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COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

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The intellectual vitality of our section was unmistakable at the ASA meeting in Washington. Our inaugural session, on U.S. immigration processes and policies, was filled to overflowing, with half the audience either standing or seated on the floor. The session on migration in comparative perspective was--fortunately--in a larger room, which it comfortably filled. The roundtables, too, were fully engaged, with a group as large as could be found in many regular sessions encamped at the table on LA. Much of the crowd remained for the following business meeting, making it more lively than its mundane function suggests. According to my conversations with our colleagues, there was general agreement that the intellectual verve and coherence of our sessions fulfilled their best expectations for the section.

The sessions demonstrated that our section possesses a substantive agenda that transcends the subdiscipline boundaries (e.g., demography, race relations) and particularistic foci that previously fragmented the study of international migration, at least among sociologists. Just in the nick of time, too, for issues connected with international migration have been thrust into the public arena as a result of Peter Brimelow's book, Alien Nation, and the superheated atmosphere generated by the accelerating 1996 Presidential campaign (as I write, Senator Dole has just denounced what he calls "multilingual" education in speech to an American Legion audience). I am not suggesting that the section become directly engaged in political activities or policy advocacy. But, obviously, no intelligent discussion of these issues can take place without the knowledge being generated by the members of this section. The section affords us new opportunities to advance this knowledge and also to reflect on its implications for the issues under discussion in political and other public domains.

In organizational terms, too, we are established beyond a doubt. At last count, our section membership had reached approximately 320, well above the 200 threshold required of an active section and within practical reach of the 400 mark, which would give us an additional session at the annual meeting. Moreover, at the business meeting in Washington, we took the steps necessary for the section to recognize outstanding work in the study of international migration. Guidelines have been adopted for an annual book award, the Thomas and Znaniecki Prize, and for a student paper award; and committees to receive nominations and decide on the awards to be given in 1996 are being put in place. By next summer's business meeting, I hope also to have proposed guidelines for a distinguished career award.

The future of the section will be in good hands with the election of Marta Tienda as chair for 1996-97 and of Victor Nee and Ivan Light as Council members (Claudia Der-Martirosian was elected as the student member). As the prominence of these names indicates, some of the most central scholars in the field are playing active roles in the section, thus assuring that the present vitality is not likely to dissipate soon. Next year's program will include sessions on the frontiers (scientific, not national) in international-migration research, to be organized by Marta Tienda, and the linkages among migration, race, and ethnicity, organized by Douglas Massey.

In closing, I want to reiterate a well-deserved tribute that I delivered also at the Washington business meeting, but to a smaller audience than I hope will read it here. All of us who welcome the birth of the section are in debt to one of our number. The well-known military aphorism to the effect that victory has a hundred fathers, but defeat is an orphan, can--not unfairly and with the appropriate gender correction--be applied to many academic achievements, too. Yet, in the case of the international migration section, though there were many aunts and uncles who assisted along the way, there was only one parent. That was my predecessor as chair, Rubén Rumbaut, without whose high levels of energy, readiness to tackle challenges, and unwillingness to accept setbacks this section might never have come into existence.

MINUTES TAKEN AT THE SECOND MEETING OF THE ASA SECTION ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION - SATURDAY, AUG. 19, 1995, WASHINGTON, D.C., 2:30 P.M.

The first formal meeting of the International Migration Section was brought to order at 5:32 p.m. by Rubén Rumbaut, Chair. Approximately 75 people were in attendance. Rubén welcomed the membership and thanked all those who had helped in formation of the section. He believes we have initiated a vibrant and expanding network of research and theory. He asked the audience to continue to recruit new members and pay dues promptly, commended Steve Gold for the high quality of our newsletter, and recommended that people watch for submission deadlines. Roger Waldinger was the Nominations Committee Chairman for the past year. Chair Rumbaut thanked all candidates for running and commended Roger for a well run election. Newly elected officers are: Chair-Elect, Marta Tienda; Council: Victor Nee and Ivan Light; Student Representative: Claudia Der-Martirosian. Rubén asked all members to give these officers their support and assistance. Next year's ASA meeting has been moved to New York. Formats are being
developed for two regular sessions and one roundtable, which Rubén suggested be chair organized. Two themes have been proposed. A session focusing on refugees was suggested by a section member. No new themes were proposed by the membership.

Awards Committee Report: Alejandro Portes reported that the award proposal has been drafted for the Thomas and Znaniecki book award. The term of eligibility may be 5 years for the first award and then 3 years for each following one. An extended discussion followed. It was suggested that the outgoing section chair become Chairman of the Awards committee for the following year. (Ed’s note: see call for nominations in this issue). Several people expressed a desire to change or omit the regulation of nomination by section members. Richard Alba asked for a technical amendment to make the term of eligibility 4 years for the first award and then 2 years since publication. An automatic review process, deletion of section sponsorship, whether a service award should be given, and whether an award for the best student paper, rather than the best student dissertation, were discussed. It was decided that the final decision would be made by the council on the nomination process and the technical amendment but the assembly was polled. They recommended reducing the workload via a student paper versus a dissertation award and adopting the technical amendment. Rubén said it was important to legitimize the procedures for award selection.

Dr. Martin Heisler from the University of Maryland announced a new section being formed by the International Studies Association. The Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Migration Section will be formally chartered on Aug. 30, 1995. All members were invited to attend the next meeting in April, 1996 in San Diego, California. He also mentioned that political scientists can get a discount on ASA memberships. Chair Rumbaut then turned over the Chairmanship to Chair-Elect Richard Alba. Richard stated that Rubén has made a wonderful contribution and overcome many challenges. Rubén thanked the audience and said it has been his pleasure to serve. Steven Gold also thanked everyone, especially Chair Rumbaut, for helping with the first edition of the newsletter. It was highly commended. He asked the audience to contribute general interest articles, conferences, funding opportunities, essays, publications, etc. Michigan State University will have available shortly a Web page that can be downloaded. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Lynne L. Snowden

### INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION SECTION ANNOUNCES FIRST ANNUAL AWARDS

#### FIRST THOMAS AND ZNANIECKI AWARD TO BE GIVEN IN 1996 FOR OUTSTANDING BOOK: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Section on International Migration will make its first "Thomas and Znaniecki Award" in 1996 for an outstanding book in the immigration field published between 1992 and 1995. The prize, which is named in recognition of the pioneering classic in the field, The Polish Peasant in Europe and America, will be presented at the ASA annual meetings in New York next August. Nominations require at least one formal letter, addressed to the Chair of the Thomas and Znaniecki Award Committee, which need not come from a member of our 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 numbers. The deadline for receipt of nominations is February 1, 1996. Early nominations are encouraged. Letters of nomination should be sent to:

Rubén G. Rumbaut, Chair
Thomas and Znaniecki Award Committee
31643 Waltham
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

For this first-ever award, in view of the need for such a prize and the backlog of eligible publications, the term of publication eligibility has been extended to the past four years. In subsequent years, the term of eligibility shall revert to two years.

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING STUDENT PAPER IN THE STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

The section on international migration will make an award in 1996 for an outstanding student paper. Nominations require two letters of nomination, at least one of which must come from a current member of the section. Further eligibility requirements are that: nominated papers must have been written during the preceding 2 years, and authors must not have completed their doctorates at the time of nomination. Send letters of nomination, together with 4 copies of the nominated paper, by Feb. 1, 1996, to:

Professor Min Zhou
Department of Sociology
ASA COUNCIL URGES GREATER EXCHANGE IN HOUSE IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION

The ASA is urging Congress not to restrict academic exchange as it begins the process of a massive overhaul of U.S. immigration laws. On August 24, the ASA Council passed a resolution contending that the major immigration bill before Congress wipes out important statutes that are now used to facilitate academic and professional exchange. The resolution states that the bill, as currently drafted, is “potentially detrimental to the future of science and the social sciences.”

The bill, H.R. 2202, “Immigration in the National Interest Act,” creates new restrictions for legal and illegal immigration. The bill cuts legal immigration by 30 percent, reduces refugee admissions by more than 50 percent and cracks down on undocumented immigrants through a variety of means including border fences and more Border Patrol agents. The bill also calls for creation of a computer registry to verify that prospective employees are legally eligible to work in the United States.

At press time, the bill, introduced by Rep. Lemar Smith (R-TX) was being considered by the House Judiciary Committee. In the Senate, a similar bill has been introduced by U.S. Sen. Alan Simpson (R-WY).

In its resolution, the ASA Council opposed the House bill’s elimination of a special priority category for outstanding professor and researchers. The category exempts potential employers from the costly and protracted labor certification process.

The Council also opposed the proposed elimination of the labor certification waiver that is now made available to researchers whose work is deemed in the national interest of the United States. The ASA Executive Office has forwarded the Council resolution to the House and Senate Judiciary Committees. The text of the resolution follows:

Resolution on HR 2202 Immigration and National Interest Act of 1995, Passed by ASA Council, August 24, 1995

The American Sociological Association (ASA) deplores certain provisions of HR2201 titled the “Immigration and National Interest Act of 1995” as potentially detrimental to the future of science including the social sciences. U.S. science has benefited substantially from open exchange across the international community. The specific provisions of HR 2202, as reported from the Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee, that the ASA finds objectionable are:

- Elimination of the special priority category for outstanding professor and researchers that exempts potential employers from the labor certification process.
- Elimination of the labor certification waiver for researchers whose work is deemed in the national interest of the United States.

The provisions will constrain access by U.S. academic and scientific institutions to international talent by creating new and cumbersome bureaucratic barriers. The ASA does not believe that such barriers are in the national interest and urges the House Judiciary Committee to remove them from the bill and for the Senate Judiciary Committee to resist any similar provisions.
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION CREATES ETHNICITY, NATIONALISM AND MIGRATION SECTION

The International Studies Association [ISA] has chartered a new section on ETHNICITY, NATIONALISM AND MIGRATION [ENM/ISA]. Its aim is to foster research and scholarly communication on each of the three subjects in its name and at the intersection of two or all three of those elements. It will spur interdisciplinary collaboration and communication, as well as comparative studies across groups, societies, regions and time. These orientations will be evident in the organization of panels and other activities at the general and regional meetings of ISA and other fora and in outreach to other professional organizations (the effort here is the first of about 25 to be undertaken in our first year) across the boundaries of disciplines, countries and, within ISA sections. We shall also communicate with educators, members of policy communities and other interested groups outside specialist milieux; but such contacts will always flow from scholarly considerations rather than political engagement, since ISA’s constitution precludes policy advocacy or partisan political activity under its aegis.

The section currently has about 100 members but is likely to expand rapidly following its first business meeting and election of officers at ISA’s next annual meeting. We have organized about a dozen panels for the that meeting, to be held in San Diego, 16-20 April, 1996; four of these focus directly on migration, and aspects of others do as well. We are also putting together two or three “super panels” for the joint meeting of the Japanese and North American International Studies Associations, near Tokyo, 20-22 September, 1996.

We invite interested members of the International Migration section of ASA to communicate with us, either through our acting officers or through ISA – or through the page we shall soon have as part of ISO’s site on the WorldWideWeb: http://csf.colorado.edu/isa One of the acting co-chairs of ENM/ISA, (Professor Emeritus) Fred W. Riggs, can be reached at fredr@hawaii.edu and he is also postmaster of a list-serve we use: ETHNIC-L@hawaii.edu The other co-chair (and author of this report) is Martin Heisler, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742; tel.: (301) 405-4167; fax: (301) 314-9690; e-mail: mheisler@bss2.umd.edu ISA’s address is International Studies Association, University of Arizona, Social Sciences 324, Tucson, Arizona 85721; tel.: (520) 621-7715; fax (520) 621-5780; e-mail: isa@arizona.edu

We hope to hear from you, whether you wish to affiliate with our section and ISA or “just” to communicate.

IMMIGRATION RESEARCH GIVEN HIGH PRIORITY AT NICHD

The Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch of NICHD’s Center for Population Research has highlighted research on immigration as a priority area for the next two years (See “National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Areas of High Program Relevance,” NIH Guide, August 25, 1995). Meeting the challenge created by the flow of immigrants across U.S. borders requires improved demographic information about population movement, its causes, and its consequences. Considered to be of high program relevance are:

- Measurement Issues - including studies to develop improved methods to better measure and analyze U.S. immigration and emigration trends.
- Immigration Processes and Their Impact - including research on the (1) processes through which migrants attach and adapt to the population; (2) selectivity of immigrants in terms of health, socioeconomic status, and resilience; (3) intergenerational transmission of skills and resources; and (4) impact of international migration on the health and well-being of both immigrant and native-born individuals, families, communities, and populations.

All applications that are ranked highly by initial peer review will ordinarily be paid in percentile rank order, up to the point where the NICHD obligates 75 percent of the funds available for each National Advisory Child Health and Human Development Council (NACHDC) round. From the point where 75 percent of the funds are expended to the 20th percentile is the “discretionary zone” (DZ). The staff will recommend paying selected grants from the DZ with the remaining 25 percent of funds with the advice of the NACHDC. The areas identified to be of high program relevance will be used as the first criterion guiding any decision to pay grants that are in the DZ. These high priority areas will be used as a guide for FY 1996 and FY 1997. Priorities and procedures will be revised, as appropriate, at the end of that time.

The full announcement may be obtained electronically through the world wide web (www.nih.gov), NIH Grant Line [data line (301)402-2221], NIH Gopher (Internet), and by mail and email from the program contact listed below. Deadlines for new applications to NIH: October 1, February 1, June 1. Rose Maria Li, M.B.A., Ph.D. Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch Center for Population Research National Institute of Child Health and Human Development 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room
PUBLIC USE DATA ON MEXICAN IMMIGRATION

The Mexican Migration Project, a bi-national research effort directed by Douglas S. Massey of the University of Pennsylvania and Jorge Durand of the University of Guadalajara, announces the public availability of a new dataset on Mexican immigration to the United States. The dataset is based on representative samples of 30 Mexican communities, each paired with a parallel sample of out-migrants interviewed in the United States. Members of sample households provided basic information about their first and most recent trips to the United States, and all household heads were administered a complete life history that included a yearly migration history as well as a complete history of border-crossing. In addition, all household heads with U.S. migratory experience were asked a battery of questions about experiences on their last trip.

The dataset includes six files, one containing data on sample persons, one containing data on sample households, one containing data on migrant household head's most recent U.S. trip, one containing life histories for all household heads, and two community-level datafiles: one containing information on the 30 communities during the survey year and the other containing annual event history data on the communities. In total, the datafiles contain information on 42,686 persons in 6,121 households, including 9,851 persons with U.S. migratory experience and 2,816 U.S. migrant household heads.

The files may be obtained by contacting the project manager, Kristin Espinosa, at the Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, 3718 Locust Walk, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6298. Email: espinosa@pop.upenn.edu.

POPULATION STUDIES HOME PAGE
The Population Studies Centre at the University of Western Ontario, Canada has created a home page on the world wide web. Information Manager Suzanne Shiel, says that at the moment, it contains mainly information about and access to our publications. URL http://www.sscl.uwo.ca/sociology/popstudies/index.html.

THE JULIAN SAMORA RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES A VISITING MINORITY RESEARCH ASSOCIATE POSITION

The Julian Samora Research Institute (JSRI) of Michigan State University invites applications for a Visiting Minority Research Associate for the 1995-96 academic year. JSRI is the Midwest's premier Hispanic research institute, committed to the generation of knowledge on issues of relevance to the Hispanic community within the realm of the social sciences. We are a central information resource on Latinos in the Midwest, disseminating current research through publications, electronic media (gopher), and seminars/conferences.

We seek scholars who will share our commitment to the Hispanic community and contribute to the body of Hispanic research. Knowledge areas are open, although we have a particular interest in the following: health services and access to care; psychology of race and ethnic relations; public policy; immigration; rural Latino studies; criminal justice; labor and industrial relations. Selected scholars will be expected to interact with students in a substantial way. The period of appointment is open to negotiation, with stipend set accordingly. More than one scholar may be appointed, depending on circumstances. Selected scholars must be in residence for the period of their appointment. This opportunity is open to minority scholars ranging from new Ph.D.'s (must be complete at the time of appointment) to higher rank scholars.

CALL FOR PAPERS: SPECIAL ISSUES OF QUALITATIVE SOCIOLOGY

FAMILY RESEARCH: Qualitative Sociology invites submissions for a special issue on family research. The journal is particularly interested in manuscripts that demonstrate how qualitative methods can be used to link micro concerns with macro ones. Manuscripts can have either a methodological or a substantive focus. Manuscript topics can include: (1) linking micro family issues to macro ones; (2) work and family linkages; (3) studies of children linking family to other institutions; (4) studies demonstrating diverse family life. Innovative and experimental methodologies used to generate empirical findings are also welcome. The deadline for submissions is April 1, 1996. Send four (4) copies of each submission along with a $10 submission fee (payable to Qualitative Sociology) to the editor: Rosanna Hertz, Department of Sociology, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA. 02181.

VISUAL SOCIOLOGY: Qualitative Sociology invites submissions for a special issue on visual sociology. Manuscripts can have either a methodological or a substantive focus. Manuscript topics can include: (1) using visual methods to record and interpret information about social settings or issues; (2) using images to gain access to social actors’ understanding of their environment (as in photoelicitation); (3) techniques for analyzing existing images to learn about social life; (4)
approaches which integrate visual information with sociological theories and concepts. The deadline for submissions is April 1, 1996. Send four (4) copies of each submission along with a $10 submission fee (payable to Qualitative Sociology) to the special issue editor: Steven Gold, Department of Sociology, Berkey Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1111. Fax (517) 432-2856; e-mail: steve.gold@ssc.msu.edu.

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPTS: METROPOLIS AND REGION

METROPOLIS AND REGION is a series of monographs published by Sage Publications, Inc., under the imprimatur of the Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies at the University of California, Los Angeles.

The series provides a forum for the full range of debates concerned with urban and regional change, including historical, contemporary, and comparative aspects. It features the findings of original monograph-length studies along both disciplinary and inter-disciplinary lines. We welcome submissions from across the social sciences and related fields.

Prospective authors who wish to publish monographs in METROPOLIS AND REGION are encouraged to apply in the first instance to Dr. Roger Waldinger, Acting Director, Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies, University of California, Box 951467, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1567, USA.

CENTER FOR IMMIGRATION STUDIES LISTSERV

The Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, D.C., has started a new mailing list devoted to the discussion of immigration policy in all its forms. The list, called immigration-policy, is open to academics, graduate students, policymakers, journalists, and others interested in sober, sensible discussion of American immigration policy, whatever their point of view on the issue. [Although the Center itself takes a restrictionist position]. The list is intended for, say, debates about labor-market or demographic impacts of immigration, information requests for scholarly articles or newspaper stories, conference or hearing announcements, etc. The list is not moderated, which is to say the list owner does not examine each message before it is mailed out to the subscribers. But it is a closed list, so each subscription request is approved by the list owner. This is not to censor opinion, but to keep the quality of the discussion as high as possible and keep out the kooks so prevalent elsewhere on the Internet. The list owner is Mark Krikorian, msk@us.net, Executive Director of the Center for Immigration Studies, 1815 H St. N.W., Suite 1010, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 466-8185; (202) 466-8700 (fax). If you're interested in joining the list, send e-mail to: majordomo@list.us.net with the message: <subscribe immigration-policy> You will receive an automated message saying your request has been forwarded to me. When the request is approved, you will receive a welcome message.

DISSERTATION RESEARCH AWARD

The IMMIGRATION HISTORY SOCIETY announces the GEORGE E. POZZETTA DISSERTATION RESEARCH AWARD competition. It invites any Ph D candidate who will have passed the qualifying exam by Dec. 1, 1995 and whose thesis concerns American immigration, emigration, or ethnic history. The grant is $750 for expenses to be incurred in researching the dissertation. Applicants must submit a 3-5 page descriptive proposal in English, including the significance of the work, the methodology, sources, and collections to be consulted. Also included must be a proposed budget, a brief c.v., and a supporting letter from the major advisor. Submission deadline is Dec. 15, 1995 with the announced winner about Feb. 15, 1996. Send all materials in TRIPlicate HARDCOPY to Prof. Victor Greene, History Department, Univ. of Wisc-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Inquiries: (414)229-3965 or vicgre@csd.uwm.edu

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION PROGRAM

The social science research council (SSRC) is offering a series of grants to foster innovative research that will advance theoretical understandings of immigration to the United States, the process of settlement and the outcomes for both immigrants and Americans. The program, funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, includes Dissertation Fellowships, a Minority Summer Dissertation Workshop, Postdoctoral Fellowships and Research Planning Grants. Deadlines: must be received by February 1, 1996. For detailed descriptions, requirements, and application forms write to: International Migration Program, Fellowships and Grants, Social Science Research Council, 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10158. (212)-661-0280.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

IN

INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

David Jacobson, Rights Across Borders: Immigration and the Decline of Citizenship ( The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1995). In Rights Across Borders political sociologist David Jacobson asks how transnational migrations have affected our ideas of citizenship and the state since World War II. Jacobson shows how citizenship has been increasingly devalued as
governments extend rights to foreign populations and how, in turn, international human rights law has become increasingly important. Analyzing the ideas behind key international documents and discussions on human rights, Jacobson traces the ascendancy of these ideas and shows how they have caused a re-examination of basic notions of citizenship and the nation-state. He also explores the implications of these developments for domestic and international politics. Jacobson considers undocumented immigration in the United States and migrant and foreign populations in Western Europe, with a special focus on Germany and France.


Ivan Light and Carolyn Rosenstein. Race, Ethnicity And Entrepreneurship In Urban America. (Aldine, 1995).

Rubén G. Rumbaut and Wayne A. Cornelius (eds.) California’s Immigrant Children: Theory, Research and Implications for Educational Policy (University of California, San Diego, Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies). This book includes essays by a number of section members, including Rumbaut, Alejandro Portes, Kenji Ima and Mia Tuan. To order, Call (619) 534-1160 or Fax (619) 534-6447.


John Horton with the assistance of Jose Calderon, Mary Pardo, Leland Saito, Linda Shaw, and Yen-Fen Tseng. The Politics Of Diversity: Immigration, Resistance, and Change in Monterey Park, California (Temple University Press, 1995.) Paper, $19.95; Hardcover, $49.95. Order Toll-Free: 1-800-447-1656; FAX: (215)-204-4719; Mail: Temple University Press, Broad & Oxford Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19122. A multiethnic team employs ethnography, interviewing, and exit polls to capture the process of political and cultural change in a Los Angeles suburb as established Anglo, Latino, and Asian Americans and Chinese newcomers come to terms with the political and cultural meaning of diversity in their everyday lives. It is story of the new immigration, the decline of the local old-boy Anglo network, and the rise of women, new ethnic majorities, and immigrants in the political scene. The analysis emphasizes the changing meaning and intersection of race, gender, and class in the movement from a politics of immigrant exclusion to a politics of diversity characterized by the formation of inter-ethnic alliances around issues of community development and representation.

Marilyn Halter (ed.) New Migrants in the Marketplace: Boston’s Ethnic Entrepreneurs. While Massachusetts ranks relatively high in immigrant arrivals, it has been little studied. Using an ethnographic, comparative approach, New Migrants in the Marketplace examines the economic culture and small business activity of a range of new immigrant groups in the greater Boston area, including Jews from the former Soviet Union, British West Indians, Greeks, Puerto Ricans, Dominicans, Khmer, and Haitians. Contributors include several section members: Mehdi Bozorgmehr, Claudia Der-Martirosian, Peggy Levitt, Ivan Light, Georges Sabagh, Marilyn Halter, Violet Johnson, Caesar Mavratsas and Nancy Smith-Hefner.