Revisiting Dr. King’s Dream
Five Decades after His Death:
Facts, Fallacies, and Fears about the Future

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Birmingham, Alabama
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ABOUT THE COVER ARTIST

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October, 2018

44th Annual MSSA Conference
Mid-South Sociological Association
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Friends:

As Mayor of the City of Birmingham, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our city for the 44th Annual Mid-South Sociological Association Inc. Conference. I also want to thank Dr. Theresa Davidson for serving as the local host and coordinator of this year’s conference. We are excited to welcome the incredible and intelligent talent from all over the Southeast to the heart of Alabama.

This year’s theme, Revisiting Dr. King’s Dream Five Decades after His Death: Facts, Fallacies, and Fears about the Future, is extremely pertinent in regards to the Magic City. It is impossible to separate the history of Birmingham from Dr. King and the Civil Rights Movement. While the Magic City, and America as a country, have made great strides towards equality for all people, we still have a ways to go. I am thrilled the 2018 MSSA Conference is being held in our city, one that knows firsthand the importance of fighting for justice. I am further humbled to know so many dedicated professionals are continuing to facilitate discussions regarding fulfilling Dr. King’s dream.

During your time here, please explore all the city has to offer. From the steady growth of the city’s commercial and industrial sectors, to the ever-expanding range of recreational, cultural and dining opportunities, you will find that the Magic City possesses a progressive spirit that’s focused on putting people first.

Sincerely,

Randall L. Woodfin
Mayor, City of Birmingham
WELCOME

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2018 Mid-South Sociological Annual Conference and Meeting. I hope all of you who attend find the sort of camaraderie, intellectual stimulation, and meaningful interaction as I always have at our conferences. I am excited for this meeting in Birmingham, which is an important historical and contemporary focal point for racial civil rights and social justice efforts. I believe you will find our organization inclusive and welcoming to all regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, class, sexuality, age, ability, and all other diverse identities and statuses.

President-Elect and Program Chair Dr. David May has gathered a stellar compilation of sessions and events that feature a wide variety of topics and perspectives from faculty, students, and professionals across the mid-south and beyond. Although many reflect this year’s theme of revisiting Dr. Martin Luther King’s Dream, the program also showcases a number of issues and topics that are of interest to sociologists and other social scientists and students. I encourage you to attend and participate in as many sessions and events as you can. If you are anything like me, you will go home tired but intellectually and socially re-energized and re-invigorated for the year to come.

As you may already be aware, the MSSA has a history and mission of welcoming the contributions and participation of students, junior faculty, intellectuals from small and community colleges and HBCU’s, as well as teaching colleges and research universities. We appreciate and mentor individuals wherever they may be along their career paths. We welcome and encourage involvement from community professionals and social activists, and academics working in other disciplines. These characteristics of the MSSA are in large part the reason I have been involved since I was an undergraduate, and why I have dedicated years of service and plan to be involved for the foreseeable future. Organizations such as ours are rare, and I hope you find the MSSA as valuable as I have over the years.

Enjoy the city of Birmingham while you are here, enjoy the conference programming and events, and most of all, enjoy the interaction with your peers. Please consider getting or remaining involved in service work (i.e., running for office or chair positions), and/or with next year’s conference program in Jackson, Mississippi. Finally, thank you, each of you, for taking the time, money, and effort to be here. You are the reason for this conference and this organization’s continued success.

Sincerely,
Dr. Ruth A. Chananie
2017-2018 MSSA President
University of Northern Iowa/University of Tampa
Welcome to the 44th Mid-South Sociological Annual Conference and Meeting. Please let me begin by expressing my gratitude to our session organizers, participants, officers, past officers, and committee chairs for their energy, assistance, and dedication to MSSA. All of you have made this conference a success, and I am excited to be a part of our collective effort. This year’s program is jam-packed with many panels and other events and promises to be exciting, fun, and professionally rewarding. The theme of the 2018 meeting, “Revisiting Dr. King’s Dream Five Decades after His Death: Facts, Fallacies, and Fears about the Future” is reflected in a number of paper presentations, panels, and roundtables. In addition to those panels and roundtables, there are also numerous presentations around other interesting and thought-provoking topics. These presentations are spread equally across time slots each day from Wednesday through Saturday, so that no matter what day you arrive, or how long your schedule allows you to attend, we anticipate you will find several events aligned with your research and teaching interests at this conference. We are very lucky to have a venue that provides quick, easy, same floor access to all meeting rooms for your convenience.

The program is enhanced this year with our keynote speaker, who is scheduled to speak in the Ballroom on Friday, October 26th. As part of the theme for the conference, we have invited Heidi Beirich, Intelligence Project Director for the Southern Poverty Law Center, to conduct a plenary session around her Civil Rights work. I’m confident her presentation will be informative and exciting; please make every effort to attend if your schedule allows. On Friday evening, we have two special events. First, our annual Poster Showcase will be on display from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Ballroom. A short time after the Poster Showcase, please plan on joining us in our annual banquet and business meeting (cost included in your registration). The food will be good, and it will be a great time to find out what is going on in our organization.

In addition to compiling a list of local restaurants and attractions to enhance your stay in Birmingham, the local arrangements committee has planned several special events for conference participants. Please check your conference bag for flyers announcing those events. As program chair for the 2018 conference, I sincerely hope you enjoy both the conference and your time in Birmingham. I want to send a special thanks to the section organizers and the local arrangements committee, who did such a great job in organizing the panels for their respective sections and getting us information about Birmingham. Please thank them as you see them at the conference. Enjoy the conference!

Sincerely,
David C. May, Mississippi State University
# MSSA Past Presidents

*(Founded in 1975)*

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GUIDE TO TYPES OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS AND EVENTS

PAPER SESSIONS: These are the default type of sessions, and are most typical of an academic conference. They consist of an organizer, who decides on the title and topic of the session, and solicits submissions related to the topic. Paper sessions normally have 3-5 presenters, and a presider, who may or may not be the organizer, whose job it is to moderate the timing of presentations so each paper presenter gets roughly equal time to present. Also, they ask for questions and discussion at the end of the session. All are welcome to attend.

ROUNDTABLES: These are a more informal variety of the paper session. They take place at a literal “round” table, or some other shaped table, and are organized and moderated typically by one individual. The organizer decides how informal the session will be – sometimes they solicit submissions with titles, where each scheduled participant talks for a time, followed by general Q&A. Other times they just host the table, and have an informal discussion about the topic without specific presentations. Everyone is welcome to join a roundtable, even if they do not have a predetermined topic to present.

POSTER SESSION: This session is designed for students who wish to present their work in the poster format. Posters will be available for all to see in the main room (SOUTH J), plus the authors will present their work during the specified session. All are welcome!

CAUCUS BREAKFASTS OR LUNCHES: These focus on areas special to the MSSA’s success, such as the Committee on Small and Community Colleges, the Committee on Minorities, and the Committee on Women, Gender, and Sexualities. All are welcome and encouraged to attend, and if you want a meal you may purchase it from the hotel restaurant staff.

PRESIDENTS RECEPTION: This event is to honor all past and present Presidents of the MSSA, and to provide a space where all conference attendees can meet, greet, and network. All are welcome, and there will be food to eat, limited free drink tickets, and a cash bar. Fun for all!

BANQUET: This is the culminating event of the conference. In addition to dinner, conference attendees can mingle prior to the event in the outer hall (cash bar), then come join the main event. In addition to socializing and a meal (included in your registration), the banquet is also our annual full-member business meeting. We will give out awards for the paper and other competitions, and provide important information on the state of the organization. Please join us...all are welcome!!
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM        Executive Council Meeting 1        Chamomile (407)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM        Lunch on Your Own
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM        Registration Table Open        South Meeting Foyer
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM        Beverages/Break Room Open        South Meeting Room
SESSION 1: HOMICIDE STUDIES
Chair: John G. Boulahanis, Southeastern Louisiana University

THE IMPACT OF MIGRATION DESTINATION ON RATES OF ETHNICALLY DISAGGREGATED HISPANIC HOMICIDES
Michael Bisciglia, Southeastern Louisiana University

ANALYZING HOMICIDE PATTERNS AND PERCEIVED FEAR AMONG RESIDENTS IN THE BIG EASY
John G. Boulahanis, Southeastern Louisiana University; Wesley Abbott, Southeastern Louisiana University

HOMICIDE IN THE CONTEXT OF SCHOOL SHOOTINGS
Lisa Olson, Southeastern Louisiana University

IN DEFENSE OF BROKEN WINDOWS: A STUDY EXAMINING PLACE AND TIME
Jason Savoy, Southeastern Louisiana University

SESSION 2: FOOD, INEQUALITY, AND CHANGE: STRATIFICATION AND CULTURAL MOBILITY
Chair: Diego Thompson, Mississippi State University

FOOD JUSTICE, COLLECTIVE AGENCY, AND INCLUSION OF HISPANIC FARMWORKERS IN RURAL VERMONT
Diego Thompson, Mississippi State University

LARGE TECHNOLOGICAL SYSTEMS AND THE STANDARD AMERICAN DIET: THE PROBLEM FOR LOCAL, HEALTHY, ACCESSIBLE FOODS
Justin A. Martin, University of Tennessee

FOOD DESERTS AND THE DIGITAL DIVIDE: HOW GROCERY HOME DELIVERY SERVICES PRESERVE AND REPRODUCE SOCIAL INEQUALITY
Monica Bixby Radu, Southeast Missouri State University; Kristen N. Sobba, Southeast Missouri State University
Wednesday, October 24
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3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

SESSION 3: COLLECTIVE ACTIONS SHAPING OUR WORLD
Chair: Marcoux Faiia, Rivier University

SOCIAL MOVEMENT MOMENTUM AND AMERICA’S COMEDIANS
Shane Gunderson, Broward College

REMEMBER THE LADIES: WOMEN AS SOCIAL ACTIVISTS
Marcoux Faiia, Rivier University

AGENTS OF CHANGE: AN ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL TRANSMISSION, PLACE, AND AGENCY AMONGST AFRICAN AMERICANS IN THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA
Denae Bradley, University of Mississippi

Wednesday, October 24
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3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

SESSION 4:

FEATURE SESSION: SURVIVING KATRINA: THE EXPERIENCES OF LOW INCOME AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN

FEATURE SPEAKER:

Jessica W. Pardee, Rochester Institute of Technology
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SESSION 5: MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY: EXPLORING CHALLENGES IN HEALTH FOR IMMIGRANTS AND OTHER POPULATIONS
Chair: Sarah Rutland, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

MEDICAL STUDENTS’ ATTITUDES TOWARD PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES: EXPLORING PERU
Shane D. Burns, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Javier Jurado, Johns Hopkins University; A.M. Guerra-García, Cayetano Heredia University; P.E. Jolly, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Larissa Otero, Cayetano Heredia University; Tina Kempin Reuter, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

UNMET NEED FOR HEALTH CARE IN YOUNG ADULTS: WHAT ROLES DO ADOLESCENT SES AND ADULT SES PLAY?
Sarah B. Rutland, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Elizabeth H. Baker, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

CASTE AND HYPERTENSION IN INDIA: EXAMINING THE DIFFERENTIAL EFFECT OF SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS
Sanjeev Acharya, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Jalal Uddin, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Jessica Valles, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Elizabeth Baker; The University of Alabama at Birmingham

SERIOUS PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS AMONG BLACK IMMIGRANTS TO THE UNITED STATES BY REGION OF BIRTH
Guadalupe Marquez-Velarde, Utah State University; Verna M. Keith, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Gabe H. Miller, Texas A&M University
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3:30 – 4:45 p.m.  
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SESSION 6: RACE AND ACTS OF RESISTANCE  
Chair: Jeannice Louine, Claflin University

AN EXHORTATION TO FACULTY AND STUDENTS: EXPAND THE DREAM!  
Matthew P. Sheptoski, Grambling State University

BOTH DESIRED AND DESPISED: MASCULINITY SOCIALIZATION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN BOYS  
Madison A. Hinton, Mississippi State University

AN OVERVIEW OF POLICE-INVOLVED DEATHS IN THE UNITED STATES 2013-2016  
Jeannice Louine, Claflin University

INTER-RACIAL COHESIVE CONSCIOUSNESS: EXAMINING HOW MALCOLM X, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR AND FRED HAMPTON THREATENED TO ELIMINATE SYSTEMIC OPPRESSION AND CAPITALISM  
Chad J. Sloss, University of Cincinnati

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

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SESSION 7: PROCESSES INVOLVING THE BODY IN MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY  
Chair: Kirsten Ostergren Clark, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

IS YOUR PREACHER YOUR DENTIST OR DOES YOUR DENTIST PREACH TO YOU? THE RELATIONSHIP OF RELIGION AND DENTAL HEALTH  
Kirsten Ostergren Clark, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AGE AND PHYSICAL EXERCISE: EXAMINING THE AGE-AS-LEVELER HYPOTHESIS  
Alejandra M. Colon Lopez, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Jalal Uddin, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Elizabeth Baker, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

FROM BODY TO MIND: THE SHIFTING THRESHOLDS OF DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA IN BIOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL DISEASES  
George Usmanov, Georgia State University
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9:00 – 10:15 a.m.
SESSION 8: IDENTITY WORK & MANAGEMENT
Chair: Lisa A. Eargle, Francis Marion University

DISASTERS AND IDENTITY: A THEORETICAL APPLICATION
Jessica L. Burke, Francis Marion University; Lisa A. Eargle, Francis Marion University

AFTER THE GAME: NFL PLAYERS, IDENTITY MANAGEMENT, AND THE TRANSITION INTO RETIREMENT
Adriene F. Davis, Mississippi State University

“THERE IS ONLY SO MUCH THAT WE CAN DO”: OHIO WELFARE-TO-WORK PROGRAM MANAGERS’ ACCOUNTS AND IDENTITY WORK
Brianna Turgeon, Jacksonville State University; Kaitlyn Root, University of Akron; Jacob Church, Kent State University at Kent; Kasey Ray, Kent State University at Geauga

THE GLOBAL CITIZEN, GLOBAL TRUST, & NATIONAL PRIVILEGE: A LONGITUDINAL STUDY OF IDENTITY IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD
Hannah L. Pallotta, University of Memphis

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SESSION 9: CONSIDERING MARGINALIZED STUDENT POPULATIONS AND CONCEPTS IN PEDAGOGY
Chair: Melencia M. Johnson, University of South Carolina Aiken

METHODS OF RESEARCH: TEACHING IN THE DU BOIS-ATLANTA SCHOOL OF SOCIOLOGY TRADITION
Matthew Sheptoski, Grambling State University

TEACHING THE SOCIOLOGY OF MIGRATION THROUGH ISABEL WILKERSON’S THE WARMTH OF OTHER SUNS
Estye Fenton, University of West Alabama

THE IMPACT OF MENTORING AT-RISK YOUTHS ON COLLEGE STUDENTS’ PERCEPTIONS OF SELF-EFFICACY
Sierra Nelson, Mississippi State University; David May, Mississippi State University

STUDENT REFLECTIONS ON THEIR ATTITUDES TOWARD LGBT POPULATIONS
Melencia M. Johnson, University of South Carolina Aiken
Thursday, October 25
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SESSION 10: TOPICS IN VICTIMOLOGY

Chair: Tara E. Sutton, Mississippi State University

“The Paradox of Privacy:” Social Cohesion, Collective Efficacy, and Social Ties as Barriers to Help-Seeking Behaviors of Domestic Violence Victims in Rural Areas
Rachel M. Durso, Washington College

Law Enforcement Experiences with (and Perceptions of) Human Sex Trafficking
Chloe Parker, Mississippi State University

Hooking-Up & Three Forms of Sexual Victimization Among College Men: Examining Moderators of Risk
Tara E. Sutton, Mississippi State University; Leslie Gordon Simons, University of Georgia

American Hauntings: Martin, Emmett, Trayvon and the Specters of Moral Trauma
Shoon Lio, University of South Alabama

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SESSION 11: APPLIED SOCIOLOGY’S PRACTICAL SIDE- REPORTS ON APPLIED SOCIOLOGICAL PROJECTS

Organizer/Presider: Brenda Gill, Alabama State University

Using Applied Sociology to Address Some of the Social and Political Impacts of Civil War in Sri Lanka
Ram Alagan, Alabama State University; Seela Aladuwaka, Alabama State University

School Gardens as a Positive Way to Help the Community Address Food Insecurities
Sharon Everhardt, Troy University; Brenda Gill, Alabama State University

Teaching Gardening and Nutrition: An Applied Sociological Case
Jasmine Daughtry, Troy University
SESSION 12: FREE TRADE AND COMMUNITY AND CIVIC DEVELOPMENT
Chair: David Singleton, Mississippi State University

THE IMPACT OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN FONTAINE, HAITI: FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF STUDENTS AT ST. GABRIEL’S SCHOOL
Hideki Morooka, Fayetteville State University; Evansha Andre, Fayetteville State University

DIFFUSION OF NEOLIBERAL VALUES AND EROSION OF THE CIVIC ECONOMY
J. Dylan Sandifer, University of Memphis

CONCEPTUALIZING THE EFFECT OF FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS ON HEALTH OUTCOMES
Samia Tasmim, University of Memphis; Junmim Wang, University of Memphis

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SESSION 13: STIGMA FORMATION AND PATHWAYS IN MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY
Chair: Adam Rafalovich, Pacific University Sociology

ACCOUNTING FOR HUMAN AGENCY: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MEDICALIZATION, CRIMINALIZATION, AND STIGMA
Adam Rafalovich, Pacific University Sociology

STRESSFUL LIFE EVENTS AND ADOLESCNET SUICIDE ATTEMPTS: AN INVESTIGATION OF THE MEDIATING MECHANISMS
Muhammed Yildiz, M.A., Louisiana State University

SUICIDALITY, MENTAL HEALTH STIGMA, AND ONLINE SUPPORT SYSTEMS
Mercedes Tarasovich, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Elizabeth Baker, The University of Alabama at Birmingham
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SESSION 14: FEAR OF CRIME AND VICTIMIZATION
Chair: Megan Stubbs-Richardson, Mississippi State University

UNTANGLING THE EFFECTS OF VICTIMIZATION EXPERIENCES ON VIOLENT CRIME VICTIMS’ FEAR OF CRIME: DO OFFENDERS MATTER IN PREDICTING FEAR?
Jessica Abbott, Dixie State University; Shelly McGrath, University of Alabama at Birmingham

BULLYING, POWERLESS, AND FEAR: EXAMINING RESPONSES TO BULLYING THROUGH THE LENS OF THE SHADOW OF POWERLESSNESS
Megan Stubbs-Richardson, Mississippi State University; David C. May, Mississippi State University; Sierra Nelson, Mississippi State University; Maggie Cresswell, Mississippi State University

FEAR OF VICTIMIZATION, SOCIALIZATION, AND THE ROLE OF KIDS’ AGENCY
Courtney Heath Windhorn, Mississippi State University; Nicole E. Rader, Mississippi State University; Margaret Hagerman, Mississippi State University

AFRICAN AMERICAN AND LATINO YOUTHS’ LIKELIHOOD OF DROPPING OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL: DOES SCHOOL-BASED VICTIMIZATION AND SCHOOL CLIMATE MATTER?
Kristen Sobba, Southeast Missouri State University; Monica Bixby Radu, Southeast Missouri State University
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SESSION 15: THE SOCIOLOGY OF GLOBAL MIGRATION: UNDERSTANDING THE ROOT CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES
   Organizer/Presider: Ram Alagan, Alabama State University

INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION FROM AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (LAC) REGIONS: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES
   Brenda Gill, Alabama State University

RURAL-URBAN MIGRATION IN NIGERIA: CONSEQUENCES ON POVERTY AND UNEMPLOYMENT
   Elisha Dung, Alabama State University

WHO’S WAR AND WHO’S AGONY? GLOBAL MIGRATION FROM SRI LANKA
   Ram Alagan, Alabama State University

JIM CROW AND THE REFUGEES IT CREATED: A LOOK AT THE FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE MIGRATION OF NEGROES FROM THE SOUTH TO THE NORTH
   Robert White, Alabama State University

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Women, Gender, and Sexualities Caucus Lunch
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SESSION 16: COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS AND FOOD SYSTEMS
Chair: Leslie Hossfeld, Clemson University

SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS’ PERSPECTIVES ON NAVIGATING FEDERAL FARM PROGRAM BARRIERS
Kelli Russell, Mississippi State University; Gino Rico Mendez, Mississippi State University; Leslie Hossfeld, Clemson University

THE OKTIBBEHA FOOD POLICY COUNCIL: ASSEMBLING COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS AND INITIATIVES TO CREATE RESILIENT AND INCLUSIVE FOOD SYSTEMS IN MISSISSIPPI
Diego Thompson, Mississippi State University; Kecia R. Johnson, Mississippi State University; Kenya Cistrunk, Mississippi State University; Gino Rico Mendez, Mississippi State University; Leslie Hossfeld, Clemson University

THE GOOD FOOD REVOLUTION: BUILDING COMMUNITY CAPACITY THROUGH PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH INITIATIVES
Laura Jean Kerr, Mississippi State University; Leslie Hossfeld, Clemson University

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SESSION 17: EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGES ACROSS THE LIFE COURSE
Chair: John Verburg, Talladega College

SO, WHAT’S UP? HOW ARE WE DOING? A PRELIMINARY STUDY OF THE STATE OF SOCIOLOGY IN THE MID-SOUTH REGION
John Verburg, Talladega College; Derek Shapley, Talladega College

DO DIFFUSE STATUS CHARACTERISTICS SUCH AS RACE, GENDER, AND AGE INFLUENCE STUDENTS’ RATING OF PROFESSORS?
Karam Adibifar, Metropolitan State University of Denver

ENVIRONMENTAL INEQUALITY IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: AN EXAMINATION OF THE GEOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF NATURE PRESCHOOLS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
Ashley Kite-Rowland, University of Tennessee at Martin; Aaron T. Rowland, University of Tennessee at Martin

THE LEGACY MUSEUM AND THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION: A RESEARCH PLAN FOR STUDYING ATTITUDES ON SCHOOL INTEGRATION
Brett Lehman, Auburn University Montgomery
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Chair: Willie Pearson, Jr., Georgia Institute of Technology

INTERSECTIONAL CONFIGURATIONS AND EFFECTS ON PARTICIPATION IN THE U.S. ENGINEERING WORKFORCE  
Connie L. McNeely, George Mason University; Yu Tao, Stevens Institute of Technology

ASIAN AMERICANS AS MODEL MINORITY: MYTHS AND REALITIES  
Cheryl B. Leggon, Georgia Institute of Technology

SOCIAL INNOVATION THROUGH DIVERSE MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PAPER TITLE  
Christophe E. Jackson, Tulane University and Gideon Group;  
Connie L. McNeely, George Mason University

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SESSION 19: WOMEN SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON: LIFE BEHIND AND BEYOND BARS.  
Organizer/Presider: Meredith Dye, Middle Tennessee State University

GRIEF AND LOSS EXPERIENCES AMONG WOMEN SERVING LIFE  
Ronald Aday, Middle Tennessee State University

"I'M NO LONGER THAT GIRL": WOMEN LIFERS' HOPES, EXPECTATIONS, AND FEARS FOR LIFE BEYOND BARS  
Meredith Dye, Middle Tennessee State University

PERCEPTIONS OF MOTHERHOOD AMONG NON-MOTHERS SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON  
Mary De La Torre, Middle Tennessee State University
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SESSION 20: ROUNDTABLE: THE UNWRITTEN RULES TO SUCCESSFULLY ACHIEVING TENURE AND PROMOTION
Organizer: Earl Wright II, University of Cincinnati

Discussants:
Thomas Calhoun, Jackson State University
Earl Wright II, University of Cincinnati
Anita Bledsoe Gardner, Johnson C. Smith University

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SESSION 21: APPLIED RESEARCH IN SOCIOLOGY
Chair: Emily Baker, University of North Alabama

STUDENT INTERNSHIPS: VOCATIONAL UNANIMITY OR INADEQUATE OPPORTUNITIES?
Huey Davis, Middle Tennessee State University

EFFECTIVE SELF-ADVOCACY WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMMING
Emily N. Baker, University of North Alabama; Andrea N. Hunt, University of North Alabama; Stacy C. Lee, University of North Alabama

COLLABORATING ACROSS CAMPUS: APPLIED SOCIOLOGY WITHIN THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS
Andrea N. Hunt, University of North Alabama
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SESSION 22: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, REVITALIZATION, AND HOSPITALITY  
Chair: Albert Nylander, University of Mississippi

SOCIOLOGY THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: CONSTRUCTING ENTREPRENEURIAL IDENTITIES AMONG UNIVERSITY STUDENTS  
Albert Nylander, University of Mississippi; Laura Martin, University of Mississippi

HOME AND BUSINESS RECONSTRUCTION AS A COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION STRATEGY  
Bennett M. Judkins, Southern Adventist University; Karen C. Mundy-Judkins, Lee University

ALL ARE WELCOME? SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY AND THE POLITICS OF BELONGING  
Betsie Garner, Tennessee Tech University

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SESSION 23:

FEATURE SESSION: REFLECTIONS ON 50 YEARS SINCE THE ASSASSINATION OF MLK AND THE DEATH OF DU BOIS  
Chair: Barbara Harris Combs, Clark Atlanta University

THE INEXTRICABLE LEGACIES OF KING AND DU BOIS: EXAMINING RACE RELATIONS AND ECONOMIC INEQUALITY  
Barbara Harris Combs, Clark Atlanta University

RACE AND CLASS IN THE BLACK MECCA  
Jonathan P. Grant, Clark Atlanta University

THE TRAYVON MARTIN GENERATION SPEAKS: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE: CHAOS OR COMMUNITY?  
Madison Trice, Clark Atlanta University; Micah Smith, Clark Atlanta University

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DUBOIS/KING SYMPOSIUM AT CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY: THE MORAL IMAGINATION OF DU BOIS AND KING  
Passion Peoples, Clark Atlanta University
Thursday, October 25

2:30 – 3:45 p.m.

SESSION 24: INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL CLASS

Chair: Jamie MacLennan, Georgia Southwestern State University

THE SOURCES OF ATTRIBUTION FOR BLACK–WHITE DISPARITIES AMONG AFRICAN AMERICANS
Jamie MacLennan, Georgia Southwestern State University

SHATTERED DREAMS: CAPITALISM AND ITS IMPACT ON AFRICAN AMERICANS
Alexus C. Moore, Georgia State University

BLACK MIDDLE CLASS NEIGHBORHOODS: “DREAMS OF MOBILITY” AS RACIALLY CONTESTED
Jamar Wheeler, University of Louisville

Thursday, October 25

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SESSION 25: CHALLENGES IN THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Chair: Tina Hebert Deshotels, Jacksonville State University

MENTAL HEALTH IN THE BLACK CHURCH
Sy Butler, Birmingham Southern College; Stephanie Hansard, Birmingham Southern College

STIGMA OF HIV IN FAITH COMMUNITIES: PERSPECTIVES OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV
Magdalena Szafiarzksi, University of Alabama at Birmingham

FOR HE TELLS ME SO: TECHNIQUES OF NEUTRALIZATION APPLIED TO CHRISTIAN DOMESTIC DISCIPLINE
Tina Hebert Deshotels, Jacksonville State University; Stephanie Earwood, Jacksonville State University; BreeAnna New, Jacksonville State University; Jennifer Fulmer, New Mexico State University; Craig Forsyth, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
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SESSION 26: ROUNDTABLE: INCORPORATING ACTIVE LEARNING FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOCIOLOGY COURSES
Organizer: Matthew West, Lawson State Community College

Discussants:
Renna Clements, Shelton State Community College
Dusty Folds, Lawson State Community College
Derrick Griffey, Gadsden State Community College
Lucy Lewis, Jefferson State Community College

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SESSION 27: ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY
Chair: Katherine Beck, University of South Alabama

BLACKBELT LIVES MATTER: WASTEWATER, SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICE
Katherine Beck, University of South Alabama; Shoon Lio, University of South Alabama; Sarah Wraight, University of South Alabama; Kevin White, University of South Alabama; Mark Elliott, University of Alabama

HOLDING OUR BREATH: RISK AND SAFETY IN POSTMODERNITY
Jeremy Ross, Jacksonville State University; Tyler Gay, Jacksonville State University

IS DISASTER EXPERIENCE A GOOD TEACHER OF DISASTER READINESS?
SURVEY RESULTS FROM THE SC PEE DEE REGION AFTER HURRICANE MATTHEW
Lisa A. Eargle, Francis Marion University
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SESSION 28: HEALTH AND GENDER: AN EXPLORATION OF GENDER EFFECTS ON HEALTH OUTCOMES
Chair: Fabrice S. Julien, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE AND CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS IN ADULTHOOD: EXAMINING THE INTERSECTING EFFECTS OF RACE/ETHNICITY AND GENDER
Jalal Uddin, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

EXPLORING MAMMOGRAPHY ADHERENCE BY LATINA ETHNICITY AND CITIZENSHIP STATUS
Roman Johnson, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Sejong Bae, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

PERCEPTIONS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN COLLEGE WOMEN: STD/STI HEALTH RISK BEHAVIORS AMONG AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN
Dashawna Anderson, Georgia Southern University

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SESSION 29: INEQUALITY IN PROFESSIONAL, SOCIAL, AND EDUCATIONAL SETTINGS
Chair: Sarah Donley, Jacksonville State University

ATTITUDES TOWARDS AND THE REASONS OF LIVING APART TOGETHER (LAT): EXPLORING THE GENDER DIFFERENCES
Deniz Yucel, William Patterson University of New Jersey

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA: PROFESSIONALIZATION, FEMINIZATION, AND OCCUPATIONAL GENDERING OF THE BIRTH AND DEATH CARE INDUSTRY
Sarah Donley, Jacksonville State University; Katie Worman-Ross, Oklahoma State University

JIM CROW SOCIOLOGY: THE BLACK AND SOUTHERN ROOTS OF AMERICAN SOCIOLOGY
Earl Wright II, University of Cincinnati
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Chair: Demond Miller, Rowan University

NONCITIZEN SOLDIERS: THE DILEMMA FOR AMERICA’S IMMIGRANT VETERANS
Christie Burton, Clayton State University

NO ACCOUNTING FOR BAD CONTRACTORS: INEFFECTIVE REGULATION IN THE CONTRACTED SECURITY APPARATUS
Ori Swed, Texas Tech University; Adam Materne, University of Texas

A SOCIOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING OF INSTITUTIONAL CORRUPTION
Joshua Wakeham, University of Alabama

PUBLIC DECISION-MAKING TOOLS IN THE FACE OF NATURAL HAZARDS: MODELING BUILT AND NATURAL HAZARDS
Demond Miller, Rowan University

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SESSION 31: THE INTERSECTION OF EDUCATION, POVERTY AND SOCIAL CLASS
Chair: Andrew Fasullo, Boston University

UNDERSTANDING A SILENCE: IN ECONOMICS AND EDUCATION AMONG THE DISENFRANCHISED
Mandale Williams, Fayetteville State University

EXPLORING HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY IN ANCHORAGE, AK
Parker Sturm, Birmingham-Southern College

DESTINED BY CLASS? A QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS OF SOCIAL CLASS BEHAVIOR PATTERNS
Andrew Fasullo, Boston University

STEPFORD U: BRANDING AS SOCIAL CONTROL
Terrell A. Hayes, High Point University
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SESSION 32: ROUNDTABLE: SURVIVING PROGRAM REVIEWS: TIPS FROM THE REVIEWED AND THE REVIEWERS  
Organizer: David C. May, Mississippi State University

Discussants:
Thomas Calhoun, Jackson State University  
Albert Nylander, University of Mississippi  
David C. May, Mississippi State University

President’s Welcome Reception- 5:30 – 7:00 pm  
(Limited FREE Drink Tickets, Food, and Cash Bar)  
Birmingham Ballroom 1

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Small and Community Colleges Caucus Breakfast and Annual Committee Meeting
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Chair: Fabrice S. Julien, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

SUICIDE AND SOCIAL INTERGRATION: MARITAL STATUS, SEX AND CHANGING GEOGRAPHICAL RISKS
Kevin Breault, Middle Tennessee State University; Augustine J. Kposowa, University of California-Riverside; Dina Ezzat, Assiut University

HEALTH INEQUALITY: YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT AND WHERE YOU LIVE
Romney S. Norwood, Georgia State University

HEALTH OUTCOMES AREN'T SO BLACK AND WHITE: TEMPORAL VARIATIONS IN STAGE 3 EPIDEMIOLOGICAL TRANSITIONS BETWEEN AMERICANS AND WHITE AMERICANS
Nick McCormick, Virginia Commonwealth University

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Organizer: Jason Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University
Chair: Ruth Chananie, University of Northern Iowa

THE RISE AND FALL OF THE CHRISTIAN RECONSTRUCTION MOVEMENT: A SOCIAL MOVEMENT ANALYSIS
Tyler Campbell, University of Tennessee at Martin

RELIGIOSITY AMONG YOUNG ADULTS
Bailey Jennings, University of Mobile

EXAMINING THE DIVINE AND THE DERIDED: AN ANALYSIS OF DISABILITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN USING CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY
Mason Shrader, Millsaps College

MISSION TRIPS INCREASE EMPATHY
Elizabeth Watt, University of Mobile
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SESSION 35: ENGAGING STUDENTS THROUGH SERVICE LEARNING AND PHOTOVOICE

Chair: Erin Rider, Jacksonville State University

SERVICE-LEARNING AS A PEDAGOGICAL TOOL FOR CREATIVE INQUIRY: BUILDING A TOOLBOX FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND EXPANDING KING’S LEGACY OF SERVICE
Shelley S. Brown, Tennessee Tech University

CREATING EMPOWERED STUDENTS: MEANINGFUL CHANGE THROUGH STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
Sean Huss, Arkansas Tech University; James E. Stobaugh, Arkansas Tech University

THE SOCIOLOGY SERVICE-LEARNING CLASSROOM: TOWARD A DEMOCRATIC EPISTEMOLOGY
Erin Rider, Jacksonville State University; Rachel Harris, Jacksonville State University

PHOTOVOICE: INTEGRATING COURSE-BASED UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCES INTO THE CURRICULUM
Adelle Dora Monteblanco, Middle Tennessee State University

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SESSION 36: ROUNDTABLE: INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS, CERTIFICATES, AND CONCENTRATIONS: ASSISTING STUDENTS IN CRAFTING EFFECTIVE TRANSCRIPTS

Organizer: Pamela Hunt Kirk, University of West Georgia

Discussants:
Pamela Hunt Kirk, University of West Georgia
Cassidy Cooper, University of Mobile
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Organizer/Presider: Keith Parker, Florida A&M University

KING, GHANDI, AND HOWARD: NON-VIOLENCE AND ARMED PROTECTION
Linda Beito, Stillman College; Marquise Clark, Stillman College; Anthony Rosario, Stillman College

FROM CIVIL RIGHTS TO SILVER RIGHTS: THE FORGOTTEN LEGACY OF REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING’S FIGHT FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE
Keith D. Parker, Florida A&M University; Taylor B. Darks, Florida A&M University; Bria Brooks, Florida A&M University

REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING’S FORGOTTEN LEGACY: THE POOR PEOPLE’S CAMPAIGN
Keith D. Parker, Florida A&M University; Marrissa McFarlane, Florida A&M University; Tenesha Washington, Florida A&M University

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James Wright, Florida State University

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Organizer: Jason Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University
Chair: David May, Mississippi State University

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Darby Callicutt, University of Mobile

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Travis Hardee, University of South Carolina Aiken

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Jamey Lyons, University of Mobile

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Shanbai Yang, Millsaps College
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SESSION 39: AFRICAN AMERICANS AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS
Chair: Giselle C. Greenidge, University of North Texas

“IS THERE NOT A CAUSE”: THE NEW CIVIL RIGHTS IN THE WRITING OF SONIA SANCHEZ
Sandra Staton-Taiwo, Alabama State University

UNDERSTANDING BLACK SENTIMENT ACROSS TIME
Giselle C. Greenidge, University of North Texas; Bernard Hurtault, University of Southern Mississippi

SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE CIVIL RIGHTS AND ANTI-COLONIAL MOVEMENTS
Robert White, Alabama State University

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Chair: Guadalupe Marquez-Velarde, Utah State University

BROMANCES AND DEVIANCE NEUTRALIZATION AS A NEW SUBCULTURE ALTERNATIVE IN SEXUAL IDENTITY
Stan Hodges, Texas A&M University-Kingsville; Miguel Nuncio, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

THERE GOES THE NEIGHBORHOOD: NEIGHBORHOOD COHESION AND MENTAL HEALTH AMONG LESBIAN, GAY AND BISEXUAL AMERICANS.
Guadalupe Marquez-Velarde, Utah State University; Gabe Miller, Texas A&M University; Verna Keith, University of Alabama at Birmingham

WE ARE HERE: EXPLORING CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT IN THE BLACK QUEER COMMUNITY ON YOUTUBE.
Gabriela Snell, University of North Alabama
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STUDENT SESSION: HOW SHOULD WE REMEMBER REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING?

On February 4, 1968, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., preached The Drum Major Instinct from the pulpit of Ebenezer Baptist Church. In this speech, two months before his assassination, Dr. King implored his congregation to remember his attempts to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and comfort prisoners. This SESSION of students will share thoughts on Dr. King’s Dream Five Decades after His Death.

Organizers: Keith Parker, Florida A&M University

Panelists: Marissa McFarlane, Florida A&M University; Bria Brooks, Florida A&M University; Anthony Rosario, Stillman College; Marquise Clark, Stillman College

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SESSION 42: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SESSION III- IMMIGRATION, DISCRIMINATION, AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Organizer/Chair: Jason Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University

SOCIAL MEDIA AND ITS AFFECTS ON AMERICAN ATTITUDES TOWARD CONTEMPORARY IMMIGRANTS
Lathia Adams, University of West Alabama

THE BLACK POWER MOVEMENT AND ITS EFFECT ON THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT
Allison Baggett, University of Tennessee at Martin

HOW IMMIGRATION CHALLENGES WESTERN DEMOCRACY AND IDEAS OF MULTICULTURALISM HISTORICALLY AND TODAY: VARIATIONS IN ECONOMIC SUCCESS AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION
Victor Mishoe, Millsaps College

DISCRIMINATION UNDER THE DIFFERENT NAMES
Jihyun Shin, Mississippi State University
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The Role of the Southern Poverty Law Center in Advancing Civil Rights in the South

Plenary Speaker: Heidi Beirich, Southern Poverty Law Center
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SESSION 44: ISSUES IN SENTENCING AND CORRECTIONS
Chair: Makeela J. Wells, Tennessee Technological University

DOES IT WORK? THE IMPACT OF THE FAIR SENTENCING ACT OF 2010 ON COCAINE SENTENCING OUTCOMES
Makeela J. Wells, Tennessee Technological University

APPROACHING THE REHABILITATIVE IDEAL: THE STRUCTURE OF CRIME CONTROL IN SWEDEN AND NORWAY
Andrew Austin, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

JAIL INCARCERATION AND EMPLOYMENT: LOCAL CARCERAL INEQUALITY
Christopher Thomas, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

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SESSION 45: RACE, ETHNICITY, AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
Chair: Christopher W. Bounds, University of Montevallo

RACISM WITHOUT RACISTS: EXPLAINING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SOCIAL DISTANCE, RACIAL THREAT AND ATTITUDES TOWARD PUNISHMENT
Christopher W. Bounds, University of Montevallo; Elizabeth K. Ayers

BLACK SACRIFICE AND NATIONALISM
Bethany Nelson, University of Tennessee

BORDER PATROL AGENTS AND STIGMAS, TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS
Isaac Lopez, Texas A&M University-Kingsville; Stan H. Hodges, Texas A&M University-Kingsville; Bennie Green, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

ENHANCING COMMUNITY POLICING THROUGH EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE
Robert K. Perkins, Norfolk State University
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   Organizer/Presider: Jackie Eller, Middle Tennessee State University

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   Jackie Eller, Middle Tennessee State University

FINDING THE PURRRFECT PARTNER: PRESENTATION OF SELF ON DATING PROFILES IN THE FURRY COMMUNITY
   Jacob Lax, Middle Tennessee State University

FURRY IDENTITY AND IDENTITY CONSTRUCTION WITHIN AN ONLINE FURRY COMMUNITY
   Mary De La Torre, Middle Tennessee State University

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   Jackie Eller, Middle Tennessee State University

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   Organizer/Chair: Jason Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University

DOES CAPITALISM LEAD TO A FREER EXERCISE OF SEXUAL IDENTITY AND TOLERANCE TOWARD HOMOSEXUALITY?
   Samantha VanRosenberg, Millsaps College

GENEROUS LEADER OR AGRANDIZING TYRANT? EXAMINING THEORIES ON THE EMERGENCE OF INEQUALITY
   Matthew Brown, Millsaps College
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TAXONOMY OF SCRAPPERS AND METAL THIEVES
   Ben Stickle, Middle Tennessee State University

GROSS NEGLIGENCE: THE CONSEQUENCES OF GOOD SAMARITAN
   LAWS IN FOOD BANKING
   Lindsey Shaw, Mississippi State University

MEDIA REPRESENTATION AND ITS EFFECTS ON MARGINALIZED PEOPLE
   Elizabeth Grimsley, East Carolina University

THE STEREOTYPICAL ASSOCIATION WITH MASCULINITY WITHIN A
   FRATERNAL SETTING
   Walker Lee, Valdosta State University

PREDICTING DISADVANTAGED YOUTHS’ ATTITUDES AND BELIEFS
   ABOUT ROMANTIC RELATIONSHIPS
   Alyson Bergner, University of North Alabama

“FROM DREAM TO WOKE? THE LEGACY OF EIGHTEEN YEARS OF CIVIL
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   Allison Baggett, University of Tennessee Martin

STUDENT APATHY: IS RACE A FACTOR?
   Rebekah Stanton, East Carolina University

Pre-Banquet Cocktails (Cash Bar)
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SESSION 49: SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL IDENTITY
Chair: Ashleigh McKinzie, Middle Tennessee State University

QUEER AS FOLK: EXAMINING QUEER PEOPLE OF COLOR IN THE DEEP SOUTH
Eboneye Carpenter, University of Mississippi

PULLING BACK THE VEIL: SEXUAL ABUSE IN EVANGELICAL SETTINGS
Ashleigh McKinzie, Middle Tennessee State University; Patricia Richards, University of Georgia

Saturday, October 27
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9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

SESSION 50: THE INFLUENCE OF ENTITIES AND PROFESSIONS: AFFECTS IN MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY
Chair: Jalal Uddin, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

HURRICANE RISK AND HEALTHCARE PREVALENCE IN US COUNTIES
Lisa A. Eargle, Francis Marion University; Jessica L. Burke, Francis Marion University; Jessica M. Doucet, Francis Marion University

EXPLORING THE DUI-DRUG PHENOMENON USING AN INNOVATIVE QUALITATIVE APPROACH
Andrew Tatch, Mississippi State University; Kasim Ortiz, The University of New Mexico

PHARMACY DESERTS: INEQUALITY IN ACCESS IN MEDICATION AND HEALTH SERVICES
Walker Lee, Valdosta State University; Courtney Reliford, Valdosta State University

TRUST AS A CHALLENGE IN CHIROPRACTIC MEDICINE: AN ETHNOGRAPHIC STUDY
Robert Hartmann McNamara, The Citadel
Saturday, October 27  
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9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

SESSION 51: ROUNDTABLE: MIDSOUTH SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION HISTORY FOCUS GROUP PROJECT  
Organizer: Ruth Chananie, University of Northern Iowa

The purpose of this session is to gather oral remembrances focusing on the early years of the MSSA (names, happenings, etc). We invite all interested in contributing to a recorded focus-group type conversation as a means of gathering data that is missing from the records or unavailable. We also seek individuals who are interested in the possibility working with us to continue revising the manuscript Dr. Marc Matre began, with the ultimate purpose of publication of the MSSA History in Sociological Spectrum. All are welcome, whether to participate or listen. This session and any resulting publication are dedicated to Dr. Matre's memory.

Discussants:  
Ruth Chananie, University of Northern Iowa  
Hugh Floyd, Samford University

Saturday, October 27  
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SESSION 52: SCHOOL CLIMATE, FEAR, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT  
Chair: Brett Lehman, Auburn University Montgomery

FEAR AT SCHOOL: THE ROLE OF HATEFUL WORDS AND SYMBOLS  
Brett Lehman, Auburn University Montgomery

DO COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS CONTRIBUTE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT REFERRALS AT SCHOOL?  
Yuanjiao (Mika) Xue, Mississippi State University; Raymond Barranco, Mississippi State University; David C. May, Mississippi State University

EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF SCHOOL CLIMATE ON ACHIEVEMENT IN KENTUCKY  
David C. May, Mississippi State University; Timothy McClure, University of South Carolina Aiken; Janet Giron-Legarda, Mississippi State University

THE SCHOOL-TO-PRISON PIPELINE: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE  
Rachel Giardina, Mississippi State University; Jessie W. Davis, Mississippi State University; David C. May, Mississippi State University
SESSION 53: PERCEPTIONS, ATTITUDES, AND EMOTIONS
Chair: Jessica L. Burke, Francis Marion University

CHARACTERISTICS AND ATTITUDES OF COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO SUPPORT COUNSELING AS AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF REDUCING VIOLENCE
Lisa A. Eargle, Francis Marion University; Jessica L. Burke, Francis Marion University

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS’ PERCEPTIONS TOWARD DATING AND MARRIAGE
Assel Kuzembayeva, University of Louisville

EMOTION MANAGEMENT ONLINE
Jessica Pearce, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

UNDERSTANDING THE INFLUENCE OF ELDER GENERATIONS ON ATTITUDES AND INTERACTIONS OF YOUNGER FAMILY MEMBERS IN FAMILIES ANCHORED IN HOMOGENEOUS NON-URBAN SETTINGS
Patricia Gleich, University of West Florida
SESSION 54: CRIME, DEVIANCE, AND SOCIETAL RESPONSES

Chair: Lauren Norman, University of North Carolina Pembroke

GETTING UP: AN ETHNOGRAPHIC STUDY OF HIP HOP GRAFFITI WRITERS, THEIR ART, AND PERCEPTIONS OF SOCIETY’S REACTION
Theodore Malone, University of Louisville

THE MEDIATING EFFECT OF SOCIAL CONTROL MEASURES ON MARIJUANA USE AMONG ADOLESCENT BULLIES, VICTIMS, AND BULLY-VICTIMS: A COMPARISON OF VARIOUS APPROACHES TO MEDIATION
Sujung Cho, Southern Illinois University; Lauren Norman, University of North Carolina Pembroke

SERVICES AND EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS FOR AT-RISK YOUTH: AN ANALYSIS OF A RURAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN ARKANSAS
Jason S. Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University; Kristen Ulsperger, Arkansas Tech University; Samuel Cockrell, Arkansas Tech University

REGIONAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC DIFFERENCES IN MEDIA REPORTING OF POLICE-INVOLVED DEATHS
Jeannice Louine, Claflin University; Raymond Barranco, Mississippi State University; David May, Mississippi State University
Saturday, October 27
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SESSION 55: GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER OF DISTINCTION COMPETITION
Chair: Jessica Abbott, Dixie State University

WHO GETS TO BE A HILLBILLY? MEDIA REPRESENTATIONS OF APPALACHIA IN PRINT
Alana M. Berry, Georgia State University

IT’S BASICALLY A FRAT HOUSE- THE RECLAMATION OF HEGEMONIC MASCULINITY AT SUMMER CAMP
Penny Harvey, Georgia State University

MENTAL HEALTH DISPARITIES AMONG SECOND GENERATION CARIBBEAN-AMERICAN IMMIGRANT CHILDREN: HOW ETHNIC SELF-IDENTIFICATION INFORMS THE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN PERCEIVED DISCRIMINATION AND DEPRESSIVE SYMPTOMATOLOGY
Fabrice S. Julien, University of Alabama at Birmingham

A THEORETICAL EXAMINATION OF THE HIDDEN CURRICULUM OF GENDER AND SEXUALITY IN SEXUAL EDUCATION
Courtney Heath Windhorn, Mississippi State University

Saturday, October 27
12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Executive Council Meeting II

Plan to Join Us Next Year for the 2019 Mid-South Sociological Association Meetings
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Rasdon N. Slate, Jacqueline K. Buffington-Vollum & W. Wesley Johnson

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A Reasoned Look at the Rhetoric
David C. May

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Examining Barriers to Justice
Danielle McDonald

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Integrating Theory, Research and Practice
Aida Y. Hass-Wisecup & Caryn E. Saxon

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