



**ASA Chairs Conference Preliminary Program**  
**“Science, Liberal Arts, and the Humanities:  
 Positioning Sociology Departments for Resilience and Success”**

Friday August 13

8:00-8:30am	<b>Arrive, Receive packets</b>
8:30-8:50am	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Margaret Weigers Vitullo, Director, ASA Academic and Professional Affairs</i>
8:50-9:50am	<b>Opening Keynote</b> <b>“Sociology in the Market-Model University”</b> <i>Steven Brint, Professor of Sociology      Director, Colleges &amp; Universities 2000      Associate Dean, College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, University of California—Riverside.</i>
10:00-11:20am	<b>Concurrent Roundtables I</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Launching Majors to Satisfying Careers:          Introducing a New Faculty Manual and Data Set</b>  <i>Roberta Spalter-Roth, Research Department, American Sociological Association and          Mary Senter, Chair—Central Michigan University</i></li> <li><b>2. Taking on the Role of Department Chair</b>  <i>Kimberly Cook, Chair – University of North Carolina</i></li> <li><b>3. Strategic Planning in Sociology Departments</b>  <i>Edward Kain, Former Chair – Southwestern University</i></li> <li><b>4. Chairing the PhD Department</b>  <i>Mark Fossett, Chair – Texas A&amp;M University</i></li> <li><b>5. Community Colleges &amp; Four Year Institutions:          Strengthening Articulation to Strengthen Sociology</b>  <i>Kathy Rowell, 2009/2010 President of North Central Sociological Association, Professor,          Sinclair Community College.</i></li> <li><b>6. Building positive working relationships with administrators:          A resource for building department resilience &amp; success</b>  <i>Jay Howard, Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Butler University</i></li> </ol>

11:30-12:50	<p><b>Concurrent Roundtables II</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Launching Majors to Satisfying Careers: Introducing a New Faculty Manual and Data Set</b> <i>Roberta Spalter-Roth, Research Department, American Sociological Association and Mary Senter, Chair—Central Michigan University</i></li> <li><b>2. Evaluating Teaching Excellence for Merit Increases, Promotion, and Tenure Review</b> <i>Michael Brooks, Dean – South University</i> <i>Tom Van Valey, Former Chair – Western Michigan University</i></li> <li><b>3. Budget Management in Small Departments</b> <i>Timothy Pippert, Chair – Augsburg College</i></li> <li><b>4. Chairing the Multi-Disciplinary Department</b> <i>Kerry Strand, Chair – Department of Sociology and Social Work, Hood College</i></li> <li><b>5. Conducting a Useful Departmental Self-Study</b> <i>Yvonne Vissing, Former Chair – Department of Sociology, Montclair State University.</i></li> <li><b>6. Chairing Sociology and Criminology Programs – Insights from the Task Force</b> <i>Dennis MacDonald, Chair – St. Anslem College</i> <i>Kimberly Cook, Chair – Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of North Carolina</i></li> </ol>
12:50-2:30	<p><b>Lunch and ASA Registration (1 hr 40 min)</b></p> <p><b>“A Brief Introduction to TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology”</b> <i>Margaret Weigers Vitullo</i></p>
2:30-3:50	<p><b>Concurrent Roundtables III (most repeat from Roundtables II)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Evaluating Teaching Excellence for Merit Increases, Promotion, and Tenure Review</b> <i>Michael Brooks, Dean – South University</i> <i>Tom Van Valey, Former Chair – Western Michigan University</i></li> <li><b>2. “Budget Management in Large Departments”</b> <i>Patricia Gwartney, Chair – University of Oregon</i></li> <li><b>3. Chairing the Multi-Disciplinary Department</b> <i>Kerry Strand, Chair – Department of Sociology and Social Work, Hood College</i></li> <li><b>4. Conducting a Useful Departmental Self-Study</b> <i>Yvonne Vissing, Former Chair – Department of Sociology, Montclair State University.</i></li> <li><b>5. Chairing Sociology and Criminology Programs – Insights from the Task Force</b> <i>Dennis MacDonald, Chair – St. Anslem College</i> <i>Kimberly Cook, Chair – Department of Sociology and Criminology, University of North Carolina</i></li> </ol>
4:00-5:00pm	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>“Positioning Departments When Faculty Disagree”</b> <i>John Drysdale, Outgoing Chair - American University</i></p>
5:00-5:30	<p><b>Closing Keynote</b></p> <p><b>“Positioning Sociology for the Future: The Science of Society”</b> <i>Sally Hillsman, Executive Officer—American Sociological Association</i></p>