

2020 Section Annual Report for Economic Sociology

This annual report covers the period of section activity from the previous year (September 2019 to August 2020), plans for the coming year (September 2020 to August 2021), and budget for the next fiscal year (January 2021 to December 2021).

The Previous Year

Describe section activities during the period between September 2019 and August 2020.

Awards – Provide a description of the process by which winners were chosen.

For each award, the section chair selects a committee chair from council officers and the committee chair forms a committee, seeking to ensure diversity of educational institutions, members' career stage, research foci, and demographic characteristics, drawing from volunteers in the section. A call is distributed via the section's listserv and posted to the section website. Submissions are reviewed and rated by at least two members of each committee and the committee convenes to select the recipient of the award.

Communications – How does the section communicate with its members? Did it begin using any new technologies or strategies? If so, were they effective? Include links to the section website, newsletters, and any other electronic media used.

The section communicates primarily via its listserv and a newsletter (<https://www.asanet.org/asa-communities/sections/sites/economic-sociology/newsletter.>)

Diversity and Inclusion – Provide information on recent work on diversity and inclusion.

This year, the section had a substantive discussion at the council and business meetings about improving the diversity of its membership and expanding scholarship in the area of race and ethnicity in economic sociology. The new chair will be leading this initiative, which will include ensuring the diversity of candidates for section positions, developing a mentoring program for graduate students, post-docs and junior faculty from under-represented backgrounds in the section, designating one section session to the topic of race and ethnicity, as well as potentially holding a mini-conference on the topic.

Membership recruitment and retention – What efforts did the section make to retain members and reach out to new members? What were the results of the efforts?

Based on review of historical data and other sections' membership numbers, the section council decided that its membership number was apt. The membership committee reached out to current and past members to urge them to consider membership and encouraged faculty to sponsor membership for graduate students. Our number of members remained constant.

Mentoring – What, if any, mentoring opportunities does the section offer to students, early career faculty, nonfaculty, etc.?

This year, the section did not offer any mentoring opportunities, due to COVID-19 interrupting planning for a mentoring event to be held at the conference.

Programming – Provide an overview of the section’s programming at the annual meeting, scholarly/ professional development activities outside of the annual meeting, development of substantive resources, partnerships with other sections or groups, etc.

The section held four section sessions, roundtables, a business meeting, and a council meeting. The reception was canceled because of COVID-19.

Plans for the Coming Year

Describe section plans for the period between September 2020 and August 2021.

Communications – How does the section plan to communicate with its members? Does the section plan on using any new technologies or strategies? If so, how?

The section plans to continue to use its listserve and newsletter as its main way to communicate with members.

Membership recruitment and retention – What efforts will the section make to retain members and reach out to new members? What are the goals of the efforts?

The membership committee will continue to follow ASA recommendations on the content and timing of communications around membership recruitment and retention to past and current members, as well as faculty regarding gift memberships for graduate students.

Mentoring – What efforts will the section make to mentor students, early career faculty, nonfaculty, etc.?

The section plans to hold a mentoring event for students, post-docs and junior faculty from under-represented backgrounds.

Programming – Provide an overview of the section's upcoming plans for programming at the annual meeting, scholarly/ professional development activities outside of the annual meeting, development of substantive resources, partnerships with other sections or groups, etc.

The section has discussed a plan to hold a mini-conference on the topic of race and ethnicity.

Budget for 2021

Creating a budget will help the section plan its activities for the year. Your budget should reflect the narrative in the “Plans for the Coming Year” section. The following table will help you organize and calculate a budget.

Expected Expenditures

Expense Category	Budgeted Amount	Details (use the cells in this column to provide information on each expense)
Annual Meeting		
Reception	\$ 2500	Use this space to provide details
Other Meeting Expenses	\$ 350	Use this space to provide details
Awards		
Student Awards	\$ 300	Use this space to provide details
Award Plaques	\$ 300	Use this space to provide details
Other	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Communications		
Website	\$ 500	Use this space to provide details
Newsletter	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Other	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Miscellaneous		
Membership	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Other	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Total Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 3950	<i>Sum estimated expenses</i>

Estimated Income

Income Category	Estimated Amount	Details
Section Allocation – Base	\$ 1000	ASA Office will provide figure mid-October. See note 1 on how this figure is calculated.
Section Allocation – Per Member	\$ 1578	ASA Office will provide figure mid-October. See note 2 on how this figure is calculated.
Premium Dues	\$ 664	ASA Office will provide an estimated figure. See note 3 on how this figure is calculated.
Contributions	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Misc	\$ Enter amount	Use this space to provide details
Total Estimated Income	\$ 3242	<i>Sum estimated income</i>

Budget Summary

Estimated Remaining Balance at end of December 2020	\$ 6373	Accounting for all estimated costs for the remainder of the year, estimate the remaining balance.
Total 2021 Estimated Income	+\$ 3242	Fill in from the Estimated Income table above
Total 2021 Budgeted Expenditures	- \$ 3950	Fill in from the Budgeted Expenditures table above
Total	= \$ 5665	To calculate net amount, sum Lines 1 and 2, then subtract Line 3.

Notes

The following explains how income is calculated. By October 20, the ASA Office will provide the following information, so sections do not have to calculate estimates themselves.

¹Section Allocation – Base

Based off of this year's final membership count as of September 30, sections receive a base allocation as follows:

- Sections with 300 or more members receive a base allocation of \$1,000
- Sections with fewer than 300 members and more than 200 members receive: [# of section members - 100] x \$5
- Sections with fewer than 199 members receive a base allocation of \$500

²Section Allocation – Per Member

Based off of this year's final membership count as of September 30, sections receive two dollars for each member.

³Premium Dues

The base rate is \$10 for regular members, \$5 for students and \$10 for associate, low income, and high school teacher members. Any dues raised by the sections in excess of the base rate go directly to the section throughout the year based on actual membership numbers. Subscription fees for section journals are not added here.

To see current and historical membership counts, please visit www.asanet.org/SectionMembership. Please note that membership year ends on September 30.

Miscellaneous

Is there any additional information about the section or the area of study you would like to share with the Committee on Sections? Is there any feedback you would like to provide to the Committee on Sections?

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