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## DEAR COLLEAGUES:

Please join us for the 81st annual meetings off the Pacific Sociological Association, April 8-11, 2010. The conference will meet in downtown Oakland, in the heart of the vibrant Bay Area – a stone's throw from Berkeley, and a short BART ride to San Francisco – for decades, a major locus of progressive sociology.

The conference theme, “Revitalizing the Sociological Imagination: Individual Troubles and Social Issues in a Turbulent World,” invites us to consider sociology's role in a rapidly changing world, a half-century after the publication of C. Wright Mills' groundbreaking book *The Sociological Imagination*.

This year's conference program will include the usual array of sessions devoted to discussing the latest scholarly books. Exciting invited sessions are also taking shape—sessions that will explore the feminist imagination in sociology, changes in work and family relations, sociology and interdisciplinarity, the worldwide HIV/AIDS crisis, racial formation in a colorblind era, the continuing relevance of skin color, and North American sociology in a world context. The program will be anchored by an address on C. Wright Mills by former ASA president Michael Burawoy.

This Call for Papers invites you to be part of the program. Share your ideas and research with fellow sociologists. Reconnect with students, mentors, and peers. Welcome a new generation to sociology. Browse the Call for Papers, find a session of interest, and contact the organizer if you have questions. If no session matches your interests, contact Program Chair Karen Sternheimer (sternhei@usc.edu).

Make your submissions online. Go to [PACIFICSOC.ORG](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG) for the form and procedure. All abstract or paper submissions are due to organizers by October 15.

*I hope to see you in Oakland next April!*

Michael Messner, President

## CALL FOR PAPERS

81st Annual Meeting: April 8-11, 2010  
Oakland Marriott City Center  
THEME: *Revitalizing the Sociological Imagination:  
Individual Troubles and Social Issues in a Turbulent World*

Submission must be made online NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15 2009 at [PACIFICSOC.ORG](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG). Please also see the article in this newsletter on “Steps for Submission.”

## PROPOSED SESSIONS

### AGING, THE LIFE COURSE

#### *Age & Sexuality*

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#### *Aging & the Body*

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#### *Aging & Mental Health*

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### CAREERS, PROFESSIONS, ASSOCIATIONS

#### *Career Planning in a Turbulent World*

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#### *Thinking & Planning for Your Future: Grad School?*

(spons. by Student Affairs)

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#### *Professions: Identity, Conflict, & Change*

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**NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15 2009**

*Current Issues in Occupations & Professions*  
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### CLINICAL, APPLIED, PRACTICE, ETHICS

*Evaluating Social Programs: Successes,  
Failures & Innovations*  
(spons. by Committee on Practice, Applied,  
& Clinical Sociology)  
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### COMMUNICATION, MEDIA, FILM

*New Media & New Forms of Social  
Reproduction: Focusing the Sociological  
Imagination on Digital Inequality*  
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*Becoming an Effective Communicator*  
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*Virtual Worlds & Video Games*  
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*Feminist Media Studies*  
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*Political Economy of Mass Media*  
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*Sexuality & Media*  
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*Issues in Media Relations: Sociologists  
Examining Their Media Experiences*  
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### DEMOGRAPHY, POPULATION, COMMUNITY, RURAL

*Revitalizing the Sociological Imagination:  
Human Populations & the Environment in  
the Age of Exponential Growth*  
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*Contemporary Suburbia*  
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*Project Bay Area: New Research Projects in  
the Bay Area*  
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*Urban Communities*  
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*Population & the Environment*  
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*Inequality & Urban Growth*  
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*Demographic Change & the Family*  
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*Urban Sociology of the Oakland-San  
Francisco-San Jose Bay Area*  
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### CRIME, DELINQUENCY, CRIMINOLOGY, LAW, SOCIAL CONTROL, DEVIANCE, DRUGS

*Crime & Delinquency*  
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*Contemporary Issues in Juvenile Delinquency  
& Juvenile Justice*  
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*Deviances & Social Control*  
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*The Role of Professionalization in Supporting  
the Prison-Industrial Complex*  
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*Gender & Crime*  
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### CULTURE, POPULAR CULTURE, FOOD, MUSIC, LITERATURE

*Sharing: Examining Strategies, Processes  
& Outcomes of Sharing*  
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## Endowment Committee Announces 50 Travel Grants For Students

With the approval of Council, the Endowment Committee will offer 50 \$125 travel grants available to help pay expenses for graduate and undergraduate students who are giving a presentation at the annual meeting in Oakland.

The travel grants will be open only to undergraduate & graduate students who are *not* employed full-time. Eligible students must also be listed as a presenter

or co-presenter in a session in the 2010 Preliminary Program, to be published in the January 2010 newsletter. Eligible students must also be members in 2010 and *must have paid pre-registration fees*. Committee membership alone does not qualify.

*Procedures for Application for a Travel Grant:* Students who meet the eligibility requirements need to email their name and email address to Endowment Committee

member Deidre Tyler (deidre.tyler@slcc.edu). The deadline for submission is March 1, 2010. A random-numbers table and drawing will determine the recipients of the travel awards. Recipients will receive email confirmation no later than March 10, 2010. All recipients must pick up their \$125 travel grant at the registration table at the conference; ID will be required.

*US & Latin American Culture*  
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*Chicano/Latino Popular Culture*  
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*The Sociology of Online Social Worlds*  
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*Pop Music & Public Sexuality*  
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*Food, Community & Social Activism*  
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*Celebrity Culture & the Sociological  
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*The Other California – The Great Central  
Valley: People, Cultures & Transitions*  
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*Food, Culture, & Social Organizations*  
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*Trust & Society*  
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*Military & Education*  
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*Social Inequality & Education*  
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*Retention in Higher Education*  
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*Embodying Academia: Theoretical,  
Methodological & Practical Reflections*  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY, ECOLOGY

*Green Collar Jobs in a Changing Global  
Economy: Theoretical & Practical Challenges  
to the Sociological Imagination*  
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*Environmental Sociology 1:  
Consumption & Risk*  
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*Environmental Sociology 2:  
Race, Class, Gender & Space*  
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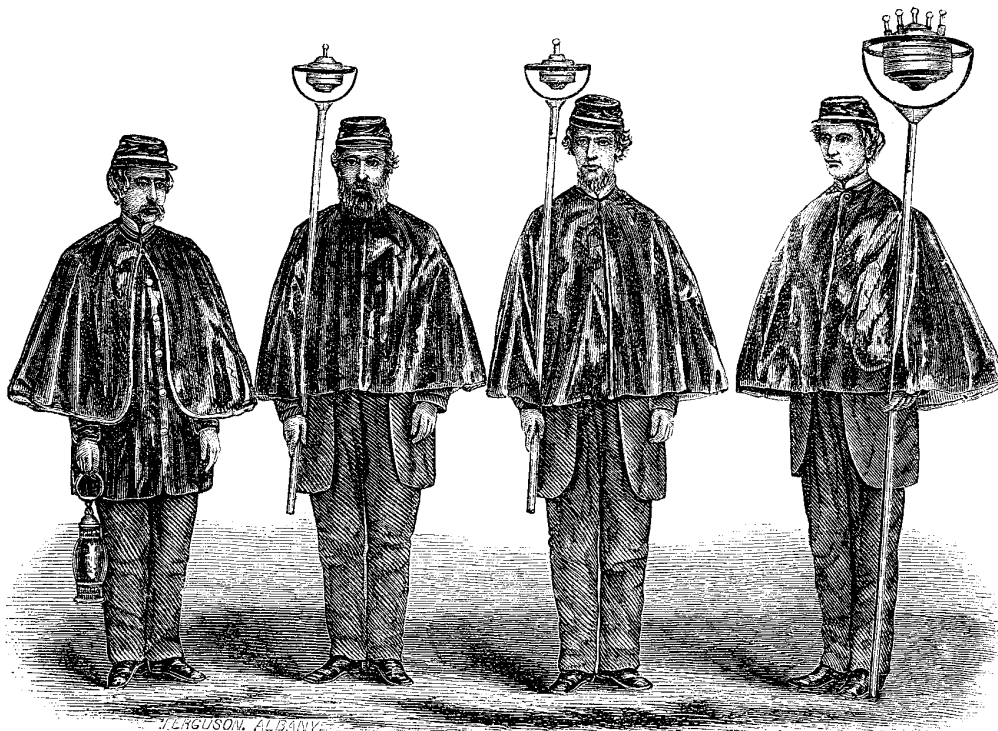
*The Politics of Sustainability*  
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## FAMILY, MARRIAGE, ADOLESCENCE, CHILDHOOD

*Studying Children & Adolescents*  
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*Violence, Aggression & Kids*  
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*Family Transformation*  
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*Adoption: A Shade of Difference*

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*Parenting & Social Justice/Inequality*

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*Immigrant & Transnational Families*

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*Transforming Crisis into Opportunity:*

*Exposing the Social in Family Troubles*  
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*Sociology of Children & Youth*

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*International Adoption*

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*Research & Theory on New Family Forms*

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**GENDER, FEMINISM,  
MASCULINITIES, LGBT ISSUES**

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*Men & Masculinities*

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*Gendered Violence*

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*Ethics & Research on LGBT Individuals*

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*Transcending the Gender Binary*

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## Steps You Must Follow for Submission to Organizers

You are encouraged to submit a proposal, idea, outline, abstract, or completed paper to be considered for inclusion in the 2010 Annual Meeting at the Oakland City Center Marriott, April 8-11, 2010. Completed papers and extended abstracts may be given more consideration for acceptance than an outline or brief abstract (two or three paragraphs for example). NOTE that all submissions *must* be made online at PACIFICSOC.ORG.

- 1)** Look through the Call for Papers.
- 2)** Select the best session for your submission and submit your completed paper, extended abstract (a two to three page summary of your intended presentation), idea, proposal, or brief abstract to the session organizer listed. All submissions must be sent online.
- 3)** Fill out the form at PACIFICSOC.ORG and upload your submission. Successful submissions will receive immediate confirmation. This indicates only that your submission was sent to the session organizer successfully; it does not mean the session organizer has accepted your submission. You may contact the organizer via the email addresses listed in the Call for Papers.
- 4)** If you cannot find a session that fits your proposal, send it to Program Chair Karen Sternheimer (STERNHEI@USC.EDU) who may be able to find a place for it in the program before it is finalized.

**5)** Do not submit the same work to more than *one* session organizer at the same time.

**6)** You can submit more than one proposed presentation, but each submission must be submitted to no more than *one* organizer at a time. If you submit the same proposal to more than one organizer, then both may accept and the Program Chair will eliminate you without notice from one of the sessions. This is unfair to the session organizer and to others, as the session organizer may be counting on your proposal for his or her session and may have rejected another proposal only to find out later that your proposal has been dropped from the session because you submitted it to two organizers at the same time and it ended up in two separate sessions.

**7)** Special Note to Undergraduate & Graduate Students. The PSA welcomes and encourages participation in our program by undergraduate and graduate students. To best accommodate undergraduate participation, the Program Committee has organized two types of sessions: Undergraduate Roundtable Open Topic Sessions and Undergraduate Poster Sessions. Undergraduate students can submit proposals to only these two types of sessions. Graduate students can submit their work to any listed session in the call for papers, to the Graduate Student Roundtable Session or to the Graduate Student Paper Open Topics Session.

**8)** If your submission is *not* accepted, the session organizer will inform you. If your paper is not accepted, you can then send it to another session/organizer or to Program Chair Karen Sternheimer, who may be able to find a place for your presentation in the annual program.

## GLOBALIZATION, URBANIZATION, POVERTY

### *Globalization, Labor & the Transformation of Work*

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### *Globalization in the 21st Century*

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### *Globalization, State & Development*

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### *Qualitative Research on Poverty & Welfare*

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### *Sociological Research on Mexico*

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### *Impact of Globalization on Asian Societies*

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## MENTAL HEALTH, HEALTH, HEALTHCARE, MEDICINE, DISABILITIES

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### *Social Construction of Sexually Transmitted Diseases*

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### *The Growing Impact of Medicalization*

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## Hotel Information Marriott Oakland City Center

The 2010 Annual Meeting will take place at the Marriott Oakland City Center. The hotel is conveniently located in the heart of downtown Oakland and is connected to the Oakland Convention Center. The Marriott is 21 stories tall and provides dramatic views of the city, the Bay, and San Francisco. The hotel has an Atrium Lounge, outdoor swimming pool, exercise facility, full service business center, and the City Center Grill Restaurant. Every room offers high-speed internet-access, coffee maker, hair dryer, and iron and ironing board.

The hotel is within walking distance of Old Oakland, Lake Merrit, Chinatown, Jack London Square and the Oakland Museum. There are dozens of excellent restaurants within a short walk. The Old Oakland Farmer's Market takes place right outside the hotel every Friday. There is also easy access to the entire Bay Area via BART. San Francisco is a 12-minute ride away and Solano, Shattuck and College – the popular restaurant and walking streets of North Oakland and Berkeley – are only 10 minutes away. The Alameda / Oakland Ferry at Jack London Square will take you to SF Pier 41, Fisherman's Wharf, and Angel Island.

Support the PSA by booking at the Marriott. This will assure that your Association meets its sleeping room contract and will keep convention costs low, since thousands of dollars in meeting room rental will not have to be paid. Not meeting the room block would have serious financial consequences and would increase the cost of registration at future meetings. The PSA rate is \$149 single or double, plus tax. For reservations, call 888.236.2427 and ask for the PSA rate, or reserve online at [TINYURL.COM/PSA-ORG](http://TINYURL.COM/PSA-ORG).

Reservations *must* be made by March 17, 2010 to guarantee the PSA rate. The room block may sell out before then; if that happens, rooms may be available at a higher rate – *so book now!*

### HOTEL PARKING

Hotel parking is available at the prevailing rate. Call the Marriott for the most up-to-date parking fee and information. Currently it is \$5.25/hour, \$24/24 hours.

### AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

The closest airport is the Oakland Airport; the easiest and cheapest way to get to the hotel is to take BART. Take the Oakland Airport BART shuttle (exact change required), which leaves from the baggage claim area every 20 minutes, to the Coliseum BART Station. At Coliseum, take the Richmond train to 12th Street City Center in downtown Oakland. Take the 11th Street steps and you will come out facing the Oakland Marriott City Center.

From SFO, you can access BART at Level 3 of the International Terminal. The station has two entrances, a "walk in" entrance on Level 3 and another accessible from "Air Train," the airport's inter-terminal shuttle. From the SFO BART station take the Pittsburg/Bay Point train (\$5.25) to 12th Street City Center in Oakland. Take the 11th Street steps and you will come out facing the Oakland Marriott City Center.

You can also take a shuttle from either the Oakland or SF airports, but at high traffic times, it may not be any faster.

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*Race, Ethnicity & Mental Health*

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*Immigrant & Refugee Health & Mental Health*

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**IMMIGRANTS, IMMIGRATION,  
MIGRATION**

*Immigrant Women: Tales of Identity*

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*Immigrants, Legal Status & Workplace Rights*

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*Immigration, Race & Social Movements*

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*The Effects of Immigration on Rural  
Communities*

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*The Immigrant Experience in the United  
States: Integration or Alienation*

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**METHODS, RESEARCH,  
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*Doing Feminist Research*

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*Researching Vulnerable Populations*

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*Doing Ethnography*

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*Collaborative Research: Methods & Challenges*

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**POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY, JUSTICE,  
THE STATE, HUMAN RIGHTS,  
VIOLENCE, TERRORISM**

*Wars & Occupations*

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*Fifty Years After C. Wright Mills "Listen  
Yankee!": Normalizing Cuban-US Ties*

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*State-Sanctioned Violence*

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*The Military Meets Sociology*

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**RACE, ETHNICITY**

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*Mixed Race & Identity: The Social  
Construction of Race*

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*Race/Ethnicity & Education*

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**SPECIAL NOTE TO UNDERGRADUATE  
AND GRADUATE STUDENTS**

The PSA welcomes & encourages participation in our program by undergraduate & graduate students. Except for California and possibly Hawaii, there are no state sociological associations in the Pacific region available for student socialization and participation in the discipline. One aspect of the PSA mission is to mentor the next generation of sociologists. To best accommodate under-graduate participation, the Program Committee has organized two types of sessions: Undergraduate Roundtable Open Topic Sessions and Undergraduate Poster Sessions. In the Public Call for Papers, these are the only two sessions open to undergraduate students. Graduate students can submit their work to any session in the Call for Papers.

**CALIFORNIA SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION**

The California Sociological Association will meet November 13-14, 2009 at the DoubleTree Hotel at the Berkeley Marina. The theme is "The Next Generation," but all topics are welcome.

Contact President Jacqueline Carrigan, CSU Sacramento (CARRIGAN@CSUS.EDU) if you would like to participate either as a session organizer or discussant or presenter.

**IPOD SHUFFLE WINNER**

Diana L. Barahona, CSU Fullerton, was the lucky recipient of an iPod Shuffle in the drawing for those who took Amtrak to the PSA conference in San Diego. Congratulations to Diana and please consider helping us make the Oakland meeting "greener" as well by taking Amtrak or carpooling to Oakland.

## RELIGION

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## SOCIAL INEQUALITY, STRATIFICATION, POWER

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### *Sociology & Social Class*

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### *Gendered Inequalities*

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### *Inequalities in Academia*

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### *Social Inequalities & Reproductive Technologies*

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### *Class & Class Conflict*

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## SOCIAL MOVEMENTS, PROTEST, SOCIAL CHANGE

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### *The Complex Work of Social Change: Social Movement & Organization Interaction*

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### *New Directions in Social Movements & Collective Action Research*

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## PSA Adopts AAUP Statement on Academic Freedom & Tenure

At the 2009 Council meeting in San Diego, members unanimously adopted the 1940 AAUP Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure.

The statement can be accessed at [AAUP.ORG/AAUP/PUBSRES/POLICYDOCS/CONTENTS/1940STATEMENT.HTM](http://AAUP.ORG/AAUP/PUBSRES/POLICYDOCS/CONTENTS/1940STATEMENT.HTM). Thanks to Professor Patricia Gwartney, University of Oregon, for calling attention to this statement and to the fact that the psa was about the only sociological association that had not adopted it.

*In addition to the AAUP statement, the PSA also subscribes to its own Manifesto on Academic Freedom that can be found at [PACIFICSOC.ORG/2006/03/PSA-MANIFESTO-O.HTML](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG/2006/03/PSA-MANIFESTO-O.HTML).*

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*Organizing*

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*Social Networks Analysis in/for*

*Organizations: Research & its Translations*

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*Race & Multiracial Identity:*

*Contemporary Trends in Research*

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*Conceptualizations of Memory; Personal or*

*Commodity, Public or Private?*

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*Emotion Management Perspective: Applying*

*the Contributions of Arlie Hochschild*

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*Classroom in the 21st Century*

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*Online Teaching: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly*

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*Graduate Students Engage the Sociological*

*Imagination in a Turbulent World*

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*Working with AKD Student Organizations to*

*Use the Sociological Imagination*

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*New Perspectives on Teaching the Social*

*Problems Course*

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*Public Sociology & Community Service Learning*

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*Administration Relations & Ethics*

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*for Applied Sociology*

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*Beyond Master-Slave: Egalitarian Collaborations  
Between Graduate Students & Faculty*

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*Strategies for Teaching Sociology Students*

*How to Write*

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*Down Here on the Ground: Connecting  
Theory to the Real World for Our Students*

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*The Real Deal: Students Discuss Best/Worse  
Experiences with Faculty*

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*Dead Theorists and Live Issues:*

*Marx, Weber, Veblen & Mills and the  
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*New Directions in Research on Work,  
Organizations & Inequality*

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**UNDERGRADUATE SESSIONS**

*NOTE: Undergraduate students are  
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in Oakland. Undergraduate students can  
present in a poster session or in one of the  
undergraduate roundtables, which will cover  
diverse topics in sociology.*

*Undergraduate Poster Session: Open Topic*

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*Undergraduate Student Roundtables: Open Topic*

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*Undergraduate Roundtable: Women's Issues*

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*Undergraduate Research-Formal*

*Presentations in Applied Sociological Research  
by Undergraduates*  
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*Undergraduate Roundtable: Coming of Age  
in the Digital World*

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*Undergraduate Roundtables on GLBT Issues  
& Sexualities*

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*Undergraduate Roundtable: Urban Communities*

(spons. by AKD)  
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*Undergraduate Roundtable: The Transition  
to Adulthood*

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## FACULTY & GRADUATE STUDENT ROUNDTABLES

*NOTE: Graduate students are encouraged to participate in the 2010 meeting in Oakland. Graduate students & faculty can submit their work to any listed session in the call for papers and to the open topic roundtable listed below.*

*Open Topic Graduate & Faculty Roundtables*  
Karen Sternheimer, USC: sternhei@usc.edu

### SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT A HOME

*submissions that don't fit any session listed*

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## Online Newsletter

To find information on the following articles, which are not in the printed version of the May newsletter sent in the mail, go to [PACIFICSOC.ORG](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG) and click on *The Pacific Sociologist*. The online version contains all of the information in the printed version and in addition, articles and information on the following:

- \* *Committee Reports for 2008 & 09*
- \* *Executive Director's 2009 Financial Report*
- \* *Council & Business Meeting Minutes*

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## Co-Editors of *Sociological Perspectives* report reduced time for reviews & time to publication

Co-editors Marilyn Fernandez & Charles Powers report an appreciable shortening of the review process in their annual account of *Sociological Perspectives*. [NOTE – full report available in May 2009 online newsletter.]

*Below are excerpts from the report:*

We understand our responsibilities to authors to be very important. Responsibilities to authors include timeliness, clear guidelines about issues to address when inviting R&Rs, and making sure the primary reason(s) are clear for disqualification or rejection without invitation to revise and resubmit.

(1) *Timeliness in cases of disqualification based on internal review.* It is our feeling that in cases when an initial in-office editorial review results in a “disqualification” (a rejection based on internal review without going to external blind reviewers), this decision should be made in less than 30 days except under highly atypical circumstances. During 2008, our average time to reach a disqualification decision was 21 days and the maximum time taken has been 36 days.

[Under our co-editorship, “disqualification” is used *only* after both co-editors have read and discussed the paper. Use of “disqualification” (a) is a growing trend in the discipline, (b) was recommended by the previous editors in their 2007 report, and (c) was called for in

the editorial prospectus submitted by the current editors prior to their appointment.]

(2) *Timeliness in Cases of Rejection after the First-Round of Blind Review.* It is our feeling that, in cases where manuscripts are sent out for blind review, authors should normally be notified on the editorial decision (to reject, invite R&R, or accept) within an average 100 days, and in any case not more than 152 days, of our receipt of the manuscript. During 2008, our average time to complete first blind reviews and arrive at a decision to either reject or invite a Revise and Resubmit was 93 days. The maximum time taken for this process on all 2008 new submissions was 150 days.

[This represents an appreciable shortening in the review process, when compared with an average of 130 days and a maximum of 242 days based on sample information provided by the previous editors.]

(3) *Success with R&Rs.* Our own targets are to have at least a 75% resubmission rate, and to raise the acceptance rate on resubmissions to at least two thirds. This would mean eventual publication of 50% or more of all R&Rs invited. While it is too early to know exactly how many of all the invitations issued in 2008 to Revise & Resubmit will be utilized (by the end of the six month time period our journal gives authors to complete revisions and resubmit), we have already come close to our success targets. We offer three pieces of evidence. (1) Of the 116 new submissions that arrived in 2008, 32 submissions (or 27.6% of all submissions) were ulti-

mately invited to Revise and Resubmit, after going through blind external review. This rate seems generally appropriate under the journal's current publication projections of 24 papers per year during our editorship. (2) Of the 32 papers which were invited to R&R, 23 have already submitted revised versions (denoted by R1); this represents 71.9% of all the resubmissions invited. Eight more authors (25% of all resubmissions invited) still have time to revise & resubmit; that is they are still under the 6 month time frame for submitting revisions. The eligible time has passed without a revision being resubmitted in only one case so far in 2008, although we expect this number to increase over time. (3) Of the 23 papers resubmitted so far, 12 have been accepted for publication, and 11 more are currently under review or were given second R&R invitations (R2). In conclusion, although the data are necessarily incomplete at this point, it appears that we will exceed our targets for both (a) an increase in the resubmission rate, and (b) an increase in the rate of eventual acceptance of resubmissions.

(4) *Other Issues.* Beyond our sense of responsibility for timely reviews, we feel we owe authors three other things. (a) We are cognizant of confidentiality. (b) We are obliged to arrive at our own honest editorial evaluation, with our decisions informed by, but not absolutely governed by, outside reviews as we may seek and receive. (c) We feel obliged to highlight what we see as main problem areas needing attention, so that authors are alert to the direction in which the paper would have to change in order to address issues which surfaced during the review process.

## 2009 Distinguished Scholarship Awards

Elaine Draper, CSULA, Scholarship Award Subcommittee Chair

The submissions were so strong this year that in addition to one book that won the PSA Distinguished Scholarship Award, two books received Honorable Mention. On behalf of the scholarship award committee (Elaine Draper, Chair; Ivan Light; Karen Seccombe; and Dan Zuberi), congratulations to the authors of these outstanding books.

This year's Distinguished Scholarship Award goes to Edward Telles and Vilma Ortiz for their book, *Generations of Exclusion: Mexican Americans, Assimilation, and Race* (Russell Sage Foundation, 2008).

Longitudinal studies are one of the gold standards in social science research. They allow us to follow people over time, assess social and demographic changes, note causality, and identify meaning. But how often do we truly get to do longitudinal research? It is expensive and cumbersome, and sticking with a topic for long periods requires great tenacity. Telles and Ortiz offer us a refreshing example in *Generations of Exclusion*, an insightful longitudinal and intergenerational study based on the Los Angeles and San Antonio urban areas.

Finding some dusty boxes in the basement of UCLA's Powell Library containing data from a 1965 survey of Mexican Americans, Telles and Ortiz recognized a fantastic research opportunity. To find out what happened to these respondents since 1965, they located and re-interviewed 684 of the nearly 1,200 respondents who were under age 50 for the original survey, along with 758 of their children. What emerges is a rich study spanning 35 years that examines many critical dimensions of assimilation and social mobility, such as socioeconomic status, ethnic identity, language, political participation, intermarriage, and residential segregation.

*Generations of Exclusion* is theoretically driven, examining how social boundaries between Mexican Americans and other

groups persist, are enhanced, or disappear over time and between generations. It situates theory in today's world and moves beyond traditional assimilation or internal colonialism theory. This book is well researched and has important policy considerations. Hispanics are the fastest growing ethnic group in the US and Mexican Americans make up their largest component. Unlike most studies that focus on the immediate impact of immigration or what is happening to the children of immigrants, *Generations of Exclusion* reveals what has happened to Mexican Americans over four generations. The PSA is proud to bestow the Distinguished Scholarship award on Edward Telles and Vilma Ortiz for their significant contribution to sociology and our greater understanding of the lives of millions of Americans.

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Richard Leo received the 2009 Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Honorable Mention for his book, *Police Interrogation and American Justice* (Harvard University Press, 2008), which provides an incisive analysis of police interrogation in the US. Based on extensive fieldwork, including observations of actual interrogations in Oakland and two northern California cities as well as police interrogation training sessions and the analysis of over two thousand felony cases, Leo examines the factors that result in police-induced false confessions during interrogations. For example, he points to the adversarial system of criminal justice in the US that results in police interrogators presenting themselves to suspects as advocates, when their actual goal is to secure a conviction. While this might not seem problematic at first glance, Leo makes the convincing case that false confessions caused by psychological manipulation and the flawed "science" of lie detection are a leading cause of wrongful convictions and the imprisonment of the innocent in the US.

Drawing on sociological research as well as psychology and legal studies, Leo provides an impressive historical account of the evolution of police interrogation in the US. Understanding the context of interrogation — including police training, methods such as "false evidence ploys," and the lack of

recording of most interrogations — proves central for explaining police-induced false confessions. Leo presents detailed descriptions of many chilling contemporary false confession cases, where people convicted of serious crimes "confessed" and were later exonerated through DNA evidence. The findings based on these tragic cases are supported by analyses of a much larger sample of false confession cases. Leo also convincingly argues that because juries and other actors in the legal system fail to understand the psychologically manipulative and coercive nature of many of these interrogations, they overvalue confessions as evidence of guilt.

Despite these serious problems, Leo does not call for the end to police interrogation. He recognizes their value in the investigation of crime and prosecution of criminals. Instead he calls for specific reforms that would ensure that far fewer people are wrongly convicted of crimes they did not commit based on police-induced confessions. These recommendations include a minimum standard of reliability for confessions that is already standard for most other kinds of evidence, such as witness statements. He proposes specific tests for assessing the reliability of confessions and hence determining their admissibility as evidence in a criminal trial. He also strongly recommends the recording of all police interrogations, from start to finish. Despite some upfront equipment costs, this recommendation would provide many benefits and legal cost savings and, most important, reduce false confessions. Other recommendations include reforming police interrogation training, jury instructions, and interrogation procedures through measures such as imposing time limits, limiting false evidence ploys, and implementing policies to protect vulnerable populations such as the mentally ill, disabled, and juveniles during interrogation.

As the US incarcerates more and more of its citizens, including a disproportionate number of marginalized populations, Leo's book provides a powerful example of how social science research can make a difference. This well-written book on an important and timely topic, with clear

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policy relevance, is valuable for anyone interested in social justice or in the sociology of deviance, criminology, and institutions.

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In *The Permanent Tax Revolt: How the Property Tax Transformed American Politics* (Stanford University Press, 2008), Isaac Martin traces the consequences of the taxpayer revolt in California in the 1970s. This regional social movement had long-term political consequences for the entire US. Tax reform politics changed after California voters passed Proposition 13's property tax restriction by a two-third majority in 1978. Its passage gave property tax reform, theretofore a bi-partisan issue, a distinctively conservative impetus. Perceiving a social movement tsunami, other states followed California's example. Then Ronald Reagan picked up and nationalized the tax reform issue, which metamorphosed into a general aversion to all taxes. Finally, the Republican Party took over this anti-tax standard and still waves it today.

But, as Martin shows, property tax restriction might have taken quite

different forms but for the federalism of the US Constitution. Tax reformers in the United States failed to obtain the abolition of property taxes, then turned to tax restriction, the winning agenda whose consequences are still with us. Britain was different. Property taxes were simply abolished in Britain under Thatcher, not restricted as in the US. Even in the United States, property taxes could have been reformed with circuit-breaker legislation that protected low-income homeowners when taxes rose too high relative to incomes. Or it could have been reformed with classification laws that permitted states to assess taxes for homeowners and business properties at different rates. Martin explains why the conservative tax restriction formula finally triumphed.

In addition to this close historical account of the process whereby a local tax revolt became national, Martin's book brings out the underlying issues that brought property tax reform to the fore in Europe as well as in the United States. The underlying issue, he shows, was administrative modernization, which threatened to diminish the tax privilege that middle class people had long enjoyed. He compares this tax privilege to a welfare benefit in that it protected middle

class homeowners against the vicissitudes of the real estate market. In this case, rising home prices were bringing higher property taxes that threatened the ability of homeowners to continue to inhabit their house and even their city.

*The Permanent Tax Revolt* displays an impressive basis in documentary and historical scholarship. The author addressed an ingenious array of sources, some quantitative, to reach his carefully crafted conclusions. He also uses international comparisons to forward the argument. The book succeeds in bridging the gap between the social sciences and the informed lay reader who wants to understand the historical background of the mortgage crisis of 2008. Martin's compelling and highly readable analysis of how property tax reform issues have played out in Europe and the US would help sociologists and the public understand our current public-funding crises as well.

As with our other two winners, this is a fascinating and important book that we thoroughly enjoyed reading. Congratulations again to the authors of these books.

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## 2009 Award Recipients

The following awards were presented at the awards ceremony held on Thursday April 9th during the annual meeting in San Diego. Thanks to all of those on the Awards Committee and the Social Conscience Committee for their work.

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Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship: Edward Telles and Vilma Ortiz for their book *Generations of Exclusion: Mexican Americans, Assimilation, and Race*

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Honorable Mention for Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship: Richard Leo for his book *Police Interrogation and American Justice*

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Honorable Mention for Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship: Issac Martin for his book *The Permanent Tax Revolt: How the Property Tax Transformed American Politics*

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Distinguished Contribution to *Sociological Perspectives*: Debbie Storrs for her article *Critical Literacy among the Working Poor: Individualism and Pseudostructural Interpretive Narratives of Health Inequalities*

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Honorable Mention for Distinguished Contribution to *Sociological Perspectives*: C. Allison Newby & Julie A. Dowling for their article *Black and Hispanic: The Racial Identification of Afro-Cuban Immigrants in the Southwest*

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Distinguished Graduate Student Paper: Kristen Barber, USC for her paper *Pretend You're Talking to a Caveman: Maintaining Masculinity in Cross-Gender Research*

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Distinguished Undergraduate Paper: Rocio Garcia, CSU Stanislaus: *Unmasking the Dynamics of Social Activism in Modern Society*

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Distinguished Contribution to Teaching: Jane Prather, CSU Northridge

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Social Conscience Award (two awards): Supportive Parents Information Network and American Indian Recruitment Programs (AIR)

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# Call for Nominations for Elected Positions and Committee Membership on the Fall 2010 Ballot

The 2009-2010 PSA Nominations Committee requests nominations for the following positions that will have vacancies on the fall 2010 ballot: President (2011-2013); Vice President (2011-2013); the Committee on Committees (2011-2014) will have three vacancies, one each from the Northern, Southern, and Central regions; the Nominations Committee (2011-2014) will have one vacancy from the Southern region; and Council (2011-2013) will have three vacancies, one each from the Southern, Central, and Northern regions and one vacancy for the Graduate Student position from the Northern region (2011-2012). For a description of each position, visit [PACIFICSOC.ORG](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG) and click on "officers" and then specific officer handbooks.

Members will elect candidates for these positions on the fall 2010 ballot. Please send names and addresses of potential candidates to the Chair of the Nominations Committee, Judith Treas, Past President ([jkteas@uci.edu](mailto:jkteas@uci.edu)). Self-nominations are welcome! The deadline for submission of names is February 1, 2010. The other members of the nominations committee are Dwaine Plaza, Oregon State University, Amy Leisenring, San Jose State, and Adalberto Aguirre, Jr, UC Riverside.



## Please Note!

Paper or abstract submissions must be made online at [pacificsoc.org](http://pacificsoc.org)

Also:

if you have recently moved, please send the PSA office ([psa@csus.edu](mailto:psa@csus.edu)) your new address if you wish to continue to receive the journal & newsletter.

## Volunteer for Committee Service

Committees are vital to the proper functioning of the Association. Each year there are vacancies on the various committees that must be filled. Each year the Committee on Committees is looking for interested and committed members who can be recommended to the President and the Council for possible appointment.

Committee Membership must represent the Southern, Central, and Northern sections of the western region. Usually there is one opening for each region on each appointed committee. Those responsible for committee appointments are always glad to know of willing volunteers. Student members are now eligible to serve on all appointed committees with the exception of the Awards Committee.

The PSA has 18 committees that members can volunteer

to serve on: endowment, membership, audit, contract monitoring, awards, status of women, status of ethnic minorities, status of gays, lesbians, bisexual and transgendered persons, teaching, freedom of research and teaching, civil liberties and civil rights, social conscience, student affairs, community colleges, and sociological practice. Members are appointed by the Council and by the President based on recommendation from the Committee on Committees. Self-nominations are acceptable. Serving on a psa Committee is an effective way to network with professional colleagues. If you are interested, please contact the PSA office [PSA@CSUS.EDU](mailto:PSA@CSUS.EDU) and indicate which committee or committees you would like to serve on. A list of committees and a description of what they do is available at [PACIFICSOC.ORG](http://PACIFICSOC.ORG) under "committees."

To serve on a committee, you must be a member in good standing.

## Call for Nominations for 2010 Awards

If you wish to submit a nomination for an award, you must supply the supporting materials and documentation detailed below for each award. While it is possible for a person, publication, etc., to be nominated in more than one year, if appropriate, no nominations or supporting materials will be carried over from year to year. It is the nominator's responsibility to submit the appropriate number of copies--listed below for each award-- of supporting materials including articles, books, letters, etc. by the nomination deadline. The deadline will be March 1, 2010 for all awards except in the case of the Distinguished Scholarship Award. The nomination deadline for that award will be December 1, 2009.

### *The 2010 Distinguished Scholarship Award*

The Pacific Sociological Association's Award for Distinguished Scholarship is granted to sociologists from the Pacific region in recognition of major intellectual contributions embodied in a recently published book or series of at least three articles on a common theme.

To be eligible for the 2010 award, a book must have been published in 2008 or later. If a nomination is based on a series of articles, the most recent article in that series must have been published in 2008 or later. The Committee does not accept nominations for the Scholarship Award from Publishers. Nominations must be from individual members of the PSA. Edited books are not eligible for this award. If a book has both a hardback and paperback copyright date and no

significant changes have been made in the book between editions, the committee will consider the earlier copyright date as the one determining eligibility for the award. Nominations for distinguished scholarship and all supporting materials must be submitted by December 1, 2009. You must provide the Committee with 4 copies of the book and/or articles.

Send Nominations for the Scholarship Award to Elaine Draper, Dept of Sociology, CSULA, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles CA 90032-8228, [edraper@calstatela.edu](mailto:edraper@calstatela.edu).

### *The 2010 Dean S. Dorn Distinguished Contributions to Teaching Award*

Individual Teaching Award: The Pacific Sociological Association honors outstanding career contributions to teaching, a series of projects, or a specific product or process, which an individual or small group of individuals in the western region have contributed to the teaching and learning of sociology. These may include:

*Products and/or processes* that enhance undergraduate and/or graduate intellectual inquiry and learning of sociology within one's own institution or beyond its campus. Examples include innovative teaching techniques, use of new technologies, service learning, distance learning, learning assessment of sociology, textbooks, publications related to teaching, teaching programs, devices or materials, laboratory designs, instructional computer packages, innovative curricular contributions or curriculum design, or workshops;

*Relevant contributions* to state, regional, or national associations;

*Activities that illuminate, educate, and nurture* public understanding and appreciation of the usefulness of the discipline and of sociological principles and research. The PSA's Distinguished Contributions to Teaching Award is given to an individual sociologist from the western region and/or to a department of sociology in the western region. The award is given to those who have developed teaching programs, curricula, or materials, which have been unusually effective in enhancing student understanding and fostering appreciation of sociology as a field of study. The grounds for nominations are open but include textbooks and other teaching materials, laboratory designs, instructional computer packages, innovative curricular contributions, and evidence of special impact on students. You must provide the Committee with three copies of the supporting documentation. For the individual teaching award, nominations should include 1. The name of the nominee, a very detailed statement with a very specific explanation of how this individual's work constitutes a [career] contribution to the teaching of sociology 2. Letters of support from individuals having direct knowledge of the nominee's contributions. 3. Copies of any teaching materials developed by the nominee (if relevant to the nomination). 4. Some evidence of the nominee's impact in the classroom (these might be student evaluations or other evidence). 5. The nominee's vita. 6. Additional supporting materials are encouraged.

*Department Contributions To Teaching Award:* The Pacific Sociological Association honors

a Department of Sociology, school, or other collective actor in the western region for its outstanding contribution to the teaching of sociology. Individual strengths and competencies combine, in consensus, to produce a single product or process or a series of projects that:

*Improve(s) the quality of undergraduate and/or graduate teaching and learning, e.g., sequential curriculum design; teaching programs, devices, or materials; service learning; distance learning; or learning assessment of sociology, etc.;*

*Relevant contributions to state, regional, or national associations;*

*Activities that illuminate, educate and nurture public understanding and appreciation of the usefulness of the discipline and of sociological principles and research. For the departmental teaching award, nominations should include evidence that supports the departmental nominee in the above categories. You must provide three copies of the evidence.*

Send nominations for the Teaching Award to: Vikas Gumbhir, Department of Sociology, Gonzaga University, 502 East Boone Ave, Spokane, WA 99258; gumbhir@gonzaga.edu

#### *2010 Distinguished Contributions to Practice Award*

The Pacific Sociological Association's Distinguished Practice Award honors sociological work in the Pacific region (whether by an academic or non-academic), which has an impact on government, business, health, or other settings not directly connected with academia. The grounds for nomination include (but are not limited to) any applied sociological activity that improves organizational performance, contributes to community betterment, and/or eases human suffering. You must provide the Committee with three copies of the supporting documentation:

1. A nominating letter, which provides an overview of the nominee's distinguished practice contributions;
2. Letters of support from individuals having direct knowledge of the nominee's distinguished contribution to sociological practice.
3. Copies of presentations at scholarly conferences, published articles, and/or grant/contract proposals, primarily authored by the nominee, which address issues in sociological practice. This award is given bi-annually.

Send nominations for the Practice Award to:

Lentina Hormel, Department of Sociology,  
PO Box 4110, University of Idaho, Moscow ID  
83844-1110; lhormel@uidaho.edu

#### *The 2010 Distinguished Contribution to Sociological Perspectives Award*

The Pacific Sociological Association's Distinguished Contribution to *Sociological Perspectives* Award honors an outstanding article published yearly in *Sociological Perspectives*. To be eligible, the article must be worthy of special recognition for outstanding scholarship and contribution to the discipline. The article must have been published in Vol. 52, 2009. This award is given annually. You must provide the Committee with three copies of the nominated article. The deadline for this nomination is March 1, 2010.

Send nominations for the *Sociological Perspectives* Award to: Teresa Ciabattari, Dept. of Sociology, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma WA 98447; ciabatta@plus.edu

#### *The 2010 Distinguished Undergraduate Student Paper Award and \$200 honorarium*

The PSA's Distinguished Student Paper Award recognizes an undergraduate student or students for a paper of high professional quality. This award includes a \$200 honorarium and two nights of lodging at the 2010 convention hotel. To be eligible a paper must be (a) worthy of special recognition for outstanding scholarship; (b) written by an undergraduate student or students in the Pacific region c) written or substantially revised in the last year; d) presented at the upcoming annual conference; and e) unpublished. Candidates for the award must provide the Committee with three copies of the paper, including an abstract, accompanied by at least one letter of support.

Send Nominations for the Undergraduate Paper Award to: Kari Lerum, University of Washington at Bothell, 18115 Campus Way, Bothell WA 98011-8246; klerum@uwb.edu

#### *The 2010 Distinguished Graduate Student Paper Award and \$200 honorarium*

The PSA's Distinguished Student Paper Award recognizes a graduate student or students for a paper of high professional quality. This award includes a \$200 honorarium and two nights of lodging at the 2010 convention hotel. To be eligible a paper must be (a) worthy of special recognition for outstanding scholarship; (b) written by a graduate student or students in the Pacific region c) written or substantially revised in the last year; d) presented at the upcoming annual conference; and e) unpublished. Candidates for the award must provide the Committee with three copies of the paper, including an abstract, accompanied by at least one letter of support.

Send nominations for the Graduate Student Paper Award to: Shari L. Dworkin, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, UCSF, 3333 California St. (LHTS 455), San Francisco CA 94143-0612; shari.dworkin@ucsf.edu

#### *Social Conscience Award*

The PSA's Social Conscience Award is given to a worthy community-based organization located in the city in which the annual meeting is held. In 2010, the annual meeting will be held in Oakland. This is a monetary award and honors a community organization based in Oakland that is engaged in providing a much-needed social service in the community. You must provide the committee with two copies of supporting documentation. The deadline for nominations for the Social Conscience Award is March 1, 2010.

Send nominations for the Social Conscience Award to: Dean S. Dorn, Dept. of Sociology, CSUS, 6000 J Street, Sacramento CA 95819-6005; psa@csus.edu

#### *the nominations process for the above awards*

Any member can place a nomination by writing directly to the Chair of the Awards Committee (Teresa Ciabattari) or to the committee member listed above for a specific award. In order to be considered you must provide the required documentation as presented above for each particular award for which there is a nomination. The deadline is March 1, 2010 for all awards except in the case of the Distinguished Scholarship Award. The nomination deadline for the scholarship award will be December 1, 2009.

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online sometime in June.

The online version contains all of the information in the printed version and in addition, articles and information on the following:

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