The world is governed more by appearance than reality so that it is fully as necessary to seem to know something as to know it.

--- Daniel Webster

**NORTH CENTRAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION’S ANNUAL MEETING**

**March 27-29, 2008**
Hilton Netherland Hotel
Cincinnati Ohio

NCSA members, make plans now to join us in March for the annual meeting in Cincinnati. The NCSA welcomes the addition of the Midwest Student Sociology Conference (MSSC) to this year’s NCSA meeting. You will find the call for paper on the following pages. Whether you self-identify as a researcher, teacher, student, or community member you will find sessions with topics of interest.

Cincinnati is a lively city with plenty of extra-meeting activities. An added bonus is that the annual meeting will be held at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza. This stunning French Art Deco styled hotel first opened in 1931. The hotel is listed on the National Historic Landmark and is a charter member of Historic Hotels of America. The hotel features rare Brazilian rosewood paneling, indirect German silver-nickel light fixtures and soaring ceiling murals, and soaring ceiling murals.

Originally the Netherland Plaza Hotel, this hotel is described as a favorite of celebrities during the golden age of WLW radio, including Bing Crosby. This historic hotel is the located inside the Carew Tower Complex in the heart of Cincinnati (Fourth and Vine Streets). The Carew Tower is the tallest building in Downtown Cincinnati, and an Art Deco architectural landmark. The Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza is located at 35 West Fifth Street, (513)-421-9100.

Make your reservations now!
Jonathan Turner is a Distinguished Professor of Sociology at the University of California – Riverside. He received his PhD from Cornell University in 1968, and since 1969 he has been at UCR. Within the discipline, he is known as a general theorist, although Turner has a number of substantive specialties including: the sociology of emotions, ethnic relations, social institutions, social stratification, and bio-sociology. He has been Faculty Research Lecturer at UCR and he is also a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Turner has served as President of the Pacific Sociological Association and California Sociological Association. He has lectured widely all over the world, and he has been a visiting professor at Cambridge University, UK; Universitat Bremen, Germany; Universitat Bielefeld, Germany; and Shandong University and Nan Kai University, Peoples Republic at China.


The Scholarly Achievement Award Committee solicits nominations from the membership for significant work in the discipline which has appeared in the recent past and has not been recognized by the Association.

**Nominations should be submitted by December 15, 2007 to:**

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MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES


The Center for Holocaust and Humanity Education, 3101 Clifton Avenue (Hebrew Union College Campus), (513)-487-3055 (chhe@huc.org). 9AM-5:30PM daily. CHHE has a heart-wrenching yet inspiring exhibit called Mapping Our Tears, which follows the stories of Cincinnatians involved in the resistance to Nazis and Holocaust survivors now living in Cincinnati. One part of the exhibit tells the tale of a local man, who after interrogating suspects to be tried at the Nuremberg Trials became U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg. Free.

Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal, 1301 Western Avenue (513)-287-7000 (information@cincymuseum.org). M-Sa 10AM-5PM, Su noon-6PM. Originally built in 1933 as the Union Terminal train station, the building was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1977. The Cincinnati Museum Center is comprised of The Cincinnati History Museum, Museum of Natural History and Science, Duke Energy Children's Museum, and the Robert D. Linder Family OMNIMAX Theater. Adults $7.25, Seniors $6.25, Children (Ages 3-12) $5.25; Parking is $4.50 per vehicle.

Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, 3400 Vine Street, 800-94-HIPPO. (info@cincinnatizoo.org). The Zoo is typically open daily from 9AM until 5PM. The Cincinnati Zoo is the second oldest zoo in America and one of the most important worldwide, because of its success with the mating of animals in captivity. The zoo is well worth a visit. Adults (13+ years) $12.95, Seniors (62+) $10.95, Children (2-12) $7.95. Parking: $6.50.

Contemporary Arts Center, 44 East Sixth Street (513)-345-8400. 10AM-9PM, Tu Closed, W-F 10AM-6PM, Sa-Su 11AM-6PM. The CAC is one of the regional leaders in thought-provoking art; the building itself is a piece of art with some of Cincinnati's boldest architecture. The center has also been the center of controversy; some may not see the "art" in some exhibits. Adults $7.50, Senior (65+) $6.50, Student w/ID $5.50, Children (3-13) $4.50.

Harriet Beecher-Stowe House, 2950 Gilbert Avenue (Walnut Hills), 513-751-0651. (bleefurr@aol.com). Hours vary, see website. Harriet Beecher-Stowe is famous for writing the anti-slavery Uncle Tom's Cabin. Free (donations are welcomed).

National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. 50 East Freedom Way (Riverfront), (513)-333-7500. Tu-Su 11AM-5PM (Closed: Labor Day, September 7, October 15 at 14:00, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day). The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center is a museum of conscience; it offers lessons on the struggle for freedom in the past, in the present, and for the future as it attempts to challenge visitors to contemplate the meaning of freedom in their own lives. Its location recognizes the significant role of Cincinnati, where thousands of slaves escaped to freedom by crossing the Ohio River, in the history of the Underground Railroad. $12 Adults, $10 Seniors, $8 Children.

MUSIC & THEATER

Playhouse in the Park, 962 Mt. Adams Circle, 513)-421-3888. Box office hours: M: 10AM-5PM, Tu-F: 10AM-9PM. Sa: 10AM-10PM. Su: Noon-8PM. Box office hours may vary on days when performances are held. The Playhouse in the Park is a Tony Award winning playhouse, housing two theaters in Eden Park, not far from the Cincinnati Art Museum. The playhouse hosts performances ten months out of the year.

Esquire Theatre, 320 Ludlow Avenue, (513)-281-8750 (info@esquiretheatre.com). The Esquire Theatre is a movie theater that generally runs indie/foreign films along with some other mainstream films. It is on Ludlow Ave, which is close to great coffee shops, restaurants, and specialty stores. $5.50-$8.50

Cincinnati Music Hall, 1243 Elm Street, 513-744-3344. The Music Hall is the beautiful home to the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Opera, and Cincinnati Ballet. The building was built in 1878 and funded by what's believed to be the first matching grant fund drive in the United State. Tours can be arranged through the Society for the Preservation of Music Hall.

Bogart's Concert Hall, 2621 Vine Street (Corryville), (513)-562-4949. Small venue that attracts some well-known acts. Crowds can get rough with mosh pits growing annoyingly large.

Riverbend Music Center, 6295 Kellogg Avenue, (513)-232-6220. Box office hours: M-F 11AM-5PM, Sa 11AM-2PM. Located on the Ohio river and draws big name artists like John Mellencamp, Dave Matthews Band, and Jimmy Buffet.
CINCINNATI SHOPPING AND SPORTS

SHOPPING

Cincinnati has 52 neighborhoods; each has its own unique shopping districts. Some of the more noteworthy are Clifton Gaslight District (Ludlow Ave. between Clifton Ave. and Middleton Ave.), which offers bohemian and international shops, Mt. Washington Water Tower District (Beecomant Ave. between Campus Lane and Crestview Place), Northside Business District (Ludlow Viaduct/Blue Rock Street/Spring Grove Ave.), Hyde Park Square (Erie Ave. between Zumstein Ave. and Shaw Ave.) and Oakley Square (Madison Road between Hyde Park Ave and Marburg Ave.) offer upscale boutiques. If you’re searching for something that is quintessentially Cincinnati, be sure to look for Rookwood Pottery, Findlay Market, or Graeter’s handmade candy.

The Rookwood Pottery Company, 2619 Glendora Avenue (Near the University of Cincinnati), (513)-381-2510. According to the Rookwood Company, Rookwood Pottery was born on Thanksgiving Day 1880 when Maria Longworth pulled the first of thousands of pieces of pottery from the kiln. It was originally built as a place where she and other women could enjoy their hobby of decorating pottery, but Longworth’s aspirations quickly rose beyond just a hobby. She made Rookwood Pottery one of America’s first major industries owned and operated by a woman. Due to Great Depression, a dramatic decrease in demand for the company’s handcrafted quality artwork caused the original Rookwood Pottery closed its doors. The legendary status of Rookwood Pottery inspired its resurrection in mid-2006. http://www.rookwoodcompany.com/history.php

Joseph-Beth Booksellers, 2692 Madison Road (In the Rookwood Pavillion shopping center, on the Norwood-Cincinnati municipal border) (513)-396-8960. M-Th 9AM-10PM, F, Sa 9AM-11PM, Su 10AM-9PM. Locally owned bookstore. Many nationally known authors sign books here.

Tower Place Mall (Downtown, Inside Carew Tower) (concierge@towerplace.com). Every day 10AM-8PM, Su noon-5PM. Tower Place Mall is a the three-level shopping center features dozens of exclusive shops and renowned retail establishments and an expansive food court with over a dozen dinning options.

Findlay Market, 1801 Race Street, (513)-665-4839 (info@findlaymarket.org). W-F 8AM-6PM, Sa 6AM-6PM, Su 11AM-4PM, M-Tu contact vendors. Ohio’s oldest continuously operating market offers collection of fresh food vendors, restaurants, and non-food shops that’s been in operation since 1855.

SPORTS

Sports are taken seriously in Cincinnati. Everyone roots for the Reds and the Bengals, but they also have a great hockey team.

Cincinnati Bengals. One Paul Brown Stadium (Riverfront), 1-(513)-621-8383. For more than a decade, the Bengals were the punchline of a joke about the NFL. No more, though. Since the hiring of Head Coach Marvin Lewis, the Bengals have gone on to win the AFC North Division and have gained respect within the NFL. In his first season (2003), Lewis led the Bengals with an 8-8 record compared to the 2002 record of 2-14. The Bengals have since posted an 8-8 record in 2004 and an 11-5 record with an AFC North Division Championship. Since their turnaround, a visit to a Bengals game is recommended — if you can get a ticket. Their new home is Paul Brown Stadium, named for the Hall of Fame founder and owner/first head coach of the team in their American Football League days.

Cincinnati Reds. 100 Main Street (Great American Ball Park; Corner of Main Street and Second Street), 1-(513)-765-7000. The "Big Red Machine" has always been a leader in professional baseball since its formation as the first professional baseball team. The team earned their nickname during the 1970s, when the team made six post-season appearances and won two World Series with the likes of Johnny Bench, Pete Rose, Tony Perez and manager Sparky Anderson. The Reds’ new home is Great American Ball Park, located on the downtown riverfront near the site of the stadium it replaced, the now-demolished Riverfront Stadium.

ECHL Hockey Cincinnati Cyclones, U.S. Bank Arena, (513)-421-PUCK. Hockey has a long legacy in Cincinnati. In the seventies, Cincinnati was home to a WHA team, the Cincinnati Stingers, and an AHL team, in the Cincinnati Swords. Then came the Cyclones in various incarnations, and the Cincinnati Mighty Ducks. The Cincinnati Gardens was frequented by the likes of Barry Melrose, Don Biggs, Mark Messier and Wayne Gretzky on a pretty regular basis. Now, the third incarnation of the Cincinnati Cyclones plays in the ECHL. Crowds run closer to 1,500 people, far below the capacity of 16,000, so tickets should be easy to come by. $13-$20.

Who Dey?
The term refers to the Cincinnati Bengals football team. The phrase is used as a cheer or a greeting among Bengals fans. At Bengals games fans screaming "Who Dey!" often leads to an entire section chanting the Who Dey chant: "Who dey! Who dey! Who dey think going to beat dem Bengals?!" The answer is an extended "Nobody!" The chant is most often used at Cincinnati/Cleveland and Cincinnati/Pittsburgh games.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT http://www.cincysusa.com/ or www.cincinnati-oh.gov/
CALL FOR PAPERS
DEADLINE: November 30, 2007

If you are interested in presenting a research paper, sharing your ideas on teaching, or participating in a panel or round table, send an abstract of your work to the session organizer. The sessions are organized as follows:

When you send your abstract, please include the following:

1. Title of your work
2. Your name and institutional affiliation
3. Mailing address AND email address
4. Telephone and fax numbers
5. Send NO LATER than November 30, 2007 to session organizer listed

If you have any general question concerning the program, please contact:

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NCSA Teaching Sessions
CONTACT: Katherine.Rowell@Sinclair.edu

Please find below a list of planned sessions on teaching at NCSA. If you would like to present in one of these sessions please contact the organizers as soon as possible. We ask for an abstract and contact information. In general, each presentation is approximately 15 minutes and we encourage you to bring handouts to share with your colleagues. Our teaching sessions attract many new faculty and graduate students and we see this as a great opportunity to both examine the scholarship of teaching and learning as well as increase the pedagogical practices within sociology. Please contact the chair of the NCSA teaching section should you have questions about participating in the NCSA conference.

Teaching

A1. Books That Help Us Teach
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A2. Graduate Students Teaching Students: Issues in Inspiration and Control
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A3. Teaching about Inequality, Race, Gender and/or Sexuality

B1. Teaching About Controversial Topics in Sociology
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B2. Teaching Privileged Students About Oppression: Challenges and Opportunities
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B3. Teaching about Stereotypes
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B4. Active Learning Methods for Teaching About Social Inequality
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B5. Teaching Sex & Gender Using Film
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B6. Teaching about Race, Class, Gender, and Sexualities.
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B7. Globalization in the Teaching of Sociology of Gender
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Teaching Introductory Sociology, Popular Culture, Social Problems, Justice Issues

C1. Beyond the Book: Incorporating Other Readings into Introduction Classes
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C3. Teaching Sociology of Popular Culture or Mass Media
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C4. Teaching Justice Issues
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D1. Teaching and Learning at the Community College
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E1. Service Learning and Assessment
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E2. Teaching Across the Curriculum – Tandem Teaching (Learning Communities)
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E3. Creating Curriculum from Scratch with a Deep Learning Focus
Organizers: Keith Roberts and Jeanne Ballantine
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E4. Internationalizing the Sociology Curriculum
Organizer: Jeanne Ballantine
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WANTED: Teaching Tips for Poster Presentation
Kathleen Piker-King will be organizing a poster session for Friday of the conference. For this session, faculty or others teaching create a poster about an exercise, activity, assignment, and/or other things you do in the classroom. We ask that you develop a poster and bring at least 50 one page handouts about your activity. This poster session has become very popular with our high school teachers and we would like a great turn out this year. If you would like to participate please send your poster idea to Kathleen Piker-King (kindkd@muc.edu)

Be sure to include all your contact information as participation in poster session is included in the final program.
The John F. Schnabel Distinguished Contributions to Teaching Award
2008 Call for Nominations

The NCSA Teaching Committee is calling for nominations (and re-nominations) for the 2008 The John F. Schnabel Distinguished Contributions to Teaching Award. This award may be given to an individual, a department, a program, or an institution. Individuals nominated for the award must be a member of the NCSA. Departments, programs, or institutions nominated for the award must be located in the NCSA region. The principal criterion for the award is excellence in some activity enhancing the teaching of Sociology for the NCSA or within the North Central region. As such, the "criteria" are intentionally flexible in order to accommodate the innovative and creative.

A partial list of the kinds of activities that would be considered includes:

1. The sharing of pioneering innovations in curriculum design. Creative classroom activities, and/or development of instructional methods.
2. The development of especially creative instructional materials.
3. A distinguished record of publication and/or research on or about the teaching of Sociology.
4. A distinguished record of assuring a teaching emphasis at the NCSA by organizing research session on teaching, creating displays, chairing panels, conducting teaching workshops, and/or chairing roundtables on some teaching emphasis.
5. Faculty developmental efforts such as systematic in-service training of teachers or a distinguished record of preparing graduate students to teach.

When making nominations for the award, nominators are asked to send as much of the following as possible:

1. A letter of nomination outlining reasons for the nomination.
2. A vita and/or a listing of activities which have fostered better teaching of Sociology.
3. Documents supporting the nomination.

The more concrete and specific the information and documentation, the stronger the nomination will be. Nominators may want to notify the person the person being nominated and ask him or her to send appropriate supporting materials. Anyone who has been a nominator before is strongly encouraged to re-nominate that individual, department, program, or institution.

The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2008
Send nominations or address questions to:
Kathy Rowell
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Aida Tomeh Distinguished Service Award
2008 Call for Nominations

The Aida Tomeh Distinguished Service Award is an annual award recognizing the accomplishments an NCSA member in one of more of the following:

1. Service to the NCSA in a single truly outstanding activity, or
2. Service to the NCSA in many capacities and over a long period of time, or
3. Service to the NCSA throughout professional career.

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The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2008
Send nominations or address questions to:
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Sociological Theory/Ideology

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A2. Citizen Participation: Theory, Research, and Practice
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A3. Voices from the Margins: Contributions of Women and Minorities to the History of Sociology.
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A4. Ideology, Social Control and Everyday Life in Imperial America
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A5. Comparative-Historical Perspectives on Complex Realities
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Race, Gender & Issues of Inequality

B1. Inclusive Learning after Proposals to Abolish Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Laws
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B8. Critical Perspectives on Race
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Family, Life Course, Aging

C1. Gender in Sexual and Romantic Relationships Across the Life Course
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H1. Methodologies, Challenges, Excitement, and Dilemmas of Applied Sociology
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Sociology of Work
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O3. Deviance/ Sex Work/Prostitution
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O4. Contemporary Issues in Interpersonal Violence
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If you would like to serve on one of the panels below, please contact the organizer of the panel (their name is listed directly below the title of the panel topic). Some panels already have participants but others are looking for more presenters.

### Helpful Information for Students

A1. **Surviving Graduate School**  
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A2. **The Students Speak: Undergraduates' Perceptions of Excellent Teaching**  
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Hanover, Indiana 47243-9655  
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A3. **Preparing Students for Teaching**  
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A4. **Applying for Graduate School**  
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A6. **Preparing for academic job market**  
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### Social Issues

B1. **Homelessness and the 10 Year Plans to End Homelessness**  
Susan Warner  
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Katherine Rowell  
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B2. **Greening the Campus**  
Bill Tregea, Ph.D.  
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Sociology, Social Work, Criminal Justice  
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### Assessment

C1. **Assessment of Student Learning: Voices of experience**  
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**NCSA Round Table Sessions**

Chair: Sean Frost  
Sean.Frost@Sinclair.edu

If you would like to organize a roundtable session on any particular topic, please contact Sean Frost. The NCSA traditionally offers roundtable paper sessions for graduate and undergraduate students. If you would like to present your work in this setting (rather than in the research or teaching sessions) please send an abstract of your paper to Sean and indicate you would like to be placed into a roundtable.
The J. Milton Yinger Award Selection Committee is now calling for nominations for the 2008 Award for a Distinguished Career in Sociology. The Yinger Award for a Distinguished Career in Sociology may be given to an individual who is, or who has been, an active member of the NCSA; the nomination must be submitted by a member of NCSA.

The principal criterion for this award is an *extraordinary career* in some activity that has furthered the work of Sociology as a discipline. As such the "criteria" are intentionally flexible in order to accommodate distinguished contributions to sociological scholarship, applied or public sociology that improves the quality of human life, or improvement of teaching and learning in the region and nationally.

A person might be nominated for exemplary work in any one of the areas or for uncommon contributions in two or more areas. A list of the kinds of activities that would be considered includes:

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**Scholarly contributions**—an extraordinary career of scholarship, expressed in publications, editorial work on behalf of sociological journals, and/or consultant

**Public/Applied Sociology**—an extraordinary career of applied sociological or public policy works:
- in a local community or in a national or regional agency;
- in public testimony, popular press publications, and other venues that impact public policy;
- in public service through elected or appointed office, such that the person’s career has a beneficial impact on the life of a community.

**Contributions to the quality of sociological teaching and learning**—a lifetime of distinguished contributions to sociological instruction and curriculum development through:
- the sharing of significant innovations in curriculum design, creative classroom activities, and/or development of instructional materials;
- advancement of the scholarship of teaching and learning as indicated in a distinguished record of publication and/or research on or about the teaching of sociology;
- a extraordinary contribution to other teachers of sociology through a distinguished record organizing research sessions on teaching, creating displays, chairing panels, conducting teaching workshops, in-service programs for teachers or graduate students, and/or chairing roundtables on some teaching emphasis; and/or
- exemplary service within the region, such as in doing external departmental reviews.

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When making nominations for the award, nominators are asked to send as much of the following as possible:

a. a letter of nomination outlining reasons for the nomination,

b. a vita or a listing of activities which have advance the discipline of sociology,

c. documents supporting the nomination,

d. supporting letters.

The more concrete and specific the information and documentation, the stronger the nomination will be. Nominators may want to notify the person being nominated and ask them to send in appropriate supporting materials.

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**THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS JANUARY 30, 2008**

Send nominations or address questions to:

Keith A. Roberts
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The North Central Sociological Association is pleased to announce its annual competition for all students.

**TWO DIVISIONAL AWARDS**

1. Graduate Student Division
2. Undergraduate Division (open to all students at 2-year and 4-year colleges, universities, and community colleges)

Up to three awards will be given in each category. Division winners will receive a certificate in recognition of their award.

- Undergraduate division winners will receive a reimbursement of up to $100 for travel expenses incurred for traveling to the NCSA annual meeting March 27-29, 2008 in Cincinnati, OH.
- In the graduate division, the monetary award for reimbursement of expenses incurred for travel to the NCSA annual meeting March 27-29, 2008 in Cincinnati, OH will be distributed as follows: 1st place receives $150, 2nd place receives $125, and 3rd place receives $100. Additionally, the first place winner in the graduate division will be honored as the recipient of the John Seidler Award and the winner's paper will be considered for publication in *Sociological Focus*.
- Co-authored or multiple authored winners will share the specified monetary award.
- All award winners will be honored at a special time during the annual meeting of the NCSA.

**COMPETITION RULES**

1. The maximum length of a paper is 5000 words (approximately 18-20 pages). An abstract of no more than 100 words must also be included.
2. The title page must include the author's name, institutional affiliation, divisional status (graduate or undergraduate), email address, and the name, address, and telephone number of the student's advisor/mentor.
3. Papers with multiple authors will be considered provided that all authors are students in the same division category.
4. Only papers written while the author(s) was a student are eligible for consideration.
5. The contestant must submit four hard copies of the paper. We do not accept electronic copies.
6. Winners are expected to present their papers at the 2008 annual meeting to receive the monetary award.
7. All papers submitted by graduate students will be automatically included in the regular program.
8. Undergraduate students are encouraged to submit a copy of their papers to the program chair to be included in the regular program.
9. For information, please contact Fayyaz Hussain at (517) 353-9964 or e-mail to hussain3@msu.edu.
10. For information on NCSA, please visit our web site: [http://www.ncsanet.org/](http://www.ncsanet.org/)

**JUDGING**

A panel of judges will blind review papers. The judges will employ conventional scholarly criteria – including thesis development, theoretical application, methodological application, discussion/findings, and mechanics – in their deliberations. The graduate student paper award will also be reviewed for its potential for publication. The awards committee reserves the right not to award any or all prizes in a division should papers not be of sufficient quality or of sufficient number.

Please submit entries by January 7, 2008 to:

**Fayyaz Hussain, Chair**

Student Paper Awards Committee  
Center for Integrative Studies in Social Sciences  
5-H Berkey Hall  
Michigan State University  
East Lansing, MI 48824
This year the Midwest Student Sociology Conference is joining with the North Central Sociological Association’s annual conference to be held March 29th and 30th, at The Hilton Netherland Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio. Special efforts are being made to provide panel presentations, round table sessions and helpful workshops just for undergraduate and graduate level students. The NCSA is working with the MSSC to enable faculty and students from regional sociology departments to participate at this year’s conference.

Students are cordially invited to attend this joint conference and to submit papers to the 2008 Midwest Student Sociology Conference. The MSSC conference offers undergraduate students in sociology, anthropology, and criminology the opportunity to present papers based on original research in a supportive and non-threatening setting. Papers from related fields, provided they are related to the field of sociology are also welcome.

Student paper sessions on Saturday and Sunday will be divided topically and typically have four to five student presenters (15 minutes each) with a faculty moderator/discussant:

Please announce the conference to faculty and students who may be interested in attending or presenting a paper. Students who are interested in presenting their work, need to send an abstract by postal service or email to:

Dr. Lissa J. Yogan  
Department of Sociology and Criminology  
1409 Chapel Drive  
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Deadline: Friday November 30, 2007

Please include the following information:

1. An Abstract  
2. The name(s) of the student author(s), mailing address, phone and email  
3. Name and contact information for faculty sponsor

I hope you will consider participating in this exciting and rewarding event.

Feel free to contact me at (219) 464-6998 or at Lissa.Yogan@valpo.edu if you have questions.
ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS WORKSHOP

The North Central Sociological Association (usually in conjunction with the state’s Council for the Social Studies) sponsors a day-long workshop each spring on teaching sociology in high school. It includes discussion of curriculum objectives, review of some possible textbooks, sharing of many active-learning teaching strategies, participation in a simulation game for teaching sociology, discussion of video ideas, introduction to the services of the Teaching Resources Center at the American Sociological Association, opportunities to network with other high school sociology teachers, and more.

After the workshop, you are invited to participate in the rest of the annual meeting events, which run through Friday evening. There are both presentation of research papers by sociologists and more than a dozen sessions on various aspects of teaching sociology.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

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ABOUT THE NCSA

The objectives of the NCSA are to further the development of sociology as a scientific and scholarly discipline through stimulation and promotion of:

1.) Scientific research in its defined subject matter area;
2.) Effective teaching of the subject matter at all levels of educational endeavor;
3.) The widest possible and feasible utilization of the knowledge and skills of sociologists and the findings of scientific sociological research by public and private agencies in all relevant social policy issues;
4.) Interchange and cooperative relations among persons and organizations engaged in the scientific study of society;
5.) Any and all such other acts as may be deemed conducive to these ends.

Membership in the NCSA shall be open to all persons interested in and subscribing to its objectives and who have been awarded a graduate degree in Sociology or in closely related fields from accredited institutions. Persons lacking these qualifications may also become members if they can present evidence of professional competence and commitment to the field of Sociology.

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