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Portland, Oregon

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2018 RSS ANNUAL MEETING

2018 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society
Portland, Oregon July 26-29, 2018

**MEETING THEME: Science in Society, Society in Science –
Toward a 21st Century Model for Social Scientific Research**

Growing public skepticism about the value of science and expert knowledge has been a defining characteristic of the early 21st century. Critiques of science come from many sources – populist anti-elite social movements, academic studies of conventional scientific methods and institutions, and advocates for a more participatory approach to knowledge production. As the distinction between ‘facts’ and ‘values’ has become blurred, the evidence-base that informs current policy becomes increasingly contested territory. Notably, social scientists have long relied on evidence and scientific research to challenge popular misunderstandings of social problems like poverty, crime, racism, and sexism. At the same time, they have been at the forefront of critiques of the mainstream scientific enterprise and helped pioneer new approaches to research and engagement.

Professional social science societies (like RSS) have an obligation to support those who are studying and developing effective responses to the challenges faced by rural people and places in a globalized world. New models for scientific research will be increasingly important if our efforts are to inform public discourse and shape the development of effective public policies. To do this, we need to reconcile tensions between the desire to retain the power and insights of rigorous scientific methods, and our awareness of the societal biases associated with conventional scientific institutions. **At the 2018 Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, we particularly encourage attendees to present work that explores this vexing and enduring issue, and to provide examples of innovative approaches to applied scientific research on rural topics.**

Over the last 80 years, the annual meetings of the RSS have been a venue for the exchange of ideas and information about a wide range of rural issues. Our attendees include faculty and students from diverse colleges and universities, researchers working in government or nonprofit institutions, and rural activists and practitioners. **In addition to presentations on the meeting theme, we always invite presentations of research and engagement focused rural people, places and themes from a wide range of disciplinary perspectives.**

Abstracts: Abstracts should be approximately 350-500 words and briefly outline the purpose and theoretical framing of the paper, poster, program, or organized session. Where appropriate, include information about methods, data, and preliminary findings. The deadline for submitting papers, posters and sessions is **Thursday, February 1, 2018, 11:59 pm (EST).**

The abstract deadline is **Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 11:59 pm (EST).** To submit an abstract, use this link <http://www.ruralsociology.org/annual-meeting-call-for-paper>. See the Annual Meeting page of the RSS website www.ruralsociology.org for more information. Contact Kate MacTavish, Program Chair RSSAnnualMeeting@gmail.com or the RSS Business Office rssiira@wiu.edu with any questions or ideas for special events you have for the 2018 meeting.

RSS NOMINATIONS FOR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH **JANUARY 19, 2018**

The Rural Sociological Society (RSS) is currently seeking nominations for leadership positions that will begin in 2018. Positions are open to all RSS members. Self-nominations are encouraged.

The Nominations Committee seeks nominations that represent the diverse interests and background of RSS membership, including, but not limited to: race and ethnicity, geography, gender and sexuality, institutional affiliations (e.g. non-land grant and non-academic), age, physical abilities, education, and nationality as well as representation of the spectrum of research, teaching, extension, public service, and administrative interests of the membership.

Nominations are sought for the positions below. Responsibilities associated with the position will begin at the 2018 annual meeting.

1. **President-elect**: serves for three years as President-elect, President and Past President (voting member of Council each year)
2. **Vice President**: serves for one year (voting member of Council for that year)
3. **Council Member (3 positions)**: serves for two years (voting member of Council each year, appointed as chair-elect of one RSS standing committee in the first year, serves as chair in the second year). Council members represent land-grant institutions of higher education, non-land grant institutions of higher education, and non-academic institutions.
4. **Student Representative to Council**: serves for two years (voting member of Council each year)
5. **Chair-elect of the Nominations Committee**: serves for two years, as Chair-elect and then chair (not a voting member of Council)
6. **Nominations Committee Member**: serves for one year (not a voting member of Council).
7. **Ethics Committee Member**: serves for three years (not a voting member of Council).

Nominations may be submitted through the RSS Nominations Form:

https://syracuseuniversity.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8CY1ijEWdSpi8Nn

For questions or further information, please contact Shannon Monnat, Nominations Committee Chair, directly at smonnat@maxwell.syr.edu.

2018 RURAL SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY AWARDS NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

*Deadline: **February 16, 2018***

The RSS Awards Committee is seeking submissions for the following awards:

- Excellence in Research
- Excellence in Instruction
- Excellence in Extension and Public Outreach
- Certificate of Appreciation
- The Fred Buttel Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award 2018 (Book)
- The Olaf Larson Graduate Student Paper Award

Detail description and criteria for all awards can be found at: <http://www.ruralsociology.org/>

Nomination packets should include a cover letter cover letter from the principal nominator outlining the major contributions of the nominee, a biographic sketch of the candidate/organization, brief materials (e.g., brochure, report, etc.) describing the project or program if nominee is an organization or collective, and two to four letters of support.

Nomination packets should be submitted by February 16, 2018 to Jennifer Sherman, Department of Sociology, PO Box 644020, Pullman, WA 99164-4020. Email submissions of compiled .pdf application packets are encouraged: jennifer_sherman@wsu.edu

2018 MASTER'S, PhD, AND EARLY CAREER RESEARCH AWARD COMPETITION

Master's, PhD and Early Career Research Award Competition

This year the RSS Council has authorized the use of Endowment funds to support Master's theses, Ph.D. dissertations, and Early Career Research awards to support research activities conducted during the 2017-2018 fiscal/academic year. Proposals are invited to conduct research on all topics encompassed by the field of rural sociology. The awards are designed to stimulate research that will help develop the careers of future rural sociologists and support the broader mission of the Rural Sociological Society. Award winners are strongly encouraged to submit papers based on their research to future RSS Annual Meetings. The RSS Endowment Committee will oversee the awards process.

The RSS Master's Thesis and Dissertation Research Award Competition

Graduate student members of the Rural Sociological Society are eligible to apply for master's thesis and Ph.D. dissertation research awards. Dissertation awards can be made for up to \$5,000. Master's thesis awards can be made for up to \$2,500. Proposals approved for funding may receive budget allocations below the requested amounts, based on availability of funds and recommendations of the Endowment Committee.

The RSS Early Careers Research Awards Competition

Members of the Rural Sociological Society who received their Ph.D. on or after January 1, 2013 are eligible to apply for RSS Early Career Research awards. Because the size of these awards is modest,

proposals will generally involve small-scale projects that will enhance opportunities for scholars to pursue expanded research efforts in the future. The Early Career Research awards have previously been made for up to \$5,000.

Submission Guidelines for Awards Competitions

The deadline for submission of proposals and required supporting materials is February 16, 2018. Proposals received after that date will not be reviewed or considered for funding. All proposals must be submitted electronically compiled into a single Adobe Acrobat .pdf format to Jennifer Sherman (jennifer_sherman@wsu.edu), chair of the Awards and Endowment Committee. Nominees who are unable to meet these submission requirements and/or who cannot save their files in .pdf format should contact Jennifer at (509)335-4163 or at the email listed above at least two weeks in advance of the due date so that alternative arrangements for submission can be made.

Submission Deadline: February 16, 2018

Notification Date: May 2018

Award Date: August 2018 or by special arrangement

2018 DIVERSITY TRAVEL AWARD

The Rural Sociological Society (RSS) and the Committee on Diversity are pleased to announce that travel awards are available to support the attendance and participation of minority participants at the annual conference to be held in Portland, Oregon. These awards will be awarded on a competitive basis and are meant to assist participants in defraying costs associated with attending the RSS meeting.

We anticipate granting awards at the minimum amount of \$500 per recipient or at a maximum amount of \$750; however, the amount of funds and the number of awards may fluctuate depending on the number of applications and the need described therein.

Eligibility and Application Requirements

To be eligible for the award, an applicant must be:

- An active participant of the meeting by presenting a paper, participating on a panel, or presenting a poster on research. We encourage applications from both academics and nonacademics.

In addition, for students:

- A student pursuing a degree relevant to rural studies in an academic institution.
- A student member of the Rural Sociological Society at the time of receiving the award.

To apply, an applicant must submit:

Completed applications should be submitted via e-mail to Loka Ashwood (l1a0008@auburn.edu) not later than **Thursday, February 15, 2018, 11:59 pm (EST)**.

The Diversity Committee will make selections and announce decisions by March 31, 2018. No part of the application may be submitted by fax and only applications from individuals on their own behalf will be accepted.

To download an application, click this link:

<https://rss.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/Diversity%20Travel%20Award%20Application-2018.docx>

2018 STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD

2018 Graduate Student and Needs-Based Travel Award

The Rural Sociological Society (RSS) and the Membership Committee are pleased to announce that travel awards are available to support the attendance and participation of graduate students and rural scholars with limited travel funds at the annual conference to be held in Portland, Oregon. These awards will be given on a competitive basis and are meant to assist students and others in defraying costs associated with attending the RSS meeting. Awardees will be reimbursed at the annual meeting in Portland.

We anticipate granting awards at the minimum amount of \$100 per recipient or at a maximum amount of \$300; however, the amount of funds and the number of awards may fluctuate depending on the number of applications and the need described therein.

Eligibility and Application Requirements

To be eligible for the award, an applicant must be:

- An active participant of the meeting by presenting a paper during a paper session presenting a poster on research.
- A student pursuing a degree relevant to rural studies in an academic institution OR able to demonstrate a lack of funds to attend the annual meeting.
- A member the Rural Sociological Society at the time of receiving the award.

To apply, an applicant must submit:

- A completed Travel Award Application (see below)
- If student, a letter of support or recommendation from a faculty member or department chair. If non-student, a letter of support which also documents need from a current boss/department chair or former advisor (e.g., for those seeking employment). Please have these emailed directly to Dr. Schad by the letter writer.

Completed applications should be submitted via e-mail to Jessica Ulrich-Schad

(jessica.schad@sdstate.edu) no later than **February 15th, 2018, 11:59 p.m. (EST)**.

To download an application, click this link:

<https://rss.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/2018AnnualMeeting/Graduate%20Student%20and%20Needs-Based%20Travel%20Award%20Application-2018.docx>.

RSS COMMUNITY, FAMILY, AND HEALTH RIG PAPER COMPETITIONS

Ralph B. Brown Scholar Paper Competition

Rural Sociological Society Community, Family, and Health Research Interest Group Ralph B. Brown Scholar Paper Competition Submission Deadline: Friday, May 4th, 2018

The Community, Family, and Health Research Interest Group (RIG) is proud to announce the third annual Ralph B. Brown scholar paper competition designed to encourage and support research in rural communities. The call for papers is open to a wide range of topics in keeping with the spirit of the award's namesake, Ralph Brown. Emphasis should be placed on such topics as community satisfaction and attachment, social change and development, family and community, and community leadership. International research is highly encouraged in accordance with his dedication to international development studies. Preference will be given to those papers that make a strong contribution to our understanding of rural community life and health. How are rural communities adapting to challenges brought about by scientific changes, economic transformation, or health needs?

Scholar Paper Competition Guidelines:

Who is eligible: The Ralph B. Brown Scholar Paper Competition is open to faculty and nonacademic researchers who have an advanced degree. Undergraduate and graduate students are not eligible but are encouraged to submit a paper to the Ronald Wimberley student paper competitions.

Papers submitted for the scholar paper competition will be held to a high standard with respect to the level of scholarship. The length of the paper should range from 25-35 pages and should include a relevant review of the literature, original analysis or effort to advance community theory, a clear discussion and set of conclusions, and complete references.

Instructions for Submission:

To have a paper considered for review, first, submit an abstract to present the paper at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. Second, submit your manuscript as an attached Word (.doc or .docx) file to Amanda McMillan Lequieu at ammcmillan@wisc.edu by May 4th, 2018. Please do not submit your paper in .pdf format, as we will need to edit them to make judging anonymous. In the subject line of the email enter "submission for Ralph Brown scholar paper competition." When the submissions are received, they will be sent to a panel of judges who will not be made aware of the author's identity. The winner of the paper competition will be honored at the RIG reception during the RSS annual meeting, where they will receive a certificate and their award honoraria (see below). Winners will be notified via email by July 1st, 2018.

Honoraria: Scholar Paper (\$400): to be used to defray part of the cost of registering for and attending the 2018 RSS Annual Meeting

Ronald Wimberley Paper Competition

Rural Sociological Society Community, Family, and Health Research Interest Group Ronald Wimberley Student Paper Competition Submission Deadline: **Friday, May 4th, 2018**

The Community, Family, and Health Research Interest Group (RIG) is proud to announce the fifth annual Ronald Wimberley student paper competition designed to encourage and support graduate and undergraduate student research on rural communities. The call for papers is open to a wide range of topics in keeping with the spirit of the award's namesake, Ronald Wimberley. Emphasis should be placed on the improvement of the quality-of-life in rural communities. Preference will be given to those papers that make a strong contribution to our understanding of rural community life and health. How are rural communities adapting to challenges brought about by scientific changes, economic transformation, or health needs?

Graduate Paper Competition: Papers submitted for the graduate student paper competition will be held to a high standard with respect to the level of scholarship. The length of the paper should range from 20-30 pages and should include a relevant review of the literature, original analysis, a clear discussion and set of conclusions, complete references, and be written at a professional level.

Undergraduate Paper Competition: Papers submitted for the undergraduate student paper competition will be similarly held to a high standard appropriate to the level of undergraduate scholarship. The length of the paper should range from 10-20 pages and should include a relevant literature review with complete references that is clearly and legibly written. Papers that include original analyses will be rated higher, but this is not a requirement for submission.

Instructions for Submission: To have a paper considered for review for either award, first, submit an abstract to present the paper at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. Second, submit your manuscript as an attached Word (.doc or .docx) file to Amanda McMillan Lequieu at ammcmillan@wisc.edu by May 4th, 2018. Please do not submit your paper in .pdf format, as we will need to edit them to make judging anonymous. In the subject line of the email enter either "submission for graduate student paper competition" or "submission for undergraduate student paper competition." When the submissions are received, they will be sent to a panel of judges who will not be made aware of the author's identity. Winners of the paper competition will be honored at the RIG reception during the RSS annual meeting, where they will receive a certificate and their award honoraria (see below). Winners will be notified via email by July 1st, 2018.

Deadline for submissions: **Friday, May 4th, 2018**

Honoraria: Graduate Paper (\$250); Undergraduate Paper (\$200): to be used to defray part of the cost of registering for and attending the 2018 RSS Annual Meeting

PAPER COMPETITION

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 4th, 2018

The Teaching and Curriculum Research Interest Group (RIG) is proud to announce the second annual paper competition designed to encourage and support research on teaching and curriculum in the rural social sciences. The call for papers is open to a wide range of topics related to teaching styles, pedagogy, assessment, classroom engagement, and can range from experimental studies of teaching and learning to essays on pedagogically important issues.

Paper Competition Guidelines:

Who is eligible: The paper competition is open to faculty of all levels and to graduate students who have experience teaching their own courses or discussion sections.

Papers submitted for the paper competition will be held to a high standard with respect to the level of scholarship. The length of the paper should range from 20-30 pages and should include a relevant review of the literature, original analysis or theoretical contribution, a clear discussion and set of conclusions, complete references, and be written at a professional level.

Instructions for Submission:

To have a paper considered for review for the award, first, submit an abstract to present the paper at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society (choose the Teaching and Curriculum RIG as your first choice during submission). Second, submit your manuscript as an attached Word (.doc or .docx) file to Dr. Jessica Crowe at jessica.crowe@siu.edu by May 4th, 2018. Please do not submit your paper in pdf format (we will need to edit them to make judging anonymous). In the subject line of the email enter "submission for paper competition". When the submissions are received, they will be sent to a panel of judges who will not be made aware of the author's identity. Winner(s) of the paper competition will be honored at the RIG reception during the RSS annual meeting, where you will receive a certificate and your award honoraria (see below). Winner(s) will be notified via email by July 1, 2018.

Deadline for submissions: Friday, May 4th, 2018

Honoraria: (\$250): to be used to defray part of the cost of registering for and attending the 2018 RSS Annual Meeting

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS OF INTEREST

***Rural Sociology* Book Review Editor**

RSS is excited to announce that Michael Cope is the new Book Review editor for *Rural Sociology*. He may be reached at michaelrcope@byu.edu. For more information on RSS publications, see <http://www.ruralsociology.org/publications>.

Senior Rural Sociologists RIG

The Senior Rural Sociologists Research Interest Group (SRS RIG) would like to encourage new members. You do not have to be old and retired. The notion of "senior" would include anyone who is advanced in their career. Also, Hans Bakker would like it very much if someone else were to take over as the Chair of the RIG. There is not a great deal of work involved. Hans will not be able to come to the next RSS conference. For more information contact Hans at: hbakker@uoguelph.ca.

Meeting of Interest - CFP AFHVS/ASFA Annual Meeting

The University of Wisconsin–Madison's Center for Integrated Agricultural Systems (CIAS) is pleased to announce the 11th Annual Meeting of the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society (AFHVS) and the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Food and Society (SSFS) on June 13 to 16, 2018. The conference theme is "The Agroecological Prospect: The Politics of Integrating Values, Food, and Farming," is an invitation to engage with the political and governance issues that arise in agricultural and food systems. Learn more about the conference here. Giving voice to these issues is fundamental to resolving them, so that we may better function in harmony with natural systems – while ensuring economic viability, food security, and the sovereignty of all people. Abstract deadline has been extended to **February 15, 2018**. Submit abstracts for presentations and posters at https://easychair.org/cfp/AFHV-ASFS_2018.

STUDENT INTEREST

Research Fellowship to Study Social Dimensions of Microbiome Research – The Pennsylvania State University

Announcing the availability of a PhD research fellowship in Rural Sociology at Penn State University. The successful student will be funded as part of a The Pennsylvania State University Microbiome Center initiative to start Fall 2018. Five Ph.D. fellows will be funded, one of which will focus on social dimensions of microbiome research and applications of that research. Fellows will engage in an interdisciplinary effort to understand how microbiomes interact directly, as a result of microbial flow from food cultivation through human digestion, and indirectly, through their chemical and physical influences on products at each stage. In addition to being part of the cohort, the student will be required to develop his/her own related but independent research project to fulfill the requirements of the PhD in Rural Sociology. The student would begin in fall semester 2018 and would be eligible for up to three years of funding, a full waiver of tuition expenses, and a package of benefits (including health insurance).

Interested applicants should apply for admission to the graduate program in Rural Sociology at Penn State University by **January 5, 2018**. In addition, applicants should send a cover letter describing interests and qualifications and a CV to Dr. Leland Glenna (llg13@psu.edu) by the same deadline (January 5, 2018). For more information about the graduate program, contact Dr. Kathryn Brasier, Director of Graduate Studies in Rural Sociology (kbrasier@psu.edu). Additional information about the Rural Sociology Graduate Program can be found below and at the program's website: <http://aeese.psu.edu/graduateprograms/rural-sociology>. For full details, see <https://rss.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/JobPostings/PhD%20Research%20Fellowship%20in%20Rural%20Sociology%20at%20Penn%20State%20University-final.docx>

PhD Research Assistantship - Natural Resource Sciences (Human Dimensions Specialization) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

The student will be funded as part of a new USDA-NIFA project examining the impact of stakeholder engagement methods on social, economic, and biophysical outcomes for managing water for agriculture. The student will gain experience in human dimensions of natural resources, public participation and engagement, governance, natural resource management, and multiple research methodologies (quantitative and qualitative). This work will be done in collaboration with an interdisciplinary team from universities and partner institutions in Pennsylvania, Arizona, and Nebraska. In addition to working as a research assistant on the project, the student will be required to develop his/her own related but independent research project to fulfill the requirements of the PhD in Natural Resource Sciences with a Specialization in Human Dimensions. The student will begin in fall semester 2018 and will be eligible for up to three years of funding, a full waiver of tuition expenses, and health insurance.

The successful applicant will have experience with and/or knowledge of relevant topics, including natural resource management, agricultural conservation practices, water quality and quantity issues, and stakeholder engagement. Applicants must have already completed a Master's degree, especially a degree in the social sciences or closely aligned field with training in research methodology. Interested applicants should send a one page letter describing interests and qualifications and a CV to Dr. Mark Burbach at mburbach@unl.edu or 402-472-8210 by **January 31, 2018**.

Interested applicants should also be prepared to apply for admission to the graduate program in Natural Resource Sciences at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln by January 31, 2018, although earlier applications are strongly encouraged. For more information about the graduate program, contact Ms. Patty Swanson, Graduate Admissions Coordinator (pswanson2@unl.edu). For more information, see <http://snr.unl.edu/gradstudent/index.asp>. To apply click <http://snr.unl.edu/gradstudent/howtoapply-graduate.asp>

CALL FOR PAPERS

2018 ASA Meeting - Race, Gender, and Class - "Space & Place"

Professor Edward Morris, at the University of Kentucky, is organizing a regular session at 2018 ASA within the Race, Gender, and Class Section, entitled "Space & Place." This session will be of a particular interest to many RSS members as our work often concerns "space & place." The goal of this session is as follows: *This session seeks papers that consider place as an independent dimension of*

inequality that is not reducible to categories such as class, race, and gender, but intersects with them to explore how place and space interact with other categories of inequality to produce regional impacts. If interested, please email your paper to: <http://www.asanet.org/annual-meeting-2018/2018-call-submissions-information>. The submission deadline is **January 11, 2018**. If you have any questions about the session, please contact Dr. Morris at edward.morris@uky.edu.

Call for Abstracts – International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM)

International Association for Society and Natural Resources is happy to announce that abstract submissions for individual papers and posters for presentation at ISSRM 2018 are now being considered! This year's symposium will be held at the Snowbird Ski and Summer resort in the Wasatch Mountains of northern Utah June 17-21, 2018. This year's theme is Landscape Legacies and Global Trajectories. Information on the resort and the many on-site summer recreation activities can be accessed at www.snowbird.com. This location will also provide easy access to many major U.S. National Parks and National Monuments – ten National Parks are located within a day's drive or less! Located just 30 minutes from the Salt Lake City International Airport, Snowbird is an easily-accessible, family-friendly, and stunningly beautiful conference venue! All abstracts must be submitted by no later than **February 15, 2018**, at midnight (Mountain Standard Time). For full details visit http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=288:call-for-abstracts---international-association-for-society-and-natural-resources&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134. For questions, please email Jessica Burk at info@iasnr.org.

Rural Sociological Teaching and Curriculum Research Interest Group - Paper Competition

The Teaching and Curriculum Research Interest Group (RIG) is proud to announce the second annual paper competition designed to encourage and support research on teaching and curriculum in the rural social sciences. The call for papers is open to a wide range of topics related to teaching styles, pedagogy, assessment, classroom engagement, and can range from experimental studies of teaching and learning to essays on pedagogically important issues.

Who is eligible: The paper competition is open to faculty of all levels and to graduate students who have experience teaching their own courses or discussion sections. Papers submitted for the paper competition will be held to a high standard with respect to the level of scholarship. The length of the paper should range from 20-30 pages and should include a relevant review of the literature, original analysis or theoretical contribution, a clear discussion and set of conclusions, complete references, and be written at a professional level. Submission Deadline: Friday,

May 4, 2018. Winner(s) will be notified via email by July 1, 2018. Click here for more details:

http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=268:rural-sociological-teaching-and-curriculum-research-interest-group---paper-competition&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor, Rural Sociology - The Pennsylvania State University

This is a nine-month, tenure-track Assistant Professor position in rural sociology with a 75% research and 25% teaching responsibility and with the expectation of an affiliation with the Population Research Institute. The successful applicant will be expected to develop a nationally and internationally recognized research program related to the sociology and demography of rural population health and health disparities. For more information, click <http://www.ruralsociology.org/pennsylvania-state-university---assistant-professor--rural-sociology>. The proposed start date is August 15, 2018 or as negotiated. Review of applicants will begin on January 19, 2018, and remain open until a suitable candidate is identified. Questions can be directed to Professor Leif Jensen at lij1@psu.edu. To apply click <http://apptkr.com/1114090>.

Associate Professor of International Affairs - The Pennsylvania State University

The Penn State School of International Affairs (www.sia.psu.edu), an interdisciplinary professional school, in conjunction with the Penn State Rock Ethics Institute (rockethics.psu.edu), seeks an Associate Professor (with tenure) to research, teach and collaborate on the intertwined roles of ethics and global development. We are particularly interested in scholars who examine choices made in the distribution, management, and development of renewable and nonrenewable resources (particularly Water, Food and Energy), as they relate to sustainability issues of the environment. A strong focus on the international dimensions of these questions is important. A Ph.D. is required in fields relevant to Environmental Sciences, which might include Geography, Geology, Engineering, Agricultural Sciences, or any other relevant field. Any inquiries regarding the position can be directed to Johannes Fedderke, jwf15@psu.edu. For more information, see <https://psu.jobs/job/73872>

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