

## SSS 2022 Sessions Seeking Papers (as of September 17, 2021)

### Sessions Seeking Papers:

1. Black Feminist Theory and Methods
2. Society in a Changing Climate: What We See and What We Don't
3. Sociology of Disasters

#### 1. Black Feminist Theory and Methods

I am currently seeking paper submissions for a session on Black feminist theory and methods. The last two years have been especially eventful for Black American women with names like Tamika Mallory, Kamala Harris and Breonna Taylor dominating the news media, the coronavirus disproportionately impacted Black women's health, finances, and parenting, and studies of medical racism have shown their infant and perinatal mortality rates are alarmingly high when compared to white Americans. Black feminist perspectives have been used to understand gender relations, criminology, health behaviors, self-image, pop culture, and numerous other areas relevant to sociology. The overarching theme of this session will be using Black feminist theory and/or methods to contextualize issues facing sociologists today. All paper submissions should be sent to Jeannette Wade at [jmwade1@ncat.edu](mailto:jmwade1@ncat.edu) by October 29, 2021 and should include: (a) the title of the paper, \* (b) 3 key words, \* (c) first name, last name, institution, email, and position for each author, \* and (d) an abstract up to 400 words long. Both empirical and theoretical submissions are welcome. \*Note that information provided here is what will appear in the program, so please include your name, affiliation, and contact information exactly as you want it to appear in the program.

Please submit your materials to session organizer Jeannette Wade ([jmwade1@ncat.edu](mailto:jmwade1@ncat.edu)) by October 29, 2021.

#### 2. Society in a Changing Climate: What We See and What We Don't

While the threat to human societies posed by climate change has become more visible and pressing in recent years, it is still often dismissed, overlooked, and overshadowed by other crises. At the same time, even though sociologists have made major strides in understanding the ways that social arrangements and patterns contribute to climate change as well as how they are shaped by its consequences, there are many aspects of these connections that have not received due attention in the scholarly literature. In this proposed session we aim to bring together sociologists studying the human dimensions of climate change and welcome papers on a wide range of topics, especially those that address understudied or less visible dimensions of the climate-society nexus. Potential topics of interest include but are not limited to: (1) Social drivers of climate change, (2) factors shaping perception and public opinion of climate change, (3) assessments of potential mitigation and adaptation strategies, (4) the politics of climate change, (5) climate justice and equity, (6) social consequences of climate change, and (7) evaluations of climate policy. If you are interested in presenting a paper in this session, please submit the following information to Kyle Knight ([kyle.knight@uah.edu](mailto:kyle.knight@uah.edu)) by Friday, October

22nd: (1) the title of the paper; (2) contact information (name, affiliation, email address, phone number) for each author; and (3) an extended abstract.

Please submit your materials to session organizers Kyle Knight and Feng Hao ([kyle.knight@uah.edu](mailto:kyle.knight@uah.edu)) by October 22, 2021.

### **3. Sociology of Disasters**

In an era where climate change is increasing the frequency and severity of disasters, societal vulnerabilities to disasters and societal response to disasters are central to core sociological dynamics such as stratification and inequality. Increasing interest in the field of sociology examines disasters by cross-cutting how disasters relate to race, gender, class, the environment, urbanization, health, and much more. This proposed session invites papers that study disasters from a sociological perspective. This call is intentionally broad to encourage generative cross-cutting insights that can help to advance the field of sociology of disasters. Quantitative or qualitative research are welcome as is research from a diverse range of geographies from the U.S South to globally. All abstract submissions should be submitted to Kevin Smiley at [ksmiley@lsu.edu](mailto:ksmiley@lsu.edu) by Monday October 25, 2021 and should include: (1) title of the paper, (2) three key words, (3) first name, last name, institution, email, and position for each author, and (4) an extended abstract up to 450 words.

Please submit your materials to session organizer Kevin Smiley ([ksmiley@lsu.edu](mailto:ksmiley@lsu.edu)) by October 25, 2021.

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