



Wednesday, 30 July

8am **Panel : EXEC**
RSS Executive Council Meeting (outgoing)
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

Executive Council Meeting

8am **Workshop : FIELD1**
Field Trip: 'Sustainable Food Systems in an Urban Landscape' hosted by SAFRIG & NRRIG
 Venue - OTHER

8am **Workshop : FIELD2**
Fieldtrip: Mining, Moguls, and Millionaires: Natural Resource Dependencies & Community Wellbeing in Park City:
 Venue - OTHER 2

12pm **General : FLEX**
FLEX Space
 Venue - Bonneville (FLEX)

12pm **General : REGISTER**
Registration
 Venue - Registration

5pm **Keynote : PRESADD**
Presidential Address: Dr. Kenneth L. Robinson
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

» Kenneth Robinson (Clemson University)

6:30pm **General : PRESREC**
Presidential Reception
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

Presidential Reception

Thursday, 31 July

7am **General : FLEX**
FLEX Space
 Venue - Bonneville (FLEX)

8am **General : GRADBKST**
Graduate Student Breakfast
 Venue - Summit

8:30am **General : REGISTER**
Registration
 Venue - Registration



Continued from **Thursday, 31 July**

9am **Oral : NRSP1**
LIFT: A Cross-Sector Network to Uplift Stakeholder Participation in Renewable Energy Development presentation and interactive workshop
Venue - Grand Ballroom
 Organised by: Weston Eaton (Convenor, Panel Chair)

9am **Oral : POP1**
Advanced Methodologies & Innovative Approaches for Rural Studies
Venue - Wasatch

The Legacy of the One-Child Policy: A Causal Analysis of the Inter-generational Transmission of Fertility in China

» [Yiding Han](#)¹, [Zhangxu Xia](#)², [Minghao Li](#)³, [Jia Cao](#)⁴ (1. Jilin Agriculture University, 2. Chongqing University, 3. New Mexico State University, 4. Renmin University of China)

Migration and Remote Work

» [Richelle Winkler](#)¹, [Austin Sanders](#)¹ (1. USDA Economic Research Service)

Temporary relocation or permanent migration? Varied migration responses during the COVID-19 pandemic

» [Peter Nelson](#)¹, [John Cromartie](#)² (1. Middlebury College, 2. USDA Economic Research Service)

The impact of precise geographic adjustments on the Supplemental Poverty Measure

» [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹, [Darcy Sullivan](#)¹, [Matthew Brooks](#)², [Regina Baker](#)³ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center, 2. Florida State University, 3. University of North Carolina)

Rural-Urban Variation in Informal Work: A Contemporary Portrait

» [Leif Jensen](#)¹, [Emily Southard](#)¹, [Ann Tickamyer](#)¹, [Tim Slack](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Louisiana State University)

9am **Oral : SAF1**
Rethinking How We Support the Farm Sector
Venue - Seminar Theater

Rethinking how we support the farm sector: Shedding light on farm families' social and economic conditions

» [Florence Becot](#)¹, [Andrew Smolski](#)¹, [Analena Bruce](#)², [Chris Morris](#)³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. University of New Hampshire, 3. Iowa State University)

Rethinking how we support the farm sector: Narratives of Household Composition and the Shifting Grounds of Resilience for the Integrated Farm Household and Enterprise

» [Andrew Smolski](#)¹, [Michael Schulman](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. North Carolina State University)

Rethinking how we support the farm sector: What does farm viability mean to the operators of small and mid-sized farms in New England?

» [Analena Bruce](#)¹ (1. University of New Hampshire)

Rethinking how we support the farm sector: Future directions for research and policy: Insights from research on collective trauma among farmers and their communities

» [Chris Morris](#)¹, [J. Arbuckle](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

9am **Oral : AEX3**
Social Structures and Rural Voices: Analyzing Networks for Community Insight
Venue - Canyon-A

After the Storm: Evaluating Crisis Debriefing for Extension Agents Post- Hurricane Helene

» [McKayla Robinette](#)¹ (1. North Carolina Agromedicine Institute)

Effectiveness of Mass Media for Extreme Weather Warnings to Farmers in Flood-Prone Areas in North-Central Nigeria

» [Sidigat Aderinoye-Abdulwahab](#)¹, [Lateef Adefalu](#)¹, [Kaothar Kaoyode Azeez](#)¹, [Halimah Egbewole](#)¹ (1. University of Ilorin)



Continued from **Thursday, 31 July**

"We are many in the field": A Case Study of Collective Learning and Action in Rwandan Farmer Field Schools

» [Micah Metts-Houston](#)¹, [Marjorie Visser](#)¹, [Vikram Koundinya](#)¹, [Amanda Crump](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

Social Network Analysis of honey production communication in Southwest, Nigeria

» [Kaothar Kaoyode Azeez](#)¹, [Sidiqat Aderinoye-Abdulwahab](#)¹, [Tawakalitu Abiola Dolapo](#)¹, [Halimah Egbewole](#)¹ (1. University of Ilorin)

9am

Oral : NRS1

Natural Resource Management in the U.S. South

Venue - Canyon-B

Consuming a Chronic Poverty County

» [Lisa R. Pruitt](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

Towards a mental model of interactions between non-hunting public and deer populations in rural communities

» [Neelam Poudyal](#)¹, [Carrera Romanini](#)¹ (1. University of Tennessee)

Planning for the Future: What Drives Forest Legacy Decisions in the Southern United States?

» [Rajan Parajuli](#)¹ (1. North Carolina State University)

Industry Perspectives and Rural Livelihoods: The Forest Products Industry, the Rural Workforce, and Rural Communities in Alabama

» [Matthew Zinsli](#)¹, [Kelli Jackson Russell](#)¹, [Mykel Taylor](#)¹, [Garrett Antonio Martinez](#)¹, [Amelia Pugh](#)¹ (1. Auburn University)

Using a Delphi study to integrate human dimension variables into agricultural modeling to project future cropland under climate change in the Central and Southern US

» [Kaustubh Kumar](#)¹, [Douglas Jackson-Smith](#)¹ (1. The Ohio State University)

9am

Oral : CHF1

Health & Place

Venue - Canyon-C

Rural-Urban Health Disparities: A Longitudinal Analysis of Environmental and Demographic Influences

» [Taryn Frerichs](#)¹, [Michael Cope](#)¹, [Scott Sanders](#)¹, [Carol Ward](#)¹ (1. Brigham Young University)

A Comprehensive Analysis of Trends in Health Facility Deliveries Across Time, Region, and Sociodemographic Characteristics

» [Tessa Johnson](#)¹, [Hayley Pierce](#)¹ (1. Brigham Young University)

Assessing Community Vulnerability from COVID-19 Using Tapestry Segmentation Area Profile Analysis

» [Jade Zimpfer](#)¹, [Amanda Scarbrough](#)², [Falguni Mukherjee](#)² (1. Arkansas Colleges of Health Education, 2. Sam Houston State University)

Sociological Insights into Family Planning Utilization and Barriers Among Rural Women in Nigeria: An Exploratory Mixed-Methods Study

» [Sunday Ogunjimi](#)¹, [Abiodun Ajala](#)¹, [Oluwatomiwa Awoyemi](#)¹ (1. Federal University Oye-Ekiti)

Anxiety, Long-Term Care Concerns, and the Need for Support in Japan's Marginal Villages

» [Atsuko Kawakami](#)¹ (1. Tarleton State University)

9am

Oral : RRE1

Structural Racism in the Rural Context

Venue - Salon 2

9am

Oral : RLJP2

Visions for Future: Recentering Community in Rural Law & Policy

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: Emma Scott (Convenor), Jessica Shoemaker (Discussant), Ann Eisenberg (Discussant), and Hiba Hafiz (Discussant)



Continued from **Thursday, 31 July**

10:30am **Oral : SAFP3**
The Future of Intellectual Property on Agricultural Crops
Venue - Grand Ballroom
 Organised by: Leland Glenna (Convenor)

Reading the fine print: Understanding the role of seed licensing agreements in a highly concentrated industry

» [Kiki Hubbard](#)¹, Paulina Jenney¹, Julie Dawson¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

The Future of Intellectual Property on Agricultural Crops: Data blanks by design, and the diffusion of the U.S. industrial maize model in Mexico and forms of resistance

» [Cathleen McCluskey](#)¹, William Tracy¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

When the Patent Bargain Fails: An examination of patents on plant varieties and the consequences for follow-on innovation

» [Paulina Jenney](#)¹, [Liza Wood](#)², Julie Dawson¹, Kiki Hubbard¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2. University of Exeter)

10:30am **Oral : SAF12**
Feeding Communities: Perspectives on Local Foodways & Food Justice
Venue - Wasatch

Is there a type of person who buys local food? Building a broader and more diverse customer base for New England farms

» [Analena Bruce](#)¹, Hannah Stokes-Ramos¹, Cindy Zheng¹, Jess Carson¹ (1. University of New Hampshire)

Identifying the Importance of Informal Foodways to Rural Food Justice in Michigan's Western Upper Peninsula

» [Angie Carter](#)¹, Hongmei Lu² (1. Michigan Technological University, 2. Utrecht University)

Smallholder farmer's engagement with agroforestry practices in Nigeria: Implications for food security and agri-food systems

» [Ayorinde Ogunyiola](#)¹ (1. Murray State University)

The Limits of Urban Agricultural Independence: A Caloric Well Analysis Approach to Measuring Demand, Land Capacity, and Food Production Needs

» [Gregory Fulkerson](#)¹, Alexander Thomas¹, Apurva Apurva¹ (1. SUNY Oneonta)

10:30am **Oral : SAF2**
Farmers at the Margins: Black, Latin@ & Women Farmers
Venue - Seminar Theater

Black Agrarianism: Southern SARE and the 1890s

» [Douglas H. Constance](#)¹, Jeff Jordan² (1. Sam Houston State University, 2. University of Georgia, Griffin)

Farming While Retired: Black Farmers' Effort to Keep Farming Culture Alive

» [Gbenga Elufisan](#)¹ (1. Mississippi State University)

Symbolic Commitments or Structural Change? Examining DEI Policies in Agricultural Outreach for Latino Farmers in the Northeast

» [Francisco Reyes](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Would Changing the Players, Change the Game? The Role of Women in Sustainable Agriculture in the U.S.

» [Alexandra Jefferies](#)¹, Douglas Jackson-Smith¹ (1. The Ohio State University)

Latine Farmworker Recruitment and Community Wellbeing in Ohio

» [Isaiah Franco](#)¹, Douglas Jackson-Smith¹ (1. The Ohio State University)

10:30am **Oral : RLJ3**
Access to Justice in Legal Deserts
Venue - Canyon-A



Continued from **Thursday, 31 July**

“I Can’t Get Real Lawyers”: Rural Legal Deserts and Justice-Involved Individuals

» [Jennifer Sherman](#)¹, Jennifer Schwartz¹ (1. Washington State University)

Urban-Rural Differences in Domestic Violence Protective Order Processes and Outcomes

» [Cassie Chambers Armstrong](#)¹ (1. University of Louisville, Brandeis School of Law)

The Legal Vulnerability Index: Informing Access to Justice Interventions

» [Brian Farrell](#)¹, Daria Fisher Page¹, Ryan Sakoda¹ (1. University of Iowa)

Understanding Rural Legal Deserts to Inform Public Policy: Identifying Lawyer Gaps in Non-Metropolitan Counties

» [David Peters](#)¹, Emma Bartling¹, Emily Meyer¹ (1. Iowa State University)

10:30am

Oral : CHF2

Reimagining Rural Health

Venue - Canyon-B

Exploring the Role of African Feminist Theories in Decolonizing Healthcare Policies in Rural Nigerian Communities

» [Edidiong Ekoriko](#)¹ (1. Akwa Ibom State University)

Harnessing Indigenous Knowledge for Sustainable Healthcare: Sociological Insights into the Ethnobotanical Treatment of Diabetes in Kwara State, Nigeria

» [Tajudeen Amusa](#)¹ (1. University of Ilorin)

“Sometimes it’s all too much!” Decisions to access health care in rural southeast Australia

» [Lisa Bourke](#)¹ (1. University of Melbourne)

Harnessing the Power of Awe: Dark Skies as Tools for Mental Health in Rural Communities

» Troy Allan¹, [Sadie Wilde](#)¹, [Anna Gilliam](#)¹ (1. Utah State University Extension)

Rethinking Perspectives: Misconceptions about Anti-Vaxxers within Black Communities in the Context of COVID-19 and Covid-19 Vaccine

» [Pearson Nkhoma](#)¹ (1. Goldsmiths, University of London)

10:30am

Oral : IDS1

Confronting Climate Challenges: Insights, Innovation & Adaptation

Venue - Canyon-C

State, society, and the legacies of colonization are the root causes of adaptation barriers: Insights from coastal Bangladesh

» [Saleh Ahmed](#)¹, Elizabeth Eklund² (1. Michigan State University, 2. Purdue University)

Debt and Development: Financial Inclusion, Climate Vulnerability, and Agrarian Change in the Guatemalan Highlands

» [Ryan Isakson](#)¹ (1. University of Toronto)

Evaluating Apiculture as a climate smart and poverty alleviation strategy

» [Fridah Mubichi-Kut](#)¹ (1. Cornell University)

10:30am

Oral : YED2

Politics of and Policy In Education

Venue - Salon 2

The Politics of Place: How State-Level Policies Influence Post-Graduation Residential Choices of College Students

» [Raeven Chandler](#)¹, [Emily Wornell](#)², Ellen Whitehead² (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2. Ball State University)

Financial Inequities Between Rural School District Funding: A National Geospatial Analysis

» [Joshua Almes](#)¹, Kai Schafft¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)



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Beyond the Original Contour: Reimagining Land Use on Central Appalachia's Reclaimed Surface Mines

» [Maya Weinberg](#)¹, Kaitlyn Spangler¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

10:30am **Oral : CHFP1**
Rural Reproductive Justice

Venue - Salon 3

Organised by: Jordan Jackson (Convenor)

10:30am **Oral : TCUP1**
Panel Session on Faculty-led Travel Courses: Considerations, Challenges, and Opportunities

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: Sonja Lindberg (Convenor, Discussant, Panel Chair), Michael Branch (Convenor, Discussant, Panel Chair), Dr. Ramesh Balayara (Discussant), and Ms. Maggie Norton (Discussant)

12pm **General : LUNCH**
LUNCH

Venue - Grand Ballroom

1:15pm **Keynote : KEYNOTE**
Keynote: Dr. Norbert Wilson

Venue - Grand Ballroom

2:30pm **Oral : RSEP1**
A Conversation with Rural Sociology Co-Editors

Venue - Grand Ballroom

Organised by: Kathryn Brasier (Convenor), Elizabeth Ransom (Convenor), Leif Jensen (Convenor), and Ellie Martin (Convenor)

2:30pm **Oral : POP2**
Transformative in Rural Demographics & Migration

Venue - Wasatch

Analyzing Rural Community Change in the 21st Century: An Update & Expansion of the New West-Old West Typology

» [Alexander Theophilus](#)¹, Jessica Schad¹, Courtney Flint¹, Richelle Winkler², Richard Rushforth³ (1. Utah State University, 2. USDA Economic Research Service, 3. Northern Arizona University)

Millennials' Decisions to Stay in Rural Communities: Exploring Gender Differences and Key Influencing Factors

» [Zuzana Bednarik](#)¹, İlkyay Unay-Gailhard² (1. Purdue University, 2. The Pennsylvania State University)

Informal help and support practices for older adults in rural areas in Poland and the U.S.

» [Ilona Matysiak](#)¹ (1. Maria Grzegorzewska University)

The Growing Diversity in Rural Children's Living Arrangements: Trends by Rurality, Race/Ethnicity, and Region

» [Shelley Clark](#)¹, Matthew Brooks² (1. McGill University, 2. Florida State University)

Divergent Paths, Convergent Futures of Rural Places and Populations

» Paige Kelly¹, Kristina Brant¹, [Gloria Mangoni](#)¹, [Jihyun Shin](#)¹, Katherine J. Curtis², John Green³, Danielle Rhubarth¹, Sreedhar Upendram⁴ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. University of Wisconsin, Madison, 3. Southern Rural Development Center, Mississippi State University, 4. The University of Tennessee)



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2:30pm

Oral : SAF3

Roots of Inequality: Social Struggles & Structural Barriers in Rural Agriculture

Venue - Seminar Theater

“We’re treated like criminals”: Pennsylvania farm employer perspectives on worker housing

» [Kathleen Sexsmith](#)¹, [Maria Gorgo-Simcox](#)¹, [Adrian Barragan](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Food Insecurity and Recovery in Rural Virginia

» [Alivia Turner](#)¹, [Aysha Bodenhamer](#)¹ (1. Radford University)

Unveiling The Silent Struggle: Socio-Economic Determinants of Domestic Violence among Rural Women Crop Farmers in Ogun State, Nigeria

» [Oluwakemi Fapojuwo](#)¹, [Babatunde Okubena](#)¹, [Olanshile Sulaimon](#)², [Olaoluwa Adebayo](#)³ (1. Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, 2. Lagos State University, 3. Federal College of Forestry)

Exploring social and economic barriers in adoption and expansion of agricultural technologies in woliatta zone, southern Ethiopia

» [Akalework Mengesha](#)¹ (1. Woliatta Sodo Univeristy)

Can agroecology transcend class contradictions? A case study from Malawi

» [Sidney Madsen](#)¹ (1. University of California, Santa Cruz)

2:30pm

Oral : GES2

Gender, Development, & Rural Transformation

Venue - Canyon-A

Gendered pathways into farming: Challenges of new generation women Farmers in Southwest France.

» [Chloé Le Brun](#)¹, [Dr. Alexis ANNES](#)¹ (1. Université de Toulouse)

Female Headship and Girls’ Education: Exploring Heterogeneous Impacts of South Africa’s Child Support Grant

» [Megan Gash](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

Digital Transformation and Rural Women: Precarity and Promises

» [Debarashmi Mitra](#)¹ (1. Central New Mexico Community College)

Gender dimension of entrepreneurial interest among final year tertiary students in Ondo State, Nigeria

» [Oluwafunmilayo Aminu](#)¹, [Boluwatife Fajumo](#)² (1. Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, 2. University of Ibadan)

2:30pm

Oral : NRS2

Natural Resource Management in the U.S. West

Venue - Canyon-B

Settler-colonial governance environments influence how Indigenous co-stewardship relationships initiate and develop in NOAA’s National Marine Sanctuary system

» [Emma Chiaroni](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Engagement, Consent & Community Wellbeing in Changing Coal Communities in Utah

» [Alexandrea Sherman](#)¹, [Stacia Ryder](#)², [Jessica Schad](#)², [Ashley Yaughner](#)¹, [Deseret Weeks](#)², [Caitlin McLennan](#)³ (1. Utah State University Extension, 2. Utah State University, 3. United Today Stronger Tomorrow)

Common and Diverse Challenges of Vulnerable Communities with Wildfires in Rural California

» [Diego Thompson](#)¹ (1. Mississippi State University)

Renewable Energy from Waste: Another Extractive Resource?

» [Dianna Bryant](#)¹, [Patrick Craig](#)² (1. Mid-America Regional Council Solid Waste Management District, 2. Salt Lake County Solid Waste)

Factors influencing civic capacity to address wildfire risk in rural communities: insights from Patagonia, AZ

» [Catrin Edgeley](#)¹, [Travis Paveglio](#)² (1. Utah State University, 2. University of Idaho)



Continued from **Thursday, 31 July**

2:30pm **Oral : CHF3**
Wellbeing & Work
Venue - Canyon-C

Occupational Health Hazards in Sex-Segregated Industries: Risk to Workers and Their Partners Across Rural and Urban Contexts

» [Jordana Clayton](#)¹ (1. University of Utah)

Grazing Strategies and Producer Wellbeing in US Cow-Calf Production

» [Jonathan Vivas](#)¹ (1. Michigan State University)

Impacts of Chronic Pain on Wellbeing in Working-age Adults by Race and Rurality

» [Madelyn Verno](#)¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center)

Kinship Identities and Public Narratives of Rural Working-Class White Women

» [Kaylee Boney](#)¹ (1. Case Western Reserve University)

2:30pm **Oral : TCU2**
Researching Rural Challenges: Methods, Innovation & Social Inequality
Venue - Salon 2

Qualitatively Researching Hard-to-Reach Rural Populations: Challenges and Opportunities

» [Whitney Shervey](#)¹ (1. Washington State University)

Opportunities and Limitations in Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Rural Sociological Research

» [Zubair Barkat](#)¹, [Jessica Schad](#)¹ (1. Utah State University)

The relevance of rural sociology in academia: views from the dark side

» [Laszlo Kulcsar](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Assessing the Causes and Socio-Economic Effects of Barsh Abuse in the Rural Areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

» [Sameer Ul Khalig Jan](#)¹, [Ahmad Ali](#)² (1. Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University, 2. Abdul Wali Khan University Mardan)

2:30pm **Oral : TCUP3**
Teaching Amidst Uncertainty: Building Dialogue Across Rural Divides
Venue - Salon 3

Organised by: [Michael Branch](#) (Convenor, Discussant, Panel Chair), [Dr. Sonja Lindberg](#) (Convenor, Discussant), [Chris Morris](#) (Discussant), and [Amit Anshumali](#) (Discussant)

Rural Feminisms and Queer Lives: Reframing Gender and Sexuality in the Classroom

» [Michael Branch](#)¹ (1. Hartwick College)

Contested Issues and Difficult Conversations: Teaching DEI, Race, and Gender in Rural Contexts

» [Chris Morris](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

"We've been taught to think this way": challenging rural stereotypes at an urban liberal arts college

» [Emelie K. Peine](#)¹ (1. University of Puget Sound)

2:30pm **Oral : SAFP1**
Missouri School Perspectives: Looking Back and Looking Forward
Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: [Eleanor Green](#) (Convenor, Discussant)

Contributions to the Study of Corporate Concentration in Agriculture

» [Douglas H. Constance](#)¹ (1. Sam Houston State University)

Contributions of Bill Heffernan's Work in Understanding and Informing Intellectual Property

» [Leland Glenna](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)



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Exploring Bill Heffernan's work on Broader Issues of Rural Development

» [Eleanor Green](#)¹ (1. Mississippi State University)

Contributions to Understanding the Farm Crisis

» [Mary Hendrickson](#)¹ (1. University of Missouri)

4pm

Keynote : PLENARY1

On the Legacy of US Rural Development in the Age of Trump: Perspectives of Rural Sociologists

Venue - Grand Ballroom

Organised by: Stephen Gasteyer (Convenor, Panel Chair) and Douglas H. Constance (Convenor)

Friday, 1 August

7am

General : FLEX

FLEX Space

Venue - Bonneville (FLEX)

7:15am

General : TCUBUS

TCU RIG Business Meeting

Venue - Salon 2

7:30am

General : SAFBUS

SAFRIG Business Meeting

Venue - Wasatch

7:30am

General : YERVBUS

YERV RIG Business meeting

Venue - Canyon-C

8:30am

General : REGISTER

Registration

Venue - Registration

9am

Oral : POPP1

Rural America in the 2020s: Shocks, Stressors, and Successes - An Overview of the RSS Decennial Volume

Venue - Grand Ballroom

Organised by: Shannon Monnat (Convenor, Panel Chair) and John Green (Convenor)

Natural Resource Dependencies in Rural America: National Trends and Community Perspectives on Wellbeing

» [Jessica Schad](#)¹, [J. Tom Mueller](#)², [Alexander Theophilus](#)¹, [Madelyn Verno](#)², [Kristen Koci](#)¹ (1. Utah State University, 2. University of Kansas Medical Center)

Rural Law and Justice

» [Lisa R. Pruitt](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

Water in Rural America: A Discussion of Rights, Policy, Injustice, and Scarcity

» [Madelyn Verno](#)¹, [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center)



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Climate – Class – Capitalism: Shocks and Stressors across Rural Housing Landscapes

» [Peter Nelson](#)¹ (1. Middlebury College)

American Agriculture in the 2020s: Contradictions, Disasters, and Resilience

» [Rebecca Schewe](#)¹ (1. National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition)

Rural Industries and Livelihoods

» [David Peters](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

Rural Health and Mortality

» [Danielle Rhubar](#)¹, [Kristina Brant](#)¹, [Alexis Santos](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Energy and Energy Transitions in the Rural United States

» [Weston Eaton](#)¹, [Kathryn Brasier](#)² (1. National Renewable Energy Laboratory, 2. The Pennsylvania State University)

Digital Infrastructure and Use

» [Dr. Roberto Gallardo](#)¹, [Dr. Lionel Beaulieu](#)¹ (1. Purdue University)

Demographic Trends in Rural America

» [Kenneth Johnson](#)¹ (1. University of New Hampshire)

Migration and Immigration Patterns in Rural America

» [Shaun Golding](#)¹, [Richelle Winkler](#)² (1. U.S. General Services Administration, 2. USDA Economic Research Service)

Poverty and Income Inequality in Rural America

» [Leif Jensen](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Understanding Policy in Rural Communities: Exploring the Importance of Local Governments and their Policy Responses

» [Paige Kelly](#)¹, [Linda Lobao](#)², [Amanda McMillan Lequieu](#)³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. The Ohio State University, 3. Drexel University)

9am

Oral : AEX2

From Algorithms to Agrarian Insights: Research Methodologies and AI in Rural Sociology

Venue - Wasatch

NourishSmart, A Food Waste Reduction Program: Pilot Results of Educator Trainings

» [Palak Gupta](#)¹, [Carson Johnson](#)¹ (1. Utah State University Extension)

Does Rural Resonate? Using Rural-Tailored Communications to Recruit Survey Panel Participants

» [Pierce Greenberg](#)¹, [Jason Kosakow](#)² (1. Clemson University, 2. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond)

You're out of touch; I'm out of time: Investigating survey burden among organic farmers in the Internet age.

» [Joe Hollis](#)¹, [Katie Dentzman](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

Moving Beyond Word Clouds: Using AI in Qualitative Data Analysis Software to Assist in the Analysis of Extension Impact Data

» [Amelia Pugh](#)¹, [Garrett Antonio Martinez](#)¹, [Kelli Jackson Russell](#)¹ (1. Auburn University)

Artificial Intelligence in Rural Sociology: Evaluating GPT-4 for Qualitative Analysis of Sense of Place in Working Landscapes

» [Zubair Barkat](#)¹, [Jessica Schad](#)¹ (1. Utah State University)

9am

Oral : SAF13/RPV1

Land, Labor & Livelihoods: Rural Poverty & Change (w/ Rural Poverty RIG)

Venue - Seminar Theater



Continued from **Friday, 1 August**

The Economy Food Plan Revisited: The Political Economy of Agriculture and Poverty

» [Aimee Imlay](#)¹ (1. Mississippi State University)

Configuring an Agricultural Appalachia: Agrarian Rural Development in Central Appalachia from 1960s-present

» [Natasha Shannon](#)¹ (1. University of California, Berkeley)

Shifts in Smallholder Agriculture: Geographic and Socioeconomic Determinants of Farm Numbers in Taiwan

» [Hui-Ju Kuo](#)¹ (1. National Taiwan University)

The Division of Property in Society: Accumulation and Fragmentation in Law and Culture of Land Ownership

» [Debbie Becher](#)¹ (1. Barnard College, Columbia University)

9am **Oral : AMRP1**

Authors Meet Readers: Rural and Small-Town America: Context, Composition, and Complexities

Venue - Canyon-A

Organised by: Tim Slack (Convenor)

9am **Oral : NRS3**

Natural Resource Management in the Great Plains & American West

Venue - Canyon-B

Messaging Collaboration

» [Alan Barton](#)¹ (1. New Mexico Forest & Watershed Restoration Institute, Highlands University)

Modeling the Relationship between Bedrock Lithology, Land Use, Settlement, and the Uneven Distribution of Health-Related Water Quality Issues in Oklahoma and Kansas

» [Madelyn Verno](#)¹, [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹, [Caitlin Hodges](#)² (1. University of Kansas Medical Center, 2. University of Oklahoma)

Decoupling direct payment to create a long-term vision from rural communities

» [Ryanne Pilgeram](#)¹ (1. The Wilderness Society)

Networks of People, Plants, and Animals: Using Participatory Network Mapping to Explore Community-Based Conservation

» [John Canfield](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

Nostalgia and Place Identity in Rural Montana under Amenity Migration and Concentrated Ownership

» [Elizabeth Bennett](#)¹, [Jessica Schad](#)¹ (1. Utah State University)

9am

Oral : AEX1

From Field to Framework: Applied Rural Sociology in Agricultural Outreach

Venue - Canyon-C

The challenges of working in rural and urban areas – perspectives from federal environmental and land management social scientists

» [Candace May](#)¹, [Marissa Matsler](#)¹ (1. US Environmental Protection Agency)

The importance and relevance of farm succession planning

» [Emma Smith](#)¹, [Maria Boerngen](#)¹ (1. Illinois State University)

Strengthening Resource Access Through Collaborative Networks: Insights from an Asset-Based Workshop for Extension Professionals and Food System Practitioners

» [Andrew Smolski](#)¹, [McKayla Robinette](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. North Carolina Agromedicine Institute)

Is the U.S. cover crop seed industry ready for projected adoption rates? An industry snapshot

» [Kelly Wilson](#)¹, [Mary Hendrickson](#)¹ (1. University of Missouri)

Agricultural Conservation Extension in Pennsylvania: Applied Rural Sociology

» [Erin Trouba](#)¹ (1. Penn State Extension)



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9am **Oral : TCU1**
Pedagogies of Place: Teaching Sustainability & Rural Knowledge
 Venue - Salon 2

Education for Nowhere or Education for Somewhere?
 » [Jenny Seelig](#)¹ (1. NORC at the University of Chicago)

Culturally responsive science teaching: Exploring predictors of teacher efforts to leverage local phenomena
 » [Laura Wheeler](#)¹ (1. Brigham Young University)

Engaging with the Rural: Challenges and Pedagogical Intervention
 » [Shamsher Singh](#)¹ (1. FLAME university)

Braiding Indigenous Knowledge, Rural Traditions, and the Sociology of Science in Rural Education
 » [Leanne Avery](#)¹ (1. SUNY Oneonta)

Teaching Sustainability: Milk Cartons, Eco-labels, and Sustainability Competencies
 » [Jeff Sharp](#)¹, Taylor Valentine¹, Tim Jaquet¹ (1. The Ohio State University)

9am **Oral : IDSP1**
Developing (Inspiring) the next generation of international scholars
 Venue - Salon 3
 Organised by: Fridah Mubichi-Kut (Convenor, Panel Chair)

10:30am **Keynote : PLENARY2**
Plenary: Indigenous Land Stewardship
 Venue - Grand Ballroom
 Organised by: Jessica Schad

12pm **General : LUNCH**
LUNCH
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

1:15pm **Oral : POP5**
Navigating the Federal Statistical Research Data Centers: Resources for Rural Sociological Research
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

Navigating the Federal Statistical Research Data Centers: Resources for Rural Sociological Research
 » [Samuel Mindes](#)¹, Lori Kowaleski-Jones² (1. Iowa State University, 2. University of Utah)

1:15pm **Oral : SAF11**
Farming the Future: Perspectives from Farmers & Stakeholders
 Venue - Wasatch

Farmers' Perceptions of Climate Change and its Impact on Farm Practices
 » [Elizabeth Ransom](#)¹, Rudolf Messner², Carol Richards² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Queensland University of Technology)

Who is Mother Nature? Understanding Young Farmers' Visions of Mother Nature in the US and France
 » [Ilkay Unay-Gailhard](#)¹, Stefano De Paoli² (1. The Pennsylvania State University and Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), 2. Abertay University)

Midwestern farmers' perspectives on climate change: A meta-analysis review to inform communication and outreach strategies.
 » [Elizabeth Ortiz](#)¹, J. Arbuckle¹ (1. Iowa State University)



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Evaluating stakeholder priorities in the adoption of high yielding, genome-edited hybrid rice in India

» [Shriya Rangarajan](#)¹, Elizabeth Njuguna¹ (1. University of California, Berkeley)

Future Orientation and Sustainable Rice Farming in the Southern United States

» [Mark Schafer](#)¹, Carine Villasanti¹, Claire Thomas¹, Xiaoxu Yang¹ (1. Louisiana State University)

1:15pm

Oral : SAF5

Sowing the Future: New Frontiers in Regenerative & Sustainable Agriculture

Venue - Seminar Theater

From Movement to Policy: The Social Dynamics and Tensions in Defining Regenerative Agriculture

» [Nicolas Goncalves](#)¹, Tea Lempiala¹ (1. University of California, Merced)

Building Agricultural Sustainability in the Population-Land Nexus

» [Chenyujing Yang](#)¹, Guangqing Chi², Yongji Xue¹ (1. Beijing Forestry University, 2. The Pennsylvania State University)

Organic as a Baseline versus Wide Net Approach to Regenerative

» [Rachel Soper](#)¹ (1. California State University, Channel Islands)

Sowing Regeneration: Metabolic Soil Restoration in Tuality Plains Agriculture

» [Lacey Bishop](#)¹, Brett Clark¹ (1. The University of Utah)

Exploring the Role of Inner Development Goal Skills in Sustainable Agricultural Practices

» [Shiva Soroushnia](#)¹, David Conner¹, Josh Taylor¹ (1. University of Vermont)

1:15pm

Oral : GES1

Queer Ruralities, Colonial Legacies & Community Resistance

Venue - Canyon-A

Homosexuality in Malawi and the Global South: The Colonial Legacy

» [Pearson Nkhoma](#)¹ (1. Goldsmiths, University of London)

Building a Queer Refuge in Rural China

» [Leo Chao](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

Disproportionate Support: Discovering Rural-Urban Differences in Social Support for LGBTQ Individuals

» [Tyson Hallman](#)¹, Weiwei Zhang¹ (1. South Dakota State University)

Queering Spaces in Rural Places: Investigations into Rural LGBTQ+ Community Building and Connection

» [Brianna Dym](#)¹ (1. Northeastern University)

1:15pm

Oral : CHF4

Environmental Risks

Venue - Canyon-B

Predicting Urban and Rural Utahns' Protective Behaviors Related to Air Pollution Through an Examination of Risk Perception and Efficacy

» [Cris Meier](#)¹, Sydney O'Shay¹, Bailey Hughlett¹ (1. Utah State University)

Climate Fatalism: Making Sense of Climate Change Through Science and Religion

» [Jane Ahn](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

Spatial Interdependence of Sociodemographic Characteristics and Wildfire Expected Annual Losses in California

» [Kristopher Young](#)¹ (1. The University of Utah)



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Healthcare and Social Ecological Needs and for Rural Communities After an Environmental Catastrophe

» [Julia Terhune](#)¹ (1. Michigan State University)

Rooted in Resilience: Environmental Concerns and Community Dynamics in Appalachia's Coal Country

» [Terence Asitibasi](#)¹ (1. Clemson University)

1:15pm

Oral : TCUP2

Qualitatively Researching Hard-to-Reach Rural Populations: Challenges and Opportunities

Venue - Canyon-C

Organised by: Jennifer Sherman (Convenor), Asher Plummer (Convenor), Ish Green (Convenor), Whitney Shervey (Convenor), and Michelle Weston (Convenor)

1:15pm

Oral : RPL1

Rural Well-Being and Social Services

Venue - Salon 2

Does caregiver well-being differ by rurality and state policy environment? Identifying a well-being typology for rural, suburban, and urban caregivers

» [Elena Pojman](#)¹, [Florence Becot](#)¹, [Zuzana Bednarik](#)², [Carrie Henning-Smith](#)³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Purdue University, 3. University of Minnesota)

The Social Safety-Net in Rural and Urban Communities

» [Paige Kelly](#)¹, [Linda Lobao](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. The Ohio State University)

Policy, Place, and Perception: Examining the VA's Community Care Program for Farmer-Veterans

» [McKayla Robinette](#)¹ (1. North Carolina Agromedicine Institute)

Understanding the relationship between informal work, rurality, and political affiliation

» [Emily Southard](#)¹, [Leif Jensen](#)¹, [Ann Tickamyer](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

1:15pm

Oral : IDS3

Transforming Rural Landscapes: Power, Progress & Sociology

Venue - Salon 3

Sustaining Development Gains: The Role of Private Service Providers in Rural CHT, Bangladesh

» [Lila Khatiwada](#)¹ (1. Pulte Institute, University of Notre Dame)

State of Rural Sociology in Central America: An Emerging Academic Field

» [Francisco Reyes](#)¹, [Arie Sanders](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Zamorano University)

Institutional ethnography as an insider without: The case of a Botswana climate change research study

» [Wandipa Mualefhe](#)¹ (1. Michigan Technological University)

Agent of Empire: Reflections on Learning, Provocation and Assessment in Rural Development

» [Keith Moore](#)¹ (1. Virginia Tech)

Emerging Rural Dualities: Rethinking Power, Agency, and Methodologies in Rural Sociology

» [Hassan Shahraki](#)¹ (1. Carleton University)

1:15pm

Oral : RLJP1

Hot Topics Roundtable - Understanding Policy Shifts Under the New Administration

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: Emma Scott (Convenor)



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2:45pm

Oral : TCUP4

Teaching Tools Lightning Presentations

Venue - Grand Ballroom

Organised by: Michael Branch (Convenor, Discussant, Panel Chair) and Dr. Sonja Lindberg (Convenor, Discussant)

AI as a Learning Tool and Teaching Assistant

» [Sonja Lindberg](#)¹ (1. Grinnell College)

Strategies for Information Processing through Critical Thinking with Students

» [Amit Anshumali](#)¹ (1. Florida State University)

Grading for Learning: Alternative Approaches to Student Assessment

» [Michael Branch](#)¹ (1. Hartwick College)

Student activity to address misperceptions between students of varying backgrounds

» [Maria Boerngen](#)¹ (1. Illinois State University)

Evaluating Pedagogy: Critically Challenging Proposed Benefits of the Team-Based Learning Classroom

» [Misty Harris](#)¹, Jaime Chek¹ (1. University at Buffalo, Singapore)

2:45pm

Oral : SAF4

Agricultural Policy, Governance, and Contradictions Between Democracy and Corporate Influence

Venue - Wasatch

China Confronts Japan's Discharge of Treated Nuclear Wastewater: Managing Crises in Rural Communities by Manipulating Seafood Safety and Risk in an Authoritarian Agro-Food Regime

» [Yue Xu](#)¹ (1. Colorado State University)

Monopolies Bad, Government Bad, Monopolies + Government = Worse: Farmer Perceptions of Remedies for Consolidated Markets

» [Mary Hendrickson](#)¹, Mallory Daily¹ (1. University of Missouri)

Accelerating the treadmill through state violence: Meatpacking and COVID-19

» [Dr. Annabel Ipsen](#)¹ (1. University of Oklahoma)

Big Business as Dependent Business: The Global Dimensions of Co-Ownership Between Agrochemical Conglomerations

» [Loka Ashwood](#)¹, Mohammad Khalilian², Andy Pilny², Mary Hendrickson³, Phil Howard⁴, Mariyam Jamila² (1. University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2. University of Kentucky, 3. University of Missouri, 4. Michigan State University)

Geographical Indications and Coloniality: Rethinking Place-Based Protections in the Global South

» Sarah Bowen¹, [Sarita Gaytan](#)² (1. North Carolina State University, 2. The University of Utah)

2:45pm

Oral : POP3

Healthcare Access & Outcomes in Rural America

Venue - Seminar Theater

The Impact of Medicaid Expansion on Prescription Opioid Dispensing Rates

» [Elizabeth Bambury](#)¹, J. Tom Mueller¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center)

The Growth of Health-Vulnerable and Health-Protective Living Arrangements among Older Adults in Rural America

» [Matthew Brooks](#)¹, Shelley Clark² (1. Florida State University, 2. McGill University)

An Alternative Path to Health Insurance? The Impact of Medicaid Expansion on SSI Participation

» [Darcy Sullivan](#)¹, Matthew Brooks², Regina Baker³, J. Tom Mueller¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center, 2. Florida State University, 3. University of North Carolina)



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Variations in Non-COVID-19 Excess Mortality Across and Within the Rural-Urban Continuum in U.S. Counties

» [Raeven Chandler](#)¹, Malia Jones¹, Saloni Bhogale¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

COVID's Impact on Natural Change in Rural and Urban America

» [Kenneth Johnson](#)¹ (1. University of New Hampshire)

2:45pm

Oral : RLJ2

Legal Infrastructure & Its Impact on Rural America

Venue - Canyon-A

The State, Rurality, and Abolitionist Counterhegemony

» [Zachary Kyle](#)¹ (1. University of Illinois at Chicago)

Faith, Family, and Firearms: The No Compromise Gun Rights Movement and the Normalization of Nationalism

» [Nicholas Demerly](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Community Carcerality and Poverty Governance

» [Sarah Walton](#)¹, Linda Lobao² (1. University of Maine, 2. The Ohio State University)

Faith-Based Organizations and Restorative Justice Practice

» [Jewrell Rivers](#)¹, Shani Wilfred² (1. Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, 2. Valdosta State University)

Exploring Clouded Lands: A Spatial Regression of Heirs Property Across the United States

» [Ryan Thomson](#)¹, Conner Bailey¹ (1. Auburn University)

2:45pm

Oral : NRS4

Natural Resource Management in the Midwest

Venue - Canyon-B

Rural Household Water and Sanitation Security – Digital Tools and Community Engagement

» [Stephen Gasteyer](#)¹, Autumn Bland¹, Hikmatu Lalaki Awudu¹ (1. Michigan State University)

Beneficial Electrification in the Rural North: Challenges and Opportunities

» [Nelly Aghaei](#)¹, Chelsea Schelly¹ (1. Michigan Technological University)

Attitudes toward distributed energy systems in Iowa and Nebraska

» [Weston Eaton](#)¹, Mark Burbach², J. Arbuckle³ (1. National Renewable Energy Laboratory, 2. University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 3. Iowa State University)

Testing Longitudinal Change in Modified Sense of Place, Social Responsibility and Natural Responsibility in the Great Plains

» [Shuang Li](#)¹, [Jessica Schad](#)² (1. North Carolina A & T State University, 2. Utah State University)

An Assessment of the Impact of an Innovative and Interactive Real-World Farm Management Competition on First-time Participants

» [Mark Burbach](#)¹, Stephanie Kennedy¹ (1. University of Nebraska, Lincoln)

2:45pm

Oral : CHF5

Housing & Opportunity

Venue - Canyon-C

The Spatial Diffusion of Rural Livability Across the Urban-Rural Interface

» [Danielle Schmidt](#)¹, McKenzie Boyce¹, Tessa Conroy¹, Steven Deller¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

“It’s bad all over”: The Housing Crunch in a Great Lakes Beach Town

» [Samuel Mindes](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)



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Advocacy or Complicity? Affordable Housing Development in Rural Communities

» [Laurel Hicke](#)¹ (1. University of Chicago)

Local Perspectives on Community Identity, Place, and Opportunities in Two Transitioning Rural Indiana Communities

» [Matthew Haan](#)¹, Mark Tucker¹ (1. Purdue University)

Moving in and out of Housing Insecurity: Pathways and Processes

» [Erin Gaede](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

2:45pm

Oral : RPL2

Rural Economic Policy & Agricultural Development

Venue - Salon 2

Barriers faced by Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers —Policy Center Research Analyst Update

» [Kara Woods](#)¹ (1. SDFR Policy Research Center)

What's the problem Idaho?: A multiple streams analysis of Idaho's Agricultural Protection Area Bill

» [Gwénaëlle d'Aumale](#)¹, Rebecca Som Castellano¹, Jen Schneider¹, Vicken Hillis¹, Jodi Brandt¹ (1. Boise State University)

Tempo-spatial analysis of rural gentrification in Tennessee

» [Sreedhar Upendram](#)¹, Serkan Varol², Charlie Mix², Serkan Catma³, James Mingie¹ (1. The University of Tennessee, 2. University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, 3. University of South Carolina, Beaufort)

Leveraging Rural Identity to Revive Two-Party Politics in Rural America

» [Lisa R. Pruitt](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

2:45pm

Oral : YED1

Teaching & Teachers Across Rural Contexts

Venue - Salon 3

Multilingual learners developing English: How schooling in rural California impacts learning outcomes

» [Heather Price](#)¹, Dion Burns¹ (1. Learning Policy Institute)

How does family affect high school students' career aspirations in rural Utah?

» [Tsai Yu Hsieh](#)¹, Eric Bybee¹, erin feinauer whiting¹ (1. Brigham Young University)

Using Technology-Mediated Lesson Study: Rural Teachers Collaborate to Improve Three-Dimensional Science Teaching Practices

» [Heather Leary](#)¹, Michelle Hudson¹, Max Longhurst², Josh Stowers¹, Rebecca Sansom³, Clara Smith¹, Austin Moore² (1. Brigham Young University, 2. Utah State University, 3. Texas A&M University)

Impacts of Four-Day School Weeks on Teacher Recruitment and Retention and Student Attendance: Evidence from Colorado

» Emily Morton¹, [Emma Dewil](#)² (1. CALDER, American Institutes for Research, 2. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

2:45pm

Oral : SAF2

Discussion forum: how can rural sociologists respond to the challenges of the current moment?

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: Analena Bruce (Convenor)

Ethics in Rural Sociology

» [Amanda Crump](#)¹, Leanne Avery², Andrew Smolski³, Alexander Theophilus⁴, Leland Glenna³ (1. University of California, Davis, 2. SUNY Oneonta, 3. The Pennsylvania State University, 4. Utah State University)

4:15pm

Poster : POST

Poster Session with Authors

Venue - Alpine



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6pm **General : DEPN**
RSS Department Night
 Venue - Trofi patio restaurant

Saturday, 2 August

7am **General : FLEX**
FLEX Space
 Venue - Bonneville (FLEX)

8am **Workshop : RPLP1**
Workshop: Crafting Equitable Rural Policy Under Scrutiny
 Venue - Grand Ballroom

Workshop: Crafting equitable rural policy under scrutiny
 » [Kayleigh Ward](#)¹ (1. Northeastern University)

8:30am **Oral : SAF10**
Data, Decisions & Democracy: Governing the Future of Agriculture
 Venue - Wasatch

Impacts of Potential Neonicotinoid Regulations on Pest Management Strategies and Use of Decision Support Tools in U.S. Potato Production

» [Edem Avemegah](#)¹, [Jessica Goldberger](#)¹, [Derek Franklin](#)², [Katie Dentzman](#)² (1. Washington State University, 2. Iowa State University)

Exploring Landowner Motivations and Bridging Knowledge Gaps to Improve Decision-Making in the U.S. Conservation Reserve Program

» [Daniel Egerson](#)¹, [Bradly Thornton](#)², [Shannon Westlake](#)³, [Mark McConnell](#)¹, [Sathishkumar Samiappan](#)⁴, [Amanda Sesser](#)⁵, [Diego Thompson](#)¹, [Rishita Garg](#)¹, [Anthony Collini](#)¹, [Reshma Mandli](#)¹, [Yong Liang](#)¹, [Leann Hopper](#)¹, [Kristine Evans](#)¹ (1. Mississippi State University, 2. University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 3. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region, 4. The University of Tennessee, 5. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Science Application)

Reflection on the transformative capacity of sustainability metrics and data-driven governance in agriculture

» [Maki Hatanaka](#)¹, [Jason Konefal](#)¹, [Evelien de Olde](#)² (1. University of Vermont, 2. Wageningen University)

Public Perceptions of Gene-Edited Livestock Labels and Governance

» [David Peters](#)¹, [Emily Meyer](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

8:30am **Oral : SAF7**
Cultivating Questions: Science for System Change in Agriculture
 Venue - Seminar Theater

"There's so much we don't know we don't know:" Peer Learning Among Beginning Farmers in Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula

» [Angie Carter](#)¹ (1. Michigan Technological University)

In the Greenhouse: A Multispecies Analysis of Scale, Technology, and Rationality in Agriculture

» [Jimmy Robinson](#)¹ (1. University of Kentucky)

Community Engagement and the co-creation/co-production of science for policy development and strategizing system change

» [Mary Emery](#)¹ (1. University of Nebraska, Lincoln)

Qu(e)rying the US Census of Agriculture

» [Katie Dentzman](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)



Continued from **Saturday, 2 August**

Participant Perspectives on Scientific Collaboration: Impact, Opportunities, and Challenges

» [Mark Schafer](#)¹, Claire Thomas¹, Carine Villasanti¹, Xiaoxu Yang¹ (1. Louisiana State University)

8:30am

Oral : RPL3

Climate, Energy & Policy Influence

Venue - Canyon-A

Standing with the Status Quo? How Social Connections to Energy Resources Shape Response to Energy Transition Efforts

» [Lazarus Adua](#)¹, Brett Clark¹ (1. The University of Utah)

Split in the Ranks? The Divergent Influence of Business Entities on U.S. Localities' Adoption of Climate Policy

» [Lazarus Adua](#)¹, [Linda Lobao](#)² (1. The University of Utah, 2. The Ohio State University)

Water Governance and Economic Inequality: A Comparative Analysis of SDG 6 Compliance Across Six Countries

» [Keia Jones](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Whose Low-Carbon Future, Which Sustainability?: Reforming Rurality Through China's Carbon Trading Policies and Ecological Product Value System in the Era of Climate Change

» [Yue Xu](#)¹, KuoRay Mao¹ (1. Colorado State University)

8:30am

Oral : NRSS

Infrastructure, Risk & Socio-Environmental Impacts

Venue - Canyon-B

Health and socio-economic impacts of dam releases in Nigeria: Evaluating population impacts and supporting climate-resilient infrastructure management

» Mook Bangalore¹, [Jordan Jackson](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Sharing solar sites: Farmer perceptions, preferences, and interest in agrivoltaics in rural New York State

» [Kathryn Walsh](#)¹, Richard Stedman¹, David Kay¹ (1. Cornell University)

"Ithai Barrage destroys our livelihoods" The case study of Loktak Lake in Manipur

» [Thounaojam Somokanta](#)¹ (1. Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur)

Institutional Corruption and Environmental Crime in Rural Ghana: A Social Disorganization Analysis on Critical Mineral Extraction

» [Raymond Appiah](#)¹ (1. The University of Utah)

Aging and Wildfire Risk to Communities

» [Richelle Winkler](#)¹, Miranda Mockrin² (1. USDA Economic Research Service, 2. USDA Forest Service)

8:30am

Oral : CHF6

Investigating Community Ties

Venue - Canyon-C

Relationship Building: Connect With Confidence

» [Stephanie Thoma](#)¹ (1. N/A)

Local News Deserts and Community Social Capital Erosion

» Tess Haddock¹, [K. Aleks Schaefer](#)¹, Brian Whitacre¹, Trey Malone² (1. Oklahoma State University, 2. Purdue University)

Participation of Rural Youths in Community Development Projects in Ekiti State, Nigeria

» [Olajumoke Alabi](#)¹, Chioma Ogiri¹, Mmaduabuchukwu Mkpado¹ (1. Federal University Oye Ekiti)

W. E. B. DuBois and Communities: Stars and Veils

» [J. Lynn England](#)¹ (1. Utah Valley University)

8:30am

Oral : IDS2

Empowering Communities: Gender, Sustainability & Development

Venue - Salon 2



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Mexico's Newest Geographical Indication: Sustainable Development or Disarticulation?

» [Clayton Szczech](#)¹ (1. The University of Utah)

Assessing the gendered gaps in the Colombian agricultural education and outreach system

» [Alejandra Gomez](#)¹, [Kaitlyn Spangler](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Impact of agricultural mechanization on women empowerment in Northern Senegal

» [Maimouna Boubacar Salou](#)¹, [Fridah Mubichi-Kut](#)¹ (1. Cornell University)

Challenging Patriarchy through Credit: Assessing Microfinance's Role in Women Empowerment and Rural Development in Malawi

» [Tughaniwe Silawe](#)¹, [Pearson Nkhoma](#)² (1. University of Malawi, 2. Goldsmiths, University of London)

Connecting Rural Residents with Resources: The Influence of Motorcycle Accessibility on Anemia Rates in South and Southeast Asian Countries

» [Hannah Hendricks](#)¹, [Elizabeth Long-Meek](#)¹, [Jonathan Muir](#)², [Michael Cope](#)¹, [Scott Sanders](#)¹ (1. Brigham Young University, 2. Emory University)

8:30am

Oral : ELDRP1

From the Ashes of the US International Rural Development Regime: Perspectives from Elder Rural Sociologists

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: [Stephen Gasteyer](#) (Convenor) and [Douglas H. Constance](#) (Convenor, Panel Chair)

8:30am

General : REGISTER Registration

Venue - Registration

10am

Oral : RREP1

PANEL: Studying Race and Ethnicity In the Current Political Environment

Venue - Grand Ballroom

10am

Oral : POP4

Policy & Program Impacts on Rural Socioeconomic Dynamics

Venue - Wasatch

Heterogeneity in Medicaid Expansion and Maternal Mortality: Rurality, Race, and Disability

» [Darcy Sullivan](#)¹, [Matthew Brooks](#)², [Regina Baker](#)³, [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center, 2. Florida State University, 3. University of North Carolina)

Variation in Spatial Access to Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs for Older Adults in the United States

» [Elizabeth Bambury](#)¹, [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹, [Elizabeth Ablah](#)¹, [Sharon Fitzgerald Wolff](#)¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center)

Depopulation and the Polling Booth: Political Participation in a Declining Rural America

» [Meghann Norden-Bright](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

Motivations for Nonstandard Work in Rural America

» [Jean Hardy](#)¹, [Amanda McMillan Lequieu](#)², [Ellen Whitehead](#)³, [Justin Schupp](#)⁴, [Emily Wornell](#)³ (1. Michigan State University, 2. Drexel University, 3. Ball State University, 4. Wheaton College)

The Case for Rural America - A new book in the Rural Studies Series coming Fall 2025

» [J. Tom Mueller](#)¹ (1. University of Kansas Medical Center)

10am

Oral : SAF6

More than a Job: Stress, Care, & Support in Agricultural Work

Venue - Seminar Theater



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Caregiving Along the Life Course Among Farming Households

» [Emily Southard](#)¹, Florence Becot¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Financial and mental health challenges in agriculture: Key informants' perspectives on farmers' ability and willingness to seek help

» Sarah Ruzskowski¹, [Florence Becot](#)¹, Andrea Bjornestad², Carrie Henning-Smith³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. South Dakota State University, 3. University of Minnesota)

Articulated Social Positions and the Embeddedness of Landscapes of Support for Farmers Navigating Stress

» [Andrew Smolski](#)¹, [Michael Schulman](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. North Carolina State University)

Investigating Farming Health Hazards and Safety Strategies among Cocoa Farmers in Ekiti -State, Nigeria.

» [Olufunke Olatunji](#)¹, Abiodun Ajala¹, Olajumoke Alabi¹ (1. Federal University Oye Ekiti)

What Does It Mean to Care in Industrial Agriculture?

» [Diana Mincyte](#)¹, Aiste Bartkiene², Renata Bikauskaite², Ieva Sakelaite², Pia Piroshka Otte³ (1. City University of New York, 2. Vilnius University, 3. RURALIS)

10am

Oral : GES3

Gendered Violence, Rural Health, & Feminist Praxis

Venue - Canyon-A

Gender-Based Violence and Climate Change in Rural Communities of La Paz, Honduras

» [Andres Mayorga](#)¹, Kathleen Sexsmith¹, Sara Bonilla², Arie Sanders³, Francis Mclean³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. CGIAR, 3. Zamorano University)

Navigating Healthcare as Latina Farmworkers: Gendered Barriers, Workplace Expectations, and Structural Exclusions

» [Hazel Velasco Palacios](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Gender, COVID, and Science: A Five Country Comparative Analysis

» [Claire Thomas](#)¹, Mark Schafer¹ (1. Louisiana State University)

Loteria as a Participatory Research Method

» Ana Zepeda¹, [Amanda Crump](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

10am

Oral : CHF7

Rural Culture and Relationships

Venue - Canyon-B

Crisis averted... this week: Feeling the economic, health, and cultural precarity in Nova Scotia through Sullivan's Crossing

» [Kelly Diaz](#)¹ (1. Swarthmore College)

"Land, Legacy, and Local Voices: Community Stories of Bears Ears"

» [Greta Asay](#)¹, Michael Cope¹ (1. Brigham Young University)

Sociology of and in Appalachia: Intersectional Insights and Interventions from the Mountains

» Rachel Terman¹, [Kathryn Engle](#)² (1. Ohio University, 2. University of Kentucky)

Iron in the Country: Finding Literature about Guns and Rurality

» [Abraham Neis-Eldridge](#)¹, Julie N. Zimmerman¹ (1. University of Kentucky)

Matrimonial Weakness, Traditional familial folkways and Divorce in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

» [Ahmad Ali](#)¹, Sameerul Khaliq Jan² (1. Abdul Wali Khan University Mardan, 2. Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University)

10am

Oral : RLJ1

Visions for the Future: Recentering Community in Rural Law & Policy

Venue - Canyon-C



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Dead(ly) Capital: How American Rural Enclosure Influenced the Neoliberal Development Model

» [Sachin Sundar](#)¹ (1. New York University)

Trading Acres

» [Jessica Shoemaker](#)¹, [James Fallows Tierney](#)² (1. University of Nebraska College of Law, 2. Chicago-Kent College of Law)

Clean Energy, the Property Disruptor

» [Ann Eisenberg](#)¹ (1. West Virginia University)

The Dangerous Myth of Market Wages

» [Hiba Hafiz](#)¹ (1. Boston College Law School)

10am

Oral : YED3

Places & Meaning in Rural Schooling

Venue - Salon 2

Spiraling Upward: Postsecondary Choice and Community Capitals in a Rural Upward Bound Program

» [Wendy Pfrenger](#)¹ (1. University of Mississippi)

Housing Insecurity, Educational Disparities, and Community Resilience in Jonestown, Mississippi

» [Semonti Jannat](#)¹, [Albert Nylander](#)² (1. University of Mississippi, 2. Grisham-McLean Institute for Public Service and Community Engagement)

"The outdoors is everything you can do": Exploring Place Meaning and Environmental Sensitivity of Appalachian College Students

» [Lindsey Boaz](#)¹, [Kristi Lekies](#)² (1. Zane State College, 2. The Ohio State University)

Educational Aspirations, Rural Opportunities: Exploring the role of Place and First-Generation Status on Educational Attainment

» [Jasmine Whiteside](#)¹ (1. University of Louisville)

10am

Oral : AEXP1

Navigating Change: The Role of Extension in Addressing Emerging Challenges in Rural and Indigenous Communities

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: [Shriya Rangarajan](#) (Convenor) and [Erin Trouba](#) (Convenor)

11:30am

Oral : SAF8

Landscapes of Tomorrow: Innovation & Transformation in Agriculture

Venue - Wasatch

The Future of Intellectual Property on Agricultural Crops: Reforming Intellectual-Property Policies to Promote Agricultural Innovation

» [Leland Glenna](#)¹ (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

Former Farms, Future Farming: Quantifying, classifying, and assessing agricultural land loss in the post-Farm Crisis era using remote sensing and administrative data

» [Danielle Schmidt](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

The future of agriculture: Tracing national-level agricultural sociotechnical imaginaries among local actors

» [Adam Snitker](#)¹ (1. Colorado State University)

On-farm anaerobic digestion in the media: A quantitative content analysis

» [Forrest Stagner](#)¹, [Chris Morris](#)², [J. Arbuckle](#)², [Michael Helbing](#)¹, [Frank Montabon](#)² (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Iowa State University)

Human-Machine Interfaces: Catalysts for Economic Development and Change in the Digital Age

» [Marjorie Visser](#)¹, [Julia Marhenke](#)¹, [Jordan Pantano](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)



Continued from **Saturday, 2 August**

11:30am **Oral : SAF9**
From the Ground Up: Sovereignty, Democracy & Resilience in Food Systems

Venue - Seminar Theater

Seed Sovereignty, a Discourse Analysis

» [Daniel Yuhasz](#)¹ (1. University of Missouri)

Strengthening Farmers' Seed Systems for Climate Resilience: Demand-Driven Strategies for Food Security and Economic Empowerment in Southeast Nigeria

» [Jude Mbanasor](#)¹, [Onwusiribe Chigozirim](#)², [Benjamin Okoye](#)³, [Confidence Kalu](#)³, [Philips Nto](#)¹, [John Chukwu](#)¹ (1. Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, 2. Ural Federal University, 3. National Root Crops Research Institute)

Micropolitical Resistance and Food Sovereignty: The Role of the Small Farmers Movement (MPA) in Brazil

» [Carine Villasanti](#)¹ (1. Louisiana State University)

De/Restructuring Co-operatives for Re-Democratization

» [Thomas Gray](#)¹ (1. USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service)

Fostering Resilient Agriculture: How do U.S. farmers make decisions about agricultural practices that have implications for resilience

» [Ann Finan](#)¹, [Margaret Krome](#)², [Erin Meier](#)³, [Andrew Stevens](#)⁴ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2. Michael Fields Agricultural Institute, 3. Green Lands Blue Waters, 4. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

11:30am **Oral : RPL4**
Federal Policy, Governance & Rural Trust

Venue - Canyon-A

Public Trust as an Indicator for Urban to Rural Migration

» [Presley Powers](#)¹ (1. Tennessee State University)

Legibility and Rural Development in the American High-Tech Economy

» [Jean Hardy](#)¹ (1. Michigan State University)

An Analysis of the Impacts of Federal Cuts on Rural Areas.

» [Abigail André](#)¹, [Keely Fisher](#)¹ (1. The Ohio State University)

11:30am **Oral : NRS6**
Community-led Conservation & Sustainable Practices

Venue - Canyon-B

Women Shea Collectors' Participation in Forest Conservation Practices in Baruten Local Government Area of Kwara State, Nigeria

» [Lateef Adefalu](#)¹, [Antonio Diego](#)², [Sidiqat Aderinoye-Abdulwahab](#)¹, [Tajudeen Amusa](#)¹ (1. University of Ilorin, 2. Federal University of Vicosia)

For the rehabilitation of the socio-cultural heritage of water management in the rural world.

» [Jilali Bendriss](#)¹, [Mustapha Ouattmane](#)¹ (1. Université Meknès)

Science Views and Public Perceptions of the Benefits and Problems Linked to Aquaculture Development in Maine

» [Thomas Safford](#)¹, [Emily Whitmore](#)² (1. University of New Hampshire, 2. Maine Aquaculture Innovation Center)

Beyond the Choir: Building Capacities within Faith Communities to Improve Water Conservation

» [Ellie Martin](#)¹, [Kathryn Brasier](#)¹, [Erin Trouba](#)², [Matthew Royer](#)³ (1. The Pennsylvania State University, 2. Penn State Extension, 3. Penn State University)

Engineering the Wetlands: Power, Infrastructure, and Agrarian Change in Southern Paraguay

» [Michael Cary](#)¹ (1. Cornell University)



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11:30am **Oral : CHF8**
Aging & Elder Health
Venue - Canyon-C

Aging in a Changing Community: An Investigation into Perceptions of Community in Heber Valley among Older Adults
 » [Haylie June](#)¹, [Hannah Hendricks](#)², Michael Cope² (1. Northwestern University, 2. Brigham Young University)

Rural Housing & Aging in Place: Some Insights from Ohio
 » [Jeff Sharp](#)¹, Nichole Campbell² (1. The Ohio State University, 2. Ohio University)

The Uneven Associations between Rural and Urban Older Adult's Living Arrangements and Physical Health
 » [Matthew Brooks](#)¹, Kyleigh Moniz¹ (1. Florida State University)

Dementia Diagnosis in Northern Rural Minnesota: A Community-Based Participatory Research Approach to Paid Care Provider Experiences
 » [Joshua Fergen](#)¹, Dana Ketcher¹, Kristen Jacklin¹ (1. Memory Keepers Medical Discovery Team, University of Minnesota Medical School - Duluth Campus)

Constrained Choices: Insurance Status, Place, and Age as Predictors of Cardiovascular Disease Diagnosis
 » [Edith Marie Green](#)¹ (1. University of Wisconsin, Madison)

11:30am **Oral : AMRP2**
Author-Meets-Reader: The Rural Lawyer
Venue - Salon 2

Organised by: Prof. Hannah Haksgaard (Convenor)

Author-Meets-Reader: The Rural Lawyer
 » [K. Aleks Schaefer](#)¹ (1. Oklahoma State University)

The Rural Lawyer - Peters
 » [David Peters](#)¹ (1. Iowa State University)

Author-Meets-Reader: The Rural Lawyer
 » [Andrew Van Leuven](#)¹ (1. University of Vermont)

The Rural Lawyer - Farrell
 » [Brian Farrell](#)¹ (1. University of Iowa)

The Rural Lawyer-Pruitt
 » [Lisa R. Pruitt](#)¹ (1. University of California, Davis)

11:30am **Oral : RLJP3**
Navigating Heirs' Property and Ethics: Dialogue to Inform Problem Solving

Venue - Cottonwood

Organised by: John Green (Convenor), Kara Woods (Convenor), Ryan Thomson (Convenor), Portia Johnson (Convenor), and Sarah Stein (Convenor)

Policy Research Perspective
 » [Kara Woods](#)¹ (1. SDFR Policy Research Center)

Outreach and Education Perspective
 » [Portia Johnson](#)¹ (1. Auburn University)

Research Perspective
 » [Ryan Thomson](#)¹ (1. Auburn University)

Law and Legal Research Perspective
 » [Sarah Stein](#)¹ (1. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta)

1pm **General : AWDLUNCH**
RSS Awards Luncheon
Venue - Grand Ballroom



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3pm **General : BUSMTG**
RSS Business Meeting
Venue - Grand Ballroom

4pm **General : DIVAuc**
Pick up Diversity Auction items
Venue - Alpine

6pm **Workshop : WardC**
Celebration of Carol Ward
Venue - Summit

Sunday, 3 August

8am **Panel : EXEC2**
RSS Executive Council Meeting (incoming)
Venue - Granite Boardroom