

MICHIGAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting, November 5 – 6, 2010



Bay City, Michigan

Global to Local: Learning for Engagement

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

RECEPTION: 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Bay Valley Hotel and Resort - Westminster Room
(Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar)

You are welcome at the reception whether or not you are staying at the hotel.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Delta College Planetarium and Learning Center

REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST: 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Lobby – Delta College Planetarium and Learning Center
Registration continues until noon.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS I: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

1. **Thematic Session: Teaching Strategies** – Room 212

Karen Lang Krause, Saginaw Valley State University (Chair)

Dawn Hinton and Karen Lang Krause, Saginaw Valley State University, “The Effects of Race and Gender on Students' Perceptions of Faculty Performance”

Coleen Wilson-Rood, Michigan State University, “Learning Online: A Snapshot of Student Decisions and Experiences Related to Learning Sociology Online”

Sharon Lindhorst Everhardt and Sarah Smith, Delta College, “Teaching Difficult Topics: How Teaching Experiences Are Constructed”

Carole R. McKenna, Ferris State University, “Learning to Teach Sociology as a Lifelong Process”

2. Student Paper Session – Room 221

Michael J. Macaluso, Grand Valley State University and Western Michigan University (Chair)

“Public Perception of Animal Shelters: It's Raining Cats and Dogs” – Delta College Students:
Hiede Farless, Jenae Finney, Donielle Leppek, Meghann Sanders and Joanie Taylor

“The Land Conservancy Movement: Motivation to Donation” – Delta College Students:
Mariah Earley, Brandi French, Kate Halvorson and Fernando Pantoja

Kimberly Underwood, Michigan State University, “Information Concerning Disability in
Current Introduction to Sociology Texts: Some Initial Findings”

Andrea Gomez Cervantes and Lisa Hickmann, Grand Valley State University, “Claiming
Independence: Latinas’ Family Values and Traditional Effects on Higher Education”

3. Social Theory – Room 213

Nicholas Budimir, Western Michigan University and Muskegon Community College (Chair)

Brigitte Bechtold, Central Michigan University, "The Taking of 'Take Back the Night': An
Application of Gender and Social Movements Theory"

Derrick Brake, Western Michigan University, “Meta What? An Overview of the Metatheoretical
Works of Ritzer, Alexander, Turner and Giddens”

Nicholas Budimir, Western Michigan University, “Stop Doing Something and Think About it:
Toward a Žižekian Sociology of Politics, Multiculturalism and Ideology”

Gil R. Musolf, Central Michigan University, “Why Reverend Wright Was Right and Karl Marx
Was Wrong”

4. Development and Environment – Room 223

Rachel Campbell, Grand Valley State University, and
Weston Eaton, Michigan State University (Chairs)

Jessica Jane King and Stephen P. Gasteyer, Michigan State University,
"Are Community Bioenergy Facilities Resilient: Modeling Community
Resiliency in the Context of Biofuels using Community Capitals Framework"

John Clements, Michigan State University, "Risk Society and Social Capital: Implications for
Trust in Social Institutions to Address Global Climate Change"

Weston M. Eaton and Wynne Wright, Michigan State University,
"Michigan's Energy Future: Is There a Role for Woody Biomass?
Michigan State University Extension Community Outreach"

Manashi Ray, Michigan State University, "In Pursuit of the Fine Balance! Life and World of
Transnational Indian Women Entrepreneurs"

CONCURRENT SESSIONS II: 10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

5. **Thematic Session: Student Perspectives on Cultural Change and Development in China** – Room 213

Brian Thomas, Saginaw Valley State University (Chair)

Jessica Wummel, Saginaw Valley State University, “Lao Wai: Examining China Through the Eyes of a First-Time International Traveler”

Kathryn Yester, Saginaw Valley State University, “The McDonaldization of Chinese Tourism”

Kyle Rexer, Saginaw Valley State University, “Effects of Western Athletics on Chinese Culture”

Mary Bull, Saginaw Valley State University, “Sustainable Agriculture and Globalization”

6. **Thematic Session: The Tombstone Project** – Room 212

Donna Giuliani, Delta College and Bonnie Wright, Ferris State University (Co-Chairs)
Elizabeth Ullrich, Delta College; Micala Evans and Cheryl Holmen, Ferris State University

The Tombstone Project was created at Delta College to increase awareness and proactive responses to domestic violence. It was brought to Ferris State University this year by Bonnie Wright. The "tombstones" in the display tell the stories of those who died in domestic violence during the past year in Michigan. We will report on the process of bringing the Tombstone Project to your campus and how it has impacted students at our campuses. Student participants will share their stories.

7. **Thematic Workshop with Keith A. Roberts**

"Sustaining Commitment to Teaching in a Cynical World" – Room 223

8. **Race and Ethnicity** – Room 221

Brigitte Bechtold, Central Michigan University (Chair)

Colleen Wilson-Rood, Michigan State University, "Historical Construction of the 'Other' and Debates Over Migration and Enlargement in the EU"

Cyrus Azizi, Central Michigan University, "Comparing Intra-racial and Inter-racial Dialogue: A Qualitative Approach"

Georgios Loizides, University of Wisconsin at Stout, "Immigration and Racism in Europe: Towards a European Civil Rights Movement?"

Paul Hernandez, Central Michigan University, and Cedric Taylor, Michigan State University, "Pedagogy and Minority Students"

PLENARY SESSION I: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
(Space Explorers Hall)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, AWARDS and LUNCHEON

Welcome to Delta College
Dr. Jean Goodnow, President of Delta College

Luncheon with salad, entrée, dessert and drinks

Michigan Sociological Association Annual Award Presentations

The Marvin Olsen Award for Distinguished Service to Sociology
The Larry T. Reynolds Award for Outstanding Teaching of Sociology
The Charles Horton Cooley Award for Distinguished Scholarship

Keynote Address:
"Imagine Deep Learning"

Keith A. Roberts
Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology
Hanover College

PLENARY SESSION II: 2:10 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. – Auditorium

Live Performance: Marx in Soho with Bob Weick as Karl Marx

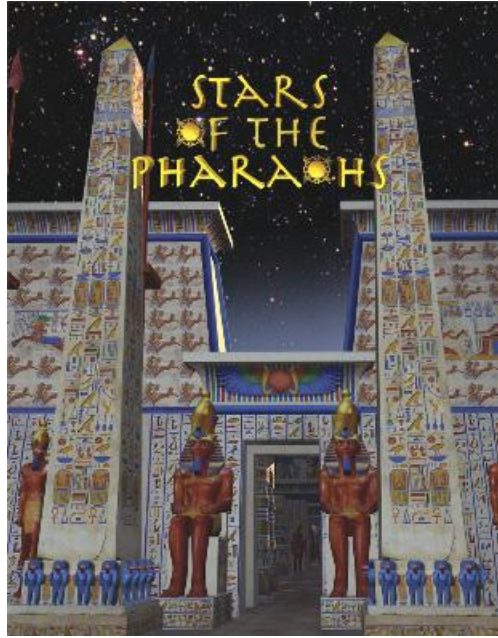


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PLENARY SESSION III: 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Auditorium

Stars Of The Pharaohs

Special Planetarium Show in Digital 360 Full Surround Audio and Video
(<http://www.delta.edu/internal/dcpl-promotions.aspx?itemid=13336>)



Click this Link for a Preview of the Show:

http://www.es.com/products/digital_theater/shows/StarsOfThePharaohs/

Business Meeting and Informal Dinner: 5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – Rattlesnake Rick's

(The cost of dinner is NOT included in the conference fee.)

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