Applications for the Lawrence Busch Award for Graduate Student Research on Food and Agriculture are BEING ACCEPTED NOW!

The Awards and Endowment Committee is pleased to announce that the first ever Lawrence Busch Award for Graduate Student Research on Food and Agriculture will be made in 2019. The maximum award amount is $1,500.00 though the actual award may be less based on the availability of funds. A description of the award and request for proposals can be found here.

Submission deadline: September 16, 2019
MS, PhD, and Early Career Research Award

2020 Rural Sociological Society
MS, PhD, and Early Career Research Award Competition

Submission deadline: September 16, 2019

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 2019-2020 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. NOTE: Application dates for these awards have changed.

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, 2015 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.

For more information, click here.

SAVE THE DATE
The 83rd Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society

Call for Papers

"Growing up in Rural America" Call for Articles for Russell Sage Foundation Journal of Social Sciences

There is a recently opened request for articles for a Russell Sage Foundation Journal issue on Growing Up in Rural America, which may be of interest to CRENENET members.

The issue will feature original qualitative and quantitative research that focuses on four key life domains: family dynamics, education, economic security, and health.

They are particularly (but not exclusively) interested in studies that expand our current knowledge by 1) examining the links between specific rural contextual characteristics and the wellbeing of children and youth and/or 2) assessing the cumulative or longer-term outcomes for those born and raised in rural areas. They also invite studies that provide a synthesis of person- and place-based policies designed to improve outcomes for rural youths. They encourage proposals from a range of social sciences including economics, education, demography, geography, public health, social work, and sociology.

The complete request for articles is found at: http://www.russellsage.org/publications/request-articles-growing-rural-america

Please direct any inquiries about this call to Russell Sage Foundation at journals@rsage.com.

Note that a short abstract (2-pages) is due by Sept. 26.

Engineering Studies - Special Issue

Engineering Studies is an interdisciplinary journal devoted to the scholarly study of engineers and engineering. It advances analysis (historical, social, cultural, political, philosophical, and organizational) which enhances critical understanding of engineering education,
research, practice, policy, and representation.

Engineering Studies involves critical investigation in the practices under study (work, design, formation, or service to society); it does not publish papers that seek only to improve the effectiveness of engineering. Prospective authors are invited to reflect on and anticipate how their work might prove helpful to the academy and beyond.

Engineering Studies warmly welcome prospective authors to submit their contributions to a special issue dedicated to New engineering actors and practices in agriculture. The study of engineers and engineering generally focuses on product design, infrastructure (transport, water, energy, telecommunication), and particular industries such as aerospace, energy, and computing – but rarely agriculture, except in field-specific journals. However, engineers and engineering are deeply engaged with agriculture, food and rural communities. This special issue seeks to shed some light on engineers involved in agriculture: who they are, what are their relations to other actors, and what are their practices.

For more information, [click here](#).

**Society for Applied Anthropology**

The Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) invites abstracts (sessions, papers and posters) for the Program of the 80th Annual Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, March 17-21, 2020. The theme of the Program is “Cultural Citizenship and Diversity in Complex Societies.”

The Society is a multi-disciplinary association that focuses on problem definition and resolution. We welcome papers from all disciplines. The deadline for abstract submission is **October 15, 2019**. For additional information on the theme, abstract size/format, and the meeting, please visit our web page ([www.sfaa.net/annual-meeting/](http://www.sfaa.net/annual-meeting/)).

**HJSR Special Issue 42: California Genocide and Healing**

The Humboldt Journal of Social Relations (HJSR) invites paper submissions for the 2020 Special Issue 42: California Genocide and Healing. For this issue of HJSR, we are interested in exploring acts of genocide and mass atrocity, and the processes of healing that have been initiated in both native and non-native communities. We seek work that evaluates acts of genocide and mass atrocity in California, long-term ramifications, impacts on culture and society, acts of memorialization and reconciliation, and the relatively slow pace or reluctance of the State to
acknowledge and respond to its history. The submission deadline is **October 31, 2019**, and manuscripts should be in 12-point font, double-spaced and generally not exceed 8500 words. Commentaries and creative writing should not exceed 3000 words.

Key themes include, but are not limited to:

- Acknowledgment and acts of reconciliation, healing, and restitution
- Memorialization and restitution
- Continuing logics and legacies
- Historical acts of genocide and mass atrocity
- Implications for Indigenous language, culture, and society
- Ethics, philosophy, and theories of decolonizing the study and teaching about the genocide of Indigenous Peoples in California

**Submission Deadline Friday, October 31, 2019**
Manuscripts should be in 12-point font, double-spaced and generally not exceed 8500 words.

Commentaries and creative writing should not exceed 3000 words.

For submission details: [https://digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/hjsr/](https://digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/hjsr/)

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**Employment Opportunities**

**Illinois State University Assistant Professor of Sociology in Global Inequality**

**Assistant Professor of Sociology in Global Inequality**
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

**Position Summary:**

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Illinois State University invites applications for a nine-month, tenure track assistant professorship in sociology beginning August 16, 2020. Building on existing departmental strengths in globalization, development, economic and political sociology, we seek a sociologist whose work addresses the global and transnational political economic dynamics relating to the causes and consequences of inequality. The ideal candidate will be able to teach one or more of the core courses required for our sociology major in addition to offering...
elective courses in their substantive area of specialization.

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology is committed to increasing the diversity of our campus community. ISU recognizes that a diverse faculty, staff and student body enriches the educational experiences of the entire campus and community. Candidates with experience working with a diverse range of students, staff and faculty, and who can contribute to the climate of inclusivity are especially welcomed. Members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

**Required Qualifications:**

1. A Ph.D. in sociology or a closely related field is required prior to the start date of this position. ABD's will be considered if degree conferral date is August 1, 2020 or sooner.

2. Illinois state law mandates demonstrable oral proficiency in the English language as a requirement for this position.

For more information, click here.

**Director of the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program (Cornell Cooperative Extension); Ithaca and Geneva, New York**

*Do you have a vision for IPM? If yes, seize a rare opportunity to lead a great IPM program. Apply to be director of the NYS IPM Program at Cornell University, headquartered in Geneva NY.*

Director of the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program
Senior Extension Associate
Cornell Cooperative Extension
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS)
Cornell University
Geneva and Ithaca, New York

**Who We Are**

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) is a pioneer of purpose-driven science and Cornell University’s second-largest college. We work across disciplines to tackle the challenges of our time through world-renowned research, education, and outreach. The questions we probe and the answers we seek focus on three overlapping concerns: natural and human systems; food, energy and environmental resources; and social, physical and economic well-being.

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) puts knowledge to work in pursuit of
economic vitality, ecological sustainability, and social well-being. We bring local experience and research-based solutions together, helping New York State families and communities thrive in our rapidly changing world. CCE connects the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) and the College of Human Ecology with off-campus Associations, Integrated Pest Management (IPM), New York State Sea Grant, Area Specialists, and CCE New York City.

The New York State Integrated Pest Management Program develops sustainable ways to manage pests and helps people to use methods that minimize environmental, health, and economic risks. NYS IPM is an internationally recognized program that has conducted extension and research in many agricultural commodities and community settings for more than 30 years. New York State IPM promotes pollinator protection, systems approaches, and biological control in its mission to reduce risks from pests and pest management.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a continuously evolving approach to pest management that strives to minimize environmental, health, and economic risks in agricultural and community settings. IPM systems can be particularly useful in improving the sustainability and profitability of high-value specialty crops, including fruits, vegetables, greenhouses, and nurseries. The integration of newer technologies with existing IPM approaches will generate innovative production systems that help address stakeholder concerns about negative impacts of current pest management approaches, and strengthen New York State’s role as a leader in agricultural and community settings.

For more information, click here.

**The Ohio State University - Post Doctoral Researcher**

Dr. Douglas Jackson-Smith, Professor in the School of Environment and Natural Resources at the Ohio State University is seeking a postdoctoral researcher to play a lead role in developing, implementing, and evaluating stakeholder engagement and participatory research projects with diverse farm and food system stakeholders. Position is open to scholars with experience and interests in in stakeholder engagement, on-farm research, and/or participatory modeling. This person will be expected to design, implement, and evaluate a series of stakeholder engagement and participatory research/modeling activities in connection with several transdisciplinary projects, including one major NSF-funded INFEWS grant supporting participatory processes to build scenarios and models to explore the implications of deglobalization on food/energy/water systems in the eastern Corn Belt. The position will be in the School of Environment
and Natural Resources, and work will be based at Ohio State University’s Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center in Wooster, OH. Successful candidates will be expected to conduct fieldwork, travel to meet with collaborators, participate and help organize participatory research workshops; communicate research results to scientific community via journal article publications, conference presentations and seminars; and advise and interact with graduate and undergraduate students.

For more information, click here.

Graduate Research Assistantship, Utah State University

The Department of Sociology, Social Work, & Anthropology at Utah State University invites applications for a PhD-level graduate research assistantship to assist in the role of external evaluator for a 5 year, $10 million dollar, USDA-NIFA Sustainable Agricultural Systems grant titled “Thriving Agricultural Systems in Urbanized Landscapes.” The overarching goal of this transdisciplinary grant is to create economically thriving and environmentally beneficial agricultural systems in urbanized landscapes using the Chesapeake Bay Watershed as a case study translatable to other urbanized landscapes. The successful applicant will be expected to:

- Assist with designing, collecting, and analyzing data from a survey of agricultural producers and other stakeholder groups in the case study Chesapeake Bay Watershed at the beginning and end of the project to assess project impact including attitudes and behaviors longitudinally.
- Assist with designing, conducting, and analyzing yearly online surveys and interviews/focus groups with team members to assess the research teams’ organizational efficacy and interdisciplinary team collaboration.
- Assist with writing, presenting, and disseminating research findings.

For more information, click here.

Assistant Professor, Sociology Utah State University

Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology

Assistant Professor, Sociology

The Department of Sociology, Social Work & Anthropology at Utah State University invites applications for a nine-month tenure-track position in
Sociology at the rank of Assistant Professor. The appointment begins in August 2020. We seek candidates who can contribute to our Demography and Community/Environment specialization areas through a research and teaching emphasis on either (1) community and/or environmental health (e.g., environmental health disparities) or (2) the dynamic interplay between population and the environment (e.g., the effects of climate change on migration). Scholars who have an interest in contributing to the department’s programs, curricular offerings, and research portfolio in ways that enhance diversity, equity, and inclusion are encouraged to apply.

Review of applications will begin on October 7, 2019.

**Responsibilities:** The successful candidate will develop and teach a graduate course in either (1) environmental health or (2) population and environment. In addition, the candidate will contribute to other undergraduate and graduate coursework in Sociology and Demography that meshes with the faculty member’s expertise and fits the department’s needs.

For more information, click here.

**Conferences of Interest**

**Conference on Asian Linguistic Anthropology (CALA)**

The CALA 2020, The Conference on Asian Linguistic Anthropology 2020 will be held on February 5-8, 2020, at the University Putra Malaysia Bintulu Campus, Sarawak, Malaysia.

The CALA, with major partners Taylor and Francis Publishers Global, SOAS (University of London), The University of Illinois, Temple University, and our 120 global affiliates in whole, manages the global network of scholarship on Linguistic Anthropology, and on Language and Society, pertinent to Asia (https://cala.asia/associated-bodies/). Its projects, events, and media hold great significance for Asian and global academia. Here, The CALA also houses The JALA, The Journal of Asian Linguistic Anthropology.

**8th Global Nitrogen Conference 2020**

The 8th Global Nitrogen Conference will be hosted in **Berlin, Germany**
from May 3-7, 2020. Since 1998, these international nitrogen conferences have been a unique platform to highlight nitrogen’s role as an essential resource and a major environmental threat. They provide a forum and catalyst for interdisciplinary nitrogen research, bringing together scientists from a range of disciplines – from atmospheric science to economics, plant biology to policy analysis. They have also been an important opportunity to engage with other important stakeholders, including civil society, national governments, international organizations and fertilizer companies among others.

The overarching theme of INI-2020 is the Sustainable Development Goals – the 17 UN-sanctioned targets for social, environmental and economic outcomes to be achieved by 2030 – with nitrogen central to 16 of them. How humanity manages its relationship with nitrogen over the coming decade will be critical in determining whether we meet these goals. Some, like ending hunger and poverty, will require better access to nitrogen. Others, like protecting life on land and water and climate action, will require reducing nitrogen pollution. All will benefit from better nitrogen management and more effective policies.

**SfAA Annual Meeting in Albuquerque 2020**

The Society for Applied Anthropology is pleased to announce our 80th Annual Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, March 17-21, 2020.

The SfAA Annual Meeting provides an invaluable opportunity for scholars, practicing social scientists, and students from a variety of disciplines and organizations to discuss their work and brainstorm for the future. It is more than just a conference: it’s a rich place to trade ideas, methods, and practical solutions, as well as enter the lifeworld of other professionals. SfAA members come from a variety of disciplines -- anthropology, sociology, economics, business, planning, medicine, nursing, law, and other related social/behavioral sciences.

For more information, click here.

**IRSA 2020 World Congress of Rural Sociology**

XV World Congress of Rural Sociology, 8-12 July 2020, Cairns, Australia

Whose versions of sustainability count in the urban century? How does spatial disadvantage intersect with injustices based on gender, ethnic, linguistic, religious and other dimensions of social difference? What opportunities do flows of people, capital, information and commodities
between urban and rural spaces present for sustainable rural development? Delegates to the 2020 World Congress of Rural Sociology will consider these and many other questions relevant to contemporary rural society.

For more information, click here.

For other current announcements, additional call for papers, employment opportunities, and meetings of interest see the RSS website, www.ruralsociology.org

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