

Mini-Conference on Reproduction

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Call for Papers

The study of reproduction is a thriving area of research in sociology and offers an important site for examining the interrelationships between population, politics, medicine, technology, sexuality, gender, and race. Since 2012, the Eastern Sociological Society has sponsored a mini-conference on the Sociology of Reproduction in conjunction with its annual meeting. This mini-conference brings together scholars with a common area of research that might otherwise be divided across other subfields of Sociology. This year we welcome all papers related to the Sociology of Reproduction, but especially encourage those that engage with the conference theme, Strategic Sites and Ways for Sociology to Fight Inequality and Injustice. We are interested in scholarship broadly defined as research, teaching or more activism-oriented public sociology on issues of reproductive justice. We welcome papers that contribute to our understanding of reproductive experiences such as abortion and contraception, fertility and infertility, ART, surrogacy, pregnancy, birth, breastfeeding, pregnancy loss, motherhood, maternal morbidity and mortality, as well as related institutions such as reproductive technology, medicine, and midwifery. Please include in your abstract if you are proposing to present on teaching, activism, and/or original research. If proposing to present on research, please include a clear description of your methods and data.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS: Those wishing to present papers in this mini-conference should submit an abstract of no longer than 250 words by **December 10, 2021**. Please submit abstracts directly to the ESS Portal, <https://ess.mymeetingsavvy.net/>. Select “Organized Sessions,” input your abstract, and under “Session Type” select “Mini-conference on Reproduction.” We will notify you about the status of your submission by late December.