Activities for the 2017 ASA Annual Meeting

Professional Development Workshop: Maintaining a Connection with your Institution: Possibilities and Barriers
Sunday, August 13, 12:30-2:10 p.m.
Palais des congrès de Montréal, Room 512A

Organizers: Thomas Van Valey (Western Michigan University) and William V. D'Antonio (Catholic University)
Presider: Thomas Van Valey (Western Michigan University)
Panelists: Sandra Hanson (Catholic University), Hans Bakker (University of Guelph), Diane Pike (Augsburg College) and Mary Ann Lamanna (University of Nebraska-Omaha)

One of the issues sociologists must consider as part of their retirement planning is whether they want to maintain a connection with their institution or organization (or if they want to establish a connection with another institution or organization). This session will focus on some of the possibilities in maintaining a connection as well as some of the barriers that have been encountered. The presenters are from a range of different types of institutions, and different parts of North America, and they have had varying experiences. They will make short presentations of their experiences, then the discussion will be opened to questions from the audience.

Regular Session. Lives in Sociology: Decision Making over the Lifecourse
Sunday, August 13, 2:30-4:10 p.m.
Palais des congrès de Montréal, Room 518C

Organizer and Discussant: Rosalyn Benjamin Darling (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)
Presider: Jennie Jacobs Kronenfeld (Arizona State University)

This session follows upon the recent publication of the book, Journeys in Sociology: From First Encounters to Fulfilling Retirements. Participants include both authors whose stories appear in the book and an additional contributor. Unlike traditional research papers, these papers will consist of personal stories by retired sociologists and will focus on the turning points that shaped two life events: the decision to become a sociologist and the decision to retire from a career in sociology.

Papers:
Three Lives in Two Americas. Robert Perrucci (Purdue University)
The Last of Life for which the First was Made. Debra Renee Kaufman (Northeastern University)
Decision Making in a Non-Traditional Sociological Career. Elinore E. Lurie
Turning Points in a Latina Academic Career. Maxine Baca Zinn (Michigan State University)

ORN Business Meeting and "A Life in Sociology" Lecture by William V. D'Antonio
Monday, August 14, 6:30-8:10 p.m.
Palais des congrès de Montréal, Room 523B

The “A Life in Sociology” lecture is the highlight of the ORN activities at the ASA Annual Meeting. This year, ORN is very proud and honored to have William D’Antonio speak about his life in sociology. The lecture will be followed by a reception in his honor.