

2021 Section Annual Report for Social Psychology

This annual report covers the period of section activity from September 2020 to August 2021 and a fiscal year from January 2021 to December 2021.

Section Governance

Provide details of your section's governance activity during the period between September 2020 and August 2021.

Business Meeting

Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes from the section business meeting which include a count of members present and summary of decisions made at this meeting.

Section on Social Psychology

Business Meeting

8 August 21

In attendance: Steve Hitlin, Jessica Collett, Carla Goar, Richard Serpe, Barbara Meeker, Jane Sell, David Melamed, Kimberly Rogers, Jody Clay-Warner, Doug Schrock, Shane Soboroff, Nick Heiserman, Peter Harvey, Kayla Pierce, Gretchen Peterson, Mary Rose, Guillermina Jasso, Jan Stets, Lisa Slattery Walker, Long Doan, Celeste Campos-Castillo, Jon Overton, Kait Boyle, Chauntrey Murphy, Alison Bianchi, Mamadi Corra, Alicia Cast, Chelsea Kelly, Elizabeth Culatta, Dawn Robinson, Monica Johnson, Lynn Smith-Lovin, Mark Fernando

Steve Hitlin called the meeting to order at 11:00am.

Committee Reports:

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Endowment Report. The section endowment fund that supports the annual award for the Graduate Student Investigator Award currently shows a balance of \$53,851.43. Thanks to Jane Sell and John Overton for creating a mechanism that allows individuals to donate directly from the section's website.

2. *Social Psychology Quarterly* Report

The new editorial team – Jody Clay-Warner, Dawn Robinson, and Justine Tinkler – began on January 2, but has been managing the journal since August 2020. Special thanks to the outgoing editorial team – Matt Brashears and Brent Simpson. Special thanks to Malissa Alinor (outgoing editorial manager) and Kylie Smith (new editorial manager).

In 2020, 108 articles were submitted to the journal. The average full peer review was 7.9 weeks. The editors encourage reviewers to respond quickly to review requests and to submit reviews in a timely manner.

The editors announce a special issue on Race, Racism, and Discrimination. Manuscripts are due on January 15 and the edition will be published in 2023. The journal is seeking new reviewers with expertise in the area of race and discrimination.

The editors are engaging in new outreach and communication efforts with an emphasis on social media.

The journal's 5 year impact factor is 3.09 (up from 2.69).

3. Newsletter/Website Committee

The summer newsletter was distributed in early August. Jon Overton and Nick Heiserman are stepping down as managers of the newsletter, website, and twitter. Special thanks for Jon and Nick for their excellent work on behalf of the section. Members who are interested in moving into this position are encouraged to contact Jon, Nick, or Jessica.

4. Awards

- 2021 Cooley Mead Award – Neil MacKinnon (Professor Emeritus, University of Guelph)
- Outstanding Recent Contribution in Social Psychology – Anne Nassauer (Freie Universität Berlin).
- Graduate Student Investigator Award – Kate Hawks (Emory University)
- Graduate Student Paper Award – Nicholas Heiserman (University of South Carolina)
 - Honorable Mention: Peter Harvey (University of Pennsylvania)
 - Honorable Mention: Joseph Wallerstein (Harvard University)

5. New Business

- A. A request for new managers of the website committee was made. Please contact Jessica Collett for more information.
- B. Council has moved to create a standing committee that will oversee mentoring at all levels (student, junior, mid-level, and non-academic careers). Dawn Robinson will write a description of the committee.
- C. The membership committee will continue working on the recruitment and retention of new section members.
- D. Jessica Collett moved into the role of president and thanked Steve Hitlin for his strong leadership during a difficult year. The next few weeks will focus on programming and committee formation. Interested individuals should reach out to Jessica.

Jessica Collett adjourned the meeting at 11:30.

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Council Meeting

Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes of all council meetings. Minutes must include a list of council members present and a summary of decisions made. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

In attendance: Steve Hitlin, Jessica Collett, Carla Goar, Jon Overton, Gretchen Peterson, Long Doan, Lisa Slattery Walker, Monica Johnson, Jody Clay-Warner, Dawn Robinson, Justine Tinkler, Nick Heiserman, Niku Sharei, Anna Mueller, Rou-Fan Liu, Sarah Thebaud

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I. Committee Reports

The Cooley-Mead Committee. The winner of 2021 Cooley-Mead Award is Neil J. MacKinnon (Professor Emeritus, University of Guelph). MacKinnon will give the Cooley-Mead Address at the 2021 ASA meetings. Steve has secured additional time for the Cooley-Mead Address to accommodate presentations from both MacKinnon and the recipient of the 2020 Cooley-Mead Award, Jan Stets (Professor, University of California-Riverside).

Outstanding Recent Contribution in Social Psychology Committee. The 2021 Outstanding Recent Contribution in Social Psychology is awarded to Anne Nassauer for her recent book, *Situation al Breakdowns: Understanding Protest Violence and Other Surprising Outcomes* (Oxford University Press, 2019).

Graduate Student Paper Award Committee. The 2021 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award is presented to Nicholas Heiserman (University of South Carolina) for the submission, "Intersectional Complexity in Stereotype Content." Honorable mentions go to Peter Harvey (University of Pennsylvania) for the submission, "Everyone Thinks They're Special: Socialization, Dispositions, and Cultural Logics in Two Elementary Schools," and Joseph Wallerstein (Harvard University) for the submission, "Ideal Foes? How Risky Ties Help."

Graduate Student Investigator Award Committee. The 2021 Graduate Student Investigator Award is presented to Kate Hawks (Emory University) to support the project, "Human Values: Shaping Perceived Legitimacy of and Behavioral Compliance with Health Authorities during a Global Pandemic."

Nominations Committee. New section leadership includes Matthew Braesheer (President-elect) and Nominations (Karen Hegtvedt, Chair)

- a. The nominations committee consisted of Karen Hegtvedt (Chair, Emory University) Gary Alan Fine (Northwestern University), Rengin Firat (University of California Riverside),

Krysia Mossakowski (University of Hawaii at Manoa), and Tagart Sobotka (graduate student, Stanford University). In early November 2020, the committee sent out a call for nominations to section members. At the same time, each committee member suggested potential nominations to the chair. By November 23, the committee had compiled 24 nominations for the two open council seats and eight nominations for the position of chair elect. The pool that emerged represented many different institutions, career stages, and approaches to social psychology.

b. Following procedures for section nominations, committee members individually assigned each nominee a numerical priority rating. The chair combined the priority ratings, ordered the slate accordingly, and returned it to committee members for their review. The chair then contacted the ranked candidates by email to ascertain their interest in running for a designated position. Even though not all candidates agreed to run owing to their current commitments, all voiced their appreciation for the nomination and willingness to serve at a future date. The chair submitted candidate names to ASA via the online voting system by the deadline (January 15, 2021) and candidates subsequently provided statements prior to the spring elections.

c. The final slate consisted of the following candidates, and an asterisk indicates who was elected:

d. Chair Elect: *Matthew Brashears, University of South Carolina

Celeste Campos-Castillo, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee

e. Council: Corey Fields, Georgetown University

Tony Love, University of Kentucky

*Anna Mueller, Indiana

*Sarah Thébaud, University of California Santa Barbara

The committee, following the detailed guidelines outlining committee responsibilities, worked seamlessly and efficiently. Everyone promptly responded to requests from the chair, who is very grateful for their insight and dedication.

Membership Committee. Long Doan encouraged the continued support of the Graduate Student Membership Drive and suggested the creation of a mechanism (ex, brief survey) to identify reasons former members choose not to renew section membership. ASA will take a final section membership count on August 31.

f. We brainstormed ideas to encourage renewals and engagement, especially because ASA is virtual this year. We also organized a gift membership drive and matched grad students with folks willing to give memberships. Our last act will be to reach out to members who have lapsed encouraging them to renew and to gauge their opinions on

why they did not renew (for future committees to know the prevalence of reasons why members stop engaging with the section).

Endowment Committee (Jane Sell, Chair)

- g. The endowment committee requested a new process to enable people to donate through ASA website and then to receive a confirmation (and tax receipt) directly from ASA.
- h. The committee sent out an announcement in December and several follow-up announcements (see attached). Additionally, every member of our committee was asked to send out 5 personal notes to friends in our section.

Graduate Student Advisory Committee

- i. The graduate student committee is planning a networking event at the conference and we will also be launching the mentoring application pretty soon. (Malissa Alinor)

2. Junior Faculty Mentorship Committee (Tony Love, Chair)

3. Public Engagement Liaison

- a. Received no requests for the year.

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II. Website Committee

Jon Overton and Nick Heiserman have finished their terms on the website committee. Jon encouraged students to consider participating in this high visibility service work. Steve Hitlin will announce this opportunity at the business meeting. The section thanks Jon and Nick for their good work.

III. Social Psychology Quarterly

The new editorial team - Jody Clay-Warner, Dawn Robinson, and Justice Tinkler - began on January 1, but has been managing the journal since August 2020.

Jody Clay-Warner, Editor: The transition was smooth. The new team thanks the outgoing editorial team, Matt Brashears and Brent Simpson. Special thanks to Malissa Alinor (outgoing editorial manager) and to Kylie Smith (new managing editor).

In 2020, 108 new manuscripts were submitted to the journal. Since January 1, 84 new manuscripts have been submitted. The average time of review is 8 weeks.

Recent Cooley-Mead Addresses will be published soon: Jan Stets in December 2021, Neil McKinnon in March 2022.

Jody encouraged reviewers to commit quickly and provide reviews in a timely matter. The journal will also engage in outreach efforts to increase and diversify reviewers.

Justine Tinkler, Editor: A special issue on Race, Racism, and Discrimination has been announced. Special editors are Corey Fields, Verna Keith, and Justine Tinkler. The submission deadline is January 15, 2022 and the edition will be published in 2023 (20 years after Bobo's special issue).

A call for expert reviewers of race, racism, and discrimination to join the SPQ database will be sent to all ASA sections.

Dawn Robinson, Editor: Updated website information encourages both full length and note contributions. The editors are considering replacing SNAPS with author-created PowerPoint slides for use in teaching particular articles.

There is an effort to increase the social media presence of SPQ by incorporating 'Science Communication Interns' who will collaborate with editorial team to create digital content.

The 2020 Impact Factor Score is 1.757 (up from 1.286) and the 5 year Impact Factor Score is 3.09 (up from 2.69). Most ASA journals will report increased impact factor scores this year. This may be due to inflation associated with 'online first' articles. This inflation is temporary and will return in 2021.

IV. Old and New Business

1. New webmasters needed.

2. Faculty Mentoring Program: The section currently has multiple mentoring committees (graduate, junior faculty, mid-career, etc.). Dawn Robinson suggested we form one committee with multiple subcommittees. This would result in clearer communication with membership.

Dawn's recommendation to council: the creation of a standing mentoring committee. Dawn will write a broad description of an omnibus committee. Jessica Collett suggested that the committee also cater to students interested in industry positions.

Gretchen Peterson moved to initiate a combined adhoc committee to handle mentoring and to charge Dawn Robinson with crafting language to go into by-laws (by-law amendments must be submitted by November 15). Motion passed 14-0.

3. Membership Ideas: Jessica Collett encouraged the promotion of the upcoming 'What's wrong with Social Psychology' session. She'll work with membership committee on recruitment and retention of members and suspects that the pandemic is responsible for some membership decline.

Steve Hitlin suggested that the issue is not with the section specifically, but due to a general problem with ASA.

Steve Hitlin adjourned the meeting at 10:40.

Awards

Provide a list of section awards and awardees conferred in the past year.

A) Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award

Nicholas Heiserman, University of South Carolina. "Intersectional Complexity in Stereotype Content."

Additionally, there were two other highly rated papers (listed below in alphabetical order) that we would like to recognize as Honorable Mentions:

Peter Francis Harvey, University of Pennsylvania. "Everyone Thinks They're Special': Socialization, Dispositions, and Cultural Logics in Two Elementary Schools."

Joseph Wallerstein, Harvard University. "Ideal Foes? How Risky Ties Help."

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Why do some protests remain peaceful while others become violent? This timely topic is of great practical as well as theoretical significance. Her mixed-methods approach combines participant observation and interviews with extensive use of social media and

visual materials. With these innovative procedures, she opens a novel and valuable line of inquiry. Nassauer assembles a sophisticated conceptual framework from the microsociology of Elijah Anderson, Herbert Blumer, Randall Collins, and Jack Katz. The analysis is clear, empirically-grounded, and persuasive. Her vivid writing takes the reader into encounters between the police and protesters with you-are-there imagery. Challenging the overemphasis on rational or structural background factors, Nassauer shows us that crucial aspects of causality are situational and interactional. Her meticulous research generates original and surprising insights, leaving one with a sense of discovery. In *Situational Breakdowns*, Nassauer claims new territory for social psychology.

- C) The Graduate Student Investigator Award winner is Kate Hawks (Emory) for her paper: "Human Values: Shaping Perceived Legitimacy of and Behavioral Compliance with Health Authorities during a Global Pandemic"

the 2021 recipient of the Cooley-Mead Award is *Neil J. MacKinnon*, Professor Emeritus, University of Guelph. In his distinguished career of fifty years, Mackinnon's pathbreaking theoretical and empirical work has had tremendous impact on our understanding of institutions, emotions, culture, identities, the self, and impression-formation.

2021 Finances

Provide a narrative on how the 2021 budget matched with actual expenses and income from 2021. Please account for any substantive differences.

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