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.

Since the section communicated with its members regularly through the year and considering that the business meeting lasted 30 minutes to run the roundtables, the meeting updated members about the section finances and membership levels, announced award winners, and introduced newly elected officials. Members were encouraged to recruit new members and the advantages of growing the section were discussed. Finally, the upcoming webinar series was announced.

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.

In 2021-2022 the Sociology of Development Section Council held regular Zoom meetings, on Fridays every 4-6 weeks during the semester. Usually the quorum for taking decisions was reached. Minutes from council meetings are attached in an appendix. Finally, the section governance structure was decentralized and our pre-conference was organized by members representing our three focused communities.

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

The Distinguished Career Award
Dr. Rae Blumberg, University of Virginia
The Samuel Cohn Distinguished Service Awards (2)
Dr. Devparna N. Roy, Nazareth College
Dr. Heidi Rademarcher, SUNY-Brockport

Sociology of Development Book Award
Dr. Shiri Noy, Denison University, Chair

Winner

Honorable Mention

Sociology of Development Article Award
Dr. Jordanna Matlon, American University, Chair.

Winner

Honorable Mentions (2)

Sociology of Development Graduate Paper Award
Dr. Devparna N. Roy, Chair.

Winner
The 2022 graduate student paper award winners are Joel S. Herrera and Cesar B. Martinez-Alvarez for their paper titled Diversifying Violence: Mining, Export-Agriculture, and Criminal Governance in Mexico. This article was published by the journal World Development in March 2022.

Honorable Mention
The committee also decided to award honorable mention to Kai Feng for their paper Unequal Duties and Unequal Retirement: Decomposing the Women’s Labor Force Decline in Post-Reform China.

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

In 2022 the Sociology of Development section received all its revenues from the ASA.
There were also some additional monetary donations for specific activities that are not accounted for in the budget, namely monetary support for the section’s virtual ASA pre-conference in August 2022 by the section chair’s university.

During the reporting year, our expenses ($1981) are expected to be slightly higher than our income ($1915), but given that we have net assets of ($3803), this does not constitute an issue.

Specifically, this year we spent $1500 on the section reception at the ASA meetings in Los Angeles (co-organized with the Environmental Sociology section), $123 on website maintenance, and $358 on award plaques. We do not anticipate incurring any website maintenance cost in the 2022/2023 academic year since our council student representative has assumed the position of webmaster for the section.

**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.

One of the section’s main communication channels were monthly announcements. Written by section chair Enrique Pumar, these announcements provide section members with an update on section news during the previous month, including election results, section awards, new officers, and activities of the different Sociology of Development subsections. The monthly announcements also serve to communicate upcoming section activities, for example this summer’s virtual pre-conference, call for contributions to Sectors, our newsletter, but also other events and issues of potential interest, for example new job openings, recent publications by members, calls for papers, etc.

Sectors, the section’s newsletter is another major mode of communication. It appears about twice a year and includes less time-sensitive information on relevant events, but also symposia on topical issues, notes from field, and new publications by members in a bundled form.

The Sociology of Development section also maintains a website that is curated and regularly updated by our webmaster. Section members also make active use of the recently introduced ASA Connect tool, mostly to inform about issues and/or events of interest to others or to inquire about teaching-related matters (e.g., textbooks or syllabi on a particular theme), and less so as a medium of debate.

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

As stated in our bylaws, a foundational principle of the Sociology of Development section is to promote and encourage intellectual diversity within the study of development.

In practice, this aspiration for intellectual diversity has informed the work of the nomination committee. Committee members have been instructed to ensure diversity and inclusiveness in the composition of potential future office holders. And in order to ensure that different approaches to the study of development are assessed on their own merits, the award committees were deliberately staffed by at least one Council member and several section volunteers of different theoretical orientations, methodological preferences, and regional specializations.

Similarly, the topics and themes chosen for the section’s sessions at the ASA meetings are set up to bring together scholars of different theoretical and methodological backgrounds. It also bears emphasis...
that the virtual Sociology of Development pre-conference was free, brought together diverse academics and practitioners working on development-related issues, and did not require being registered for the ASA meetings.

The composition of our leadership council, award recipients, and those who participated in our pre-conference and at the annual meeting also attest to the diversity of our section. In addition, many of the presenters at the pre-conference and annual meeting were advanced graduate students. Our newsletter editors were also representative and consisted of one assistant professor, one post-doc, and a doctoral candidate.

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 sessions organized by the Sociology of Development section were deliberately broad in order to ensure inclusion and intellectual diversity. The section also chose to co-organize a joint reception with the Environmental Sociology section as a section with significant membership overlap. Both the sessions and the joint reception were well-attended. Together with the roundtables, we also ran a Mentoring Café that brought together graduate students and more senior faculty working on similar topics. Below are the different section activities at the 2022 annual meeting listed in detail.

**Sociology of Development Program**

Saturday, August 6, 7:00 to 9:30pm, Arts District Brewing Company

*Joint Reception*: Section on Environmental Sociology and Section on Sociology of Development

Offsite, Arts District Brewing Company, 828 Traction Avenue.

Sunday, August 7, 8:00 to 9:30am, LACC, Floor: Level 2, 301A

*Current Issues in Sociology of Development*

This interdisciplinary, open session explores wide-ranging discourses and themes on development sociology to improve understanding of the field as a whole. All studies on development are welcome, regardless of theoretical orientation, methodological preference, region of study, or historical period of study.

Sunday, August 7, 10:00 to 11:30am, LACC, Floor: Level 2, 301A

*Comparative Perspectives on Sociology of Development*

This panel will examine the diversity of ways in which development work and scholarship impact social processes in local, national, and global contexts. By exploring and contrasting different approaches to research and practice, the papers on this panel may focus on the nature and meaning of development today or explore future lines of inquiry on development.

Sun, August 7, 12:00 to 1:30pm, LACC, Floor: Level 2, 301A

*Social Justice and Development*

Social Justice has been recognized as a growing concern within the field of development. This panel will explore the relationships between social justice and development, question if a social justice approach to development can be achieved, and further unpack the power relations that perpetuate injustice and inequality.

Sun, August 7, 2:00 to 3:00pm, JW Marriott, Floor: Gold Level, Gold Salon 1
Roundtables
Table 1 Question of Health and Development
Table 2 Power and Institutions
Table 3 Political Approaches to National Development
Table 4 Tensions and Justice in the Global Economy

Mentoring Cafe

Sunday, August 7, 3:00 to 3:30pm, JW Marriott, Floor: Gold Level, Gold Salon 1

Section on the Sociology of Development Business Meeting.

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.

During the 2021-2022 academic year, the Sociology of Development section engaged in a variety of programmatic activities. One of the standouts certainly was the Sociology of Development Virtual Pre-Conference on Dislocation, Development and Democracy, which took place on August 5, 2022 and was co-organized by Heide Rademacher and Enrique Pumar. The event brought together over 120 participants and presenters from different research and advocacy institutions across the world. Themes such as the political economy of development, development and environmental justice, global public health, and scholar activism were approached from different theoretical, methodological, and epistemological angles. The detailed program is attached.

The section has three sub-sections that connect interested section members into more thematically-focused communities: Feminist Development, Global Health and Development and International Political Economy. Each of these subsections has engaged in a variety of activities, including webinars, sessions at the section’s 2022 pre-conference and more informal meetings at the ASA annual meeting.

Co-organized activities with the three subsections include a webinar series that is meant to bring together section members in between the ASA annual meeting and (virtual) conferences organized by the section. Most recently, the Feminist Development Sub Section has organized the first webinar of the academic year entitled Encounters of Feminism with Authoritarianism.

Other section services, such as the policy brief and the newsletter, continued to be published during the 2021-2022 year. Alaka Basu, the current editor of the policy brief series Sociological Insights for Development Policy, has committed to continue policy brief series on a regular basis. Our monthly announcements, the newsletter, and policy briefs are posted on our section website and are free and widely available to members and non-section members.