Preliminary Program

Georgia Sociological Association

2014 Annual Meeting

October 16-18

Sea Palms Resort and Conference Center

St. Simons Island, Georgia

THEME: Sociology Without Boundaries

 Thursday, October 16, 3:00-6:30 pm

3:00 pm Conference Registration Begins

3:00 pm Journal Editorial Board Meeting

4:00 pm BOR Advisory Committee Meeting

 Thursday 5:00-6:15 PM

***Hans Mauksch Teaching Workshop***

***Teaching beyond the Classroom: Best Practices, Challenges, and Strategies***

**Moderator**

*Sara Mason, University of North Georgia*

**Panelists**

Christy Flatt and Alan N. Burstein, Gordon State College

Daniel Farr, *Kennesaw State University*

Alison Hatch, *Armstrong Atlantic State University*

Carly Redding, University of North Georgia

Margaret H. Williamson, University of North Georgia

Thursday 6:30 pm

**GSA Executive Board meetinG**

 Friday, October 17, 8:00 am-7:00 pm

**Conference Registration –8:00AM-5:00 PM**

Friday 8:00 – 9:15 am (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 1**

**Theme: *Teaching and Learning***

**Moderator:** Donald Gregory, *Reinhardt University*

***I’m Just Not That into Research: Obstacles to Student Success in the Social Science Research Methods Course***

Gail Markle*, Kennesaw State University,* gmarkle@kennesaw.edu

***Teaching Research Methods: Quantitative Analysis of Qualitative Data***

Eliza Markley*, Kennesaw State University*, emarkley@kennesaw.edu

***History and Race: An Exercise in Empowering Sociological Imaginations***

Jennifer Padilla Wyse, *Armstrong Atlantic State University*, Jennifer.Wyse@armstrong.edu

**Session 2**

**Theme: *Here, There, and Everywhere: The Continuing Relevance of Sociology in everyday life.***

**Moderator:** Karen Young**,** *Clayton State University*

***The Continuing Anomie of Substance Abuse, Poverty, and Crime***

Darrell Campbell, *Clayton State University*

***Take Education Out of the Box!!***

Lynn Mallory, *Georgia State University*

***C. Wright Mills Theoretical “Power Structure” And It’s Influence on Organized Sports as Big Business.***

Ryan Jones, *Clayton State University*

**Session 3**

**Theme: *Critiques of the New Teaching Environment***

**Moderator:** Laurel Holland*, Georgia Gwinnett College,* lholland@ggc.edu

***The Corporatization of Education: Tales from the Front Lines.***

Laurel Holland, *Georgia Gwinnett College*, lholland@ggc.edu

***The Evolution of MOOCS and Resistance Among Higher Education Faculty?***

 ***A Distraction or New Pathways?***

Richard Newtson, *Columbus State University,*  newtson\_richard@columbusstate.edu

***Old Dogs, New Tricks: Rethinking Faculty Development***

Sara Selby, *South Georgia State College*, sara.selby@sgsc.edu

Robert Lightfoot, *South Georgia State College*

Molly Smith*, South Georgia State College*

**“Making the Transition from ‘Chair to Supervisor’**”

Paul Luken, *University of West Georgia,*

Friday 9:30 – 10:45 am (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 4**

**Theme:** ***Social class and political Participation***

**Moderator:** Winston Tripp, *University of West Georgia*

***Political Inequality over the Life Course: Examining the Effect of Social Inequality on and Protest Behavior***

Winston Tripp, *University of West Georgia*, wtripp@westga.edu

***The Effects of political Inequality on Voting***

John Belcher, *University of West Georgia*, jbelche4@my.westga.edu

**Session 5**

**Theme: *Search for a New Description of Theory***

**Moderator:** Melvyn L. Fein, *Kennesaw State University*

**The Social Generalist’s Dilemma**

Melvyn L. Fein, *Kennesaw State University* mfein@kennesaw.edu

**The Sociological Perspective Revisited**

Rodger Bates, *Clayton State University,* rodgerbates@clayton.edu

**The Ascendance of Automotive Culture: A Socio-Historical Model**

David Broad, *University of North Georgia,* david.broad@ung.edu

**Scenes from a Boston Marriage: The Blurry Line Between Cultural Producers and consumers in the World of Fan Fiction**

Michallene McDaniel, *University of North Georgia*, Michallene.Mcdaniel@ung.edu

**Session 6**

**The Student Panel**

**Moderator**: Suzanne McWhirter**,** *Kennesaw State University*

**Poverty as a Men’s Issue**

Carlynn Sharpe, *Kennesaw State University*, carlynnsharpe@gmail.com

**Comparison of Same-Crime Sentencing by Gender**

Roya Blair Jr**.,** *Kennesaw State University,* rblair8@students.kennesaw.edu

**The Case of Untested Rape Kits in Detroit**

Julie Henderson, *Kennesaw State University*, jhende52@students.kennesaw.edu

Friday 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Plenary Session I**

***The Social Construction of Gender Realities: Fatherhood and Motherhood as Historical Cases***

Dr. Ralph Edward LaRossa**,** *Professor Emeritus, Georgia State University*

**Introduction:** Ned Rinalducci, *Armstrong Atlantic State University*

Friday 12:15 – 1: 15 pm

**Business Lunch & Awards Ceremony**

*Tickets for sale at the registration desk.*

Friday 1:30 – 2:45 pm (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 7**

**Student paper session**

**Moderator**: Linda Treiber, *Kennesaw State University*

***Capital Punishment and Minorities***

Jamison Lynn Littrell**,** *University of North Georgia*

***Effects of Stress on Nutritional Health***

Nicole Atkinson, *Paine College*

***Misconceptions of Poverty***

Birgitta Alm, *University of North Georgia,* Balm0261@ung.edu

***To work or not to work: The impact of self-efficacy, self-esteem and perceptions of academics support among African American female students***

Jeanetta D. Smith, *Paine College*

***The Role of Women in the Military from Antiquity to Present Day***

Teresa M. Lambert, *University of North Georgia*

Jill Bell, *University of North Georgia*

**Session 8**

**Theme- Making Sociology Relevant**

**Moderator:** Alison Hatch, *Armstrong Atlantic State University*

***Making Sociology Real to Student***
Tim Lubben, *Kennesaw State University*,​  tlubben@kennesaw.edu

***Internships, Service Learning and External Evaluation***
Rudy K. Prine, *Valdosta State University*, rkprine@valdosta.edu

Chet Ballard, *Valdosta State University*

***The Dilemma of the African American Male: Transcending Race, Culture, and Gender in American Society***

Marva Stewart, *Paine College*, mstewart@paine.edu

Friday 3:00- 4:00 pm

**Plenary Session II**

***Scientific Methods of Inquiry for Intelligence Analysis***

***Dr. José de Arimatéia da Cruz,***

**Introduction:** Alison Hatch, *Armstrong Atlantic State University*

Friday 3:30 – 6:15 pm

**Book Exhibit**

**(Coffee Break -** Sponsored by *Pearson)*

Friday 4:15 – 5:30 pm (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 9**

**Theme – *Criminology and Subjectivity of Crime***

**Moderator:** Denise Woodall, *University of North Georgia*

***“I am a Criminal?” Deconstructing the Criminal “Other” through a Criminal Activities Checklist Class Exercise***

Denise Woodall, *University of North Georgia,* *denise.woodall@ung.edu*

***Florida’s Stand Your Ground Law: Enforcement Inconsistencies and Inherent Ambiguities***

Albert E. McCormick, Jr**.**, M2 Research and Consulting, amccormick919@comcast.net

***6th Amendment Right to Counsel for Death Row Cases (Georgia Death Row Inmate Cases Reviewed)***

Steven R. Greer, *Clayton State University,* sgreer1@student.clayton.edu

**Session 10**

**Panel: *Teaching Gender: Activities, Assignments, and Learning***

**Moderator**: Daniel Farr, *Kennesaw State University*

***“Questioning Sex: The Instructor’s “Trans” Body”***

Daniel Farr, *Kennesaw State University* (dfarr4@kennesaw.edu)

***“Gender & Work: Using EEOC Cases to Teach Sexual Harassment and Gender & Pregnancy Discrimination”***

Darina Lepadatu (dlepadat@kennesaw.edu)

***“Recognizing Gender Through Cultural Artifacts”***

 Gail Markle, *Kennesaw State University* (gmarkle@kennesaw.edu)

***“Gender Violence: Using case studies to teach gender violence******across***

Eliza Markley, *Kennesaw State University* (emarkley@kennesaw.edu)

***“What Can Barbie Teach Us About Gender?”***

 Linda Treiber, *Kennesaw State University* (ltreiber@kennesaw.edu)

**Session 11**

**Moderator:** Michallene McDaniel, *University of North Georgia*

**Theme: *Religion and Personality***

***What Would Jesus Score (on the NEO-PI)?: The relationship between Personality and Religiosity***

Michallene McDaniel, *University of North Georgia*

**The Blame Game: How Religious Beliefs Affect Perceptions of Poverty**

Melinda D. Johnson, *University of North Georgia,* mdjohn6977@ung.edu

**Reception (cash bar open) 5:45pm-7:00pm**

Saturday, October 18

**Conference Registration 8:00 AM -11:00 AM**

Saturday 8:00 – 9:15 am (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 12**

**Theme*– Globalization***

**Moderator:** Tom Lehman *,Paine College*

***Globalization- a mixed bag on ‘the High Ground’?***

Tom Lehman, *Paine College,* tlehman@paine.edu

***The Acultration of student-athletes to US Universities***

 Claudia Stura, *Kennesaw State University,* cstura@kennesaw.edu

***Forget Boundaries of Time and Space: Long-Distance Relationships of the Twenty-First Century***

Orsolya Kolozsvar, *College of Coastal Georgia*, okolozsvari@ccga.edu

*“****Their faces will always remind me of the hearts that changed me forever”: Addressing the Problem of Human Trafficking through International Service Learning***

Carly Redding, *University of North Georgia*, Carly.Redding@ung.edu

Anjana Freeman, *University of North Georgia*

Melinda D. Johnson, *University of North Georgia*

***Global Issues: an Overview***

Purna Mohanty, *Paine College*, pmohanty@paine.edu

**Session 13**

***Workshop:*  Designing Study Abroad Programs**

Don’t forget to pack the sociologist! Designing International Trips as a Single or Interdisciplinary adventure.

**Presenters:**

Donald Gregory, *Reinhardt University*, DG2@reinhardt.edu

Cheryl Brown, *Reinhardt University*

Saturday 9:30 – 10:45 am (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 14**

**Theme*– Applying Sociology; In and Outside Classroom***

**Moderator:** Tracy Woodard, *Valdosta State University*, tmeyers@valdosta.edu

Taking it Out of the Classroom: Social Justice Activism on Campus and in the Community

 Tracy Woodard, Valdosta State University, tmeyers@valdosta.edu

W***orking Towards Livable Communities: Teaching Applied Sociology for Undergraduates***

Anne Price*, Valdosta State University*, annprice@valdosta.edu

**Session 15**

**Theme*– Demography***

**Moderator:** Jennifer P. Wyse

***Population Growth in India***

Philip Thomas, *Paine College,* pthomas@paine.edu

***Public Housing Relocation of Older Adults in Atlanta: Challenging the Aging in Place Concept***

Laquanda Jackson, *Georgia State University*, ljack08@emory.edu

***Migration without Means: Inequality of disaster***

Aron Hall, *University of West Georgia, Email*: ahall23@my.westga.edu

***Demographic Change from 2000 to 2012 in Cobb, Forsyth, and Gwinnett Counties***

Rita B. Thomson, *Georgia State University*, rita@atrt.org

**Session 16**

**Workshop: Parental Involvement: Engaging a Father’s Role in the Social and Psychological Development of our Daughters**

**Presenter:** Ivan Page**,** *Albany State WorkUniversity*, ivan.page@asurams.edu

Saturday 11:00 am – 12:15 pm (Concurrent Sessions)

**Session 17**

**Theme- *Health***

**Moderator:** Christy Flatt**,** *Gordon State College*

***Self-Rated Health, Pro-Choice Ideology, and Attitudes Toward Physician-Assisted Suicide in the United States***

Brandon K. Attell, *Georgia State University*, battell1@gsu.edu

Jacob E. Allen, *Kennesaw State University*, jalle126@students.kennesaw.edu

***The Relationship between Childhood Trauma and Adult Mental Distress:***

***Rural and Urban Influences***

Jessica Ziembroski, *Georgia Regents University*; jziembroski@gru.edu

**Session 18**

**Round Table: *Autopsy of the Mergers, Follow up***

**Moderator:** Robert Lightfoot, *South Georgia State College*

***An overview and discussion of the merger process from another year’s perspective.***

Robert Lightfoot, *South Georgia State College,* Robert.lightfoot@sgsc.edu

***The Dialectics of Consolidation: Utopia, Dystopia and Creativity at the University of North Georgia***

*George Danns, University of North Georgia,* George.danns@ung.edu

Saturday 1:00 pm

**Incoming and Outgoing Executive Committee Meeting and Lunch**