Introduction
Annual reports are used by the Sections Committee to assess the health of a Section, measure the Section’s vitality, and identify processes, programs, or initiatives that could serve as a model for other Sections. In addition, they serve to provide institutional memory, socialize new Section leaders, and promote transparency to Section members.

This annual report covers the period of Section activity from September 2021 to August 2022 and a fiscal year from January 2022 to December 2022. This portion of the report will be shared publicly.

Section Governance
Provide details of your Section’s governance activity during the period between September 2021 and August 2022.

Business Meeting
Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes from the Section business meeting which include a count of members present and summary of decisions made at this meeting. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings, but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

2022 MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY BUSINESS MEETING
August 7, 10am-10:30am
Place: LACC, Floor: Level 2, 303A

1. Welcome – Rin Reczek
2. Transitions: Announce the Outgoing and Incoming Council Members – Rin Reczek
3. Review of 2021-2022 Agenda and Report from the Chair – Rin Reczek
4. Approval of 2021 Business Meeting minutes – LaShaune Johnson
5. Report from Secretary/Treasurer – LaShaune Johnson
6. Committee Reports
   1. Membership – Patti Thomas (not in attendance, report read by chair)
   2. Nominations Committee – Ann Bell (not in attendance, report read by chair)
   3. Teaching Committee – Magdalena Szafiarski
   4. Health Policy Committee – Stephanie Teixeira-Poit
   5. Career and Employment – Tania Jenkins (not in attendance, report read by chair)
   6. Publications Committee – Danielle Bessett (not in attendance, report read by chair)
7. Memorial Announcement (if applicable–no folks listed to date)– Rin Reczek
8. Call for Nominations for positions – Ali Sewell
9. New Business
10. Chair-Elect Report / Plans for 2023 Meeting – Cindy Colen (not in attendance, read by Chair)
11. Adjournment
Business Meeting minutes

Council Meeting
Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes of all council meetings. Minutes must include a list of council members present and a summary of decisions made. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings, but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

ASA’S MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, July 28th at 2:30pm EST via Zoom

1. Welcome and introductions – Rin Reczek
2. Review of 2021-2022 agenda – Rin Reczek
3. Report from Chair – Rin Reczek
4. Schedule of Section activities – Rin Reczek
5. Reports
   a. Membership – Patti Thomas
   b. Nominations Committee – Ann Bell
   c. Teaching Committee – Magdalena Szafarski
   d. Health Policy Committee – Stephanie Teixeira-Poit
   e. Careers and Employment – Tania Jenkins
   f. Publications Committee & Eliot Freidson Outstanding Publication – Danielle Bessett
   g. Student representatives report – Alex Brewer and Yvonne Chen
   h. Leo G. Reeder Award (process not outcome) – Rin Reczek
   i. Roberta Simmons Award – Staci Young
   j. Howard B. Kaplan Memorial Award – Hui Zheng
   k. Louise Johnson Scholar – Hui Zheng
   l. Donald W. Light Award for Applied or Public Practice of Medical Soc – Andrew London
   m. Newsletter Editor’s Report – Evan Roberts
   n. Webmaster’s Report – Jason D’Amours
   o. JHSB report: Amy Burdette
6. Chair-elect report/plans for 2023—Cynthia Colen
7. Report from Secretary/Treasurer – LaShaune Johnson
   a. Endowment funds update
   b. Update on Section expenses and income
   c. Carryover Commitments to Graduate Student Award Winners and Council Members
8. Other business:
   a. Reczek: Request for bylaws change for standing DEI committee. Official Vote needed to allow this bylaws change to go to the ballot for the full membership to vote on.
   c. London: Light Award Committee question (revising call)
9. Adjournment
**Awards**

*Provide a list of Section awards and awardees conferred in the past year.*

Howard B. Kaplan Memorial Award: Nik Lampe

Louise Johnson Scholar Award: Emily A. Ekl

Roberta G. Simmons Outstanding Dissertation Award: Andrea Becker (winner) Alexandra Brewer (honorable mention)

Eliot Freidson Outstanding Publication Award: Armando Lara-Millan (winner) Danielle T. Raudenbush (honorable mention)

Donald W. Light Award for Applied or Public Practice of Medical Sociology: Jill Fisher (winner, book), Tania M. Jenkins (honorable mention, book), and Katharine McCabe (winner, article)

**2022 Finances**

*Provide a narrative on how the 2022 budget matched with actual expenses and income from 2022. Please account for any substantive differences.*

**2021/22 ACCOUNT ACTIVITY**

1. At the end of 2020, the ASA reported, in our December 2020 report, that our YTD total income was $5935.00—with $2995 coming from Dues Income and $2940 from Section Budget allocation. Our award expenses in 2020 were $87.00, and other expenses were $4087. Our ending balance of net assets were $27,235—this was an increase of $1,848.00.

2. Comparatively, at the end of 2021, the ASA reported, in our December 2021 report, that our YTD total income was $5836.00—$2901 was from Section Budget Allocation and $2935 was from Dues income. Our total expenses were $4133, with $1633 going to award expenses, and $2500 in other expenses. In 2021, our ending net assets were $28938, with a net increase of $1703.

3. In 2021, all travel award monies were deferred to 2022 due to the lack of an in-person meeting. This had also happened in 2021, with the exception of the 2021 Simmons awardee since this award was not formally tied to travel to the annual meeting. Travel expenses associated with the 2020 and 2021 Johnson and Kaplan Awards are now being disbursed in 2022, as these award funds are specifically intended to help offset travel costs to the annual meeting.

4. Section council previously voted in favor of no longer holding a section awards dinner, so these costs will no longer be incurred.

5. As stated in the 2021 report, the 2020 Reeder Award lecture was presented virtually in 2021, therefore, any expenses associated with the 2020 Reeder Award happy hour/get together will be delayed to the next in person meeting (2022). As a reminder, the section did not select a Reeder Award winner in 2021.
   a. In keeping with recent past practice, printing and shipping costs for all 2022 award certificates/plaques will be taken from the Section’s general operating budget rather than drawing on the interest-bearing restricted accounts for these expenditures.
   b. Also keeping with recent past practice, the cash prize for the 2022 Simmons Award will be charged to the general funds budget to maintain the capital in this awards fund, since the award fund accounts can (sometimes) earn interest.
6. Funds for student council travel to the annual meeting will also be disbursed in 2022 for each of the student council members who served in 2020 and 2021.

7. Restricted Accounts Balances: Names, fund numbers and balances (as of June 2022) from restricted accounts are reported by ASA as follows:
   a. Simmons (79/82): $10,738.97 (This total includes the permanently restricted portion as well.)
   b. Johnson (72): $29,394.13
   c. Reeder (83/90): $14,361.90 (this includes the permanently restricted portion as well.)
   d. Kaplan (84): $9,213.99
   e. Light (78): $13,049.26
   f. General Section (003): $33,438.47

### 2022 Approved Budget

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| Solicited Income          |                  |               |                          |                     |       |
| Contributions             | $1,000           | 0             |                          |                     |       |
| Sponsorship               | $500             | 0             |                          |                     |       |

| Annual Meeting            |                  |               |                          |                     |       |
| Reception                 | ($4,500)         | $3055 ($3055 (according to Aug 31 report) |                      |                     |       |
| Student Council Member Travel | ($1,500) | Brewer-$500 | ($250x6) for 2020, 2021, 2022 |                     |       |
| Other Meeting Expenses    | ($0)             | 0             |                          |                     |       |

| Awards                    |                  |               |                          |                     |       |
| Student Awards            | ($3,750)         | Ekl-$500, Smith-$500 (from 2020), Lampe $500, Becker, $750 | Simmons Award 2022 ($750x1); Johnson ($500x3) and |                     |       |
The Previous Year
Describe Section activities during the period between September 2021 and August 2022.

Provide an overview of the Section’s communications with its members and include explanation of how your communication strategy meets the goals and values of the Section. Include links to the section website, newsletters, and any other electronic media used.

- The Council forwarded announcements and postings to the ASA listserv, which sent announcements every other week (on the 1st and 15th of each month). The listserv was expertly managed by Jingqiu Ren (through April 2022) and then by Fizza Raza. This listserv will be defunct in September due to ASA’s transition to a new platform (ASA Connect). We have made plans to have several Council members serve as “administrators” on this new platform.

- The Chair worked with Student Council members (Shayna La Scala, Lacee Satcher, and especially Yvonne Chen) in posting regular announcements on Twitter via the Med Soc twitter account.

- Four newsletters were published, which meets our goals of keeping our membership up to date with the activities of our sections. These newsletters are incredibly in-depth, with columns from standing committees in each section. The Chair provies “Notes from the Chair” to Medical Sociology Newsletter for each of the four issues. Editor Evan Roberts has done an exemplary job in overseeing the Newsletter. His term ends at ASA 2022 – thank you Evan for all of your diligent and beautiful work with our Newsletter these past few years. Our new Newsletter Editor, who takes over in Fall 2022, will be Phillip Pettis.

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Kaplan ($500x3) travel awards for 2020, 2021, 2022
Reeder x 2 ($250x2)
The newsletters featured the following (with links):

- **Fall 2021, 58(1) Highlights:** New student co-editors, notifications of new books including a new book by former Career & Employment chair Katrina Kimport.  
  [https://www.asanet.org/file/20290](https://www.asanet.org/file/20290)

- **Winter 2021, 58(2) Highlights:** Announcement of Reeder award winner Susan Bell. Book review by Donald Light of Kogan and Liebmann-Smith, Medical Marijuana.  

- **Spring 2022, 58(3) Highlights:** Job advertisements, Book review by Ryan Steel of Kogan and Liebmann-Smith Medical Marijuana.  
  [https://www.asanet.org/file/20635](https://www.asanet.org/file/20635)

- **Summer 2022, 58(4) Highlights:** Award announcements, upcoming ASA conference details.  
  [https://www.asanet.org/file/20922](https://www.asanet.org/file/20922)

Describe the Section’s diversity, equity, and inclusion goals. What steps were taken this year to achieve those goals?

- We made substantial progress on the DEI committee formation. Following Past-Chair Andrew London’s efforts, I formed an Ad Hoc DEI committee to create a document outlining the need for the addition of a Standing DEI committee. The Ad Hoc committee consisted of the 2022 Chair (Rin Reczek), the Chair-Elect (Cindy Colen), the Chair of the Nominations Committee (Ann Bell), and two Section Members At-Large selected by the Chair from a call for volunteers made to the section members (Yan Long and Kate Tierney). The extended document outlining the potential changes was also circulated and approved by Council. We presented the motion to approve this change at 2022 Council meetings; a bylaw change vote for establishing a standing committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion as a formal part of Council activities. This bylaw change will go to the full membership for a vote in Fall 2022.

- Additionally, our Teaching Chair, paid particular attention to DEI. I also contributed to Section Chair, Rin Reczek’s initiative to develop the Bylaw Amendment to Add Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Standing Committee to Medical Sociology Section of the ASA. Specifically, in terms of teaching, we proposed a slate of the following potential activities: Provide and feature training and resources (i.e., syllabi or assignments/slides that focus on decolonizing the classroom) to section members. Interview and otherwise gather perspectives from members (and beyond) from underrepresented groups to understand and share best approaches to tackle DEI in the classroom, teaching scholarship, teaching pedagogy, and practice settings (e.g., grade/high schools). Build a digital resource bank for community/school educators on the latest knowledge, approaches, practices, etc. in DEI in social science education, especially around health issues. Link ASA med soc-DEI experts with community educators/school social science teachers (e.g., possibly through a match system, annual virtual mentoring program, and/or virtual school visits/lectures/other activities by med soc-DEI experts). Develop an annual virtual mini-conference/symposium on teaching issues in med soc – DEI intersection. Select trainee from an underrepresented background to assist with the Section teaching activities (e.g., newsletter column, building resources).
Our Health Policy Chair also contributed to DEI efforts. She contributed language to the bylaw amendment to add a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) standing committee to the Medical Sociology section. As part of broader DEI efforts, the amendment encourages Health Policy and Research newsletter columns to (a) feature recently published works of underrepresented scholars, (b) feature recently published works of section members focused on DEI-related topics, or (c) critically engage with how systems, structures, and policies impact marginalized populations, including individuals experiencing multiple intersecting axes of oppression. To this end, the third newsletter issue of the year centered health equity scholarship – including published works by underrepresented populations – and many newsletter issues engaged with how systems, structures, and policies impact marginalized populations.

The student Representatives were also active in DEI efforts. They continued their efforts towards their #BIPOCMedSoc Twitter Project: For this year, we continued our Twitter project to spotlight the contributions of BIPOC scholars to the field of medical sociology. Our goal was to increase the visibility of these scholars’ research and to work towards making the ASA Medical Sociology section a more welcoming place for scholars of color. Over the course of the 2020-21 school year, we featured the work of seven scholars of color on the official ASA Medical Sociology Twitter.

Provide an overview of the section’s programming at the annual meeting and include explanation of how this programming meets the goals and values of the section (e.g. intellectual exchange, professional networking, mentoring, inclusion).

The Chair created Section sessions for the 2022 ASA meeting are listed below. Each of these sessions is in line with the Sections goals of diversity and inclusion, and towards a more just society. They each deal with social inequality and medicine/health, with a focus on racial justice, gender, and sexuality inequality. Our business meeting and reception provide opportunity for professional networking.

- **Inequality in Social Isolation Over the Life Course: Predictors, Consequences, and Public Health Strategies** (mixed invited and open submission): Session honoring 2020 Reeder Award Winner Debra Umberson with additional open submission presentations
  - Saturday, August 6th, 2-3:30pm LAAC, Floor: Level 2, 303B

- **Roundtables** (Wes Wislar and Evangeline Warren)
  - Sunday, August 7th, 8-9:30, JW Marriott, Floor: Gold Level, Gold Salon 2

- **Business Meeting** – Rin Reczek
  - Sunday, August 7th, 10-10:30; LACC Floor: Level 2, 303A

- **Award Ceremony and Reeder Award Address** – Rin Reczek and Andrew London
  - Sunday, August 7th, 10:30-11:30am: LACC Floor: Level 2, 303A

- **Intersectional Feminist Approaches to Health and Health Care** (open submission)
  - organized by Krystale E. Littlejohn and Wenyi Yang
  - Sunday August 7th, 12-1:30 LACC Floor: Level 3, 303A
• **Bracketed Out: How Medicine Displaces LGBTQ+ People** (Open session) – organized by stef shuster
  - Sunday August 7th, 2-3:30: LACC, Floor: Level 2, 303A

• **Race, Racism, and Racial Justice in Health and Health Care** (open submission) – organized by Taylor W. Hargrove
  - Sunday, August 7th, 4-5:30: LACC, Floor: Level 2, 303B (note, not 303A as all other sessions previously)

• **Section on Medical Sociology Reception**
  - Sunday August 7th, 6:30 to 8:30pm LACC, Floor: Level 2, 502A

• **Racial Inequalities in Health and Medicine** (Regular session)—organized by Rene Almeling
  - Tuesday, August 9th, 8:00 to 9:30am, LACC, Floor: Level 2, 304C

• We also ran a mentorship event (alongside a membership event) for ASA 2022. In particular, the Chair worked with Student Council members and the Membership chair (Patti Thomas) in developing and disseminating surveys assessing the mentoring needs of student members, and mentoring capacities of faculty members of section. Patti Thomas also ran a membership drive for student members.

Provide an overview of the Section’s programmatic activities outside of the Annual Meeting (e.g. webinars, networking events, mentoring initiatives, resources for dissemination) and include explanation of this programming meets the goals and values of the Section.

As stated above, most of our networking and mentorship occurs through ASA and through the newsletters. We initiated a mentorship program that took place both at ASA and also virtually. No other programing was done other than that in our newsletters.