ASA Signs Publication Agreements

Russell Sage Agrees to Publish ASA Rose Series

The Russell Sage Foundation will publish ASA’s Rose Series in Sociology under an agreement signed in November between the Foundation and the American Sociological Association. Earlier, the ASA Council unanimously approved the agreement with the enthusiastic endorsement of ASA Publications Committee member, ASA Executive Officer Felice J. Levine. The agreement is key to the Association’s efforts to launch the “new” Rose Series, which aims to bring the best of sociology to wide audiences in the social sciences. The Rose Series was established in 1967 through a bequest to the ASA from Arnold and Caroline Rose.

Over the years, the Series has emphasized the publication of research monographs and was published by the ASA, Cambridge University Press, and Rutgers University Press. Past volumes in the Series include such classics as Black and White Self-Esteem: The Urban Social Child by Morris Rosenberg and Roberta Simmons; Cities with Little Crime: The Case of Switzerland by Marshall Cloward, The Shape of Culture: A Study of Contemporary Cultural Patterns in the United States by Judith Blau; and Gender Differences in Scientific Careers by Gerhard Sonert.

John Hagan, chair of the ASA Publications Committee, said that, while the Series has produced outstanding volumes, it was important to reposition its mission in terms of new challenges for the communication of scholarly knowledge. The “new” Rose Series, he said, will consist of books providing an integrative, accessible overview of topics or issues. The Series will focus on larger sociological questions or social policy issues and seek to reach a broad audience of sociologists, other social scientists, and, when relevant, policymakers.

The Russell Sage Foundation is truly the ideal to institution to help us translate this vision into reality,” said Levine. “The Foundation has long been committed to publishing works of excellence that speak to major social science issues, including the important links between social science and social policy.”

Rose Series editor George Farkas added, “The Russell Sage Foundation is an important publisher of scholarly research oriented toward the understanding and improvement of social and economic conditions. I am proud to be part of this exciting collaboration.”

Farkas said he has begun development of a number of book projects with various authors and expects the first publication of the new Series to occur by the end of 1997. Inquiries about the series can be directed to Farkas through e-mail at: farkas@utdallas.edu.

ASA Journals to be Stored Electronically

The American Sociological Association will enter the 21st Century with the back issues of five of its leading journals available in electronic form.

On November 1, the ASA signed an agreement with JSTOR (Journal Storage) under which JSTOR will preserve the journals in electronic form and provide them for on-line use to libraries participating in this venture.

Originally a demonstration project funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, JSTOR is a non-profit organization that assists scholarly societies and other publishers convert entire backfiles of key journals. JSTOR has recently signed similar agreements with the American Political Science Association, the American Economic Association, and the Ecological Society of America.

Under the ASA-JSTOR agreement, the American Sociological Review, Contemporary Sociology, and Sociology of Education are expected to be available for public access by May 1999. Social Psychology Quarterly and Journal of Health and Social Behavior should be available by November 1999.

“This is an historic event that serves the interests of sociology and the communication and production of scholarly knowledge,” said ASA Executive Officer Felice J. Levine. “Electronic access will make life easier for scholars and students, help research libraries, and ensure that the Association’s treasured journals are properly preserved for future generations.”

Levine indicated that under a “moving wall” provision of the agreement, JSTOR will provide online use for all journal issues that are published five years prior to the most recent date of publication.

The original technology for JSTOR was developed through a Mellon Foundation grant to the University of Michigan. JSTOR already maintains more than one million pages from 15 journals in its database. Access to this material is available at 20 library test sites, some of which have had access since 1995.

In its first phase, JSTOR will contain a minimum of 100 journal titles in 10-15 fields within three years. All academic institutions are being offered “site licenses” permitting access to the Archive on campus networks. The site licenses may vary in cost based on the size of the library/institutional participant. JSTOR will be officially available on January 1, 1999.

JSTOR Executive Director Kevin M. Guthrie noted the many benefits of JSTOR for libraries and scholars. “Digitizing the backfiles of important academic journals offers an entirely new means of access to one hundred years of research,” he said. “Everyone is eager to learn if providing this convenience will have an impact on the nature of the research being done.”

In addition to improved access, JSTOR also provides libraries the opportunity to reduce the long-term costs associated with storing, maintaining, and preserving these bound volumes. By centralizing this storage function, JSTOR makes it possible for each institution to contribute a portion of the what they are currently spending on these functions and yet offer increased levels of service.”

Candidates Announced for 1997-98 ASA Offices

The American Sociological Association wishes to announce the candidates for all ASA Officers, Council, the Committee on Publications, the Committee on Committees, and Committee on Nominations. Ballots will be mailed no later than May 15, 1997.

Nominated candidates are as follows:

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The Executive Officer’s Column

Sociology in the Media

In 1997, the American Sociological Association will expand its efforts to enhance media coverage of sociology. ASA plans to embark on a number of new initiatives to better inform and educate the public media about the discipline of sociology and its relevance to understanding modern society.

That sociology speaks to the kinds of issues that reporters care about is hardly news. Already, the ASA public information office handles a dozen or so media calls a week from reporters seeking the names of sociologists with expertise in and the capacity to speak to various issues. At the 1996 Annual Meeting, more than 50 reporters attended—many from some of the largest media organizations in the nation. Columnists, for example, from the New York Times and USA Today routinely return to the Association and to the discipline for the knowledge, briefings, and reasoned conclusions that derive from sociological research. William Julius Wilson and other leaders in the field routinely make front page news and appear regularly on national radio and television talk shows. Jack Levine, Henry Jacobs, and Robert Davis host TV and radio shows. Richard Moran has a regular spot on NPR. We encourage sociologists to disseminate their research to the press, and our Annual Meeting will continue to offer dedicated sessions on how to do so effectively.

Social Science Literate Media

And yet for all of the successes, the content is justifiably made that most reporters do not have a firm handle on the nature of sociological inquiry—nether the quantitative or qualitative methods that sociologists employ nor the scientific reasoning that underlies our work. As a result, reporters—including science reporters—often fail to recognize the breadth and outstanding quality of the sociological research being conducted today.

ASA sees this as an opportunity. For example, we are now in the process of planning a science writers’ workshop in collaboration with the Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research (OBSSR) at the National Institutes of Health. Details of this workshop, planned for early spring, are being worked out, but our intention is to create a seminar environment where sociologists studying critical health problems would talk with science reporters about issues they are working on and how that research is being conducted. By exploring with them, the richness and rigor inherent in the discipline, we hope to suggest new avenues for understanding old problems and for enhancing understanding about what the sociologist lens provides.

For reporters with little interest in sociology as a scientific discipline—only the “quick and easy” summaries of our research social scientists should consider innovative ways to present “bare-bone” findings that still allow the integrity of their research to be maintained. There is a lot to be said for accessible “fact sheets,” and we have become increasingly adept at preparing and, most importantly, disseminating them to the right target audience.

The ASA/NIH science writers’ workshop, however, is designed for media professionals who seek greater depth and who do not shy away from appreciating the nuance and complexity of the issues they address. The problem, I believe, is not that such reporters do not exist; rather, it is our reluctance to date to lay out for them what we do and their lack of sufficient awareness that the social and behavioral sciences are integral parts of the “family of science.” Indeed, it is my hope that the ASA/NIH workshop will serve as a model for similar workshops in the future, perhaps in other issue areas.

Media Awareness Initiatives

Another ASA initiative in this vein will be to inform the media of pertinent articles in our scholarly journals. Many of our journals publish articles on topics that are of broad public interest, and it is time that we do more to share these pieces with the media and the general public. During the last two years, we “piloted” this effort by working with Paula England and Dann Clawson, editors of the American Sociological Review and Contemporary Sociology respectively. This year, we want to work more aggressively with all ASA journal editors to bring our results and findings to the attention of news writers. Our hope is to write releases that present the “news worthiness” of the article as well as to explain—in lively form—how sociologists reached their conclusions. These releases will be disseminated to relevant reporters as we build and hone our “contact” data base. Of course, they will also be featured in Footnotes and on the ASA Home Page.

Finally, ASA plans to make “media awareness” a key theme as we disseminate information about our in-house initiatives. Last June, the ASA sponsored a major press conference on the Family Privacy Protection Act, an issue that we successfully sought to defeat. The press conference provided a substantive explanation of how social scientific research revealed the legislation’s devastating impact on public policy. The conference was well covered and, in fact, resulted in a major story in the Washington Post.

In 1997, we will sponsor similar events. The first in the new year is likely to be a press conference or a forthcoming report on affirmative action in employment. This report is the product of an initiative being undertaken by ASA’s Spivack Program in Applied Social Research and Social Policy. Again, the press conference will highlight the report’s findings as well as the scientific underpinnings of our knowledge and its implications.

1997 also brings another fate: ASA will confer its new Award for the Public Understanding of Sociology. While public understanding is far broader than media understanding, the media is a key "mediation" institution for achieving that goal. We welcome your suggestions for strengthening our media and public education efforts. We also welcome your nominations for this special award (the deadline is January 31, 1997; see page 5 of this issue).

ASA has a full agenda ahead. Making the media better informed of our discipline is central to it. As we look to the new year, this message comes warm wishes for a healthy, just, and peaceful one. — Felice J. Levine
ASA Receives Grant for Graduate Employment Study

Supported by a subcontract of $50,000 granted from the National Science Foundation, the American Sociological Association is collaborating with a number of scientific disciplines on a broad-based project to assess the employment situation for recent graduates in science-related fields. The project is designed to provide information and insights about career transitions into scientific fields and the employment experiences of Ph.D.s.

The project is led by the Commission on Professions in Science and Technology (CPST) and is funded by the National Science Foundation. The ASA and five other organizations received notification on October 1 of the award.

The NSF grant will be used by CPST and the six participating organizations to broaden the base in science and engineering graduates being undertaken with support from the Alfred Sloan Foundation.

The CPST has been engaged in the Sloan project since the fall of 1995 and has been working with the American Chemical Society, American Geophysical Union, American Institute of Physics, American Mathematical Society, American Psychological Association, and Dr. Herbert Massey representing computer science. The project is intended to focus primarily on the career experiences of doctoral students.

The NSF grant expands the Sloan effort to include sociology, economics, political science, engineering, physiology, and microbiology. In addition to ASA, the other participating associations on the project are: the American Society for Engineering Education, the American Physiological Society, the American Society for Microbiology, the American Economic Association, and the American Political Science Association. The full group of collaborating associations met for the first time in November and will reconvene in March to work further on the design and implementation of surveys of recent doctorates.

ASA expects to receive its funding in October of 1997 and to survey 1997 doctoral graduates. In the proposal to NSF, ASA said it plans to survey approximately 500 individuals who received their doctorates in sociology to examine their professional transitions and employment experiences during the first six months after graduation. The data will be analyzed at ASA in the summer and fall of 1998. Papers based on this research will be prepared and plans for future data collection will be assessed with other collaborating disciplinary disciplines.

CPST Executive Director Catherine Caddy said the Commission will eventually distribute employment data collected by the various scientific organizations to students, faculty, policy makers, employers and other interested parties. For further information on the CPST Project contact Dr. Gaddy at 202-326-7070. Inquiries about the survey of sociologists can be made directly to ASA Executive Officer Felice J. Levine or by e-mail at research@asa Intl.org.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE

✓ ASA Urges Panel to Keep NIH Lab Open . . .

The ASA is protesting a recent decision by the National Institute of Mental Health to move forward with the closing of its Laboratory of Socio-environmental Studies. In a letter to a blue ribbon commission reviewing the NIH Intramural Research Program, ASA Executive Officer Felice J. Levine said the laboratory, established in 1951, "has had an illustrious track record of social psychological research and has been remarkably productive." Levine noted that the ASA Council passed a resolution opposing the lab closing in 1994 when the proposal was first made. Closing the Lab, Levine added, would be inconsistent with "a number of steps inaugurated by the Congress to recognize the contributions of social and behavioral science in improving individual health and well being." Stay tuned.

✓ Sociologists Serve on Texas Advisory Committee on Diversity . . .

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has assembled an advisory committee of sociologists to assist the state in its efforts to respond to recent judicial rulings on race and college admissions. In March, the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in Hopwood v. State of Texas that colleges and universities in Texas, Louisiana, and Maryland are prohibited from considering race in admissions. The ruling, however, permits state universities to consider race in its efforts to increase diversity. The state's Advisory Committee on Diversity within Texas will call on members of the committee to form a panel that will convene in June to hear input on the committee's recommendations. The committee will then make recommendations to the state's Board of Regents. The committee includes sociologists from the University of Houston, Texas Christian University, and Texas A&M University. The committee is expected to release its report in June.

✓ NRC Releases Report on Violence Against Women . . .

Two sociologists were among the participants of a National Research Council panel examining recent trends in violence against women in the United States. The report found that violence against women continues to be a major problem in the United States and urged prevention as the foundation for long-term solutions. The report said that emphasis should be placed on collaboration between professional researchers and service providers; improved data collection and measurement techniques; better evaluation of the effectiveness of services for both victims and offenders; and attention to violence against women in the study of violence in society generally. The report was released at a press conference in the National Academy Press building in Washington, D.C.

ASA Seeks Two Staff Sociologists

These positions provide the opportunity to work with a like-minded group of other sociologists and a staff seeking to advance sociology and promote ASA activities and events. In addition to programmatic responsibilities, all staff sociologists serve as liaisons to ASA committees; interact with members and the external community; contribute to Footnotes ; prepare materials for and on behalf of the Executive, Council, and Committees; and represent the Association. The two positions are as follows:

One position centers on the Research Program on the Profession and Discipline. The candidate should have background in handling large-scale data sets, using SPSS or SAS, writing research reports, and accessing and interpreting secondary data. He/she will lead a tracking survey of new Ph.D.s. In addition, the candidate should have background in workforce issues, occupations and professions, social demography, and/or sociology of science.

The second position centers on the Scientific Program. The candidate should have broad knowledge of the discipline and be able to link to key social policy issues. The ability to synthesize and evaluate research is essential. The candidate should have the skill to write and present to diverse audiences; lead organizing, and/or staff substantive initiatives (including conferences, workshops, briefings) and to cogently and accessibly summarize research findings.

Candidates should have a Ph.D. in Sociology, several years of work experience in the academy and/or professional organizations, and some administrative experience. They should be familiar with the knowledge of the academy and ASA, management and administrative skills, experience in writing proposals, as well as the relevant skills for one of the positions. Applications will be reviewed beginning January 25, 1997. The start date and conditions of appointment (e.g., leave from an academic position) are flexible. Send a letter of interest, resume, and five references to: Staff Sociologist Search, ASA, 1722 N Street NW, Washington, DC 20036. Contact Felice J. Levine, Executive Officer; at (202) 633-3410, Ext. 316; or FAX (202) 785-6146; or e-mail address: Levine@asa Intl.org.

Call for Nominations for 1997 ASA Awards

Award for the Public Understanding of Sociology: The Award for the Public Understanding of Sociology will be given annually to a person who has made exemplary contributions to advance the public understanding of sociology, sociological research and scholarship among the general public. The award may recognize a contribution in the preceding year or for a larger career of such contributions. Nominations Required: Please submit the name, a vita, and a detailed one-page nomination statement that describes how the person's work has contributed to the public understanding of sociology. Materials due: March 1, 1997.

DuBois-Johnson-Frazier Award: Created in 1971, this award honors the intellectual traditions and contributions of W.E.B. DuBois, Charles S. Johnson, and E. Franklin Frazier. An award will be given either to a sociologist for a lifetime of research, teaching, and service to the community or to an academic institution for its work in assisting the development of scholarly efforts in this tradition. The award was changed to an annual award by Council in August 1996. Nominations Required: A nomination statement should indicate career or achievements, teaching, publications and the way in which these are consistent with the traditions of these outstanding Afro-American scholars and educators. Mail to: Donald Carnegie, Department of Sociology, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI 02881. Deadline: March 1, 1997.

Dissertation Award: Inaugurated in 1989, the ASA Dissertation Award honors the best Ph.D. dissertation from those submitted by advisors and mentors in the discipline. Nominations Required: Nominations must be received from the student's advisor or the scholar most familiar with the student's research. Nominations should explain the nature and merit of the work. Dissertations defended in the 1996 calendar year will be eligible. Send nominating letters followed by two bound copies of the dissertation and nominee's curriculum vitae with current address to the Chair of the Committee. Mail to: Jan E. Fenton, Department of Sociology, Washington University, Pullman, WA 99164. Deadline: March 1, 1997.

Editors' Note: The selection committees for the 1997 ASA awards have concludered their work and award winners will be announced in a forthcoming edition of Footnotes.
Sociology Still Central to NIA Research Mission

Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of articles on sociology at various institutes at the National Institutes of Health.

By Ronald F. Abeles, Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Research, National Institute on Aging

In 1979 the National Institute on Aging (NIA) demonstrated its commitment to multidisciplinary research and, in particular, to sociological approaches with its hiring of Madeline White Riley as its first Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Research at the National Institute on Aging and Social Research (BSR) program that she built continued to see sociology as a cornerstone and funds a wide range of basic sociological inquiries that shed light on sociological principles as well as on aging. Among all the program's scientific staff have degrees or training in sociology and bring sociological perspectives to funding initiatives at the NIA and the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

BSR supports social and behavioral research and training on the aging process and the place of older people in society. BSR focuses on how people change with aging, on the interactions between older people and social institutions (e.g., the family and health-care systems), and on the societal impact of the changing age composition of the population. In particular, emphasis is placed on the dynamic interplay between the aging of individuals and their changing social and physical environments.

BSR supported in FY 1996 about $74 million in research, training, career, and center awards across the breadth of behavioral and social sciences. This included over $14 million of new research grants, $6.5 million of which was for special projects (i.e., not in the program's base budget). At least $8.4 million is anticipated for research project grants in FY 1997. Sociological research on the adult life course and old age is supported in all three of BSR's branches, although it is concentrated in two branches described below, through a variety of research project (including small grants) and career development awards. A description of these mechanisms as well as of current areas of emphasis (e.g., program announcements and requests for applications) can be found on the NIA's Home Page (www.nih.gov/nia) or by writing, NIA subscribes to the (usual NIH) receipt dates for grant applications (in most cases the first of February, July, and October). Also, through its support of research centers, BSR provides a large number and variety of data sets for secondary analysis. Information about data sets can be obtained from the BSR/NIA Home Page (http://www.nih.gov/nia/bsr/bsr.htm).

Social Science Research on Aging

Social Science Research on Aging (SSR) supports research and research training activities that include understanding the biopsychosocial processes linking health and behavior; the structure, process, and outcomes of relationships in the family and related services; and the social conditions influencing health, well-being, and functioning of people in the middle and later years. Special attention is given to minority, ethnic, and gender influences on aging. Inquiries: 201-402-1546; e-mail: Marcia_Orly@nih.gov or Sidney_Slabhiti@nih.gov.

- The Psychosocial Geriatrics Research Section (Marcia Orly) is specifically focused on social and behavioral factors as they influence the health and physical functioning of people as they age. Representative topics include: psychosocial precursors (i.e., behavioral epidemiology) of morbidity, functioning, mortality, psychological well-being, and health and behavior; prebiologic risk behaviors and health behavior change; illness behaviors and coping with chronic conditions; and traditional and nontraditional health care settings and care; the nature and effectiveness of new forms of home and community-based care services for older people and their families; behavioral, social, and environmental strategies for improving institutional care; new models of integrated medical and social care (e.g., assisted living); continuing care retirement centers, international comparative studies of health care organizations and delivery systems, and the economic mechanisms that influence the place of older people in society.

- The Health Care Organization Section (Sidney Slabhit) supports research and research training on the consequences of a wide range of formal health care and related social services, provider-patient interactions, movement and interactions, and the economic mechanisms that influence the place of older people in society.

Hints for Submitting a Grant Application

- Contact BSR staff. Before submitting an application, write to BSR/NIA to ascertain the suitability of your proposed research and to obtain program announcements describing BSR goals and grants. Afterwards, you may also send a short prospective copy of up to three pages. In this prospectus, briefly outline the subject matter, conceptual framework, research design (including subject recruitment and sampling), and data analysis plans. Based on this information and if time permits, BSR staff will comment on the appropriateness of the proposed study, on substantive and methodological aspects, and on grant writing issues that may help you prepare your proposal. The program staff have no influence over the review of your application. Their comments should be considered as advisory. Be sure to allow ample time for feedback from the staff by sending your prospectus at least two months before the official receipt dates for applications (in most instances, February 1, June 1, and October 1).

- Organize and label. Many applications fail because the reviewers cannot follow the thought process of the writer or because parts of the application do not fit together. For example, an outstanding literature review may not lead to the hypotheses and design of the study. Similarly, provide an analysis plan that relates the research questions to specific data and to specific and appropriate analytical techniques.

- State how your work you build on previous research. What contribution will your study make to the field? State this as directly as possible.

- Be concise. Do not leave out vital information. Partly this means stating what appears to be implicit or obvious, provide an adequate literature review, the details of the study design, sampling frame, and data analysis. You should not assume that all reviewers are experts in the field, especially since they need to be convinced that you are one! Even if a t-test is "obviously" the appropriate statistic, still indicate that you will use a t-test. In many instances, you may have struggled with a crucial design question arrived at a satisfactory solution. Do not just present your solution. The reviewers may wonder why you chose a particular route, since they will not have the benefit of your month of thought. Therefore, you should provide the rationale for your decision and discuss rejected alternatives. Similarly if you are aware of a problem, it is wise to admit that you do not have a solution. Failure to mention it will lead the reviewers to assume that you are unaware of that problem.

- Most important, BSR seeks to support the best science on aging. Nurture and submit your ideas. Your submissions can result in funding and further support sociology and sociological knowledge of aging.

For additional information, contact: Behavioral and Social Research, National Institute on Aging, Gateway Building, Suite 503, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue M/C 9385, Bethesda, MD 20892-9025; (301) 496-3176; fax: (301) 496-1560.
In Honor of Robin M. Williams, Jr.
Symposium on Diversity Held at Cornell University

by Michael Macy, Cornell University

American Sociologist: Diversity and Conservatism, a symposium honoring Robin M. Williams, Jr. held at Cornell University, October 20 & 21. The event, sponsored by the Broadbent-Lee Foundation, was organized by Phyllis Moen and Donna Dempsey. McClain, featured presentations by William Julius Wilson, Melvin Kohl, J. Milton Yinger, and Robin Williams, all past presidents of the American Sociological Association, along with a dozen other internationally prominent scholars. The theme reflected a central thread running through Professor Williams' half-century intellectual career.

Peter Rose, one of Williams' former students and currently a sociologist, Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at Smith, opened the symposium with a reflection on the life and contribution of his mentor. Rose characterized Williams, a student of Sorensen and Parsons, as "a progressive functionalist" whose concerns with racial and ethnic conflict and inequality reflected, in part, his experience growing up in rural North Carolina. Professor Williams received his BS (1933) and MS (1939) degrees from North Carolina State College and the University of North Carolina. His MA (1939) and PhD (1945) were from Harvard University.

Rose noted his teacher's life-long belief that "consensus in American society is based not on homogeneity of cultural values but on 'mosaic accommodation' among diverse ethnic and racial groups." The Tradition of Interracial Tensions (1964), Strangers Next Door: Ethnic Relations in American Communities (1964), Mutual Accommodation: Ethnic Conflict and Cooperation (1977), and A Common Destiny: Blacks and Americans (1989) reflect Professor Williams' long-standing concern with racial and ethnic tensions and their resolution. Williams also authored American Society: A Sociological Interpretation (1951, 1960, and 1970) and founded Sociological Forum at the Eastern Sociological Society, for which he also served as first editor, from 1966 to 1992. He is now Henry and Bryan Professor of Sociology Emeritus, at Cornell, where he has worked since 1946.

Editorial Volume Planned

The remainder of the symposium highlighted Williams' concerns with an important record of past accomplishment but by reporting cutting-edge scholarship in the areas that his seminal contributions helped to define. Moon and McClain are planning to produce an edited volume of the papers presented at the symposium. William Julius Wilson, Malcolm Weir, Professor of Social Policy at Harvard, stressed that "joblessness, not concentrated poverty, is the driving force in reproducing a disadvantaged population in urban neighborhoods. Inner cities have always had poverty, but current levels of unemployment are unprecedented. In these communities, a substantial majority of adults are not working in a typical week." As a consequence, "a generation is growing up without the opportunity to develop disciplined work habits, attachment to routine, recognition of hierarchy, a sense of personal efficacy, dependency, and responsibility." This in turn leads employers, both black and white, to practice statistical discrimination against job applicants whose demographic profiles are regarded as a cultural marker. This analysis led Wilson to recently counsel President Clinton that welfare reform must be tied to public works projects. Job creation subsidies can backfire by signaling private employers that welfare recipients are undesirable workers.

Victor Nee, Goldsmith Professor of Sociology at Cornell, focused on the permeability of labor market barriers in "global cities" like Los Angeles, where there are non-white majorities. "In LA, every group, including whites, are a minority." Echoing Wilson, he argued that, contrary to the dual labor market theory, the "key division is not between primary and secondary sectors but between the employed and those with jobs." He showed that "job shifts across ethnic boundaries are routine. Immigrant workers with human capital and English language skills get primary sector jobs." Hence, "labor markets are an integrative force that bridges ethnic divisions and knits together diverse groups."

Gender Issues Discussed

Sandra Bem, Professor of Psychology and Women's Studies at Cornell, explained the importance of understanding the diversity of the dangerous of sex and gender identity. "We are a diverse society with many genders, races, and classes. We have a need to create one out of many, to find some commonality and unity in this diversity. But the risk is the use of a particular instance of the "many" to define the "one." For example, pregnancy can be excluded from eligibility for disability benefits on a gender-neutral rule that limits benefits to conditions that affect men and women alike. Gender neutrality thus "disguises androcentric norms by requiring women to function in institutions designed for men, institutions that appear gender neutral in that they deny any need to provide "special benefits" that accommodate the particular needs of women."

Henry A. Wallace, Professor Sociology at Cornell, explored E. Pluribus Unum as it applies to the splitting of American society into "not two but many nations, to paraphrase Tocqueville." Walker showed how state inequalities can be generalized as racial or ethnic categories. He concluded by warning his listeners to "be wary of practices that might transform a friend into a stranger next door."

Charles Tilly, Joseph L. Buttriss Professor of Social Science at Columbia, presented a theory of "durable inequality" created by a self-reinforcing process of "scripting." These scripts evolve through transmission and adaptation to produce self-justifying categories of individuals. "Much of the inequality that appears to arise from individual differences actually arises from authoritative or organized categorical differences."

LQ. and Social Status

Melvin Kohl, Professor of Sociology at Johns Hopkins, criti-

ized Murray and Herrnstein's consumption that IQ is an exogenous influence on social attainment. "They never considered the possibility that the relationship between IQ and social status might be reciprocal. The opportu-

nity for self-direction in one's work is also a determinant of aspiration level;" Kohl suggested that, correspondingly, closely to what Murray and Herrnstein mean by intelligence. "Iden
tified flexibility is increased when people's conditions of life, especially conditions of work, encourage them to think for themselves."

Robert Frank, Goldsmith Professor of Economics, Ethics and Public Policy at Cornell, explained the sharp increase in income inequality as a consequence of new information technolo-

gies. "The best performers on computerized and technologically leveraged professionals can do such things as the entire market, such that the core's best, even if only slightly inferior, is largely excluded." This "winner-take-all" distribution results not only in gross inequality but also considerable waste of social resources and misallocation of human capital.

Charles Hirschman, Professor of Sociology at University of Washington, reported findings on ethnicity and earnings inequality among adult male mem-

bers of the labor force. He then offered three "middle integrations" that explain the persistence of ethnic ine-

quality in earnings: statistical discrimina-

tion, the persistence of ascription, and the use of ethnic markers in promotion decisions within hierarchical opportunity structures.

Suburbs are Multiethnic

Richard D. Alba, Professor Sociol-

ogy at Cornell, presented data that challenged the idea that immigrants are excluded from sub-

urbs. Yet "immigrants are highly segre-

gated in suburbs as much as in urban neighborhoods. These ethnic enclaves are small, which allows a high level of interaction with the majority population." He concluded that "suburbs are now more multiethnic and even more integrated. They no longer offer a "retreat from the diversity of the big cities."

David Brown, Professor of Rural Sociology at Cornell, used a multi-

categorical analysis to urban-urban differences. "Where one lives matters. Space has an important but contingent causal role in social processes." He noted "persistent disparities" between rural and urban labor markets, not only in outcomes but in "labor force attachment and opportu-

nity structures."

Ronald G. Ehrenberg, Irving V. Ives Professor of Industrial and Labor Rela-

tions at Cornell, used longitudinal data to show that "post-secondary enrollment in historically black colleges and universities, other colleges, or no college, as a foun-

dation of test scores, high school rank, and family background." Simulation of increased access to HBCU's suggested that enrollments would be diverted from other four-year schools, and not from the non-college population.

"TBCU's influence when African Amer-

ican students go to college, but not whether they go to college." However, their graduation rates are lower at HBCU's than at other four-year schools. Thus, changes in access to HBCU's, while not affecting overall college enrollment among blacks, can be expected to influence graduation rates.

Gerald David Jaynes, Professor of Economics and African and African American Studies at Yale, focused on "the disadvantaged poor" whose flight from "recognized rates of social contact" is a "product of rootlessness in de-industri-

alized social structures that are no longer capable of containing class aspirations. His data on gener-

ational migration patterns suggested that "those who live in rural areas were socialized with a work ethic" but cohorts socialized within urban poverty "are likely to develop a post-industrial" mindset.

Sidney Trowell, Maxwell M. Upson Professor of Government at Cornell, offered an "appreciation of Williams' American Society, for recapitu-

lating Toqueville's failure to link the decentralization of institutions with an
Call for Nominations for 1997 ASA Section Awards

ASA's 118th annual meeting honors work in that field through awards made to articles, books, dissertations, career achievements, and outstanding service. The winners of the 1996 Section awards were featured in the November 1996 Footnotes. The list below is a summary of the call for the next award cycle, with the presentations occurring at the 1997 ASA Annual Meeting in Toronto. Please consider colleagues and students whose contributions should be of the highest quality. The names of all nominees will be posted on the ASA website.

Undergraduate Education

Hans O. Maukch Award
The Section on Undergraduate Education solicits nominations for the Hans O. Maukch Award. Nominations should be for distinguished contributions to Undergraduate Sociology. To place a name in nomination for this award, please send a letter of nomination to the Award Committee Chairperson. The award is presented at the ASA Annual Meeting. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.

Methodology

Lazarfeld Award
The Fred C. M. Lazarfeld Award recognizes sociologists who have made outstanding contributions to the methodology of sociology. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.

Medical Sociology

Robert G. Simmons Outstanding Dissertation Award
The Section on Medical Sociology invites nominations for the Robert G. Simmons Outstanding Dissertation Award for the best doctoral dissertation in medical sociology. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.

Sex and Gender Award

Awards for Distinguished Contribution to the Study of Sex and Gender

The Sex and Gender Award is intended for sociologists who make a significant contribution to the study of sex and gender. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.

Community and Urban Sociology

Robert and Helen Lynd Award
The Robert and Helen Lynd Award is given for the most important book on a sociological problem in community or urban sociology. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.

Graduate Student Paper Award
The Section on Urban Sociology of America invites nominations for the best paper by a graduate student in urban sociology. The award includes a certificate, a check for $500, and reimbursement of travel expenses to the Annual Meeting.
Social Psychology

Cooley-Mead Award

The Cooley-Mead Award is given annu-
ally to an individual who has made lifetime
contributions to distinguished scholarship
in social psychology. In addition to receiv-
ing the Award, this individual makes a scholar-
ly presentation to the Social Psychology Sec-
tion at the ASA Annual Meeting. To nomin-
eate an individual, or for further information,
contact: Guillermina James Chair, Cooley-Mead
Award Committee, 2 Washington Square Vil-
lage, Boston, MA 02113; fax (617) 353-1240;
e-mail sjames@tufts.edu.

Graduate Student Paper Award

The Graduate Student Paper Award is for
the best paper written in Social Psychology
by a graduate student. The paper should be
written in English or another language.
Co-authored papers are accepted if all the
authors are students, but the prize nu-
merator is limited to one student. The re-
cipient will receive a one-year membership
in ASA, a cheque for $1000, and a plaque.
Send five copies of the paper by: March 15,
1997 Jan L. Stets, Department of Social
Science, Wayne State University, St.
Station, MI 48102-1192; tel. (313) 577-7573.

Peace and War

Ellie M. Boulding Student Award

The Award is named in honor of Ellie Boulding,
a founder of the Peace and War Section. This
section was dedicated to bringing attention to
the socio-economic, political and cultural con-
sequences of war and conflict. The section in-
cludes members interested in the relationship
between economic, social and political factors.
The Award will be given to an undergraduate or
graduate student who submits a paper on an
issue related to the socio-economic, political
and cultural consequences of war and conflict.
The Award is $500.

Environment and Technology

Award for Distinguished Contributions to
the Sociology of the Environment and
Technology

The purpose of this Award is to re-
ognize individuals for outstanding service,
invention or publication in environmental
sociology or technology studies. The Awar-
ee must be an ASA member. The Awar-
ee must have made significant contri-
butions in the field of environmental
sociology or technology studies. The
Award is $500.

Sociology of Population

Otis Dudley Duncan Award

The Otis Dudley Duncan Award is for
outstanding research in the field of pop-
ulation studies. The Award is $500.

Sociology of Mental Health

The Richard P. Rodriguez Awards for
Outstanding Research in Mental Health
are given for the best article published in the
Journal of Health and Social Behavior in the
past year. The Award is $500.

The Psychology of the World-
System

Distinguished Scholarship Book Award

Nominations are called for the Distinguished
Scholarship Book Award of the World Sys-
tem Society Section. The Award is $1000.

Racial and Ethnic Minorities

The Charles S. Johnson Award for
Outstanding Research on Racial and Eth-
ic Minorities is called for. The Award is
$500.

Comparative Historical Sociology

The Robert M. Hauser Awards for
Outstanding Contributions to Historical
Sociology are called for. The Award is
$500.

Sociology of Emotions

Graduate Student Paper Competition

Nominations are called for the Soci-
ology of Emotions Graduate Student
Paper Competition. The Award is $500.

Culture

Best Book Award

Nominations are called for the Best Book
in Sociology of Culture. The Award is
$500.

Notes: Complete details regarding the
Awards may be found in the Special
Features section of the American Soci-
ological Review. For information and
nominations, contact the ASA Sec-
tion on Sociology of Mental Health,
Wayne State University, 244 Fagien
Hall, Detroit, MI 48202-1192.

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nominations can be made by others. The Committee will need four copies of the work. Send material by March 1, 1997 to John Doherty, E-mail dohertye@umn.umn.edu. The Award will be announced at the Section Business Meeting at the ASA Annual Meeting (winner will be notified in advance).

Best Student Paper
Nominations are invited for the Best Student Paper in Sociology of Culture. Authors can submit their own work or nominations can be made by others. This award carries a $300 in reimbursements for expenses for attending the ASA Annual Meeting. The Committee will need four copies of the work. Send material by March 1, 1997 to Eva Monrovius, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104, e-mail eva@socsci.upenn.edu. The Award will be announced at the Section Business Meeting at the ASA Annual Meeting (winners will be notified in advance).

Sociology and Computers
Paper/Software Competition
The Sociologists and Computers section announces its annual paper/software competition. The awards committee will consider research papers on topics such as the sociology of computing, innovative uses of existing computer software, or designs and implementations of new software. Please send three copies of submissions by June 1, 1997 to William E. Eubanks, Department of Sociology, Southern Methodist University, 6400 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX 75275. Submissions involving information-laden software should include detailed descriptions of the projects and, if possible, copies of the software.

Sociology of Law
Outstanding Article in the Sociology of Law
Nominations are invited for Outstanding Article in the Sociology of Law. The Award Committee solicits one or more entries by members of the ASA. Nominations may be offered for articles published in sociological and sociological journals or in law reviews, published in 1995 or 1996. Deadline for submitting nominations is March 1, 1997. Please send a letter, providing name of author, title of article, all relevant publication details, and a short statement explaining the merit of the article to Ronen Shamir, Sociology of Law Outstanding Article, University of Tel Aviv, Department of Sociology, Tel Aviv University, 69978, Israel, e-mail vononi@post.tau.ac.il.

International Migration
Distinguished Career Award
Nominations are invited for the 1997-98 Distinguished Career Contribution. The Award, to be bestowed biennially, will recognize a lifetime contribution to the field of international migration. Any Section member may nominate a scholar for this award. Nominations should be sent to the ASA Annual Meeting. Nominators require at least one formal letter. Nominators should be sent a copy of the nomination, which should include biographical information and a statement by the nominator that the nominee should be sent to the Chair of the Award Committee, which need not come from a member of the International Migration Section, but must not come from the author or the publisher. The letter of nomination should describe the book and the significance of its contribution to the field. It should include the basic publishing information and, if possible, the publisher's address and e-mail, fax, telephone number.

Award for Outstanding Student Paper
Nominations are invited for Outstanding Student Paper. The Award for Outstanding Student Paper must be accompanied by the following items: a copy of the nomination, which should include at least two sentences and the name(s) of the students who were the authors of the paper, and the student's current institutional affiliation. The student's current institutional affiliation and the name of the student's current advisor should be submitted to the Committee.

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These candidates have been nominated by the Committee on Nominations and for the Committee itself, by the All-Large members of Council. As is stated in the by-laws, additional candidates may be nominated through the open nominations procedure. Petitions supporting candidates for the office of President and Vice-President must be signed by at least 100 voting members of the Association; petitioned candidates for other positions must receive the support of at least 50 voting members. Signed and e-mailed petitions are acceptable. All petitioners must arrive in the ASA Executive Office by January 31, 1997, attention: E. Crepelin; e-mail: governance@asanet.org.
Call for Papers

CONFERENCES

Arkansas Undergraduate Sociology and Anthropology 18th Annual Symposium will be held April 25, 1997, at the University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. Deadline for abstracts April 15, 1997. For additional information, contact: Jane K. Walton, Department of CSPE, School of Social Work, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, AR 722048; e-mail: jkwalton@uark.edu

Harriet Martineau Sociological Societ

y 1997 Working Seminar will be held May 20-22, 1997, Mission Point Resort, Madinac Island, MI. All scholars working on the sociological contributions of Harriet Martineau and related early women sociologists are invited to submit, discuss and/or critique their current projects during seminars. For additional information, contact: Michael R. Hall, 2791 Sowell Street, Lincoln, NE 68503.

International Sociological Association

Mid-Term Conference of the Sociology of Education Research Committee has issued a call for papers for their conference to be held June 16-18, 1997, at the University of Joensuu, Joensuu, Finland, Theme: "Education, Knowledge and Culture." Deadline for abstracts January 31, 1997. For further information, contact: Conference Organizer: IA RC 94 Conference, Department of Sociology, University of Joensuu, P. O. Box 111, 80101 Joensuu, Finland, fax +358-16-532712, e-mail: Enka@sagent.ia.rci. joensuu.fi.

Mid-South Sociological Association has issued a call for papers for the Annual Meeting to be held October 29-November 2, 1997, at the Huntsville Marriott Inn Hotel, Huntsville, AL. Deadline for submission: January 20, 1997. For additional information, contact: Conference Chair, MASA 1997 Program Chair, Department of Sociology, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148; (504) 266-6305, (504) 285-4661; e-mail: LAMAL@MTH.COM.

National Social Science Association will hold a conference April 13-15, 1997, in Las Vegas, NV. This conference will feature papers, discussions, workshops, and symposia in all social science disciplines. For more information, contact: NSSA Las Vegas Meeting, 2001 Lakeside Drive, El Cerrito, CA 94530-2188; (415) 448-4709; fax (415) 526-7035.

New England Historical Association (NEHA) will hold its 58th meeting in Boston on April 26, 1997. Proposed papers on any historical topic, time, or place may be submitted. Abstracts and brief curriculum vitae by January 15, 1997. For further information, contact: James Lazotte, Bates College, History Department, Lewiston, ME 04240; e-mail: knoxson@abbac.bates.edu.

The North East Popular Culture Association (NEPCA) 20th Annual Conference will be held October 31-November 1, 1997, in Boston. Proposals on any culture studies topics, popular culture, or sociological topics must be submitted by June 15, 1997. For more information, contact: Alan St. Germain, Wentworth Institute of Technology, 450 Hampshire Avenue, Boston, MA 02115.

Peace Studies Association has issued a call for papers for its Ninth Annual Conference to be held June 5-8, 1997, at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., Theme: "Non-Viole

Meetings

February 20-21, 1997, New York University's Faculty of Arts and Sciences and Sociology Department, in collaboration with the Newly Independent States of Eurasia, for projects in the humanities and social sciences only. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or equivalent professional terminal degree in the subject discipline at the time of application, and must be a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident of the United States. Grants usually do not exceed $3,000. Deadlines for submission are February 1 and June 1, 1997. For more information, contact: International Research and Exchanges Board, 1669 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202) 688-8139, fax (202) 688-8130, e-mail: irebinfo@ires.org.

Johns Hopkins University offers two resident research fellowships for six months starting July 1, 1997, to one American and one German post-doc trial scholar. The Program seeks candidates in the social sciences, economics, sociology, and interdisciplinary study whose work deals with Health Care Studies. Application deadline is February 1, 1997. For more information and application requirements, contact: ACVS, Suite 400, 1400 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036-2217, (202) 352-9132.

The University of London Institute of United States Studies offers applications for its 1997-98 John Adams Fellowships. These are non-stipendary, academic year fellowships for scholars interested in subjects that might provide the opportunity for a research visit to the Institute. The research focus is on any scholarly work in the traditional humanities or social science disciplines with a focus on American Studies. The Fellowships are for ten-weeks to one-month period. Deadline for submission is April 24, 1997. For further information, contact: The Programme Officer, e-mail: asianfellowships@iuen.ac.uk.

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Columbia University Psychiatric Epidemiology Training Program announces openings for post- and pre-doctoral fellows beginning July 1 in September 1997. The program provides annual stipends for psychologists, psychiatrists, and psychiatrists with research skills in psychiatric epidemiology. Post-doctoral stipends range from $19,608 to $32,500. Pre-doctoral stipends are $10,008. Application deadline is March 1, 1997. For additional information, contact: Training Coordinators, Columbia University, School of Public Health, 600 West 168th Street, New York, NY 10032; e-mail: pet@columbia.edu.

The International Research and Exchanges Board offers brief visits (limited to 30 days) to the countries of Central/ Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States of Eurasia, for projects in the humanities and social sciences only. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or equivalent professional terminal degree in the subject discipline at the time of application, and must be a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident of the United States. Grants usually do not exceed $3,000. Deadlines for submission are February 1 and June 1, 1997. For more information, contact: International Research and Exchanges Board, 1669 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202) 688-8139, fax (202) 688-8130, e-mail: irebinfo@ires.org.

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The University of Maine announces the Thomas Teaching Fellowship, an endowed one-year post-doctoral position for the 1997-98 academic year. The Fellowship is intended primarily for graduate students who have completed all doctoral requirements except the dissertation. The teaching responsibilities will be one introductory course and two upper level courses. The stipend is $15,000 - $18,000. To apply send a one- or two-page statement of interest, curriculum vitae, writing sample, and teach-
Funding, continued
ing portfolio if available, and a list of courses you would like to teach. Please send your letter of application by January 31, 1997, and complete
the position is filled. For more infor-
mation, contact the Committee Chair, Department of Sociology, 523
Fennell, Georgia Institute of Tech-
nology, Atlanta, GA 30332.

The University of Michigan School of Social Work has established a Foundation to promote Social Work, Social Welfare and research
interests in the relationship between poverty work and poverty. The PhD for the 1997-98 year is in January 31, 1997. For additional information, contact: Sheldon Saratav, Center on Poverty, Risk, and Mental Health, 540 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, MI 48104-2135, (313) 998-4515; fax (313) 998-4316.

Northwestern University/University
of Chicago Joint Committee on
Research Opportunities and
Fellowships for applications of
Visiting Scholars programs, for
interdisciplinary and social science
researchers who have completed their PhDs. Each of the two campuses will have one Vis-
ing Scholar in areas of research that
must be actively involved in research directly related to poverty in that
is the mainstay. The maximum salary available is $40,000 for the academic year and benefits and research
support. For more information and applications, contact: Karen Hauser, Joint Committee on Research Opportunities, 2400 Sheridan Road, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208-4105, (847) 491-4165; fax (847) 467-2429; e-mail: prov@nwu.edu.

Northwestern University/Uni-
versity of Chicago Joint Commit-
tee on Research Opportunities
invites applications for its Small
Grants program for researchers who study the causes and consequences of poverty, and the effects that public policies and programs to reduce poverty. This grant program is cosponsored by the U.S. Bureau of the Census and the Social Science Research Council. The office for research on Economic Opportunity and Participation. The maximum award will be $20,000. For more information and applications, contact: Karen Hauser, Joint Center for Poverty Research, 2400 Sheridan Road, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208-4105, (847) 491-4165, fax (847) 467-2429; e-mail: prov@nwu.edu.

The Population Research
Committee is accepting applications for its fellow-
ship and internship programs for the 1997-98 year. (1) The International
Programs Fellowship is a 12-month program for graduate students with Population, Reference Bureau (PRB) or U. S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to help with data analysis, the production and dis-
tribution of population materials for policymakers, developing coun-
tries, and other policy and information
activities. The stipend is $25,000 (2) The Academic Internship is a nine-month program. Interns should develop an interest in population and associated issues. Interns will assist staff on various projects. The stipend is $15,000. Applications for both programs must be received by February 28, 1997. (3) Summer Internship lasts three
months and involves adding PRB staff on various projects. Candidates in this
area should be similar to those for Academic Year Internship. The stip-
end is $15,000. Deadline for submission is January 31, 1997.

The Marfin P. Levine Dissertation Fellowship Award invites applic-
tions from individuals who have completed their PhDs in 1997-98 year in January 31, 1997. For additional information, contact: Kevin C. Pollard, Internship Program, Popula-

tion Reference Bureau, Inc., 1795 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 520, Washington, D.C. 20036-5728, (202) 481-1010, fax (202) 328-2937; e-mail: ppl@prb.org.

The Remarque Institute at New
York University invites applica-
tions for fellowships available at the New York University in academic year 1997-98. The program encourages and supports individual,
programmatic and collaborative projects and the production of new work. Applicants are required to have completed their PhDs in 1997-98 year in January 31, 1997. For additional information, contact: Tony Judd, Director, Remarque Institute, New York University, 5 Washington Square North, New York, NY 1003, e-mail remarquesen@nyu.edu.

The United States Institute of Peace offers two principal grantsmanship opportunities and solicits
proposals. The Institute offers support for research, education, training, and the dissemination of information on international peace and conflict reso-


Awards

Ben Aminstein, University of Minnesota, received a Social Science Research Council Fellowships for the 1997-98 academic year as a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study at Northwestern University, to participate in a special project on "Social Movements, Conflict and Violence in Europe." The fellowship is sponsored by the Social Science Research Council Fellows for Europe in Societies of Revolutionary Politics."

William Bruntink, University of Minnesota, received the 1996 Distin-
guished Teaching Award for his teaching in Continuing Education and for his work in


People

Leo F. Bratkevich, Internatinal Sur-


Sociologists in the News

Stanford W. Gregory, Jr., and Stephen Webster, both of the University of Kansas, had their articles on acoustic analy-
ses of voice and vocal disorders covered by several news media and organizations including the Washington Post, the New York Times, and the Associated Press.

Rebecca E. Klakos, University of Cal-
ifornia-San Diego, was interviewed by the June Media Review regarding
the California Civil Rights Initi-
tive. She also appeared on the local

New Books

Barry D. Adam and Alan Sears, Uni-
versity of Windsor, Exploring HIV-
Transmission, Family, and Work: A Foun-
dational Textbook in Chicago (University

Margaret L. Anderson, University
of Virginia, Dharma: Intimacy Within
(Allyn and Bacon, 1997).

Steven E. Banker, University of
Virginia, Corporations: Sociological
Understanding (Prentice Hall, 1997).

Thomas J. Bernard, Pennsylvania State University, University of Pennsylvania, John

Daniel F. Chassanli, Hamilton Uni-
versity, Biodiversity: Biological, Cul-
tural, and Social Dimensions of Biodiversity (Prentice Hall, 1997).

Joseph M. Chaplin, Harvard Uni-

Steven J. Gold, Michigan State Uni-
versity, From the Workers' State to the
Golden State: Jews Forming a Labor
Union in California (Allyn and Bacon, 1995).

Munib Hufton, Bryan College of
Law and Hamline University, Rule of
Law: A Metropolitan Perspective (Uni-

Bryant University, Fierce and Tender Men: Sapphic Life in Ancient Rome (University of Chicago Press, 1996).

Carole Jofle, University of California-


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NBC news commenting on the recently unveiled A.U.W. report on girls and middle school.

Robert L. Ross, Clark University, was named to the President's Council on Research Education and the Telegram and Tribune Center for the Study of Urban Affairs at Indiana State University. WIBR radio in Boston regarding the rise in fetchs in the United States.
New Books, continued

Arlin Rudauf. San Jose State University. Social In Space. (Peter Lang, 1996).


John F. Sitten, Indiana University-Purdue University. Farmington. Class Formation and Social Conflict in Contemporaneous Capitalism. (State University of New York Press).


Contact

The ASA Teaching Resources Center is commissioning examples of formal courses and workshops, generally called seminars, to acquaint students with the field of sociology. Applications are due on or before March 31, 1996. For more information, contact the ASA or write to: Teaching Resources Center. 3703 East Tottenville Road, Staten Island, NY 10309.

The Graduate Program in Social Sciences at Federal University Sao Carlos, Sao Paulo State, is trying to develop a library for the use of students and professors in the program and would like books and journals donated. They are especially interested in collections of social science books published in the United States and Europe. For more information, contact Faculdade de Filosofia e Ciências da Educação at Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Av. Professor Antônio Carlos 6645, CEP 05508-900, São Paulo, Brazil. (011) 3873-0300.

Deaths


Steve Veen, State University of New York. August 9, 1996.

Obituaries

T. Maxton Dietrich (1904-1996) Florida State University sociologist lost one of its longest-tenured faculty members. The Southern Sociological Society lost one of its eminent former Secretary-Treasurers, with the passing of Thomas Stanly (Tommy) Dietrich on June 25, 1996.

Born on January 5, 1904, in Philadelphia, Tommy attended his bachelors degree from Wesleyan University in Connecticut in 1925. He went on to receive his masters degree from Louisiana State University in 1941. Following his service in the U.S. Air Force service in World War II, he obtained his doctoral degree from the same school in 1948. While at Louisiana State University, he met and married Susie Eason Brown, and they had been married 55 years when Tommy died.

On completion of his doctorate, he was invited to join the faculty at Florida State University where he began his teaching career in the late 1940s. His career at Fsu spanned a 30-year period in which the Department grew from one with a small regional orientation to one with a strong national reputation. His training under T. Lyons Smith prepared him well for teaching and research on population studies. Besides courses at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, he gained an expertise in Florida's population and the Florida Department of Health and Welfare. He was a member of the "Nurban and Directions of Suburbanization in the South" in Social Forces in 1965, the "Population of Florida in 1960" in the Journal of the Florida State Population, and "The Urbanization of Floridas Population: A Historical Perspective" in the Southern Political Science Association in 1970. Among the students Tommy mentored was a Century of Demographic Changes in the International Work, Population and Genetization in 1970. These were substantial contributions to the field of sociology.

Tommy served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Sociological Society from 1970-1971. During his organzizing skills and penchant for complete and accurate information, he established a strong base for the Society's membership and financial position. He served his successors well in the years that followed. At the end of his term, the University appointed Tommy Provost to the position, and he made the most of his retirement years, spending as much time as possible in his beloved Florida. Tommy was an avid golfer and a spectator at the state and national tournaments of the Florida State University football games and a timer at the FSU track meet. He was an avid golfer with an eye for victory over his age in later years. His enthusiasm for scholarship and sports carried over to his children and grandchildren.

20th Anniversary

The Thursday, December 19, 1996, issue of the New York Times carries an article by Diana Hoffman about the 20th anniversary of the founding of the American Sociological Association. It is titled "Sociology's Long March From Marginal Science to Mainstream Inclusion". The author suggests that sociology has come a long way since its inception in 1899, and that its current status as a respected discipline is a testament to its continued relevance and importance in today's society.

New Programs

University of Dublin-Trieste College. "The program offers specialists theoretical and practical study of the role of race and ethnicity in European and global contexts. The 12-month program begins in October each year, and consists of two fall, two spring, and two summer terms. The university offers graduate and undergraduate courses in the arts and humanities, as well as in social sciences and international relations. Students can choose from a variety of courses in different disciplines, such as history, anthropology, and political science.

Other Organizations

The Red Feather Institute (RFI) announces its 25th Anniversary. In commemoration of the founding, RFI has initiated two sets of Awards for Progressive Scholarship. One award goes to graduates whose work shows promise of creating a more just and equitable society.

Among the recipients are: Zane Vanhoosier, Texas A&M University; Young B. Min, University of Illinois; and Jonathan Lack, University of California. The recipients are selected by a committee of sociologists from the U.S. and Canada. The awards are given in recognition of their contributions to the field of sociology and to the advancement of knowledge.

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Bridges for Sociology

1997 Call for Submissions

Computer Demo Sessions

We are pleased to announce that three refereed computer demo sessions will be included in the 1997 Annual Meeting program. These sessions will allow presenters and participants the opportunity to take part in hands-on demonstrations of some of the many computer resources available for teaching and research in Sociology. Topics for this year’s sections include Internet Resources for Socialization, and Computer Demo Potpourri (for proposals on any topic).

Each section will include up to eight simultaneous presentations. Proposals for these sessions should describe a presentation that will last about 10 minutes and that can be repeated several times over a one hour and 45 minute session. Based on experience last year, presenters can expect that participants in these sessions will come and go, spending time on those demos of interest to them. Thus, presenters should be prepared for people to arrive and leave at any point during their 10-minute presentations.

Proposals for these sessions should be no more than three single-spaced pages in length. They should describe the computer software, application, or other resource to be demonstrated, its current capabilities, and its contribution to sociological teaching or research. Those accepted to present should plan to provide at least one of their own computers and any peripherals hands-on. Information on the size of the demo tables, monitor rentals, telephone line installation, and other relevant equipment or facilities issues will be sent to presenters when it becomes available.

The sessions are being organized by Josetina Card and Jacqueline Cashen of Sociometrics Corporation. Submissions and requests for additional information should be directed to: Jacqueline Cashen, Sociometrics Corporation, 170 State Street, Suite 250, Los Altos, CA 94028-2818; (415) 949-3262 ext. 206; jeashen@socio.com.

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Department Leadership: The Role of the Department Chair, Leo H. Bowker, Peabody Hall 208, Behavioral & Social Sciences, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA 95521

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Sociology Clubs: The Sociology Club Dub Kit, Kate Linsenmayer, American Sociological Association, 732 1/2 15th St NW, Washington, DC 20056


Applying to Graduate School: A Guide to Application Procedures, Chris Belzer, Department of Social Sciences, 304 CORE, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, VA 24061

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Peace and War: Teaching the Sociology of Peace and War, John MacDougall, 15 Old Lowell Road, Westford, MA 01886.

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