

ILLINOIS SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

2022 Annual Conference

**Sociological Solutions
for 21st Century Problems**

**November 4, 2022
Eastern Illinois University**

MLK Jr. University Union | 1720 7th St., Charleston, IL 61920

Welcome to the 2022 annual conference of the Illinois Sociological Association. We are excited to be back in-person with our annual conference this year, and we have an exciting schedule of events. The submissions we received for this year's conference demonstrate the breadth of social scientific research, and the varied interests of sociologists and like-minded scholars across the state. We are excited to showcase this work in this year's program.

During the initial planning stages for this year's conference, we settled on the following theme: "Sociological Solutions for 21st Century Problems." This theme is reflected in many of the presentations scheduled throughout the day. The long-standing sociological interest in understanding problems and seeking solutions is well represented in our program (as we assumed it would be). The interest in 21st century issues is further reflected in the keynote address (given by Dr. Melissa Ames) which focuses on television programming and 21st century cultural anxieties. We are excited to welcome Dr. Ames and each of the presenters to this year's conference.

Thank you for joining us for this annual event. We hope you find the presentations and conversations at this year's conference to be enlightening and inspiring. A special thanks goes out to all who contributed to this year's program, to include presenters, presidors, volunteers, and those whose work is done behind the scenes, often with little recognition. All this work is worth it, and we're happy you've joined us.

Sincerely,
ISA Leadership

CONFERENCE SITE: GENERAL INFORMATION

This year's conference is held in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at Eastern Illinois University (Charleston, IL). General information about the East Wing of the Union and the conference site is provided below.

MLK Jr. University Union: East Wing

First Floor

Located on the first floor (next to the EIU bookstore) is the Java Beanery and Bakery. The Java B & B offers handcrafted espresso, freshly brewed coffee, and iced specialty drinks along with gourmet baked goods. Friday hours of operation: 7:30am – 4:30pm.

Second Floor

The Grand Ballroom is located on the second floor. The ballroom will be the site of initial registration and opening remarks, as well as the lunchtime keynote address. The second floor is accessible by elevator and by stairs.

Third Floor

The conference rooms in which individual sessions will be held are located on the third floor. The Paris room (near the east end of the building) has been designated as a personal workspace for conference attendees in need of such a space. The third floor is accessible by elevator and by stairs.

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:30am – 9:00am	Welcome & Registration (coffee service provided)	Grand Ballroom
9:00am – 9:15am	Opening Remarks (coffee service provided)	Grand Ballroom
9:30am – 10:30am	Session I I.e. Social Status and Identity: Studies of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Society I.b. Ethnographic Research	Charleston Rm Effingham Rm
10:45am – 11:45am	Session II II.a. The Study of Places and Spaces: Barrooms, Classrooms, Cemeteries, and Census Tracts II.b. Theoretical Insights and Frameworks: Theories of Self, Society, Crime, and Collective Action II.c. Graduate School: Informational Session (Graduate Student Panel)	Effingham Rm Martinsville Rm Charleston Rm
12:00pm – 1:15pm	Lunch and Keynote Address Keynote Address: <i>TV & Cultural Anxieties (from 9/11 to Covid-19): Emotion's Role in 21st Century Programing & Viewing Practices</i> (Melissa Ames) Student Paper Awards Ceremony	Grand Ballroom
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Session III III.a. Health, Disorder, and Illness: Studies of Environments, Perceptions, and Policies III.b. Students' Sociological Research III.c. Teaching and Learning: Challenges and Opportunities	Charleston Rm Martinsville Rm Effingham Rm
2:45pm – 3:15pm	Author Presents: <i>Labor of Love: Offender Care and Support by Families in Contemporary Japan</i> (Mari Kita)	Charleston Rm
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Session IV IV.a. Crime and Criminal Justice: Insights and Issues IV.b. Legislative Action and Racial (In)equality in the 21 st Century	Charleston Rm Effingham Rm
4:35pm – 5:00pm	Special Session: <i>Woman, Life, Freedom: A Conversation with a Feminist Activist Scholar about the Women's Movement in Iran</i> (Mahbubeh Moqadam) ISA Board Meeting	Effingham Rm Martinsville Rm

DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30am – 9:00am	Welcome and Registration (coffee service provided)	Grand Ballroom
9:00am – 9:15am	Opening Remarks: Jay Gatrell, Provost, Eastern Illinois University Wade Smith, President, Illinois Sociological Association	Grand Ballroom

Session I	9:30am – 10:30am
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I.a. Social Status and Identity: Studies of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Society	PAPER SESSION Charleston Rm
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Presider: Jennifer Stevens, Eastern Illinois University

Filipinos at the Crux of United States Culture
Mason Garcera, Loyola University Chicago

“Stop Relying on That Body”: How Damaging Feminine Beauty Standards are Enforced and Perpetuated on RuPaul’s Drag Race
Amanda Jane, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

But She’s Just So Aggressive!: An Analysis of Gendered and Racialized Language During the 2020 United States Democratic Presidential Primary
Maggie Jones, Loyola University Chicago

Multiracial Puerto Rico: Changes in Racial Identifications in the 2020 Census
Maya Rodríguez-Reyes, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

I.b. Ethnographic Research	PAPER SESSION Effingham Rm
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Presider: Angela Glaros, Eastern Illinois University

Ethnography From the Inside Out
Angela Glaros, Eastern Illinois University

Community and Camaraderie: An Ethnography of American Veteran Organizations
Zachary Huelskamp, Eastern Illinois University

‘Soñamos Vida Digna’: An Ethnographic Account of Puerto Rican Feminist Organizing and Activism
Amaury Rijo Sánchez, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Are Traditional, Western Gender Roles Affecting Cohesion and Morale in Gender Integrated Units?
Katie Wells, Eastern Illinois University

Session II**10:45am – 11:45am****II.a. The Study of Places and Spaces:
Barrooms, Classrooms, Cemeteries, and Census Tracts****PAPER SESSION
Effingham Rm**

Presider: Keith Johnson

Barroom Blood: An Exploration of the Relationship Between Bars and Violence

Anthony Cusumano, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

The Reproduction of Inequality Through the Education System: A Study of Diversity and Inclusion at Roxana High School

Amanda Jane, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Family Cemeteries of the Upland South as Time Journeys

William Lovekamp, Eastern Illinois University

Charting Chicago's Tenant Landscape

*Dakesian Woods, Loyola University Chicago***II.b. Theoretical Insights and Frameworks:
Theories of Self, Society, Crime, and Collective Action****PAPER SESSION
Martinsville Rm**

Presider: Jorge Chávez-Rojas, Millikin University

Developing "Self": Socialization Process, Power/ Inequalities and Agency

Md Mahbub Alam, Western Illinois University

Cultural Adaptation of Crime in Neighborhoods: A Multi-level Causal Pathway

Courtney Boyce, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Two Theorists of Orientation and the Near at Hand Climate Catastrophe

Tom Duncanson, Green Citizen Diplomacy Project

The Tenants Movement and Racial Capitalism

*John Schmisek, University of Illinois Chicago***II.c. Graduate School: Informational Session****PANEL SESSION
Charleston Rm***This informational session—led by current graduate students—provides information about the process of applying to graduate school, expectations in graduate school, and the experiences of grad students.*

Panelists: Izzy Hernandez, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
 Asena Karipek, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
 Yusuf Karipek, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
 Mahbubeh Moqadam, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
 Amaury Rijo Sánchez, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
 Maya Rodríguez-Reyes, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Lunch	12:00pm – 1:15pm
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Lunch and Keynote Address**Grand Ballroom**

Keynote Address:

TV & Cultural Anxieties (from 9/11 to Covid-19): Emotion's Role in 21st Century Programing & Viewing Practices

Melissa Ames, Eastern Illinois University

Student Paper Awards Ceremony

Presiders: Jorge Chávez-Rojas, Keith Johnson, Ken Laundra

Session III	1:30pm – 2:30pm
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III.a. Health, Disorder, and Illness: Studies of Environments, Perceptions, and Policies	PAPER SESSION Charleston Rm
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Presider: Darren Hendrickson, Eastern Illinois University

Transforming the Preexisting Notions of Autism: Building a New Paradigm Founded on Self Advocacy, Interdisciplinary Research, and Expanding Our Perceptions of "Acceptable Behavior"

Lindsey Anderson, Eastern Illinois University

The Social Construction of Substance Use Disorders

Corbin Johannpeter, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

White Faces and Green Spaces

Morgan Rigdon, Eastern Illinois University

Adult Obesity: Champaign County, Illinois State

Melon Tanui, Illinois State University

III.b. Students' Sociological Research	PAPER SESSION Martinsville Rm
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Presider: Jorge Chávez-Rojas, Millikin University

How Does a Person's Race Affect Their Amount of Police Interaction over a Given Year?

Caleb Dowers, Millikin University

The Importance of Community Programs in Reducing Cases of Juvenile Delinquency

Kayla Green, Millikin University

How Does Levels of Self-esteem Affect the Probability of Group Conformity in Society?

D'Anthony Hopkins, Millikin University

**III.c. Teaching and Learning:
Challenges and Opportunities**
**PAPER and DISCUSSION SESSION
Effingham Rm**

This session includes a 30-minute paper presentation session followed by a 30-minute discussion session

Presider: Ken Laundra, Millikin University

Paper Presentations

Figures, and Charts, and Tables, Oh My!: Pedagogical Opportunities of Textbook Data Visualizations

Michael Gillespie, Eastern Illinois University; Stephanie Medley-Rath, Nicholas Novosel, Sydney Combs, and Drew Fearnow, Indiana University Kokomo

Mental Health in the Education System

Katie Johnson, Eastern Illinois University

Discussion Session

New Ways to Teach and Learn in a Post-Pandemic, IGen (Gen Z) Era

Ken Laundra, Millikin University

Author Presents
2:45pm – 3:15pm
***Labor of Love: Offender Care and Support by
Families in Contemporary Japan***
**SPECIAL SESSION: AUTHOR PRESENTS
Charleston Rm**

Mari Kita, Eastern Illinois University

In this session, author Mari Kita will discuss research and findings from her forthcoming book *Labor of Love: Offender Care and Support by Families in Contemporary Japan* (Routledge).

This ethnographic study examines the repercussions of crime and punishment on families in Japan, and is a recent contribution to the Routledge series on Studies in Crime, Justice and the Family.

Session IV
3:30pm – 4:30pm
**IV.a. Crime and Criminal Justice:
Insights and Issues**
**PAPER SESSION
Charleston Rm**

Presider: Mari Kita, Eastern Illinois University

How is Racism Affecting Police Brutality?

Lealanie Guerrero, Eastern Illinois University

A Critical Examination of the Five Key Variables Impacting Jamaican Gang Membership

Asheka Jackson, Millikin University

"This is My Baby. My Baby is Days Old and You're Taking My Baby Away...You Have No Heart":
Protective Custody, Where Police and Social Work Meet

Keith Johnson

Public Order: Child Predator

Hannah Nation, Eastern Illinois University

IV.b. Legislative Action and Racial (In)equality in the 21st Century**PAPER SESSION**
Effingham Rm

Presider: Wade Smith, Eastern Illinois University

Racial Zoning and Disparate Impact Discrimination: Increasing Environmental Justice

Hope Aaron, Eastern Illinois University

GI Bill Restoration Act of 2021: What Our Nation's Heroes Deserve

Grant Edwards, Eastern Illinois University

Constructive Efforts in Response to Asian Hate Crimes in Atlanta Georgia

Bethany Huhman, Eastern Illinois University

Justice for Our Black Farmers

Tiffany Walker, Eastern Illinois University

Blind Faith and Colorblindness: America's Racial Disconnect

*Katie Wells, Eastern Illinois University***4:35pm – 5:00pm*****Woman, Life, Freedom: A Conversation with a Feminist
Activist Scholar about the Women's Movement in Iran*****SPECIAL SESSION**
Effingham Rm

Mahbubeh Moqadam, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

ISA Board Meeting

Martinsville Rm

SPECIAL THANKS

(in alphabetical order)

Jarad Barnes	Kendra Kelly
Zoe Bowers	Bill Lovekamp
Melissa Carr	Ashley McDonald
Gracie Chapman	Camden Webb
Izzy Hernandez	Aaron White
Don Holly	Vernon Woodley

Opening Welcome: Jay Gatrell

Keynote Address: Melissa Ames

Student Paper Awards Selection Committee:
Jorge Chávez-Rojas, Keith Johnson, Ken Laundra

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