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SPECIAL PRE- CONFERENCE EDITION

Pacific Sociological Association's 94th Annual Meeting

Thursday, March 30 to Sunday, April 2, 2023
Hyatt Regency Bellevue (on Seattle's Eastside)

We will Do Better and Other Myths: Social Institutions and the Maintenance of Oppression

Land Acknowledgement

The 2023 PSA conference will take place on the traditional and occupied land of the Coast Salish Peoples – past, present, and future – that includes but is not limited to: Snoqualmie, Suquamish, Duwamish, Nisqually, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot (Smulkamish, Stkamish, Skopamish, and Upper Puyallup). We honor their connection to the region, pay respect to Coast Salish Elders past and present, and stand in solidarity through their struggles with continued systemic oppression. (Adapted from Bellevue College's land acknowledgement)

A Few of our Program Highlights...

Alexis Harris (University of Washington), is the keynote for the **Sociological Star Speaker Series** for this year's conference, **Thursday 4:00-5:30 pm**.

Amanda Lewis (University of Illinois, Chicago), Presidential Keynote speaker will present, **Schools as Race-Making Institutions: Advancing Racial Justice or Reproducing Hierarchy?**, **Friday, 10:45 am-12:15 pm**.

A screening and discussion of sociologist and filmmaker **Marta Lopez-Garza's** (California State University, Northridge) film, **When Will the Punishment End?**, **Friday, 12:30-2:00 pm**.

PSA Awards Ceremony and President Shirley A. Jackson's (Portland State University) Presidential Address, "A Dystopian Post- Post-Civil Rights Era: Black Lives Matter and the Rhetoric of Change" **Saturday, 4:00-5:30 pm**.

Author(s) Meet Critics sessions include:

Saida Grundy (Boston University), author of *Respectable: Politics and Paradox in Making the Morehouse Man* (University of California Press), **Friday 12:30-2:00 pm**.

Oliver Rollins (University of Washington), author of *Conviction: The Making and Unmaking of the Violent Brain* (Stanford University Press), **Saturday 10:45-12:15 pm**.

Reshmi Dutt-Ballerstadt (Linfield College), co-editor (with Kakali Bhattacharya (University of Florida)), *Civility, Free Speech, and Academic Freedom in Higher Education: Faculty on the Margins* (Routledge), **Sunday 10:45 am-12:15 pm**.

2023 PSA Endowment Fund Silent Auction and Donations Request

After a two-year hiatus, the Silent Auction is back!

We look forward to welcoming you to the Pacific Sociological Association's 94th Annual Conference in Bellevue, Washington, from March 30 to April 2, 2023. The Endowment Committee is proud to sponsor this Silent Auction initiative, the proceeds from which will provide Student Travel Grants to the PSA. Providing support to our graduate and undergraduate students is an ongoing commitment of the PSA, continuing in the pursuit of our mission to motivate and support the next generation of sociologists.

We ask you to consider contributing one or more items that will be up for bidding in the auction. Suggested items include candy, coffee, books, framed art, and hand-made clothing items. The items do not need to be expensive, but they should be small and portable. Use the link below to register your commitment to provide a Silent Auction item.

There will be designated auction tables in the registration area where items can be checked in. Auction-bid sheets will indicate the name of the donor and the minimum bid for each item. The bidding period will close on Saturday evening, and the items must be picked up and paid for by noon on Sunday, April 2. Winning bidders can pay by cash, check, or credit card.

Additionally, members may also support the Endowment Fund through an online donation to the PSA (e-store), easily available when renewing your PSA membership. Please help us increase funding towards Student Travel Grants Awards.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference, and we thank you for your continued support of the PSA Endowment Fund!

Sincerely,

PSA Endowment Committee

Jose Munoz, California State University San Bernardino, Chair
Bobbi-Lee Smart, Cerritos College
Steven Ortiz, Oregon State University
Rachel Soper, CSU Channel Islands



Register your commitment to bring an item here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1u-VSjxz-HYjuhN0Xwh2wO69wotTuzvl1LhvT-drKViQ/edit?ts=6377de21>

Whova—The PSA Conference App Platform

Conservation and cost are concerns that affect us all. This year's PSA meeting will not have tote bags or paper programs. We encourage members to use the conference app Whova. For those who have already paid for the conference, you should have received an email regarding how to use the app for mobile devices and as a web portal. We will work with attendees who require assistance (See "Childcare and Accessibility Support for the 2023 Conference?" on page 4).

Alpha Kappa Delta Sponsored Sessions on Teaching & Learning

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Join us for one or more AKD sponsored sessions at the Pacific Sociological Association's 2023 annual meeting.

THURS. MARCH 30
2:15-3:45PM

Inclusive Designs: Innovative Pedagogical and Curricular Approaches

- Informal Knowledge: Undergraduate Students of Color and the Cost of Assumption by Faculty
- Exploring Perceptions of Belonging on Campus
- The "Being" of Being Queer: Queer Consciousness/ Queer Mentoring
- Belonging Equals Better Grades: Unintended Student Learning Communities and College Success
- Practical Flipped Classroom Techniques: Fostering In-Person Discussions Based on Required Readings

SATURDAY, APRIL 1
10:45AM-12:15PM

Pathways to Mentoring, Training, and Research

- The CASCADIA Charter Fellows Mentoring Model for Minority Undergraduate Students
- How Personal and Professional Motivations Impact Research Values
- Enhancing Survey Research Methods for English Learner Populations
- Building Rapport with Immigrant Students: Best Practices for Embedding Undergraduate Research Assistants and Engaging with American Secondary Schools

SATURDAY, APRIL 1
10:45AM-12:15PM

Getting Jobs in Academia

Panel with presenters from different types of institutions with experience being a candidate or on the search committee

SUNDAY, APRIL 2
10:45AM-12:15PM

Transformative Learning and Pedagogy Across Contexts

- Using Body Testimonios in the Classroom for Transformative Learning
- Interrogating Race and Ideologies of Whiteness: Beyond Tick-boxes and Trainings
- Developing Social Activists: Nonviolence Training as a Pathway



Visit pacificsoc.org for more info about sessions and to register

In Memoriam Announcements at the Meetings

With our hectic lives, many of which have been spent largely remotely over the last year, we may have lost touch with our fellow sociologists who have passed. If you know of a sociologist we have lost in the last year, please contact the PSA President, Shirley A. Jackson at shja2@pdx.edu, so that we may acknowledge them Friday evening. Thank you.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT—PSA Executive Director

The Pacific Sociological Association announces an opening for the position of Executive Director (ED). This includes paid service to PSA in a half-time or three-quarter time position.

ED job duties include serving as a visible presence for PSA to promote the organization and serve as a liaison with other professional sociology organizations. This position requires leadership skills and prior experience leading academic teams, working with a diverse body of faculty members, and practicing the values important to PSA. Specific duties include working with the PSA Administrative Officer, PSA Council, and Committees to monitor policy development, governance issues, and training for new Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs. This position will work closely with PSA Officers to manage organizational initiatives, membership, conference program, organization contracts and agreements, and fundraising strategies. Tasks include: collaborating with Publications Committee on the *Pacific Sociologist* newsletter working with the editors of *Sociological Perspectives*, including contract negotiations, contributing to budget development and fiscal management, assisting with data analytics, membership communication, and technology needs. The ED is expected to attend the Annual Meeting.

We invite the ED to recruit a part-time PSA Administrative Officer (AO). The AO position can assist with the administrative side of PSA, including annual duties such as budget oversight, membership communication, and planning of the annual meeting. Details on the division of labor between the ED and AO will be negotiated between the prospective ED, AO, and PSA Council.

Compensation includes salary and travel funds. The starting salary for half-time begins at \$40,000 and \$60,000 for three-quarter time. Where applicable, an MOU will be created between the host institution or agency and the PSA regarding the location of the PSA Executive Office site and an estimated budget specifying costs for release-time and other expenses for the applicant and operating expenses for the office. (As noted, institutional support information should be corroborated by a letter from an official with budgetary authority.) Applications received by **April 30, 2023**, will receive full consideration. The Search Committee will screen applications with attention to affirmative action and cultural diversity, as well as qualifications of the applicant and resources available from the applicant's institution. Finalists will be interviewed by the Search Committee by **May 15, 2023**. The contract can begin **June 15, 2023 (preferably no later than July 1)** to coincide with the start of the fiscal year.

Interested applicants may apply by submitting a letter of interest, CV, names and contact information for three references. The letter of interest should include a statement of the applicant's vision for the future of PSA and ability to fulfill the duties of the Executive Officer. Application materials should be sent to Dr. Christie Batson (Search Committee Chair), Christie.batson@unlv.edu.

Childcare and Accessibility Support for the 2023 Conference

PSA has allocated funds to support conference participants who need childcare or content accessibility supports. We need to hear from you what you need, so that we can plan appropriately. Possibilities for childcare include provision of onsite care by the hour, care at a nearby location, and reimbursement for childcare in your home community. We need advance information to arrange providers in or near the hotel, like how many children and their ages, and duration of care needed (how many hours and days).

We require advance information in order to arrange supports for content accessibility, such as for hearing or vision needs. Please send your request to the interim executive director at executivedirector@pacificsoc.org.

Fee Information for the 2023 Conference

PSA offers a membership-only rate for persons who want to maintain their membership but do not plan to attend the conference, and a registration-only rate for persons who are attending but not presenting at the conference. Members receive the organization's journal and newsletter while those without a membership do not.

All persons presenting at the conference are required to pay both membership and registration fees. These two fees, membership and registration, will be offered as a combined purchase to make it easier for people to know they are all paid up and hopefully support their ability to get more of their fees covered by their institutions.

	Membership Only	Conference Registration Only	Presenters/ Participants (Membership and Registration)
Students	\$25	\$30	\$55
Faculty and other professionals with <\$40k annual income	\$30	\$70	\$100
Faculty and other professionals with \$40k to \$80k annual income	\$45	\$80	\$125
Faculty and other professionals with >\$80k annual income	\$75	\$100	\$175
Emerita/Emeritus and retired	\$50	\$100	\$150

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