



**SOM Annual Conference 2022**  
 October 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Centennial Student Union (CSU)  
 Minnesota State University, Mankato

## Rural Sociology: Connecting People, Communities, Economics, Politics, Health, and Environment

### Thursday October 13

Thursday 12:30 – 1:45 PM	<p><b>CSU 245 &amp; Zoom:</b></p> <p><a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913</a>          Meeting ID: 872 676 8913          Passcode: SOM2022</p>	<p><b>Welcome Address and Introduction to SOM President Elect</b>          By Bridget Conlon, President of Sociologists of Minnesota</p> <p><b>Special Guest Speech</b>          By Christopher Brown, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Minnesota State University Mankato</p> <p><b>Caroline Rose Student Paper Competition Awards and Introduction of the Award Recipients</b>          By Aaron Hoy, Minnesota State University, Mankato</p>
Thursday 1:45 – 2:00 PM	<p><b>Break for Social and Networking</b>          (see the flyer at the registration desk for a list of things to do in the CSU)</p>	
Thursday 2:00 – 3:15 PM	<p><b>CSU 245 &amp; Zoom:</b></p> <p><a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/93745116842">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/93745116842</a>          Passcode: SOM2022</p>	<p><b>Session Topic: Higher Education: Big Ideas and Real World Thinking</b>          Presider: Sarah Epplen, Minnesota State University, Mankato</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b>  <i>Presenter 1: Brian Martensen, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MinnPoly: An Innovative Polytechnic Education Approach in Minnesota that Combine Applied Learning to Solving the Challenging Needs of Present-day Communities</i>  <i>Presenter 2: Vicki Hunter, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Scholars Serving Time: Launching Liberal Arts Degree Programs in Minnesota Prisons</i>  <i>Presenter 3: Sarah Epplen, Minnesota State University, Mankato, A Compassionate Approach to Teaching Sociology to First-Year Students</i></p>
Thursday 2:00 – 3:15 PM	<p><b>CSU 204 Nichols Conference Room &amp; Zoom</b></p> <p><a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913</a>          Meeting ID: 872 676 8913          Passcode: SOM2022</p>	<p><b>Session Topic: Political and Global Inequalities through a Historical-Comparative Lens</b>          Presider: Stephen Phillion, St. Cloud State University</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b>  <i>Presenter 1: Samantha Schoenbauer, St. Cloud State University, Social Movements and Policy Change: A Comparative Study of Women’s Reproductive Rights Movements in the United States</i>  <i>Presenter 2: Myia Ley, St. Cloud State University, Child Poverty in Ukraine: A Comparative Analysis of Ukraine, Poland, and Finland</i>  <i>Presenter 3: Melissa Loehlein, St. Cloud State University, A Comparative Case Study Analysis of Global Capitalist Development’s Impact on Food Shortages in Africa</i></p>

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Conference Room  
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**Session Topic: Sociology in Family and Community**

Presider: Aaron Hoy, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**Panelists:**

*Presenter 1: Aaron Hoy, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Never Before, but Maybe Later: Divorce Ideation in Same-Sex Marriages*

*Presenter 2: Sachita Pokhrel, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Security Checkpoints Before Marriage: How Sexual Minority Young Adults Understand Marital Timing*

*Presenter 3: Ian Smith, Minnesota State University, Mankato, God Made Me Do It! The Examination of Religion on Political Ideologies in Race and Gender*

Thursday  
3:15 –  
3:30 PM

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Thursday  
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4:45 PM

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**Panel: Caroline Rose Student Paper Competition Winners' Presentations**

Presider: Aaron Hoy, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**Panelists:**

*Presenter 1: Josh Groven, Macalester College, First-place Award, Undergraduate Division, 'Cool People' vs. 'Food Goodness': Capitalist Grammar and Social Distinction at a St. Paul Restaurant and Salon*  
*Presenter 2: Haoxuan Gao, Macalester College, Second-place Award, Undergraduate Division, Work Above and Beyond: How Peer Tutors Navigate Their Role and Manage Emotional Labor*

*Presenter 3: Anna DalCortivo and Alyssa Oursler, University of Minnesota, First-place Award, Graduate Division, We Learned Violence from You': Discursive Pacification and Framing Contests During the Minneapolis Uprising*  
*Presenter 4: Shayla Schumacher, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Second-place Award, Graduate Division, Graduate Student Awareness of Student Services*

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4:45 PM

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**Session Topic: Social Problems, Justice, and Equity**

Presider: Carol Glasser, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**Panelists:**

*Presenter 1: Justice Greene, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Media Portrayal of Rampage School Shootings: A Historical Analysis of Nine School Shootings Between 1998-2021*

*Presenter 2: Bruce Wenzel, Minnesota State University, Mankato, The Struggle is Real: Making the Shift to the Neurodiversity Paradigm*

*Presenter 3: Carol Glasser, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Sociology for Social Justice: How Sociological Skills can Promote Civic Engagement*

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3:30 –  
4:45 PM

**CSU  
202  
&  
Zoom  
<https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/6927402034>**

**Session Topic: Sociology Everywhere from Global to Local**

Presider: Chao Liu, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**Panelists:**

*Presenter 1: Chao Liu, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Of Markets and Networks: Marketization and Job Lead Receipt in Transitional China*

*Presenter 2: Steve Buechler, Minnesota State University, Mankato, On Retirement, Contingency, and Improvisation*

*Presenter 3: Paul Prew and Bryanna Edwards, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Co-Creating in the Classroom through a Teaching Internship" be a suitable title or topic?*

Thursday 4:45 – 5:00 PM & 5:00 – 5:50 PM	<b>Campus Walk to MSU Dining Hall</b> (see the map at the registration desk)  <b>DINNER at MSU Dining Hall</b>	
Thursday 6:00 – 7:30 PM	<b>CSU 245 &amp; Zoom</b>  <a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913</a> Meeting ID: 872 676 8913 Passcode: SOM2022	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS:</b> Julie Tesch, Center of Rural Policy and Development of St. Peter/Greater Mankato <b><i>Homecoming: A Journey Back to Rural America</i></b>  Introduced by Saiful Islam, Minnesota State University, Mankato

## Friday October 14

Friday 9:00 – 11:45 AM	<b>CSU 253 &amp; Zoom</b>  <a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913</a> Meeting ID: 872 676 8913 Passcode: SOM2022	<p><b>Session Topic: Documentary Film Show and Discussion, <i>Driving While Black: Race, Space and Mobility in America</i> (2020)</b>          Presenter: Sadie Pendaz-Foster, Inver Hills Community College</p>
Friday 10:30 – 11:45 AM	<b>CSU 204 Zoom</b>  <a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/97706180320">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/97706180320</a> Meeting ID: 977 0618 0320 Passcode: SOM2022	<p><b>Session Topic: Global Justice, Environment, and Human Rights</b>          Presenter: Sherrise Truesdale, Minnesota State University, Mankato</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b>  <i>Presenter 1:</i> Philani Moyo, University of Fort Hare, South Africa  <i>Presenter 2:</i> Mohammad Mohiuddin, University of Ferrara, Italy, <i>Rohingya Inflow from Myanmar to Bangladesh: Analysis of the Refugee Problem and Its Relationship to Environmental Sustainability</i>  <i>Presenter 3:</i> Geanella Ochoa, Minnesota State University, Mankato, <i>How Climate Change is Approached from Developed Countries vs. Developing Countries</i></p>
Friday 10:30 – 11:45 AM	<b>CSU 245 &amp; Zoom:</b>  <a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/96265387396">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/96265387396</a> Passcode: SOM2022	<p><b>Panel: How I Became a Sociologist</b>          Presenter: Sarah Epplen, Minnesota State University, Mankato</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b>          Aaron Hoy, Minnesota State University, Mankato          Vicki Hunter, Minnesota State University, Mankato          Carol Glasser, Minnesota State University, Mankato          Dennis Waskul, Minnesota State University, Mankato</p>
Friday 12:00 – 1:30 PM	<b>CSU 253 CSU 245 Zoom:</b>	<b>Lunch SOM Business Meeting</b>
Friday 1:30-2:30 PM	<b><a href="https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913">https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/8726768913</a> Passcode: SOM2022</b>	<b>SOM Board Meeting Meeting Adjourns</b>

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