

**Eastern Sociological Society  
2019 Candidate Bios and Statements**

*Candidates for office were asked to supply biographical information about themselves and a brief statement about their goals and priorities if elected to office.*

**For President:**

**Jennifer Lee** is Professor of Sociology at Columbia University, where she received her B.A. and Ph.D. degrees. She began her career at UCLA as a University of California President's Postdoctoral Fellow, and joined the faculty at UC Irvine, where she rose to Chancellor's Fellow and Professor of Sociology, before returning to her alma mater.

She has been a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford, a Fellow at the Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture at the University of Chicago, a Visiting Scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation, and a Fulbright Scholar to Japan.

Lee is the author or co-author of four award-winning books: *Civility in the City* (2002); *Asian American Youth* (2004); *The Diversity Paradox* (2010); and *The Asian American Achievement Paradox* (2015). Her most recent book, co-authored with Min Zhou, garnered five national book awards. Four awards come from the American Sociological Association: the Pierre Bourdieu Book Award from the Sociology of Education Section; the Best Book Award from the Asia and Asian America Section of the American Sociological Association; the Thomas and Znaniecki Distinguished Book Award from the International Migration Section; and Honorable Mention for the Best Book from the Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section. The fifth book award is bestowed upon by the Association for Asian American Studies, which hailed it as the Best Book in the Social Sciences.

Her research on immigration, race/ethnicity, inequality, education, and culture has been published in the discipline's top journals, including *American Sociological Review*, *Social Forces*, *Annual Review of Sociology*, *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, and the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Lee has also been active in the discipline, and elected to leadership roles in the American Sociological Association. She was elected as a Council Member at large of the ASA, elected as Chair of the International Migration Section, and elected to the Sociological Research Association. She is a Deputy Editor of the *American Sociological Review*, and serves on the Editorial Boards of *International Migration Review* and *Ethnic and Racial Studies*.

She is a co-Principal Investigator of the National Asian American Survey—a large, nationally representative survey of Asian Americans that includes ten Asian groups, and is offered in ten Asian languages. Lee is also a Senior Researcher at AAPI Data, which publishes demographic data and policy research on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and strives to make data and research more accessible to a general audience.

Strongly committed to public engagement, she has written opinion pieces for *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *The Seattle Times*, *CNN*, *The Guardian*, and *TIME*, and has done radio and television interviews for *NPR*, *CBS News*, and *Tavis Smiley*. In addition, Lee's research has been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *NBC News*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *The Economist*, *Slate*, *Buzzfeed*, and a number of other national and international media outlets.

**Statement:**

Having recently returned to the East Coast, I am privileged to return to ESS, and honored to be nominated as President. My focus as your President will be to place research in sociology at the forefront to help contextualize the country's most pressing and contentious issues—including the cultural threat of diversity; extreme political polarization; bias and discrimination based on race, gender, class, and sexual orientation; the war on refugees and immigrants; and growing income and wealth inequality between and within groups.

By joining the diverse methodological and theoretical approaches from our discipline to tackle these pressing issues, ESS can play a central role in informing current debates by placing sociological research at the helm. Accomplishing this will involve a collective effort that begins with a diverse program committee that reflects the diversity and inclusive excellence of ESS. It also involves joining members from diverse institutions, subfields, and members at all stages of the academic career from new graduate students to full professors.

Finally, as a researcher who is also strongly committed to public engagement, I aim to make public sociology a more central feature of ESS. While publishing academic books and journal articles are essential for knowledge production and dissemination, also critical is reaching a broader audience. Doing so requires a commitment on our parts to make our research accessible beyond the walls of academia in order to help dispel myths and guide narratives.

Sociology is in a position to be a voice for those whose voices are unheard. ESS can play a pivotal role to ensuring that these voices are heard. I hope to work with you to make this possible.

**Juliet B. Schor** is Professor of Sociology at Boston College and a member of the MacArthur Foundation Connected Learning Research Network. Schor's research focuses on work, consumption, time use, and environmental sustainability. She is the author of the New York Times and national best-seller, *The Overworked American: The Unexpected Decline of Leisure*, which was widely credited for influencing the national debate on work and family. Schor practices public sociology and has had a long career presenting sociological ideas to a broad audience. In 2014 Schor received the American Sociological Association's award for Public Understanding of Sociology.

Schor is a graduate of Wesleyan University and began her career as an economist. She received her Ph.D. at the University of Massachusetts, where she studied alternatives to mainstream economic approaches. She taught at Harvard University for 17 years, in the Department of Economics and as director of the Women's Studies program. As Schor began to study consumer culture, she turned to sociology. Schor proudly notes that she was often mistaken for a sociologist during this time. In 2001, she joined the sociology department at Boston College. She has also taught at Yale, Columbia and Williams College.

With funding from the MacArthur Foundation, Schor has spent the last eight years researching community sharing and digital platforms, at sites such as makerspaces, timebanks, Airbnb, and other emergent institutions. This work has focused on issues of social exclusion and inequality, with particular emphasis on racial and class inequality. Schor is also active in environmental sociology, and has been analyzing the relation between working hours, inequality and carbon emissions. With colleagues, she has a series of papers showing that more unequal countries have higher carbon emissions. Throughout her career—from her early research on working hours and consumer culture, to recent studies of climate change and digital innovations—she focuses on the ways in which social inequalities and dynamics of power drive outcomes, and are in turn reproduced by them. She does both qualitative and quantitative research. In addition to MacArthur, Schor has received funding from fifteen private and government sources, including the Pew Charitable Trusts, the USDA, and the Research Council of Norway .

Schor has written six solo authored books, and co-edited six collections. The former include *The Overspent American: Why We Want What We Don't Need*, *Born to Buy: The Commercialized Child and the New Consumer Culture*, and *Plenitude: the economics of true wealth*. Collections include *The Golden Age of Capitalism*, *The Consumer Society: A Reader*, *Sustainable Planet: Solutions for the Twenty-first Century*, and most recently *Sustainable Lifestyles and the Quest for Plenitude: Case Studies of the New Economy*. Her more than 50 scholarly articles have appeared in numerous journals including *Social Problems*, *Social Forces*, *Sociological Forum*, *Poetics*, *The Socio-Economic Review*, *The Journal of Consumer Research*, *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences*, and *The Journal of Consumer Culture*, among others.

Schor is a former Guggenheim Fellow and was the Matina S. Horner Distinguished Visiting Professor at the Radcliffe Institute at Harvard University in 2014-15. She is the recipient of the 2011 Herman Daly Award from the US Society for Ecological Economics. In 2006 she received the Leontief Prize for expanding the frontiers of economic thought. She has also received the George Orwell Award for Distinguished Contributions to Honesty and Clarity in Public Language from the National Council of Teachers of English. She has served as a consultant to the United Nations, at the World Institute for Development Economics Research, and the United Nations Development Program. She is also a former Brookings Institution fellow. She has served the ASA in a number of capacities, including on committees, and as an ASA liaison.

Schor is a co-founder of the Center for a New American Dream ([newdream.org](http://newdream.org)), a national sustainability organization. She is the Chair of the board of the Better Future Project, one of the country's most successful climate activism organizations. She is a co-founder of the South End Press and the Center for Popular Economics. She has also served as a Trustee of Wesleyan University. Schor has lectured widely throughout the United States, Europe and Japan to a variety of civic, business, labor and academic groups. Profiles on her and her work have appeared in scores of magazines and newspapers, including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, and *People* magazine. She has appeared on *60 Minutes*, the *Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, *The Early Show on CBS*, and on scores of radio programs, particularly on public radio.

**Statement:**

I am honored to have been asked to run for President of the Eastern Sociological Society. I have been attending ESS since I joined the discipline. The Annual Meeting is a special event which always offers a compelling program as well as a welcoming venue for junior scholars and graduate students. I appreciate the Society's commitment to inclusiveness and mentoring. The "feel" of the meeting is personal and supportive, and the content is interesting and important. Participating always reminds me how lucky I am to be in sociology.

If elected, I would like to focus on two things. The first is mentoring graduate students and other junior scholars. I did my first "dissertation workshop" at the Annual Meeting one year, and have done many since. We are already doing a good job on this front, but I'd be interested in expanding what we offer, to include more events on public sociology, journal publishing, career advice, and research workshops with junior and senior scholars.

The second is that I'd like to put on a program that is highly attuned to the fast-changing political situation in the United States and around the globe. Over the last few years we have witnessed a rise of authoritarianism, racism and white supremacist movements, the backlash to #MeToo and LGBTQ rights, a climate rollback, attacks on social welfare, as well as numerous other developments that are of great concern to sociologists. I will put together a program that addresses our current moment and the work being done in our field to understand and respond to these challenges. I anticipate constructing an outward-

looking program that includes scholars and practitioners from adjacent fields, as well as scholars from other countries.

If elected, I look forward to working with “Eastern” sociologists across our region to continue the important work of our Society.

### **For Vice President:**

**José Itzigsohn** is Professor of Sociology at Brown University. His present interest is on the Sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois, and he is making the final revisions to a forthcoming book, co-authored with Karida Brown, analyzing the sociological work of W. E. B Du Bois’ and developing a Du Boisian sociology. His previous book, *Encountering American Faultlines* (Russel Sage, 2009) analyzed the process of incorporation of Dominican immigrants to American society, emphasizing how this process was affected by racial formation and exclusion and class inequality. This book was the 2009 co-winner of the ASA Latino/a Sociology Section 2009 Best Contribution to Research Best Book Award. José is also a dedicated mentor to graduate students who are pursuing innovative work in the fields of race, racialization, and racism and two of his advisees won the ASA Best Dissertation Award in back to back years (in 2016 and 2017). He is currently one of the organizers of the emerging Du Boisian Scholar Network.

**Statement:** I am honored to be nominated for Vice President of the Eastern Sociological Society. I have always appreciated the smaller size of ESS’ annual conferences and the opportunities that it provides for communication between faculty and graduate students and between scholars across different types of institutions. If elected, I will work to maintain a diverse and inclusive association and to promote a broad discussion about expanding the theoretical and empirical boundaries of the discipline through the inclusion of new critical perspectives—such as post-colonial and Du Boisian sociology—and developing a sociology more responsive to the communities it studies. I will be happy to serve vice president of ESS (and I am happy that my opponent is my old friend and colleague from graduate school, whose work I admire and with whom I love to collaborate with, and who would also make a great VP!)

**Deirdre Royster** is Associate Professor of Sociology and Public Policy at New York University, currently working on her book manuscript, “Re-segregating Opportunity: The Unfulfilled Potential of Affirmative Action for Black Americans,” a follow-up to her earlier book *Race and the Invisible Hand: How White Networks Exclude Black Men from Blue Collar Jobs* (Oliver Cromwell Cox Award Winner (SREM) and C. Wright Mills Award finalist (SSSP)). Deirdre has served on numerous editorial boards (including *Gender and Society*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Research in the Sociology of Work*, *ASR*, and *Social Problems*); in many leadership roles in the ASA, ESS, and SSS; as a Department Chair and Director of Africana Studies (College of William and Mary); and as a mentor for dozens of students and junior colleagues. She has also been recognized for outstanding teaching at UMass Amherst, The College of William and Mary, and most recently, NYU. An economic sociologist focused on the political economy and institutionalization of racial privilege and vulnerability, she is currently one of the organizers of the emerging DuBoisian Scholar Network.

**Statement:** Several years ago, I had an opportunity to serve the Eastern Sociological Society on the Executive Committee (and really enjoyed chairing the Komarovsky book award and the Graduate Student Paper award committees)—it’s hard work, but fun, and often very fulfilling. I feel very honored to be nominated for the Vice President role (and to run against my friend and colleague from grad school days with whom I love collaborating—and who would also make a great VP)! If elected, I would seek to broaden sociology’s ability to value and reward emerging critical perspectives, including, but not limited to the DuBoisian framework I hold dear. Having worked at a large and a small public university and a large private university, in 3 different regions of the east coast, I would also hope to bring some of the concerns of differently-situated sociologists into the “backroom” spaces in which ESS priorities get deliberated on, articulated, and (eventually) played out in our annual gatherings.

### **For Secretary:**

**Daina Cheyenne Harvey** is an Associate Professor of Sociology at the College of the Holy Cross. He received a B.B.A in Finance and a double B.A. in Philosophy and Economics from the University of Texas-Austin, a M.A. in Sociology from the University of Houston, and a Ph.D. in Sociology from Rutgers University.

His work has appeared in *Sociological Forum*, *Symbolic Interaction*, *Poetics*, *Humanity & Society*, *Landscape and Urban Planning*, *Local Environment*, and *Urban Studies*. He is the editor of *Humanity & Society* and serves on the editorial boards of *Sociological Forum*, *Case Studies in the Environment*, *Urbanities*, and *the Journal for Undergraduate Ethnography*. He has served on the executive boards for the Association for Humanist Sociology and the Society for the Study of Social Problems. He has served on the publications committee for the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction and as Secretary-Treasurer for the Teaching and Learning Section of the American Sociological Society. He is currently Vice-President elect for the Society for the Study of Social Problems.

Daina is currently working on several projects. He is finishing up a monograph, tentatively titled, *Anthropocene Demos: Life Neoliberal Disorder and the Long-Term Lessons of Hurricane Katrina*. This book explores the concept of ecological citizenship as a way to rectify democratic exclusion in the anthropocene. Its focus is on the experiences of residents of the Lower Ninth Ward with participatory democracy amidst the neoliberal setting of the long-term aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. He is working on another monograph based on the same research that focuses on the inability to imagine people of color as social actors in the environment. This book underscores problems with casting blacks in the Lower Ninth Ward as victims in the long-term aftermath of Katrina rather than agentive actors for social change. Finally, with Ellis Jones, Daina is working on a monograph of the New England craft beer scene. For this book they interviewed 32 brewers, maltsters, and farmers to interrogate what constitutes the local, sustainable, and ethical production of beer. He is also working with Nate Chapman and Ellis Jones on an edited volume, tentatively titled *Beer Places: The Micro-Geographies of Craft Beer*. This edited volume, which includes academics, bloggers, and industry writers, focuses on the explosion of the craft beer industry over the last several years, with a specific emphasis on space and place. With David Embrick he is also working on an edited volume for a handbook on humanist sociology.

**Statement:**

My home organization for the last 15 years has been ESS. I served as managing editor of *Sociological Forum* for 7 years and have been a member of its editorial board for the last 6 years. I have co-organized/organized 3 different mini-conferences for the annual meetings and served as a member of the Programming Committee for our annual meeting in 2016. I have organized, presided at, or been a discussant for ten sessions. I also served on the Mirra Komarovsky Book Award Committee.

As someone who has taught at community colleges, four year public and four year private colleges, and undergraduate only and graduate institutions, I feel that I am well-positioned to serve all of the members of our Society. Likewise, with my experience working on the Society's journal and, in various capacities, on the annual meeting, I feel that I know the workings of ESS quite well. I would be more than happy to serve in the capacity of Secretary and would look forward to enhancing opportunities for those at various stages of their careers or at various institutions who have wanted a larger voice and a more active role in ESS.

**Jessica Simes** is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Boston University and the 2019 ESS Annual Meeting Program Chair. She has spent her academic career in the Northeast, completing her PhD in Sociology at Harvard University before joining BU's faculty. Jessica's research examines the causes and consequences of mass incarceration and patterns of social inequality. Specifically, her book *Place and Punishment: The Geography of Mass Incarceration* explores the neighborhood and community origins of

the historic rise in imprisonment in the United States. Her work identifies that small cities and nonmetropolitan areas have the highest rates of incarceration in the United States, but little scholarly or policy attention has been brought to these areas. Her research on the spatial pattern of incarceration has appeared in the *Journal of Quantitative Criminology* and the *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

A second line of research examines harsh prison conditions and the institutional harm associated with solitary confinement. Jessica is co-PI (with Bruce Western) of the Pennsylvania Solitary Study (PASS), recently supported by grant 1823846/1823854 from the National Science Foundation. PASS examines the effects and conditions of solitary confinement with a longitudinal survey of incarcerated men (N=117, including a main sample of 99 and a pretest sample of 18) who were living in a Restricted Housing Unit in the Pennsylvania state prison system during 2017. In a paper with Ryan Sakoda currently under review, she examines the causes of very lengthy spells in solitary confinement through a decomposition analysis of 40 years of Kansas prison records.

Jessica's third research stream examines the origins of the criminal immigrant stereotype. She co-authored a chapter in *The Oxford Handbook of Ethnicity, Crime, and Immigration* with Mary Waters on the politics of immigration and crime, and from this she has developed a new project with Maria Abascal deploying a survey experiment to tackle the nature of the immigrant-crime association and its implications for diversification and preferences for punitive policies.

Jessica has a strong commitment to community engagement. She currently serves as Secretary for Thrive Communities, a restorative justice program serving people leaving prison and returning to Lowell and the broader Merrimack Valley of Massachusetts.

**Statement:**

As the Program Chair for the 2019 ESS annual meeting in Boston, I have had the honor of overseeing a program of a diverse community of scholars, teachers, practitioners, and community organizers that make ESS such a rich and engaged academic community. I am honored to be nominated for Secretary, and as a member of the Executive Board, I look forward to the possibility of serving this community of scholars and propelling the rigorous research of our membership at all stages of the academic career.

**For Treasurer:**

**Bonnie French** is Assistant Professor of Sociology at Caldwell University in Caldwell, NJ. She received her Ph.D. from the Graduate Center at CUNY. Prior to joining the faculty at Caldwell University, she taught at William Paterson University in Wayne, NJ and before that she was a middle school math and music teacher. Her research interests center around Critical Race Theory as applied to understanding the "diversity" movement and to classroom pedagogy. Recently, she published *Race at Predominantly White Independent Schools: The Space between Diversity and Equity* (Lexington Books, 2017). In her appointment at Caldwell University, she teaches Intro to Sociology, Social Theory, Research Methods, Race and Culture, Inequality, and other courses. Nominated by her students, she has been awarded the "Educational Opportunity Fund Champion" at Caldwell University in both 2016 and 2017. She is the founding chair of Caldwell University's Task Force on Racial Equity along with participating in other service to her university. Bonnie has also trained with the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program, both as a teacher and as a trainer-in-training, and currently teaches at Essex County Correctional Facility in Newark, NJ as well as directs a GED program for returning citizens in Montclair, NJ. Since 2015, Bonnie has been actively involved in coordinating the ESS Annual Conference, both in the role as Program Committee Member, and as part of the logistical team who managed communication and scheduling for the annual conference.

**Statement:**

From my first academic conference as a new graduate student, the ESS has been a place of community and academic support for me, and I am honored to be nominated as Treasurer for the upcoming term. I have attended, presented at, and helped to coordinate ESS conferences since 2007, and I cherish the vitality of the space that we create as an ESS community. Now, as a professor, I am introducing my students to ESS conferences and doing what I can to ensure the continued growth and development of ESS. I have years of experience working to coordinate the annual conferences for ESS, and I believe that the knowledge and skills that I have developed will translate well into being part of the organization and management team of ESS, more generally.

**Colleen Butler-Sweet** is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, CT. She received her PhD in 2008 from the Department of Sociology at Boston University. Her research has explored the combined impact of race and class on identity development in varying family contexts including the experiences of middle-class Black youth that grew up in *monoracial* (two black parents), *biracial* (one white and one black parent), and *transracial* (two white adoptive parents) families. In articles appearing in journals *Social Identities* and *The Journal of Comparative Family Studies* she argues that the literature on racial identity and transracial adoption greatly underestimates the impact of socioeconomic class on identity development. Her specific findings on the identity construction process for middle class black women has also been the subject of popular media interest with articles on her work appearing in *Ebony Magazine*.

More recently, Dr. Butler-Sweet's work has extended to a multi-method qualitative and quantitative study focused on attitudes towards transracial adoption by same sex couples. While some scholars have argued children of color adopted by white same sex couples will be doubly disadvantaged, others have suggested same sex couples are uniquely positioned to be sensitive to the range of diverse issues and boundaries transracial adoptees face. In her current work, Dr. Butler-Sweet uses nation wide quantitative survey data to measure attitudes towards transracial adoption by same sex couples in what could be characterized as a particularly tense social political period in the United States.

### **Statement:**

I am honored to be nominated for the role of Treasurer for the Eastern Sociological Society. The Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting was the first conference I ever presented at as a graduate student in 2005 and I have attended the ESS meeting every year since. From roundtables to paper sessions to special topics panels, I've always found the ESS meetings to be especially welcoming and accessible – particularly with regard to the opportunity it provides to build relationships with fellow sociologists in the region. I've also been pleased to contribute to ESS beyond the annual meeting. For example, in 2014 I served on the Robin Williams Lecture Selection Committee where I was honored to have the opportunity to review the scholarly contributions of a number of a number of distinguished scholars. If elected to the role of treasurer, I welcome the opportunity to contribute the good work ESS does throughout the year.

### **For Executive Committee:**

**Jessica Halliday Hardie** is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Hunter College and the CUNY Graduate Center. She received her Ph.D. in Sociology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and BA in Conflict and Social Change from Wellesley College. Her research and teaching areas include education, family, health, inequality, and the transition to adulthood. She has published articles examining young people's plans for the future and preparation to follow through (in *Social Problems*, *Teachers College Record*, and *Sex Roles*) and is currently working on a book manuscript concerning young women's class-based trajectories in the transition to adulthood (*Daughters of the Millennium: Young Women's School, Work, and Family Pathways in the Transition to Adulthood*). This builds off her early research examining race and class dynamics within a Southern high school, showing how middle class teachers, administrators, and students elided the implications of racially-based tracking by pointing to more overt demonstrations of racism among poor whites ("Other People's Racism: Race,

Rednecks, and Riots in a Southern High School” in *Sociology of Education*). Dr. Hardie’s other research contributes to the stress process perspective by examining how stress proliferates within families in two ways: how parents’ poor health has implications for children’s academic performance and mental and physical health, and how economic hardship has deleterious consequences for relationship quality among cohabiting and married couples (in *Journal of Marriage and Family* and *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*). In a new area of research, Dr. Hardie is using quantitative and qualitative methods to examine race and immigrant status differences in adult child-parent relationships (in *Social Forces* and in progress).

Dr. Hardie has been an active member of the professional community. She currently serves on the Family section council at ASA; on the membership committee for the Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility ASA section; and is an editorial board member for the journals *Emerging Adulthood* (2016-2019) and *Journal of Marriage and Family* (beginning 2019). She is also active in efforts to promote open access to research, serving as a moderator and on the Governance Committee at SocArxiv and on the paper selection committee for the annual Open Scholarship for the Social Sciences Conference. At Hunter College, she serves as Director of Undergraduate Studies within the Sociology Department, and is also active at the Graduate Center, teaching and mentoring students. She is affiliated with and active in Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute and the CUNY Institute for Demographic Research.

**Statement:**

I am honored to have been nominated for ESS’s Executive Committee. I first came to an ESS Annual Meeting while I was still a graduate student at the University of North Carolina, and even though I was not yet living in the east region, I immediately felt at home in the venue. That sense of belonging has continued, and I have strived to give back through presenting my work, organizing thematic panels, and helping to coordinate sessions for the 2015 meeting. Throughout this time, I have found ESS to be a welcoming, vibrant community of scholars. I particularly value ESS’s affordability, allowing undergraduate and graduate students and faculty from all backgrounds to converge and share their work and engage in stimulating conversations. If elected, I will work to continue this tradition of inclusivity, collegiality, and affordability, and to make sure that the ESS Annual Meeting provides enriching opportunities for all its members.

**Cinzia Solari** is Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Boston.

**Bio and Statement:**

I am honored to run for ESS’s executive council. I hope to bring the leadership skills I have developed thus far teaching and doing service work on a diverse public university campus to ESS.

My book, *On the Shoulders of Grandmothers: Gender, Migration, and Post-Soviet Nation-state Building* (Routledge 2018) is a global ethnography of Ukrainian transnational migration conducted in three countries (Ukraine, Italy, and the U.S.) and in three languages (Russian, Italian, and English) drawing on 160 in-depth interviews and two years of ethnographic fieldwork. I use an intersectional lens to show how gendered understandings of work and family are foundational for both Ukrainian nation-state building and how post-Soviet Ukraine is being incorporated into global capitalism. In our development discourses, capitalism is supposed to “liberate” women by bringing them into waged labor. In post-Soviet countries where women were already fully incorporated into the labor market, capitalism was supposed to save men. I study these global processes from the vantage points of two grandmother-led migrations I call *exile* to Italy and *exodus* the U.S. Migrants women and some men in exile and exodus provide caring labor to the elderly but also actively engage in transnational practices that help build a “capitalist” Ukraine from the outside in. Although grandmother-led migrations of domestic workers are surprising, I show that middle-age and older women have been “forced” out of Ukraine as the state looked to Western countries and concluded that Soviet practices of free universal childcare, health care, and university were an expense that made them less competitive in global markets. The Ukrainian state noted



that Western countries, by privatizing motherhood and calling reproductive labor “housework,” had convinced their women to do this work for free. A rise in neofamilialism has driven young women out of the labor market and into the home, dismantled the Soviet extended family, and pushed grandmothers out of Ukraine to work abroad to support their families and the creation of a European, capitalist Ukraine. I also conducted interviews with non-migrant children who, embedded in transnational social fields, also seek to build the “new” Ukraine from the bottom up. Along with my papers which have appeared in *Gender & Society*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, and *Current Sociology* among others, I contribute to our knowledge of domestic work, migration, globalization, postcolonialism, and the gendered production of neoliberalism.

Although I have not previously served in ESS, I have served ASA in various capacities. For the Sex & Gender Section, I have served on the best article committee, the membership committee, and the committee for nominations. For the Global and Transnational Section, I have served on the best article committee and as the section’s public engagement liaison. For the International Migration Section, I am organizing this year’s round tables. I have also been active on my own campus which is majority minority. 59% are first-generation college students and we have a large population of Undocu/DACA/TPS immigrant and second-generation students. My own background as the daughter of immigrants—a domestic worker and a gardener—and as a first-generation college student who later completed a PhD in sociology at UC Berkeley, has led me to become intimately involved in organizing with our immigrant students. My students inspired my current study, “DREAMers and Domestic Workers: Organizing Deservingness across Generations and Social Movements,” which compares the strategies social movement organizers deploy in the domestic workers’ rights movement with those in the student immigrant rights movement (SIM). I have organized many academic and community panels on campus and at ASA. I have developed an extensive network of Eastern region scholars that span subfields. I look forward to drawing upon these experiences and expanding them through my work as part of ESS’s Executive Committee.

**Nicole Stokes-DuPass** is Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Professor of Sociology at Holy Family University in Philadelphia, PA. Nicole has held faculty positions in Sociology since 1998 and has been an active member of Eastern Sociological Society since 2004. Nicole’s scholarship consists of three distinct areas of research—citizenship studies and the nation-state; international migration; and political systems, nationalism and public policy.

Nicole has served as a manuscript reviewer for the following academic and professional journals: *Gender and Society* (Sage); *International Sociology* (Sage); *Perspectives on Politics* (for the American Political Science Association) and *To Improve the Academy: Journal of Educational Development* (Wiley). Nicole’s book, *Integration and New Limits on Citizenship: Denmark and Beyond* (2015) was favorably reviewed by the academic journal of the American Sociological Association, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* in 2015.

Most recently, Nicole joined Holy Family University in 2013 as Associate Dean for the School of Arts and Sciences. As Associate Dean, she was responsible for curricula development, assessment initiatives, and student matters including advising, course scheduling and academic concerns. She served in that position for four years and was promoted and appointed as the University’s first Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Diversity. Her current position reports to the University President and includes oversight for institutional effectiveness, institutional assessment and accreditation, institutional research, diversity and inclusion initiatives, and international education and global partnerships. Nicole is committed to the work of diversity, equity and inclusion and has received certifications in diversity, equity and inclusion training and campus response to bias incidents.

Nicole's external service includes her current position as State Chairperson for the Pennsylvania American Council on Education Women's Network (PA ACE), an organization that creates networking and leadership development opportunities for women and works toward the achievement of gender and racial parity in higher education leadership. Nicole also serves as a lead facilitator for training and career development seminars for new department chairpersons and new academic deans for the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences (CCAS). These seminars provide a forum in which chairs and deans (respectively)—new and experienced—can examine the art of departmental and unit-level administration through close interaction with colleagues from multiple disciplines and from institutions around the country. These trainings are led by experienced department chairs and deans who utilize real-world techniques that chairs and deans use in their work, as well as best practices for academic unit administration and staff and faculty development. Nicole also currently serves a board member with the Pennsylvania Consortium on International Education (PaCIE), an organization that works to improve intercultural and global competence skills among K-20 students within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

In addition to her administrative responsibilities, Nicole is also a Full Professor of Sociology in the School of Arts and Science at Holy Family University. Nicole has taught a diversity of courses in Sociology. Nicole teaches (or has taught) the following courses: Principles of Sociology (SOCO 101), Social Theory (SOCO 203), Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality (SOCO 212), Globalization (PSYC-SOCO 318) Qualitative Methods (SOCO 324) and Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice and Sociology (CRJU-SOCO 430).

Prior to her tenure at Holy Family University, Nicole served as Associate Professor of Sociology at Union County College in New Jersey for eight years. During her eight years at UCC, Nicole served as program and assessment coordinator and chaired several college and departmental committees. She earned and was successfully awarded tenure and was later promoted to the academic rank of Associate Professor in January 2012.

Stokes-DuPass received her B.A. in Journalism; B.S. in Sociology; MA in Sociology and MPS in Multicultural Education from the State University of New York at New Paltz.

Nicole received her Ph.D. in Sociology and Public Policy from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

**Statement:**

I am honored to be nominated and considered for the Member-at-Large position on the Executive Committee of the ESS. During my career as a Sociologist, I have participated in the Eastern Sociological Society in a variety of ways. My first exposure to ESS was as a graduate student and new member of Alpha Kappa Delta. I had the opportunity to present a poster on the early phases of my master-level research on welfare reform policy in the United States and my interview data with welfare-reliant community college students. Over the past 20 years, I have continued to engage with ESS in a variety of key ways: I have organized presidential panels, mini-conference sessions, participated in roundtables, and presented my research on several panels. The intimacy of the ESS meetings has been essential in my scholarly development. Over the years I have met incredible scholars and mentors who have graciously read my work and given me invaluable feedback and encouragement. I have also served on panels with esteemed colleagues who later became collaborators and contributors to my research projects. ESS has been integral in my professional development. I have seen many scholars develop and grow as members of this wonderful organization. Having the opportunity to serve in a leadership role within ESS would give me the opportunity to give back to an organization that has meant so much to me. I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve our membership and to continue the mission and vision of the Eastern Sociological Society.

**Julie B. Wiest:** I am an Associate Professor of Sociology at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, where I teach courses on culture, symbolic interactionist theory, gender, and digital research. My scholarship primarily focuses on the sociocultural context of violence, mass media effects, and the relationship between new media technologies and social change. My latest book, *The Allure of Premeditated Murder: Why Some People Plan to Kill* (2018, Rowman & Littlefield), was co-authored with Jack Levin (Professor Emeritus at Northeastern University) and examines the benefits and advantages of premeditated murder from the perpetrator's viewpoint. I also authored *Creating Cultural Monsters: Serial Murder in America* (2011, CRC Press) and scholarly articles examining the influence of gender roles in court case outcomes of filicidal parents, media coverage of serial murder, and public interest in mass murder, as well as a series of articles examining the role of social media during and after the 2011 Arab Spring uprisings.

Although I have been a member of ESS for many years, I increased my involvement around 2013, when I began my position at WCU. I have been a regular participant at the ESS annual meetings and (partly because of my role as the Chapter Representative for our local AKD chapter) typically bring along several undergraduate students, many of whom present in the undergraduate research poster session. Before joining my current university, I held a tenure-track position for three years at a liberal arts university in North Carolina after completing my doctoral work at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Throughout that time, I was an active member of the Southern Sociological Society, for which I served on the 2016 Program Committee, chaired the Committee on Gender & Sexuality (2013-15, after one year as a committee member), and organized, moderated, and/or served as a discussant on more than 20 panels. Of my current disciplinary service, I am in my third (and final) year as chair of the Publications Committee for the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction (SSSI) and member of Executive Council, and I'm an active member of the American Sociological Association's Section on Communication, Information Technologies, and Media Sociology. Also, alongside the 2018 ASA annual meeting in Philadelphia, I co-chaired (with Thomas DeGloma) a two-day preconference on interpretive sociology and served on the Media Sociology Preconference planning committee, both of which involved many ESS members.

**Statement:**

This is an ideal time for me to serve on the ESS Executive Committee. I am committed to my institution and region, and I have more than a decade of experience in professional service roles with a variety of sociology organizations. I also would bring an underrepresented perspective as a committee member from a primarily teaching university. Thank you for considering me for this role; I would be honored to contribute to the important work of ESS as it continues to grow into a stronger and more inclusive society.