocal cords, hearts and minds."

To help us navigate the present, an expert on self-care, Dr. Shanesha Brooks-Tatum, will do a workshop to help us learn more about healthy ways to take care of ourselves. Check out the piece in this issue about Shanesha and the workshop. There will be additional opportunities to experience a variety of self-care options, such as yoga and meditation, with two wonderful teachers from [Ceremony Center for Healing](#) at the meeting. We'll even have a space for creative work so that we can learn skills from some of our crafty members.



As we grapple with #MeToo and #MeTooSociology, we must think of our past, present, and prepare for the future. We will have a panel to discuss #MeToo in a number of settings and to reflect on the origins of the #MeToo movement. Additionally, we will have workshops to empower members to help change the culture of campuses and the discipline, such as bystander training and a workshop on feminist approaches to reducing campus sexual assault and other forms of violence. There are also a number of members doing related research, so be sure to check out our roundtables. This year we estimate that we will have more than 40 roundtables and each table will have a discussant to help facilitate good conversation. Audiences are certainly welcome at the roundtables, so

join the conversation and find out more about the amazing research our members are doing.

As we prepare for the future, many of us may see the need for greater community engagement. If you are like me, you may have no idea how to even begin doing this kind of work! Community engagement means different things for different people, from the weekend volunteer, something I do understand, to the university faculty member doing applied research. And some might view themselves as more of a scholar activist and we will learn from folks engaged in this work. Panelists for our plenary have a range of experiences to discuss the challenges and successes of this work. Following this session, we will have "how to \_\_\_\_" sessions in which members can get very practical advice on becoming

more involved in various community engagements from planning a community garden, to writing a children's book, to doing community engagement/scholar activism as a graduate student.

Please don't forget we will have childcare available during the day at the meetings. You just need to sign up and pay a deposit (that will be refunded) to secure this service when you register. The Local Arrangements Committee will also have a list of kid-friendly places in the area and, if there is an interest, we can even arrange for a yoga class for the kiddos!

I look forward to seeing you in Denver and to building solidarity!

Best wishes,  
Tiffany

## SWS Executive Officer's Column: *Barret Katuna*

Greetings from South Glastonbury, Connecticut!

As we prepare to close out 2018, I would like to thank you for your commitment to SWS and for your ongoing support of SWS operations. I would also like to personally thank each and every outgoing and continuing leader in SWS for their service and would like to personally congratulate the new slate of elected officers who will assume office in Denver.

In my last report of 2018, I will share some highlights and resources that will help you navi-

gate your SWS experience.

As you have seen from emails, we have launched our new association management system via MemberClicks. I am pleased to see that so many of you have signed into your profiles, renewed membership for 2019, and pre-registered for the 2019 Winter Meeting in Denver. I am always just a phone call (860-989-5651) or email

(swseo.barretkatuna@outlook.com) away if you should require any assistance in navigating this new system. If you're planning to come to Denver, my assistant, Natasha Santana, will be at



the registration desk throughout the meeting and can also answer any individual questions you might have at that time. Thank you all for your patience as we made this transition. I really

think you are going to enjoy this new system. As time goes on, we will be able to use more and more of the system's resources.

The web address to go directly to the association management system for SWS is: [sws.memberclicks.net](http://sws.memberclicks.net).

For the 2019 Winter and Summer Meetings, we are going to use an app, that integrates with the MemberClicks system, that will provide some tools for making your meeting experience easier to navigate. For those of you who cannot attend the meetings, you will still be able to download the app to join us from afar. There will be ways for you to engage in conversation, upload meeting notes and presentations, share photos, and to see the schedule from your smartphones or tablets. You will also be able to post what you're up to in case you're looking for a buddy or two to join you for coffee or a night out on the town to explore Denver or New York City, for example. Please stay tuned for more information on the app. We are presently in the app development phase. We will still have our printed Winter Meeting Program available at the registration table and we will post the schedule online as well in advance of the meeting.

We have posted a 2019 Winter Meeting Program Draft. Please click [HERE](#) to access the Program. This is a preliminary program that you can use to help you as you make your travel arrangements.

### A Note on Lunch/Breakfast Business Meeting II at the 2019 Winter Meeting

***A note on lunch:*** Something that I am really excited to communicate with you all is that – in addition to daily breakfast, the reception on Thursday, lunch on Friday, and dinner on Saturday, we will be offering lunch at no extra cost to you on Saturday during Business Meeting II. Lunches will be plated lunches on Friday and Saturday with vegan/vegetarian option and a chicken option. This is a change only for 2019 and we are only able to offer this because the Embassy Suites has its Cooked to Order Breakfast included for all hotel guests.

***A note on breakfast:*** If you are local to Denver and are not staying at the Embassy Suites because of that, then there will be a voucher for breakfast that you will pick up at the SWS Registration Table. Breakfast is served on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Embassy Suites and our programming will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floors. If you would like to eat your breakfast during SWS programming (e.g. Breakfast with Scholars, Editorial Board Meeting, Roundtables) and require assistance, please reach out to me. The breakfast area is open on Thursday and Friday from 6:00 am – 9:30 am and on Saturday and Sunday from 7:00 am – 10:30 am.

***Business Meeting II:*** Attendance at the second Business Meeting of the Winter Meeting

has historically been pretty low given that attendees are often in a rush to catch flights on Sunday morning. We would like to encourage more involvement and participation from all our members and have decided that SWS will stop having the Business Meeting II on Sundays.

### Winter Meeting 2019 Pre-Registration and Planning

Winter Meeting 2019 Pre-Registration is now available. In order to pre-register, you must renew your membership so that it will be active at the time of the 2019 Winter Meeting. Please click [HERE](#) to go directly to that system. **Please note that Early Bird Pricing is available until January 25, 2019 at 11:59 pm Eastern Time.**

**Starting on January 26, 2019,** prices will go up. I encourage you to pre-register today and to sign up for the hosted dinners and childcare (if you should require childcare).

Please remember that you must stay in the Embassy Suites Denver Downtown if you are planning to apply for the cost share. Please click [HERE](#) to review the SWS Cost Share Policy.

You must make hotel reservations at the Embassy Suites Denver Downtown by **January 16, 2019**. Please click [HERE](#) to go directly to the reservation page. Please do not wait till it's too late. Also, if you should encounter any issues while book-

ing, please let me know and I will contact the hotel. Your credit card will not be charged until you complete your stay. If you need assistance in finding a roommate, please fill out the [Roommate Matching form](#) by December 20, 2018 at 11:59 pm Eastern Time. We will try our best to match you based on your preferences, but we cannot guarantee that we will find you a roommate or roommates.

### Looking Ahead

I am excited to announce that the 2021 and 2025 Winter Meetings will take place at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville. SWS has signed a multi-year contract with this property in order to lock in some great rates. We will be in San Diego in 2020 and 2024 and in Jacksonville in 2021 and 2025. Please look for more information on these meetings in the coming year.

Looking ahead also means looking back to our history. I have been working with two diligent

interns at the University of Connecticut and we have successfully archived boxes of SWS documents. In the days ahead, we will be working on categorizing these archives. If any of you have archives that you would like to share with the Executive Office, please contact me and I can help you to figure out the logistics. Preserving SWS History is very important as we look ahead to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SWS.

We have some exciting programming that President-Elect, Tiffany Taylor told you about in her report. I hope to see as many of you as possible in Denver where we will reenergize, connect with one another, and learn how to take better care of ourselves, so that we can continue on in our scholarship, activism, and service to others.

I wish you all a happy, healthy, and productive end to 2018 and eagerly await our next meeting in Denver!

Cheers to 2019!

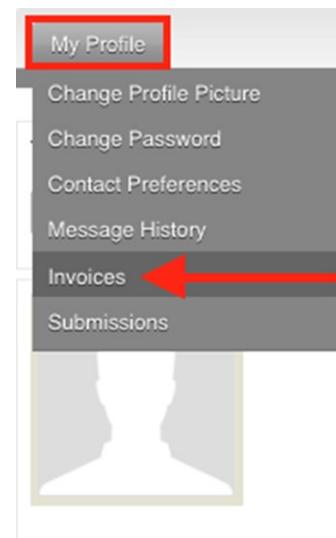
Best wishes,

Barret

### P.S. FAQ on MemberClicks and Receipts:

Some of you have been asking about how to access your receipts from MemberClicks. Here are some instructions to assist you:

To review the invoice, please log into your SWS profile here: <https://sws.memberclicks.net/my-profile>. Once logged in, navigate to My Profile > Invoices as shown below:



## SWS Awards Committee Updates, November 2018

Hello SWS! I hope to see many of you in Denver for the 2019 Winter Meeting.

There have been some updates to the Awards Committee recently, and I wanted to discuss a few of these as the logic behind these changes may not be obvious. All updates have been made in the spirit of inclusion and democratic practices.

Some of these updates may take us some time to get used to, but in the long run, these updates will help SWS awards operate in a more efficient manner and provide a consistent and fair way to operate for all those involved.

**First**, we are streamlining our processes to make nominating someone for an award and/or applying for an award simpler and easier to understand. Beginning calendar year 2019, we will

be adhering to **Universal Deadlines** for all awards-related applications through MemberClicks (on the SWS website). We also want to stress that these are “firm” deadlines. Extending deadlines will no longer be possible – it’s confusing for all and it sends mixed, not always positive messages about SWS.

**April 1 and October 1** are the deadlines to keep in mind for nominating someone for an award or applying for an award.

#### Why Universal Deadlines?

- The deadlines of April 1 and October 1 will be in alignment with the SWS Treasurer’s Budget requests. This will help SWS run more smoothly as an organization.
- Universal Deadlines can be publicized collectively or individually, and make considerably less work and confusion for the SWS EO, the Awards Committee Chair, and the nine committee members.

#### Why use MemberClicks?

- The new SWS website has a feature within it that will allow us to have applications submitted to the SWS EO (MemberClicks), which will prevent loss of application materials.
- MemberClicks is a central location that will also allow committee members to access applications through the SWS website too, which will simplify awards processes and ensure record keeping practices for the organization.

**Second**, as time passes, we see that SWS members are pulled in so many disparate directions during the Summer Meetings, and many are unable to join us during our awards banquet. Moving some awards to the Winter Meeting will help us find better ways to highlight and support award winners in our community. Additionally, the community aspect of the Winter Meetings is perhaps a better place for these awards.

#### **April 1 applications due for awards presented at Summer Meeting (summer 2019):**

Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship (SWS and

SSSP)

Esther Ngan-ling and Mareyjoyce Green Dissertation Scholarship  
SWS-ASA Minority Fellowship

#### **October 1 applications due for awards presented at Winter Meeting (winter 2020):**

SWS Feminist Mentoring  
SWS Feminist Activism Award  
SWS Feminist Lecturer  
Barbara Rosenblum Dissertation Scholarship for the Study of Women and Cancer  
Cheryl Allyn Miller Award  
Social Action Undergraduate Activist  
Natalie Allon Research Award\*

**Third**, each award committee is required to have at least one student member serving on the committee. Creating an opportunity for student members includes integration into the various awards committee structures, provides diversity of academic rank, and is reflective of best practices.

**Fourth**, SWS membership voted to add a third elected member to the Awards Committee. This elected member (to be elected in 2019, to begin service in 2020) will manage the SWS Feminist Mentoring Award.

As you may know, the Mentoring Award Committee was structured like no other SWS awards committee, and in potentially elite ways, comprised entirely and only of past award winners – other awards committees invite past award recipients to serve on committees, but do not require an award winner to manage a future committee.

Respectfully submitted by Awards Committee Chair, Marybeth Stalp.  
November 18, 2018

\*The Natalie Allon Research Award is not awarded every year and is subject to the availability of funds.

## SWS Treasurer's Report: Ronni Tichenor

The annual SWS Executive Office Site Visit took place in Windsor, CT on October 12-14th, with the President (Adia Harvey Wingfield), President-Elect (Tiffany Taylor), Treasurer (Ronni Tichenor), Treasurer-Elect (Veronica Montes), and Executive Officer (Barret Katuna) in attendance. Ronni and Barret met with representatives from SWS's new accounting

firm, Fiondella, Milone, & La Saracina LLP, to review current financial practices. The team met on site and discussed a range of issues including budgeting, financial growth, and creating a dynamic and inclusive culture within SWS. Notes from the meeting can be found under the Member Section of the SWS website. Questions may be addressed to Ronni

([rtichenor@me.com](mailto:rtichenor@me.com)) or Barret. Ronni will prepare a full financial report, which will be presented at the 2019 Winter Meetings Business Meeting by the Treasurer-Elect, Veronica Montes. (Ronni's first grandchild is due February 4, 2019 so she will be unable to attend the meetings).

## SWS Social Action Awards: Maine NEW Leadership Institute Program a Success: *Amy Blackstone*

With gratitude, I write to report on the use of the SWS Social Action Committee's generous contribution to the Maine NEW Leadership Institute (NEWL). I am pleased to share that our 2018 program was a hit, thanks in large part to the funding we received from SWS. The funds allowed us to bring participants from Orono, ME to our state capital in Augusta to meet with legislators, tour the State House, and attend panels put on by women legislators and activists on topics including "The Challenges of Policy Making" and "Making a Difference in Your Community."

Our goal is to inspire and prepare Maine's next generation of women leaders. Currently, the Maine State Legislature is comprised of 34 percent women. While we are pleased to note that this figure represents an increase from the 29 percent seen in the prior two Legislatures, it is not yet reflective of Maine's 51 percent female population. Further, Maine is one of 22 states to have never seen a woman governor.

Our 2018 cohort was comprised of 25 undergraduate women from 17 colleges and universities across the state. They came with experience in healthcare, environmental sciences, the arts, STEM, and other areas. They hailed from all corners of the state and beyond, including Kenya, South Korea, South Africa, and other nations.

Much of the program was focused on introducing students to current women leaders from across the state, and our day in Augusta was a key part of that. Our panelists, workshop facilitators, staff, and keynote speaker, Michelle Kydd-Lee, CIO at Creative Artists Agency and co-founder of TIME'S UP, provided opportunities for participants to listen, learn, and converse with leaders from a variety of backgrounds, including state senators and representatives, city counselors, lobbyists, Muslim leaders, and a former U.S. Department of State advisor.

We are thrilled to report that evaluations from the 2018 program reflect the program goals to educate, empower, and engage the next generation of women leaders. When asked anonymously what they took away from the program, students offered some of the following responses:

*Maine NEW Leadership refueled my fire. I feel like a more confident public speaker and communicator. My perspective on leadership changed to include confidence, kindness, and follow-through.*

*I know that I can do anything I want to do. I could be President of the United States if I really truly desired it. I know this because of Maine NEW Leadership. I*

*have confidence in myself that I didn't have 5 days ago. I have the skills to go far but also to inspire other women that haven't had this opportunity.*

*I learned to step outside my comfort zone and to not be afraid of who I am. I learned that women of power can be compassionate, accepting, loving and supportive people and that is what I want to be.*

*This program has helped me figure out who I am and taught me to believe in myself and that I can do so much more than*

*I believed I could.*

We truly appreciate the support from SWS. We need support like that to continue providing this unique opportunity to undergraduate women at no cost, ensuring the socioeconomic diversity that enhances each student's understanding of the barriers faced by women around Maine. As with previous years, the majority of our students are self-supporting and might not even apply if they had to pay. Our application process remains open to any Maine undergraduate, no matter her economic status.



Representative Ellie Espling speaking to the NEWL participants.



In Senate Chambers with the Honorable Mary Cathcart.



Maine NEW Leadership Institute 2018 cohort at the State House.

## Social Action Initiative Awards Fall 2018:

*Kristy Kelly, SAC Chair*

The Social Action Committee is excited to announce that SWS is supporting three incredible new projects as part of our Fall 2018 funding cycle for the Social Action Initiative Awards. The awardees include:

**Funds for Artists Designing Graphic Materials for Health and Migration Website**

**Roberta Villalón**, St. John's University, will organize support for the development of a website offering free bilingual, community-accessible materials on the health effects of migration, particularly within the migrant community and for migrants' advocates and health providers. Materials for the website are the result of a three-year, mixed-methods, transnational, interdisciplinary activist (participatory action) study that blends feminist of color scholarship with critical migration theories, critical race theories, and southern epistemologies to contribute to the sociological study of migration, health, and intersecting inequalities. Materials are being developed with art and design stu-

dents and artists who are creating accessible audiovisual and graphic bilingual materials. This website will be a living platform for additional resources, including the collection of migration and health histories and best practices in the provision of migration and health services. It will support the open and accessible publication and dissemination of research outcomes that both in content and format provide groundbreaking feminist scholarship.

**North Oakland Restorative Justice Council (NORJC): Rapid Response Team.**

**Ina Kelleher**, UC Berkeley. North Oakland is a neighborhood deeply impacted by the bay area housing crisis, which has sent waves of gentrification and displacement through this historically African American working-class neighborhood. Due to the rupture of community networks, it is also an area heavily impacted by gun violence. Law enforcement's response to these tragedies is inadequate in that it 1) has no preventive component, 2) does not address

the needs of victims and their families, 3) usually results in more trauma and harm in the community, and 4) usually fails to deliver even the normative promise of "justice." SWS funds will support NORJC to develop a rapid response team of North Oakland residents. The rapid response team will be trained as a community resource that residents could call to de-escalate conflicts before tragedy strikes. In the wake of community violence, responders would reach out to victims and their families to provide resources, organize a community-initiated response (such as peace walks or memorials), and advocate for the victim as they navigate the often re-traumatizing criminal justice system. Rapid responders could also respond and provide care and healing in the wake of other violent events in the community, such as residents losing their homes, or families losing loved ones to incarceration.

**Women on the Move to get their Voices HEaRd.**

**Julia Miller**, Universi-

To learn more about the requirements and the deadline for the SAIA Spring 2019 cycle of proposal submissions, visit the SWS Awards page. Congratulations to our award winners!

**The Girl Project is an arts-activism program for high school-age girls focused on empowering them to challenge and reshape gendered representation.**

ty of Kentucky, will bring the ‘Women on the Move’ mobile art installation to The Girl Project’s Voices HEaRd festival in Kentucky. The Girl Project is an arts-activism program for high school-age girls focused on empowering them to challenge and reshape gendered representations. Through a six-week intensive program, participating girls work with a guest artist to develop a critical consciousness through community building and feminist per-

forming arts. This culminates in a community festival, Voices HEaRd, where artist-activists of all genders are invited to share performance and visual arts, raising awareness, empowering, and celebrating girls’ and women’s voices across generations and across the nation. A portion of proceeds are donated to a partnering organization, giving Girl Project participants the chance to give back to their community and act upon their burgeoning feminist con-

sciousness. SWS funds will specifically support their efforts by bringing the “Women on the Move” mobile art installation to the festival to raise awareness of sexual assault through public art and interactive art-making projects.

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## The Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship Call for Applications

### History and Overview

The Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an advanced sociology Ph.D. student who began their study in a community college or technical school. A student advanced to candidacy (ABD status) in an accredited Ph.D. program in sociology in the U.S. is eligible to apply if they studied at a U.S. two-year college either part-time or full-time for the equivalent of at least one full academic year that was not part of a high-school dual-enrollment or enrichment program.

The Scholarship carries a stipend of \$18,000 from Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS) with assistance from the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) to be used to support the pursuit of a Ph.D., as well as one-year memberships in SWS (including a subscription to *Gender & Society*) and SSSP. The first award payment of

\$9000 will be given at the SWS Summer banquet, with the second \$9000 payment to come at the SWS Winter meeting. Recognizing Beth Hess’s significant contributions to the American Sociological Association (ASA), ASA joins SWS and SSSP in supporting and celebrating the awardee at their Annual Meeting. The awardee’s economy class airfare, train fare or driving mileage/tolls will be paid jointly by SWS and SSSP. ASA also supports applicants for this award via their student travel award program (more than one such award may be given, but students must apply to ASA separately). Each association will also waive its meeting registration and provide complementary banquet and/or reception tickets for the awardee.

### What We'll Be Looking For

*To honor Beth Hess's career, the committee will be looking for:*

- Commitment to teaching,

- especially at a community college or other institution serving less-privileged students.
- Research and/or activism in social inequality, social justice, or social problems, with a focus on gender and/or gerontology being especially positive.
- Service to the academic and/or local community, including mentoring.
- High quality research and writing in the proposal and letter of application.

## The Application

**Applications for the award should be sent electronically via MemberClicks as a single Word or RTF file.**

**Applications must contain in the following order:**

1. A cover sheet with:

- Name and full contact information, including phone and email
- Current academic affiliation, with years attended and expected degree date
- Community college or technical school attended, with years and number of credits completed
- Name and contact information for graduate faculty reference
- If included, name of honored faculty member

2. A letter of application (no more than 2 pages) describing the student's decision to study sociology, commitment to teaching, career goals, research agenda, dissertation project, service and activism that would help the committee to see how the Scholarship would be a fitting honor. Approximately one page should be devoted to a dissertation summary statement including progress to date.

3. Full curriculum vitae, including all schools, degrees awarded, dates/years of study, and full or

part-time status in each.

4. (Optional) A one-page letter describing a community/technical college faculty member who contributed in a significant way to the decision to study sociology or pursue higher education.

**The Application** Applications for the award should be sent electronically via MemberClicks as a single Word or RTF file.

Applicants should also arrange for the following to be sent directly either electronically via e-mail attachment to Sarah Bruch at: [\(sarahbruch@uiowa.edu\)](mailto:sarahbruch@uiowa.edu) or in hard copy:

1. A letter confirming advancement to candidacy (ABD status) in a sociology Ph.D. program and aid award, if any. ABD status is required.
2. A letter of recommendation from a sociologist.
3. Transcript (official or unofficial) from the community or technical college attended.

Only the enrollment confirmation, letter of recommendation, and transcript will be accepted in hard copy. *Electronic copies of these materials are preferred* and should be sent directly by the individual or institution supplying them. Hard copies can be mailed directly to:

Sarah Bruch  
Department of Sociology  
130 Seashore Hall West  
University of Iowa  
Iowa City, IA 52242

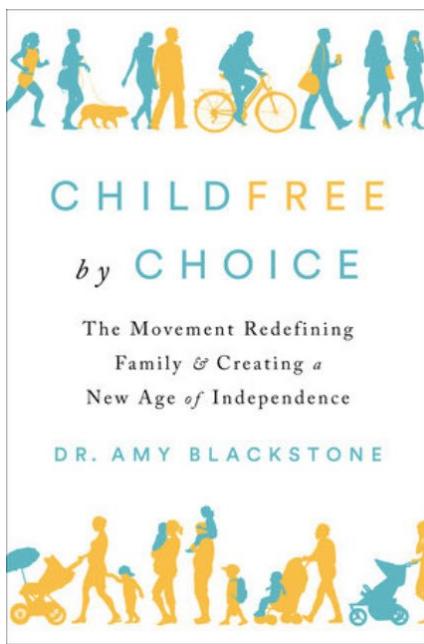
**To be considered, all application materials (electronic and hard copy) must be RECEIVED by April 1, 2019.**

For further information contact Sarah Bruch ([sarah-bruch@uiowa.edu](mailto:sarah-bruch@uiowa.edu))

## Members' Bookshelf

**Amy Blackstone.** 2019. *Childfree by Choice: The Movement Redefining Family and Creating a New Age of Independence*, Dutton.  
**Available now for pre-order**

As a childfree woman, Dr. Amy Blackstone is no stranger to a wide range of negative responses when she informs people she doesn't have--nor does she want--kids: confused looks, patronizing quips, thinly veiled pity, even outright scorn and condemnation. But she is not alone in opting out when it comes to children. More people than ever are choosing to forgo parenthood, and openly discussing a choice that's still often perceived as taboo. Yet this choice, and its effects personally and culturally, are still often misunderstood. Since 2008, Amy Blackstone, a professor of sociology, has been studying the childfree choice, a choice she and her husband had already confidently and happily made. Using her own and others' research as well as her personal experience, Blackstone delves into the childfree movement from its conception to today, exploring gender, race, sexual orientation, politics, environmentalism, and feminism, as she strips away the misconceptions surrounding non-parents and reveals the still radical notion that support of the childfree can lead to better lives and societies for all.



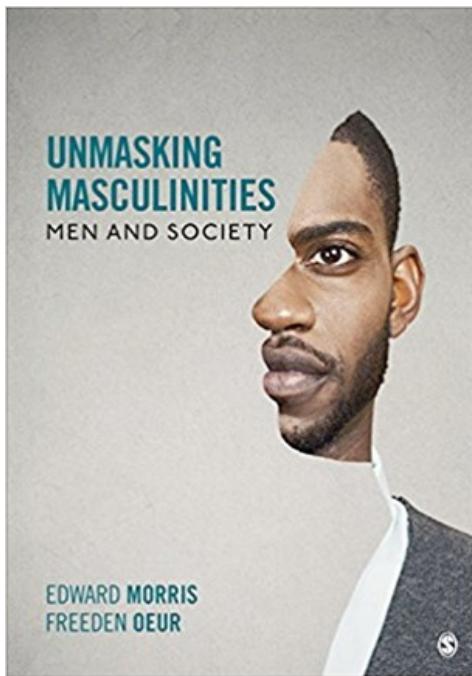
**Freedeen Blume Oeur.** 2018. *Black Boys Apart: Racial Uplift and Respectability in All-Male Public Schools*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

While single-sex public schools face much criticism, many Black communities see in them a great promise: that they can remedy a crisis for their young men. *Black Boys Apart* reveals triumph, hope, and heartbreak at two all-male schools, a public high school and a charter high school, drawing on Freedeen Blume Oeur's ethnographic work. While the two schools have distinctive histories and ultimately charted different paths, they were both shaped by the convergence of neoliberal ideologies and a politics of Black respectability. As Blume Oeur reveals, all-boys education is less a school reform initiative and instead joins a legacy of efforts to reform Black manhood during periods of stark racial inequality. *Black Boys Apart* shows all-boys schools to be an odd mix of democratic empowerment and market imperatives, racial segregation and intentional sex separation, strict discipline and loving care. Challenging nar-

tives that endorse these schools for nurturing individual resilience in young Black men, this perceptive and penetrating ethnography argues for a holistic approach in which Black communities and their allies promote a collective resilience. For more information, please visit the book's website: <http://blackboysapart.com>.

**Edward Morris & Freedon Blume Oeur (Eds).** 2017. *Unmasking Masculinities: Men and Society*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

A new anthology that provides a fresh and comprehensive introduction to the field of critical masculinity studies. Grounded in the theories of masculinities with explicit connections between various theoretical perspectives and the readings, this book examines unique domains, such as the Presidency or men's responses to feminism. Through the book's emphasis on cross-cultural perspectives and experiences, readers will find new and provocative takes on masculinity today, such as nerd masculinity, female masculinity, misogyny through social media, feminism and men, and men's intimate relationships with other men.

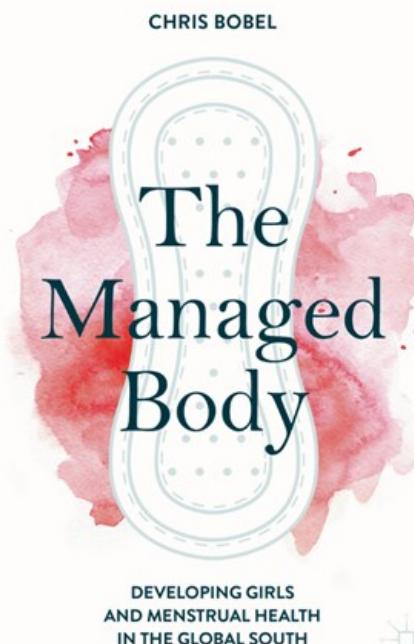


**Chris Bobel.** 2018. *The Managed Body: Developing Girls & Menstrual Health in the Global South*. Palgrave Macmillan.

*The Managed Body* productively complicates a growing social movement to support menstruating girls in the Global South—‘menstrual hygiene management’ (MHM). Here, Bobel offers an invested critique of the complicated discourses of MHM including its conceptual and practical links with the Water,

Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) development sector, human rights and ‘the girling of development.’ Drawing on analysis of in-depth interviews, participant observations, and the digital materials of NGOs and social businesses, Bobel shows how MHM frames problems and solutions to capture attention and direct resources to this highly-tabooed topic. MHM organizations often inadvertently rely upon weak evidence and spectacularized representations to make the claim of a ‘hygienic crisis’ that authorizes rescue. And, she argues, the largely product-based solutions that follow fail to challenge the social construction of the menstrual body as dirty and in need of concealment. While cast as fundamental to preserving girls’ dignity, MHM prioritizes ‘technological fixes’ that teach girls to discipline their developing bodies vis-à-vis consumer culture, a move that actually accommodates more than it resists menstrual stigma.

Bobel artfully captures the complexities, possibilities, and pitfalls of the global players invested



in managing the business of menstruation and the ever-intensifying ways that women's and girls' bodies are a battleground for sexist and racist stories about "cleanliness," "dignity," and "hygiene."

Breanne Fahs, Author of *Out for Blood and Firebrand Feminism*



**Vasilikie (Vicky) Demos** and **Marcia Texler Segal** are delighted to announce the 2017 volumes of their ADVANCES IN GENDER RESEARCH (AGR) series *Discourses on Gender and Sexual Inequality: The Legacy of Sandra Bem* (#23) edited by **Marla H. Kohlman** and **Dana B. Krieg** and *Gender Panic, Gender Policy* (#24) edited by Demos and Segal.

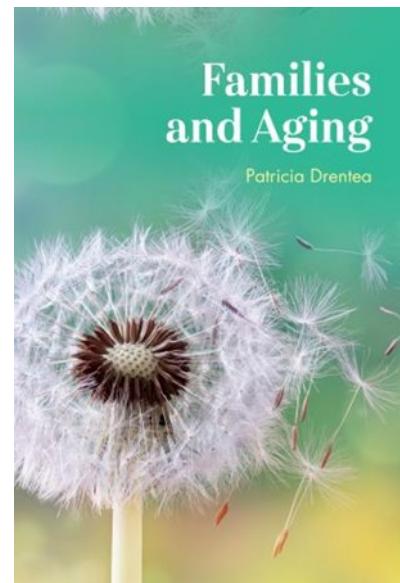
Both volumes feature original essays reporting research from the U.S. and abroad employing feminist perspectives and multiple research methods. *Discourses on Gender and Sexual Inequality* places such diverse topics as romance novels, career choices and college students' perceptions of binge drinking in the context of Bem's social psychology.

*Gender Panic, Gender Policy* questions the gender binary in contexts ranging from elite sport to policies relating to population and the rights of trans students. The tables of contents and abstracts for these and all AGR volumes are available on the Emerald website ([www.Emeraldinsight.com](http://www.Emeraldinsight.com)) where entire volumes and individual chapters may be purchased. Selected individual chapters are frequently available for complimentary download.

**Patricia Drentea.** 2019. *Families and Aging*. Rowman & Littlefield.

The experiences of both families and aging are changing in today's society. Many of us are staying healthier and living longer. Because an unprecedented number of Americans will be over age 65 in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, the aging experience will be felt by many and permeate our family life and society. Topics in the book include family diversity, relationships, later life parenthood, health in old age, work and activities in later life, and changes in family and social trends. *Families and Aging* examines how the changing lifestyles of Americans will play into aging well. It explores the life

course transitions that occur as individuals and families age within the current U.S. context. The text is written from a sociological perspective, but it is interdisciplinary and can be used by many fields such as gerontology, social work, human development, and family studies.



**Rosanna Hertz** and **Margaret K. Nelson**. 2019. *Random Families: Genetic Strangers, Sperm Donor Siblings, and the Creation of New Kin*, Oxford University Press.  
For a 30% discount enter promotional code ASFLYQ6 at [OUPS](http://OUPS).

The ready availability of donated sperm and eggs has made possible an entire new form of family. Children who share the same donor and their families, with the help of the internet, can now locate each other and make contact. This book is about the unprecedented families that have grown up at the intersection of new reproductive

technologies, social media, and the human desire for belonging.

Based on over 350 interviews with children (ages 10-28) and their parents from all over the U.S., *Random Families* chronicles the chain of choices that couples and single mothers

make from what donor to use to how to participate (or not) in donor sibling networks. Children reveal their understanding of a donor, the donor's spot on the family tree and the meaning of their donor siblings. Through rich first-person accounts of network membership, the book illustrates how these extraordinary relationships -- woven from bits of online information and shared genetic ties -- are transformed into new possibilities for kinship. *Random Families* offers down-to-earth stories from real families to highlight just how truly distinctive these contemporary new forms of family are.

**Leslie H. Hossfeld, E. Brooke Kelly, and Julia F. Waity (Eds).** 2018. *Food and Poverty: Food Insecurity and Food Sovereignty among America's Poor*, Vanderbilt University Press.

This newly released book, co-edited by SWS members Leslie Hossfeld, Brooke Kelly and Jill Waity, with contributing book chapters by SWS-South members Kaitland Byrd, Maria Gualtieri, Carmel Price, Marina Karides, and Patricia Widener, examines food access and food insecurity and the complex and perplexing issue of food and poverty in America. This collection brings together interdisciplinary experts who tackle crit-

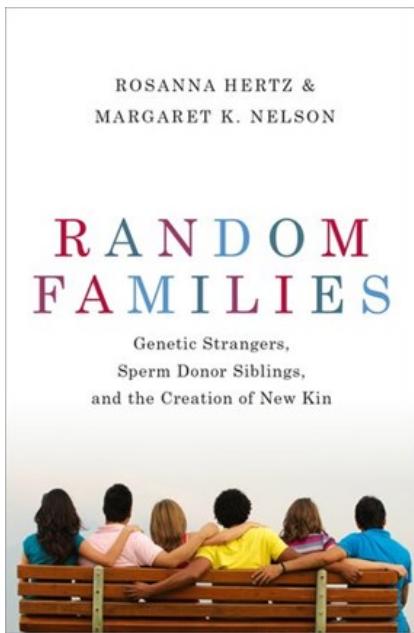
ical issues related to the most basic human need: food. Ranging from food spending profiles, emergency food assistance, federal nutrition programs, rethinking food as a measure of poverty, to viable programs and community responses to hunger, this comprehensive volume provides an exhaustive examination of the paradoxes of food and poverty in the land of plenty.

**Richard Hogan and Carolyn Cummings Perrucci**, "We Know about Reagan, but Was There a Clinton Effect? Earnings by Race, Gender, Marital and Family Status, 1993 and 2000." *Critical Sociology* (Online First) First Published October 4, 2018.

**Carolyn C. Perrucci, Robert Perrucci, and Mangala Subramaniam** (equal co-researchers) are conducting a study of "Social Closure in Academe."

<https://www.cla.purdue.edu/academic/sociology/projects/socialclosure.html>

They have drawn a sample of 3,000 articles from four long-standing sociology journals – *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Social Forces*, and *Social Problems* – from 1960-2010, inclusive. For each article, they are examining the composition of the journals' editors, editorial board members, and the published authors. Of particular interest is the gender of editors, editorial board members, and authors, their academic affiliations within departments of high prestige ranking, and their research styles.



Edited by Leslie Hossfeld, E. Brooke Kelly, and Julia Waity

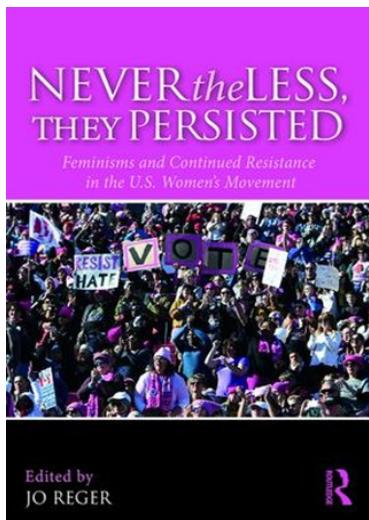
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- a) "Who Publishes in Leading Sociology Journals, 1965-2010?" Pages 77-86 in Earl Wright II and Thomas A. Calhoun, (eds.), *What To Expect and How To Respond: Distress and Success in Academia*. Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2016.
- b) "From Little Science to Big Science: Were Women and Non-Elites Left Out?" *Archives of Psychology*, Volume 1, Issue 1 (October 2017): 41-45.
- c) "Social Closure in Four Leading Sociology Journals, 1960-2010: The Role of Discipline Demographics and Journal Mission." *Sociological Focus*, forthcoming. Contact Carolyn C. Perrucci for a copy: [perruccic@purdue.edu](mailto:perruccic@purdue.edu)



**Jo Reger (Ed).** *Nevertheless They Persisted: Feminisms and Continued Resistance in the U.S. Women's Movement*, Routledge.

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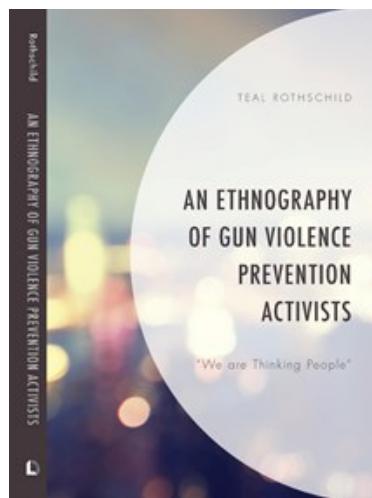
2017 opened with a new presidency in the United States sparking women's marches across the globe. One thing was clear: feminism and feminist causes are not dead or in decline in the United States. Needed then are studies that capture the complexity of U.S. feminism. *Nevertheless,*

*They Persisted* is an edited collection composed of empirical studies of the U.S. women's movement, pushing the feminist dialogue beyond literary analysis and personal reflection by using sociological and historical data. This new collection features discussions of digital and social media, gender identity, the reinvigorated anti-rape climate, while focusing on issues of diversity, inclusion, and unacknowledged privilege in the movement.

**Victoria Reyes.** 2018. "Ethnographic Toolkit: Strategic Positionality and Researchers' Visible and Invisible Tools in Field Research." *Ethnography*, published online first October 25, 2018: <https://doi.org/10.1177/1466138118805121>

**Teal Rothschild.** 2018. *An Ethnography of Gun Violence Prevention Activists: "we are thinking people."* Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

*An Ethnography of Gun Violence Prevention Activists* builds on established literature that is centered on how activists see themselves, their groups, and the national movements associated with their cause. This book focuses on two contemporary organizations that are working on the state level. Both of these groups are similar in their focus of advocating gun violence prevention in a single state in the United States. However, the two groups have distinct memberships, missions, and hierarchies to carry out their activism. Based on over two years of ethnographic work and supplemental interviews, this text charts the meaning making of activists, while also re-examining how we 'do' participatory ethnography.



## New Publicity Specialist to Help SWS with PR and Media Needs



Sheila Lalwani stepped into the role of the new SWS Publicity Specialist just in time for the Summer Meeting in Philadelphia. She recently took a moment from her busy day to respond to some questions about her position and how she can help SWS with its publicity needs.

*Tell us about your job as the SWS publicity specialist, how are you assisting the organization and its members?*

I assist SWS and its membership on matters that relate to public relations, media and communications. In particular, I am interested in advancing public awareness concerning the work of the members.

*How did you come to this position and what about it interests you? What is your background for this job?*

I advance important causes. When the SWS publicity specialist position opened up, I immediately applied. I had recently decided to start my own public relations firm and admired the mission of SWS. I was interested in the position because of its emphasis on feminism, research, academics and activism. I thought I would be able to add real value.

*What opportunities do you see for SWS members in the future? That is, how can you and SWS members work together make the best of our publicity needs?*

I would like for more people to know about the incredible research being done. Members of SWS are everywhere and researching topics that have real-time consequences for women, children and families. I would like for these papers and books get the exposure and publicity

they deserve. The times in which we are living make this work especially important. Facts are not optional, which makes the work of SWS all the more important.

*How are you planning to engage with our members?*

I engage with members by working with the Media Relations Subcommittee. I attended the conference in Philadelphia, got to know SWS, and met the subcommittee members. Attending the meeting was crucial. Following the meeting, I also emailed and spoke with members who have specific questions about their research and publicity. I have been thrilled to take the questions and help members.

*What are your thoughts about working for a feminist organization?*

Working for a feminist organization is one of the draws for me. It has been inspiring for me to work alongside incredibly competent and passionate women. SWS serves a valuable function not just for the members but for society as a whole. I am proud to be part of that.

## Newly Elected SWS Officers Begin Work at the Winter Meeting

This year's SWS elections yielded a group of impressive officers-elect who will step into their new roles at the 2019 Winter Meeting in Denver. We congratulate the newly elected officers and wish them productive terms in their new positions.

President-Elect:	Josephine Beoku-Betts
Vice-President Elect:	Nancy López
Treasurer-Elect:	Roberta Villalón
Student Representative:	Jax Gonzalez
Social Action Committee Chair:	Ruth Marleen Hernández
Career Development Committee Chair:	Shauna A. Morimoto
Sister to Sister Committee Co-Chair:	Sasha R. Drummond-Lewis
Membership Committee Members:	Tanya Cook and Daniela Jauk
Publications Committee Members:	Vrushali Patil and Yasemin Besen-Cassino
Awards Committee Member:	Victoria Reyes
Nominations Committee Members:	Ophra Leyser-Whalen and Shobha Hamal Gurung

## Winter Meeting Session on Self-Care in the Age of Disruption

Dr. Shanesha Brooks-Tatum will lead an interactive workshop titled "Remembering Ourselves: Self-Care in an Age of Disruption." Based on her forthcoming book, *Remembering Ourselves: A Practical and Radical Guide to Self-Care* (January 2019), the session will focus on the specific challenges that faculty, feminists, and women of color face in the academy, and the toll that these challenges take on our mental, physical, and emotional well-being. The session will provide practical strategies for achieving wellness and consistent self-care, however attendees may define it.

Drawing from scholarship by wellness warriors and theorists such as Audre Lorde, Alice

Walker, F. Cooper, June Jordan, Lauren Fournier, and others, the session will explore the experience of disruption (both in our personal lives and in the larger socio-political context) and what we can do in the midst of tensions and challenges to ensure self-preservation and community wellness. The session will include honest discussion and reflective exercises, and will end with a Wellness Manifesto activity that will encourage participants to show up for themselves more fully and begin to experience the true freedom and wellness that they desire. During the conference, Dr. Brooks-Tatum's book will be available for purchase.

### Bio

Dr. Shanesha Brooks-Tatum is the Founder and CEO of the Life Balance and Wellness Institute and Co-Founder and Vice President of Creative Research Solutions, an award-winning research and evaluation firm located in Georgia that strategizes with organizations to improve their programs and services.

An engaging and thought-provoking speaker, Dr. Brooks-Tatum has presented on topics ranging from the technical aspects of evaluation and research to wellness and life balance in the workforce, contemporary popular culture, literature, music, and spirituality. Her workshops demystify processes for achieving success

and provide audiences with practical, proven strategies for personal development, life transformation, and enduring success. Dr. Brooks-Tatum has been featured on several TV and radio stations and is the recipient of numerous local and national awards, including the 2014 Shining Star Award from the National Association of Women-Owned Small Businesses, the 2016 Rising Star Award from the International Journal of Ethnic College Health, and the 2018 Best of Business Award. She is a recent National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow and a U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hays Fellow.

As a teacher-scholar-activist, Dr. Brooks-Tatum co-created an educational, performance-based program in Detroit, Michigan with Detroit high

school students titled “Living the Arts,” and was selected as a Michigan Teaching Fellow for her excellence in teaching and mentorship. In the past, she has taught at the Interdenominational Theological Center (GA) and Roger Williams University (RI) and has served as a Visiting Scholar-in-Residence at Agnes Scott College. She is the Mentoring and Career Development Consultant for the William T. Grant Foundation’s Mentoring and Early Scholars Program and has worked with a variety of nonprofits, foundations, and institutions of higher education.

Dr. Brooks-Tatum earned her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in American Studies and graduated *summa cum laude* from UC Berkeley with a

double major in English and African Diaspora Studies. With Dr. Ebony Elizabeth Thomas, she is Co-Editor of *Reading African American Experiences in the Obama Era: Theory, Advocacy, Activism* (2012), and has a chapter on Christian hip-hop in *Hip-Hop Spirituality and Urban God Talk* (2013), edited by Dr. Andre Johnson. Her first book on self-care, *Remembering Ourselves: A Practical and Radical Guide to Self-Care*, will be published in January 2019.



**JOB OPENING: LECTURER.** The Department of Sociology at the University of Georgia invites applications for a non-tenure track Lecturer position to begin fall semester 2019. The selected applicant will teach courses in the Sociology department that support the Criminal Justice Studies Program, which is an interdisciplinary degree program jointly administered by the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Public and International Affairs. Teaching responsibilities include Criminal Justice Research Methods, Internship Supervision, other substantive courses in criminology, law, and/or criminal justice, as well as Introductory Sociology. This is a full-time teaching position with a course load of four courses each semester. Candidates must have completed all degree requirements for a Ph.D. in Sociology, Criminology, or Criminal Justice, or a closely related field by August 1, 2019 and demonstrate excellence in teaching. A J.D. is not considered a terminal degree for this position. After seven years in rank, Lecturers who demonstrate outstanding performance may be promoted to the rank of Senior Lecturer.

Please submit applications on-line at <http://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/32463>. Applicants should upload a cover letter, curriculum vitae, teaching statement, summaries of teaching evaluations, and an original syllabus. Applicants will be asked to provide names and e-mail addresses of three letter-writers who will receive an on-line link for submitting letters of reference. Applications received by February 1, 2019 will receive full consideration. Review of files will continue until the position is filled.

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### **Important Dates in Preparation for the 2019 Winter Meeting**

December 20, 2018 at 5:00 pm EST – [Roommate Matching Form Closes](#)

January 16, 2019: [Hotel Room Reservation System Closes](#)

January 26, 2019: [Early Bird Pre-Registration Closes & Increased Prices Go Into Effect](#)