Summer Meeting 2023
Philadelphia, PA
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Presidential Message From Melanie Heath and Mary Osirim

Welcome to our SWS 2023 Summer Meeting in Philadelphia! We are very excited that our Summer Meeting will be presented in two parts this year – first, our meeting at the Philadelphia Marriott from August 18th-20th and second, our virtual Students’ Symposium from October 12th-14th. We are grateful to the American Sociological Association (ASA) for providing us with the meeting space for our Summer Meeting.

We decided to try a new format for our Summer Meeting this year; our sessions will be offered as a series of workshops. Many of these workshops are focused on aspects of the theme, “Stages in the Life Cycle of a Sociologist: From Milestones in the Life of a Graduate Student Through Preparing for Retirement.” It is delightful to see the broad range of workshops offered by our SWS committees based on this theme and other critical issues for us as feminist sociologists including: “Resisting Together: Connecting the Dots Between Sexism and Racism in Higher Education,” “Office Hours: Teaching in the Time of Terror,” “Language Justice Struggles,” and “Developing a Space for Queer and Trans SWS Members.” These workshops will be held on August 19th and 20th. We also want to highlight a co-sponsored workshop with the ASA that will be offered on August 21st “Community Engagement and Social Justice Activism” by Retired Sociologists. We strongly encourage you to participate in as many of these insightful and inspiring workshops as your schedule permits!

Our conference begins on August 18th with several committee meetings and concludes on that day with our Business Meeting from 4-5:30 and our Student Caucus Meeting from 5:45-6:45. We are especially pleased to feature presentations this summer from two of our distinguished SWS awardees this year. Sharon Harley, our 2023 Honorary Feminist Sociologist will give a lecture, "Have More Brains on the Fingers of My Hand than...": Nannie Helen Burroughs's Courageous Crusade for Feminist Equality and Social Justice,” during lunch on August 19th from 12:30-1:45 pm. Our 2022 Feminist Activist Awardee, Georgiann Davis, will also give a lecture, “Visions of a Feminist Agenda,” during our Awards Reception on August 20th. We look forward to recognizing our outstanding dissertation awardees as well as those receiving Social Action Initiative awards at this event. Our warmest congratulations to you all!

During your stay in Philadelphia, we encourage you to take advantage of the many historical sites and cultural attractions the city has to offer! It is a very multicultural city with an increasing number of immigrant communities, particularly from Global South Regions. While in Center City Philadelphia, you may want to visit Chinatown, Reading Terminal Market and further south, the Italian Market, which along with the surrounding area, has become an important site of Latinx businesses and organizations. We also wish to highlight programming at Taller Puertorriqueño, “a
community-based cultural organization that uses art to promote development within its community and the Latinx Diaspora and build bridges to the Greater Philadelphia region.” A ride to West Philadelphia will put you in the heart of University City, home to Drexel University and the University of Pennsylvania. Once there, you will enter an historic African American neighborhood and traveling along the Baltimore Avenue corridor will bring you to the heart of many African enterprises and community groups. Of course, Philadelphia has much to offer museum lovers: The Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Barnes Foundation, the African American Museum, and the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History among many others. And music and theater fans will enjoy such venues as the Kimmel Center, the Philadelphia Clef Club of Jazz and the Performing Arts, and the Mann Music Center.

As indicated above, the second part of our Summer Meeting is our Students’ Symposium, which we are looking forward to this October. We are very grateful for the many efforts of Alexis Grant-Panting and Pedrom Nasiri, our student representatives, who are planning this virtual symposium. Please look out for further information about this program in the coming weeks.

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our deepest thanks to our Executive Officer, Barret Katuna, and to our Administrative Officer, Natasha Santana. It is such a pleasure and a privilege to work with colleagues who continue to demonstrate such excellence and commitment to our organization! Their incredible hard work and continued support have really made planning our conferences such enjoyable and rewarding experiences! We also would like to express our sincerest thanks to the SWS Committees, who are offering such an exciting group of workshops!

Wishing you a wonderful Summer Meeting! Looking forward to seeing you in Philadelphia!

With our best wishes,
Melanie and Mary
SWS Summer Meeting Floor Plan
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
Land Acknowledgement and Recognition

_SWS thanks the American Sociological Association (ASA) for the complimentary use of its contracted space at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown for our 2023 Summer Meeting._

_We also acknowledge the land we are all occupying and give credit to the ASA for creating this Land Acknowledgement and Recognition that we include here._

“Before we can talk about sociology, power, and inequality, we must acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Lenapehoking, both diasporic and descendant of Lenape communities. The American Sociological Association (ASA), acknowledges that academic institutions, indeed the nation-state itself, was founded upon and continues to enact exclusions and erasures of Indigenous Peoples. This acknowledgement demonstrates a commitment to beginning the process of working to dismantle ongoing legacies of settler colonialism, and to recognize the hundreds of Indigenous Nations who continue to resist, live, and uphold their sacred relations across their lands. We also pay our respect to Indigenous elders past, present, and future and to those who have stewarded this land throughout the generations.”


**SWS 2023 Summer Meeting Social Media Information**

- Follow @socwomen on Twitter
- Find other SWSers to follow on Twitter (and add yourself if you’re not listed): http://bit.ly/SWSTweets (capitalizations matter with this link, but not with Twitter hashtags or @’s).
- During the conference, use the hashtag #SWS2023 so that others following the tags can see your tweets. You can use other tags to bring attention to different issues.
- Any feminist sociology—related tweets about sessions, events, etc. should include @socwomen. @Socwomen will do their best to retweet these during the conference.
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# SWS Summer Meeting Programing

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Saturday, August 19

8:00 am - 5:00 pm  Hospitality Suite  Franklin 3
*Beverage service throughout the day. Come enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and network in this open space that’s available to SWS Members.*

8:00 am - 9:15 am  Demystifying Nominations and Sustainable Leadership  Franklin 3
*Sponsored by the SWS Nominations Committee and the Task Force on Leadership Sustainability*

During this workshop, we will address issues like leadership as public sociology, activism and politics; balancing service, research and teaching during restrictive political and economic contexts; learning processes pre-, during, and post-holding leadership positions; and community building through feminist commitments. Discussions about these aspects of leadership will involve both their applicability to our organization as well as the multiple institutional settings where we may develop in different stages in our sociology careers. Moreover, we will focus specifically on demystifying the process of nominations for SWS positions with the aim of fostering horizontality and shared governance in our organizational culture, and growing leadership from below. We welcome everyone interested in learning about feminist leadership in general, and those curious about what it entails to be part of a committee, running for chair or co-chair positions and being part of Council at SWS.

8:00 am - 9:15 am  How to Conduct Research Internationally and Navigate US Academia as an International Academic  Franklin 2
*Sponsored by the SWS International Committee*

Panelists:
- Francesca Deguili, Fairleigh Dickinson University
- Manisha Desai, University of Connecticut
- Nicole Fox, California State University Sacramento
- Minwoo Jung, Loyola University Chicago
- Rianka Roy, University of Connecticut
- Solange Simões, Eastern Michigan University
- Jinsun Yan, University of Oregon
- Assata Zerai, University of New Mexico

As teachers, professors, administrators, and students, immigrants form an integral part of the U.S. educational system, from primary education to
higher education. Some estimates suggest that the foreign-born make up more than 1 in 6 workers in US higher education. Similarly, many native-born workers in the US academy conduct research abroad and engage global topics in their research agendas and activism. This workshop proposed by the International Committee of SWS is intended to create intentional exchange of ideas between international sociologists working in the US academy and researching and engaging populations outside the United States; US scholars whose works transcends the boundaries of the US; and international graduate students navigating the US academy. In alignment with the aims of the 2023 annual meeting, to provide workshops that consider the “stages in the life cycle of a sociologist,” panelists will share their insights on how their research and career progression speak to the internalization of knowledge production. Panelists will offer practical guidance on how they have navigated being an international scholar in the US academy and/or conducting research internationally or working with global partners.

9:30 am - 10:45 am Critique Me: Preparing for the Academic Job Market
Franklin 2
Sponsored by the Career Development Committee

Note: Pre-Registration Required for Critique Me on SWS 2023 Summer Meeting Registration Form

Facilitators:
- Sharla Alegria, University of Toronto
- Mindy Fried, Arbor Consulting Partners

Presenter:
- LaToya Council, Lehigh University

Panelist:
- Marybeth Stalp, University of Northern Iowa

This workshop will provide an opportunity for SWSers preparing for the academic job market to discuss how to prepare materials and get ready. We will begin with brief comments from SWS members who either recently navigated the academic job market or served on hiring committees. The remainder of the workshop will be devoted to group discussion, with ample time for participants to ask questions and discuss strategies, advice, and experiences. Topics to be addressed include the job
search process, the range of jobs available for new and recent PhDs, material development (e.g., CV’s, cover letters), and how to prepare intellectually and emotionally.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Language Justice Struggles Workshop  
Sponsored by the Latin+ Feminist Sociology Collective and the International Committee

In this workshop, we will look into how we may become involved in struggles for language justice at different points in our life cycle as sociologists. We will discuss the politics of language; its connection with colonialism, imperialism, racism, ageism, sexism and classism; the contingency of language justice struggles and its multiple facets; and its link with public sociology and transnationalism. Moreover, we will address how our participation in language justice movements as international scholars in the United States may contribute or hinder our professional development while fostering identity and community. Last, we will reflect on how language justice initiatives can be implemented in various settings and pay close attention to future actions in this regard at SWS.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Preparing for the Academic Job Market: A How To Session for Students Approaching the Job Market  
Organized by Melanie Heath and Mary J. Osirim, SWS Co- Presidents

Panelists:
- Gretchen Peterson, University of Memphis
- Tina Fetner, McMaster University
- Mary Osirim, Franklin & Marshall College

In this workshop, we will explore the process of applying for an academic position from the perspectives and experiences of department chairs and a provost in public and private institutions. What are the steps involved in the application, virtual and in-person interviews, job talks and overall campus visits? How does one best negotiate salary, start-up research funds and relocation fees once a position is offered? What advantages and challenges do we face in this process as feminist sociologists? Panelists in this session will address these questions from their position in large research institutions as well as liberal arts colleges.
12:30 pm - 1:45 pm  2023 Honorary Feminist Sociologist Talk  
Franklin 2

"Have More Brains on the Fingers of My Hand than...": 
Nannie Helen Burroughs's Courageous Crusade for Feminist 
Equality and Social Justice."

Sharon Harley, Department of African American Studies, 
University of  Maryland, College Park

*Light lunch provided*

2:00 pm - 3:15 pm  Gender & Society Editorial Board Meeting  
(Closed Meeting)  
Franklin 1

2:00 pm - 3:15 pm  Applied Sociology Career Track - Establishing a Career 
Outside of the Academy 
Organizer: Barret Katuna, Sociologists for Women in Society 
Moderator: Mindy Fried, Arbor Consulting Partners

Participants:
- Chloe Bird, Tufts University
- Jennifer Stoloff, Econometrica, Inc
- Trenton Haltom, Baylor College of Medicine
- Claudia Youakim, Arab American Institute
- Rita Stephan, U.S. Department of State

In this session, a distinguished group of panelists will discuss their work as applied sociologists, including why they chose this route, how they navigated the applied job market, the degree to which they’re able to bring a feminist and/or intersectional perspective to their work, and the extent to which they have chosen to also teach, research and publish.
Sunday, August 20

8:00 am - 5:00 pm   Hospitality Suite  Franklin 3

8:00 am - 9:15 am  Resisting Together - Connecting the dots between sexism and racism in Higher Education  Franklin 2
Sponsored by the Committee on Academic Justice and the Committee on Discrimination

Moderators:
- Andrea Hunt, University of North Alabama
- Beatriz Padilla, University of South Florida
- Marisela Martinez-Cola, Morehouse College

The purpose of this session is to discuss the current climate that US academia (and around the world) is experiencing, by increasing censorship in teaching in gender/sexuality studies as well as in race/racism/discrimination, namely with changes in state legislation that have begun to limit what instructors can teach and the increasing threats to instructors, including removing tenure, being fired, and defunding DEI initiatives, among others.

The session will include an initial discussion from presenters and then provide a space for attendees to share their experiences and learn about how a range of people on university campuses are mobilizing or reacting against this threat.

8:00 am - 9:15 am  Publications 1 Meeting (*Closed Meeting*)  Franklin 1

9:30 am - 10:45 am  Journeying Toward Liberation: Art and Healing in Activist Spaces  Franklin 2
Led by Brittany P. Battle, Wake Forest University and Nia Sadler, Triad Abolition Project
Sponsored by SWS Social Action Committee

As oppressed communities continue to face attacks on all levels of our freedoms, there is much work to be done in our journey toward liberation. For many scholars, advocacy, activism, and organizing work then is a central part of our professional and personal commitments. However, this
work does not come without great costs – physically, emotionally, mentally, and professionally. Navigating these costs through an intentional focus on joy, beauty, and healing within our work is crucial. In this workshop, we will dialogue about the uses and value of art in activist spaces, as well as how we can center our healing as we do the critical work of liberation. The workshop will also include the creation of a piece of art that participants may take.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Fireside Chat with Past Chow-Green Awardees: A Look into the Past and the Future

*Sponsored by the SWS Sister to Sister Committee*

Organizers

- Pallavi Banerjee, University of Calgary
- LaToya Council, Lehigh University

Moderator:

- Katherine Maldonado Fabela, University of California, Santa Barbara (Winner 2022).

Panelists:

- Veronica Montes, Bryn Mawr College (Winner 2010)
- Chaniqua Simpson, East Carolina University (Winner 2017)
- Chriss Sneed, University of Connecticut and Barnard College (Winner 2019)
- Carmela Roybal, University College Dublin (Winner 2020)
- Corinne Castro, Rutgers University (Winner 2009)

It has been 16 years since the Chow-Green Dissertation Award was established. There have been 16 awardees and five honorable mention awardees. This panel is an effort to bring five awardees from the first decade of the award as a way to honor the legacy of the award and also to learn from the journeys of each of these scholars. This is a way to connect past winners to future winners while also highlighting the careers and research of the past award winners.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Developing a Space for queer and trans SWS members

*Organized by Melanie Heath, SWS Co-President*

Facilitators:
This co-facilitated workshop encourages members to discuss the need for sustained institutionalized support for LGBTQIA2S+ members within SWS. This is intended as an exploratory conversation through which our experiences and ideas for the future provide a basis for answering questions such as: What supports do LGBTQIA2S+ members need, paying particular attention to trans, nonbinary, BIPOC, disabled, and those also traditionally marginalized in academic spaces? Might these needs be best addressed through an SWS Committee or another format? What has been an experience where SWS has been supportive (i.e., to amplify what good things are happening), and what’s an experience where the SWS space has been difficult as a scholar of these identities? How would we like to see SWS grow (particularly in light of the recent political landscape) to support, advocate for, and celebrate LGBTQIA2S+ sociologists? How might any new/proposed structure work together with other groups in and outside of SWS to bring our full selves (including our sociological intellect) to meet the needs of LGBTQIA2S+ members? This workshop is intended to be an initial conversation that will continue during the 2023 Fall virtual conference and 2024 Winter conference and beyond.

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm  Lunch Meetup (Bring Your Own) BYO  Franklin 1 and 2

1:30 pm - 2:45 pm  Office Hours: Teaching in the Time of Terror  Franklin 1

Sponsored by the SWS Student Caucus
Across Canada and the United States, higher education instructors are increasingly becoming the subject of right-wing populist attacks against the teaching of critical race feminism, gender and sexuality studies, and other critical scholarship and pedagogical practices aimed at exposing and dismantling matrices of oppression. The SWS Student Caucus recognizes that this phenomenon is not endemic only to Canada and the United States. Further, we recognize that not all instructors inside and outside of these imperial coordinates have the tools, resources, and mentorship necessary to navigate these times of terror.
This workshop will provide opportunities for higher education instructors to meet and form an intersectional community of practice that shares knowledge and experience on navigating and subverting these attacks on higher education. This will be of particular importance to student members who are either new to instructing or are facing new and continuing attacks on their pedagogy and scholarship.

1:30 pm - 2:45 pm  
Tips for Preparing for Retirement  
Franklin 2  
Organized by Melanie Heath and Mary J. Osirim, SWS Co-Presidents

Facilitators:
- Vicky (Vasilikie) Demos, University of Minnesota-Morris
- Don Ferree, University of Wisconsin
- Susan Lee, Boston University
- Chris Bose, University at Albany, SUNY

This workshop will focus on planning for retirement as feminist sociologists and how we might think about this process in a series of stages. What financial/investment challenges do we need to consider as we prepare for retirement? Does your university/current employer offer any services to assist in your preparation for retirement and during retirement? What about various forms of work during retirement – volunteer opportunities, part-time work, teaching, research and/or writing? A time to pursue interests/hobbies? Advice and information about these and other issues related to retirement will be explored in this session.

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm  
How to Publish Your First Article  
Franklin 3  
Sponsored by the SWS Publications Committee  
Panelists:
- Vanessa Gonlin, University of Georgia
- Nik Lampe, University of South Florida
- Smitha Radhakrishnan, Wellesley College
- Patricia Richards, University of Georgia

The panel will feature scholars at different stages of their career: a graduate student who has published from their master’s thesis; a new assistant professor, midcareer/senior scholar, and a perspective from the Gender & Society Editorial Board. The panel will benefit graduate students and early career scholars.
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm    Awards Reception    Franklin 1/ Franklin 2

2022 Feminist Activism Awardee Talk:
Visions of a Feminist Agenda
Georgiann Davis, University of New Mexico

Food will be served between 6:00 - 8:00 pm.
Cash bar (accepts credit cards) will be open from 6:00 - 9:00 pm.
Monday, August 21

8:00 - 9:30 am  Community Engagement and Social Justice  Franklin Hall 4
Activism by Retired Sociologists
(Co-sponsored with SWS)

Session Organizers
- Marcia Texler Segal, Indiana University Southeast
- Cynthia Deitch, George Washington University

Leaders
- Vicky (Vasilikie) Demos, University of Minnesota-Morris
- Beth E. Schneider, University of California-Santa Barbara
- Gregory D. Squires, George Washington University

Participants will share their experiences and thoughts on questions such as: How do you use sociology or other academic/professional skills and expertise in your community activism? How/whether your involvement changed with retirement and age? How do you build capacity and pass the torch to younger generations? Are you able to draw on institutional resources from your university to support your activism? Is your activism part of engaged scholarly research? What advice (on community engagement) can you share with colleagues who move to a new geographic area post-retirement, and/or who are looking for new areas of involvement? Participants will speak to a range of post-retirement situations and a range of social justice activist efforts. Retirees and those nearing retirement are encouraged to attend and share their retirement experiences, plans or concerns.