

# Social Science News

December 2011

## Call for papers Conferences

### **The Danish Conference of Sociology 2012: "Troubled Identities"**

**Date:** January 19 - 20, 2012

**Site:** Aarhus, Denmark

**Organiser:** Center for Sociological Studies at Aarhus University (CESAU), the Danish Sociological Association

**Topics:** The study of social change has always been integral to the discipline of sociology. As the ever-vagrant sociologist Zygmunt Bauman argues, the transition from traditional to modern societies was characterized by an erosion of social foundations, or what Bauman calls solids. Old identities were replaced by new ones, but the nature, importance and role of identity changed only to a minor extent. In contemporary society this concern has changed fundamentally as unambiguous and coherent identities are increasingly difficult to establish and maintain. Modern societies are – more than anything else – characterized by an excess of social demands and expectations, compelling the individual to 'live up to' often conflicting social identities. Identity work thus, becomes a heavy, if not almost impossible burden to bear. Troubled identities, such is the premise of this conference, signifies the simultaneous effect of this loss of social foundations and the emergence of a multiplicity of new forms of identification available to the subject. In order to unlock the phenomenon of Troubled Identities, CESAU presents some of the leading international scholars on identity formation in modern societies.

**Language:** English

**Fee:** 40 – 270 €

**Deadline:** December 19, 2011. All papers should be sent to: [papers@sociologikongres.au.dk](mailto:papers@sociologikongres.au.dk)

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### **Norbert Elias and Figurational Sociology: Prospects for the Future**

**Date:** April 2 - 4, 2012

**Site:** Copenhagen, Denmark

**Organiser:** The Norbert Elias Foundation, Amsterdam, The Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, The Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen

**Topics:** The focus of this two-day conference will be on the development of figurational sociology in relation to other disciplines. This conference will bring together sociologists, together with other important and relevant cognate disciplines – such as history, political science and economics – to explore attempts that integrate different disciplinary perspectives. The first day will explore the 'boundaries' and relationships between figurational sociology and the following disciplines: 1) Politics; 2) Economics; 3) History; 4) Psychology; 5) Biology; 6) Anthropology. The second day will further discuss the major themes that emerge from this 'boundary' work across disciplines, considering some of their strengths and limitations in relation to the following: 1) Survival Units; 2) Organisational Sociology and Economic Sociology; 3) Civilizing Processes; 4) Informalising Processes; 5) The expanding Anthroposphere (Environmental issues).

**Language:** English

**Fee:** 50 €; 15 € (for students)

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(source: Internet)

### **Migration as a Sign of the Times. Perspectives from social sciences, philosophy and theology]**

**Date:** April 12 - 14, 2012

**Site:** Salzburg, Austria

**Organiser:** Centre for Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies, Salzburg University

**Topics:** The contested realities of migration in a globalized world raise complex issues and call for a multi-dimensional analysis. As a sign of the times, migration calls theology into a wider academic discourse and poses two distinct questions: How can the message of the gospel be brought to the fore in the context of migration? What is the specific contribution of theology in the contested discourses on human mobility? How does migration bring to the fore the message of the gospel? Which language do migratory experiences provide for theology? How does migration in-form and re-form our way of experiencing, celebrating and conceptualising God? The conference is dedicated to an interdisciplinary approach to migration and will engage perspectives from sociology, politology,

discourse analysis, philosophy and theology. The various points of view are brought into dialogue and – in an extended phase of plenary discussion – analysed as to their mutual implications, thus bringing an evolving theology of migration further on the way.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** January 31, 2012; Proposals should be sent to Judith Gruber at: [Judith.Grubert@sbq.ac.at](mailto:Judith.Grubert@sbq.ac.at)

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## **2nd International Multidisciplinary Conference: "Political and Civic Participation"**

**Date:** April 16 - 17, 2012

**Site:** Surrey, UK

**Organiser:** PIDOP Consortium, the Centre for Research on Nationalism, Ethnicity and Multiculturalism (CRONEM), University of Surrey

**Topics:** This conference aims to take stock of the numerous factors which can impact on the different forms of citizen participation, will explore how political, sociological and psychological factors inter-relate, and will draw out implications for policies which have as their goal the enhancement of levels of political and civic participation. The conference also aims to examine the factors and processes which impact on levels of participation among marginalised groups that are at risk of political disengagement due to age, gender, ethnicity or migration. For this reason, papers focusing on either young people, women, ethnic minorities or migrants are especially encouraged. Hence, this conference seeks to provide an opportunity for interdisciplinary discussion and debate on: The different forms of political and civic participation which exist; The factors and processes which enhance and/or hinder the different forms of participation; Forms and levels of participation within different national, ethnic and migrant groups; Forms and levels of political and civic participation among women; Forms and levels of political and civic participation by youth; Policy interventions which can be used to increase levels of political and civic participation within particular societal settings.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

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## **Population Change and Europe: Thinking Beyond the Demographic Divide**

**Date:** May 10 - 11, 2012

**Site:** Antwerp, Belgium

**Organiser:** University Centre Saint-Ignatius Antwerp (UCSIA)

**Topics:** The paper proposal should discuss one of the following subtopics: 1) Social Policy, Migration and a New Population Equilibrium - The Case of North-West Europe; 2) Political Change, Economic Challenges and Population Decline - The Case of Eastern Europe and Russia; 3) Societal Change, Political Revolution and the Aspirations of a Booming Young Population - The Case of the Middle East; 4) International Migration- Ethical and Political Challenges for Europe.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** January 15, 2012

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## **Networked regions and cities in times of fragmentation: Developing smart, sustainable and inclusive places**

**Date:** May 13 - 16, 2012

**Site:** Delft, Netherlands

**Organiser:** Regional Studies Association

**Topics:** The 2012 RSA conference in Delft provides a timely opportunity for participants to come together and reflect on the various strengths, weaknesses, challenges and opportunities of networked cities and regions within these different contexts of fragmentation. Gateway Themes are: EU Regional policy and practice; Climate change, energy and sustainability; Migration, housing and labour markets; Social and environmental justice and inclusive places; Rural and peripheral challenges; Territorial cohesion and cooperation; City-regions, networks and urban systems; Spatial analysis and regional economies.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** January 31, 2012

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(source: Internet)

## **Re-Inventing Eastern Europe**

**Date:** May 17 – 19, 2012

**Site:** Vienna, Austria

**Organiser:** Euroacademia

**Topics:** The Euroacademia International Conference aims rather than asserting to make a case and to provide alternative views on the dynamics, persistence and manifestations of the practices of alterity making that take place in Europe and broadly in the mental mappings of the world. It offers an opportunity for scholars, activists and practitioners to locate, discuss and debate the multiple dimensions in which specific narratives of alterity making towards Eastern Europe preserve their salience today in re-furbished and re-fashioned manners. The conference aims to look at the processes of alterity making as puzzles and to address the persistence of the East-West dichotomies.

**Language:** English

**Fee:** 180 €

**Deadline:** for Panels - January 15, 2012; for Papers - February 20, 2012

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(source: Internet)

## **Living together in diversity: National societies in the multicultural age**

**Date:** May, 21 - 22, 2012

**Site:** Budapest, Hungary

**Organiser:** Dr. Marco Antonsich, Department of International Relations and European Studies (CEU); Dr. Tatiana Matejskova, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology (CEU)

**Topics:** The aim of this conference is to explore how 'living together in diversity' is imagined, narrated, organized, justified, and practiced within contemporary national societies. With the stress on 'in' rather than 'with' diversity the organisers want to move away from reifying the dominant 'majority' society perspective, which assumes diversity as something 'carried' solely by immigrants and something that the 'native' society has to cope with. Some of the questions that are the organisers interested in are: What makes multicultural societies circumscribed by state borders cohere together?; What are the ways in which the nation becomes re-signified to accommodate the ethno-cultural diversity of its populace?; How do migrants position themselves in national narratives and political structures?; What alternative modes and models of belonging are at work within present national societies?; In which ways does the national continue to feature as a site of attachment?; Is it necessary to have some form of common identification at the national scale to have functioning states in the first place?

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

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## **European networks: the Balkans, Scandinavia and the Baltic world in a time of economic and ideological crisis**

**Date:** May 25 - 27, 2012

**Site:** Targoviste, Romania

**Organiser:** Romanian Association for Baltic and Nordic Studies, Balkanalysis.com

**Topics:** The current global economic crisis has generated debate in Europe regarding not only the future expansion of the EU, but the very viability of the European project itself. The discussion regarding the integration of the Balkans in the EU or NATO has been accompanied or even replaced by the question of whether the European project will in fact survive the general economic and social crisis that Europe faces today. While the Balkans still look towards Western European models and standards, Europe itself is suffering a crisis of political deadlock, economic decline, and an increasingly sharp ideological divide. Similarly, while Estonia has just entered the Euro club and Latvian, Lithuanian, Bulgarian and Romanian leaders talk about joining into the Euro zone, top world economists are at the same time predicting the end of the Euro as a currency sometime in the near future. The conference has two major goals. The first is to foster debate and academic discussion regarding contemporary problems facing the Balkan and Baltic regions during a period of severe global economic instability. These include the rise of extremist political groups with violent aims in the Baltics, the continued activity of Balkan-origin organized crime groups in Scandinavia, and the role that Baltic states may play in helping Western Balkan countries integrate politically and institutionally with the EU. The second aim of the conference is to foster cooperation and the creation of research networks between scholars from two geographical peripheries of Europe.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

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## **Social work, community development and the Global Agenda**

**Date:** June 17 - 23, 2012

**Site:** Dubrovnik, Croatia

**Organiser:** Post-Graduate Course 'Developing Neighbourhood and Community Support Systems', Inter-University Centre, Dubrovnik

**Topics:** Global agenda on social work and social development was drafted during 2010. One of the four framework areas it addresses is environmental sustainability, which includes involvement of local communities in developing relevant welfare responses. This and other challenges is set in the agenda as requiring engagement with local, national, regional and global bodies. Links with the UN and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are stressed as relevant to enable analysis and consolidation of evidence for collective advocacy. However, the role of supranational bodies such as UN, World Bank, the international development organisations and national governments and local communities on issues that concern social work and social welfare is neither straightforward nor simple. This year's course invites papers that explore the complex relationship between local community needs and involvement of the communities to develop relevant welfare responses with such international interventions and agendas – particularly from the perspective of reclaiming social work as a political action, as stated in the draft Global Agenda. It will also explore the meaning of initiatives and activism such as that witnessed during "Arab spring", "European Summer" or "Occupy Wall Street" for the role of social work in achieving community development and social justice. Grants are available to scholars and post-graduate doctoral students from HESP for participants from Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Republic of Georgia, Russia, Serbia, and Ukraine. The Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sport awards scholarship grants to postgraduate students and scholars of Croatian nationality.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** April 1, 2012

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## **Integration or Disintegration? The Future of European Law & Policy**

**Date:** June 28 - 29, 2012

**Site:** Birmingham, UK

**Organiser:** Institute of European Law, Birmingham Law School

**Topics:** Invited are scholars and postgraduate research students in any discipline to submit proposals for papers on any issue regarding The Future of European Law and Policy, especially: on the Constitution of the EU (institutions, decision making...); The EU and the individual (citizenship, human rights, ...); The EU and the economy (internal market, competition, ...); and the EU and the outside world (external relations, enlargement, ESDP, ...). The organiser is planning at least one panel on the topic: "Surviving the Crisis: What Future for the EU?"

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** March 2, 2012

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## **Approaches to Structural-Power in IR**

**Date:** July 4 - 6, 2012

**Site:** Bremen, Germany

**Organiser:** Jan-Frederik Kremer, Institute of Development Research and Development Policy, Ruhr-University Bochum, Center for Global Studies, University of Bonn; Andrej Pustovitovskij, Center for Global Studies, University of Bonn

**Topics:** Panel proposal for "4th ECPR Graduate Student Conference, Jacobs University, Bremen: This panel invites contributions, who either deal with structural power on a theoretical level by adapting or improving existing approaches or by developing new approaches towards structural power, or that use concepts of structural power in empirical research or case studies. Panellists will present different approaches and concepts of power with a special emphasis on structural power in light of their effectiveness to explain contemporary power related phenomena in IR. In doing so the panel aims at contributing to answering the following questions: How does structural power work?; How does structural power change the rules of the game?; How is structural power constituted?; Through which kind of transmission channels does structural power affect the power position of states?; What are the underlying power resources of structural power?; What is the relationship between structural power and other forms of power?

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 15, 2011

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**4th International Conference: "Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis across Disciplines (CADAAD 2012)"**

**Date:** July 4 – 6, 2012

**Site:** Braga, Portugal

**Organiser:** CADAAD

**Topics:** CADAAD conferences are intended to promote current directions and new developments in cross-disciplinary critical discourse research. The organisers welcome papers which, from a critical-analytical perspective, deal with contemporary social, scientific, political, economic, or professional discourses and genres. Possible topics include but are not limited to the following: (New) Media discourse; Party political discourse; Advertising; Discourses of war and terrorism; Discourses of discrimination and inequality; Power, ideology and dominance in institutional discourse; Identity in discourse; Education discourses; Environmental discourses; Health communication; Language and the law. The organisers especially welcome papers which re-examine existing frameworks for critical discourse research and/or which highlight and apply new methodologies sourced from anywhere across the humanities, social and cognitive sciences including but without being limited to the following fields: Sociolinguistics; Functional Linguistics; Cognitive Linguistics; Corpus Linguistics; Pragmatics and Argumentation Theory; Conversation and Discourse Analysis; Discursive Psychology; Multimodality; Media Studies; Communication Studies; Political Science.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 18, 2011

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**Sixth Pan-European Conference on EU Politics**

**Date:** September 13 - 15, 2012

**Site:** Tampere, Finland

**Organiser:** ECPR Standing Group on the European Union

**Topics:** The Conference has eleven sections covering major fields of current research on the EU. Theories of European Integration; EU Institutions and EU Politics; EU and Domestic Politics; Public Opinion, Party Politics and Interest Groups; Political Economy of the EU; EU Foreign Policy and External Relations; The EU and Conflict Resolution; The EU: Challenges and Reforms; Gender and Diversity; Immigration, Migration and Asylum; New Developments in Research on the EU.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** January 15, 2012

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**Call for papers  
Workshops**

**Changing Patterns of Migration – Changing Patterns of Social Inequalities? Borders and Boundaries in the Enlarged Europe**

**Date:** April 12 - 13, 2012

**Site:** Bielefeld, Germany

**Organiser:** Universität Bielefeld, Zentrum für Deutschland und Europastudien (ZDES), Institut für Weltgesellschaft (IW), Transnational Relations/COMCAD

**Topics:** This workshop addresses the transformation and new quality of migration between Eastern and Western Europe. By bringing together sociologists, social anthropologists, political scientists and economists, the following topics (among others) will be addressed: 1. In which ways do new types of migration/mobility transform patterns of social inequality in sending and receiving countries? 2. How does the relation between the territorial borders and social boundaries change in the course of new migration dynamics? 3. Do new types of migration promote the emergence of new social spaces, such as transnational labour markets, cross-border fields of care and transnational scientific communities? If yes, what kind of social stratifications come into being within these new transnational spaces? 4. In which manner do formal institutional arrangements, such as welfare, migration, care and gender regimes intersect with informal practices of migrants? Under what conditions do these interrelations result in privileging or depriving particular groups? Insights from current empirical research addressing the

following topics (among others) are highly welcome: Transformation of territorial borders and social boundaries in Europe; Inequality and/of geographic mobility; Transnational labour markets; Cross-border fields of care services; Migration and transformation of welfare, Cross-border circulation of talents.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** December 30, 2011

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## **EU Enlargement: Identities, Values and Market**

**Date:** April 23 - 28, 2012

**Site:** Dubrovnik, Croatia

**Organiser:** Jean Monnet Chair of European Public Law, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law

**Topics:** The Seminar is designed for Undergraduate and graduate students of law; Doctoral students and researchers; Junior public servants.

**Language:** English

**Deadline:** January 15, 2012;

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## **Mixing and remixing – public and private social policies in austere times**

**Date:** July 30 - August 2, 2012

**Site:** Southampton, UK

**Organiser:** Faculty of Social and Human Sciences, University of Southampton; The European Network for Social Policy Analysis ESPAnet

**Topics:** During the last decade we have seen a shift from public to private welfare in many countries. In core programmes such as pensions or health care public provision has been curtailed, accompanied by new incentives, regulation and high expectations of policy-makers for non-state provision. In labour market policies and unemployment benefits activation has been dominant. Only family policies have seen some increase in state support. The shift towards non-state social policies came at a time when business invested less in occupational welfare and when household incomes were stagnating, exacerbated by the financial crisis that began in 2008. It appears that those public and private actors able to provide collective protection against social risks retreat, making personalised insurance more and more important for individuals whose incomes are also under pressure. This doctoral workshop invites papers dealing theoretically, conceptually and empirically with such pressures and with the ever shifting boundary between the public and the private in contemporary European societies. Papers might explore questions such as: Business and welfare; State regulation of the non-state sector; The politics of boundary-setting between public and private social policies; The re-emergence of the state as provider? Charities and social policy; Private households between public and private welfare.

**Language:** English

**Fee:** Accommodation and food will be paid for by the University of Southampton

**Deadline:** February 1, 2012

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## **Call for papers Summer Schools**

### **Summer Programme on the WTO, International Trade and Development**

**Date:** July 2 – 13, 2012

**Site:** Geneva, Switzerland

**Organiser:** Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

**Topics:** The Graduate Institute has been a long-time neighbour of the GATT secretariat, and later WTO, in Geneva. In addition, it has also developed cutting-edge expertise on the issues and challenges inherent to trade liberalisation and regulation. In its teaching programmes, the Graduate Institute is fortunate to be able to draw on contributions from high-ranking WTO staff and a world-renowned faculty. The Summer Programme on the WTO, International Trade and Development builds upon this long tradition and offers a unique opportunity to observe first-hand the atmosphere and analyses surrounding multilateral trade, as well as witness some of the most important international discussions on the topic.

**Language:** English

**Fee:** 2600 €

**Deadline:** April 1, 2012

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## Central Europe: Unity in Diversity?

**Date:** June 15 - July 6, 2012

**Site:** Krakow, Poland

**Organiser:** The Centre for European Studies at the Jagiellonian University

**Topics:** The Summer School is comprised of two modules, focusing on Central Europe in history and today, respectively. A comprehensive and interdisciplinary overview of the region and its conceptualization is introduced during lectures, while seminars allow the students to partake in provoking and challenging discussions with experts in the field. The organisers warmly invite undergraduate students to join them in learning about minority issues, transatlantic relations, the role of Central Europe in the European Union, and many other topics covered in the classes. The organisers look forward to providing students with a unique academic and cultural experience, as they learn about the theories and ideas informing the transformations going on around them in Central Europe.

**Language:** English

**Fee:** 1895 €

**Deadline:** March 1, 2012

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## Call for papers

Journals

### Synthesis: Journal for Humanities and Social Affairs

**Place of publication:** Serbia

**Type of publication:** online

**Publication date:** 2011

**Published by/ edited by:** Centre for Humanities "Synthesis"

**Topics:** Journal of Humanities and Social Affairs is pleased to welcome submissions for the 2011 issue of the journal. Synthesis is a peer-reviewed journal that gathers mostly young scholars and researchers who excel within their respective disciplines and who are ready to reflect contemporary trends in society. The journal's mission is to serve as a framework for an interdisciplinary dialogue between different fields of humanities and social sciences, and as a platform for richer dialogue between Serbian and international academic communities. The main topic for the upcoming issue is 'Revolution'.

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

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### Journal RESET (Recherches en Sciences Sociales sur Internet): "Online disorders. Recomposing mental health on and with the Internet"

**Place of publication:** Geneva, Switzerland

**Type of publication:** online

**Published by/ edited by:** Département de Sociologie, Université de Genève

**Topics:** This issue of Reset aims to further the conceptualization and study of the recompositions of the field of mental health in relation to and on the Internet. Called are the proposals dealing with this core issue and suggest several directions for quantitative, qualitative and theoretical inquiry: Implications of the Internet for labelling theories, for instance in terms of the "observability" of disorders through Internet use or in terms of changes in processes of individual categorization as being mentally ill. Causes and modalities of new "pathologies" and new "therapies" related to networked communication technology. Social and historical perspectives on the construction of such categories, on the concrete experience of allegedly new forms of illness and care and on the ways social actors appropriate them. Reassessing the social role of the mentally ill, in regard to uses of the Internet. To what extent does this mean an additional step in rethinking Goffman's institutions and the subsequent "opening" of psychiatry? How does Internet use affect the relation between role accumulation and issues related to mental illness? What are the implications of the Internet as an individual means to redefine identity or to avoid stigmatization? In addition to empirical work addressing these core questions, the journal welcomes contributions to two sections intended to broaden the scope of discussion: Contemporary relevance of social science classics. This section is dedicated to theoretical reflections on the heuristic value of pioneering social science works, ranging from Weber to Elias, Durkheim to Foucault or Merton, Becker or Goffman for instance, or any theories considered

fundamental with respect to a specific concept or area; Opening disciplinary horizons. This section welcomes perspectives beyond the usual boundaries of social science, such as economics, law and medical disciplines broadly defined.

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

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## **Trans-Scripts: "Queer Interventions and Intersections"**

**Place of publication:** Irvine, US

**Type of publication:** online

**Publication date:** April 15, 2012

**Published by/ edited by:** University of California, Irvine

**Topics:** Possible paper topics include, but are not limited to: queer bodies and inhabitations/queer cyborgs/disordered bodies/disembodied queers; queerness and animal studies/posthumanisms; queer metacritiques/problematising queer theories; cyberqueers/technologizing the queer; queer disability studies; queer affective lives/queer negativity, queer futurity/anti-futurity; queer and feminist methodologies/pedagogies; mobilizing queer desires and sexualities/queering desire; homonationalism and militarizing queerness/(de)nationalizing queerness (e.g., DADT); trans lives and communities, transgender rights movements; queer rhetorics and literary queers, queer enabling fictions, queer poetics/queer lyrics; reparative reading and/or anti-histories; queer kinships/queering kinships; queer geographies and geopolitics, queer spatiality and temporality; queer criminality, queer violence; the economic crisis and queer communities/queerness and poverty; queer aesthetics in popular culture/queer reality television; queerness and sports, queerness and health/healthcare; transnational queer connectivities and performativities; queer ethnographies/queer tourism/movement, queer diasporas; queer revolutions/resistances, queer mobilizations in the 2011 Middle East revolutions.

**Deadline:** January 1, 2012; all pieces should be submitted to [transscriptsjournal@gmail.com](mailto:transscriptsjournal@gmail.com)

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## **Special edition of East/West Journal: "Neo-Anti-Colonialism vs. Neo-Imperialism: Relevance of Postcolonialism in Post-Soviet Space"**

**Place of publication:** Kharkiv, Ukraine

**Type of publication:** print

**Publication date:** End of 2012

**Published by/ edited by:** The Kowalsky Eastern Ukrainian Studies Institute

**Topics:** The editorial board is seeking contributions related to the following issues: "communication vessels": relationships between (former) metropolis and (former) colonies; compensatory policy: a "privilege" of being traumatized and a tendency towards compensation; problem of responsibility in postcolonial societies: elites, provincialism, xenophobia; actualization of "protective nationalism" as a response to the external aggression and the new wave of colonization; challenges of the cultural policy development (language, publishing, education, re-writing schoolbooks, mass media etc.); issues of generation gap: generations born in the USSR versus those born in the post-Soviet states (Ukraine, Russian Federation, Belarus etc.); postcolonial interpretation of relevant historical events, literary texts, movies, museum exhibitions etc. is also accepted. In the selection of materials the preference will be given to the texts related to the regions of Eastern and Central Europe, and Eurasia.

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## **Special issue of Social Science & Medicine: "Social Determinants of Child Health"**

**Place of publication:** USA

**Type of publication:** print / online

**Published by/ edited by:** Elsevier B.V.

**Topics:** Social Science & Medicine is soliciting papers for a Special Issue on the Social Determinants of Child Health. Health has important consequences for children's social functioning, educational attainment, and quality of life, and the consequences of poor health in childhood have implications for social inequality throughout the life course. Despite this, there is comparatively less social science research conducted on child health than on adult health, particularly in wealthy/industrialized nations. Understanding how social factors facilitate the health and wellbeing of children is important and may help to ameliorate health inequalities in already disadvantaged families and communities. For this Special Issue, editors are seeking papers that address the social determinants of child health, including but not limited to the following topics: Child health in wealthy, developed nations, especially nations outside of the United States; Theoretical and methodological challenges in understanding the social

determinants of child health; Population-level patterns and trends in child health, across time, contexts, and demographic groups; Social determinants of child health as they relate to demographic changes; Contextual determinants of child health and health disparities; Cross-national perspectives in the examination of child health  
**Deadline:** January 16, 2012

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## Journal Visions and Revisions: "New Scholars and New Interpretations"

**Place of publication:** Edinboro, US

**Type of publication:** print/ or online

**Published by/ edited by:** Department of History and Anthropology of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania

**Topics:** Undergraduate students are invited to submit papers or posters on topics related to Culture, History, Anthropology, Archaeology, Physical Anthropology, Latin American Studies, Social Science, and Women's Studies.

**Deadline:** January 20, 2012; all submissions should be sent to: Managing Editor, Visions and Revisions, Department of History and Anthropology, 235 Scotland Road, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA 16444, [jjenrette@edinboro.edu](mailto:jjenrette@edinboro.edu)

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## Grants/Jobs/Internships

### Two Positions as Doctoral student in Sociology

**Institution/Organiser:** The Department of Sociology, Stockholm University

**Kind of support/work:** fellow

**Duration:** four years

**Site:** Stockholm, Sweden

**Topics:** The area for the doctoral studies should preferably be within any of the fields of sociological research represented at the department.

**Eligibility:** To be qualified for doctoral studies in Sociology successful applicants need: A Bachelor's degree and at least 60 ECTS credits at advanced level with a paper of at least 15 ECTS credits; Proficiency in English.

**Deadline:** December 15, 2011

**Contact:** Department of Sociology, Stockholm University, SE-106 91, Stockholm, Sweden

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### Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Applied Social Sciences

**Institution/Organiser:** The School of Applied Social Sciences, Durham University

**Kind of support/work:** job

**Duration:** permanent

**Site:** Durham, UK

**Topics:** The School of Applied Social Sciences is seeking to appoint Lecturers and Senior Lecturers in Applied Social Sciences in the first phase of an exciting development that will increase both its research and teaching capacity over the next few years. In addition to widening its research portfolio and cohort of Research and Taught Postgraduate students, this phase of recruitment will enable the school to develop its highly ranked undergraduate programmes in Criminology, Sociology, and Sport and also its strong professional programmes in Social Work and Community and Youth Work. The successful candidates will join the delivery of teaching and research across our undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in sociology, social policy and criminology. Depending on their skills and experiences, candidates may take on leadership of programmes or research groups as necessary. The successful candidates will have a track record of publication in an applied social science field and will have the potential to produce research of outstanding quality. They will also have experience of generating research funding and/or clear plans for attracting future research income.

**Eligibility:** For Lecturer and Senior Lecturer Levels: 1. A first degree (or equivalent) in a relevant discipline; 2. A higher degree (or equivalent) in a relevant area; 3. Experience of publishing high-standard social science research (notably in journals) and clear plans for the development and dissemination of future research; 4. Experience of delivering high quality teaching in an HE context; 5. Specialised knowledge in a relevant field of Sociology, Social Policy and or Criminology; 6. Outstanding interpersonal and communication skills; 7. An ability to contribute to the strategic development of research and teaching in the school; 8. Be a team-player, able to work collaboratively with others both in the School and beyond. For Senior Lecturer Level: 1. A track-record of supervising research students to completion; 2. A track-record of external research-grant generation, and clear plans for pursuing future

grant income; 3. Experience of developing curriculum and leading innovation in teaching within an HE context; 4. Experience of leading and managing others.

**Deadline:** December 19, 2011

**Contact:** Professor David Wall

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### Humane Studies Fellowships

**Institution/Organiser:** Institute for Humane Studies (HIS) at George Mason University

**Kind of support/work:** fellow

**Duration:** one year

**Site:** Arlington, US

**Topics:** Humane Studies Fellowships are awarded to graduate students and outstanding undergraduates embarking on liberty-advancing careers in ideas. The fellowships support study in a variety of fields, including economics, philosophy, law, political science, history, and sociology. Past fellows have researched historical and contemporary ideas on freedom of action and association and the rule of law. Some notable research interests include: market-based approaches to environmental policy; the legal development of privacy and property rights in 18th-century England; the role of patient autonomy in bioethics; impediments to economic growth in developing countries; the relationship between U.S. presidential politics, fiscal policies, and economic performance. Exceptional candidates with an evident intention of advancing liberty through other intellectual activities, such as teaching, policy analysis, and law, will also be considered.

**Eligibility:** IHS considers applications from individuals who will be full-time graduate students or undergraduate juniors or seniors during the 2012-13 academic year and who have a clearly demonstrated research interest in the intellectual and institutional foundations of a free society. Applicants are evaluated based on three primary criteria: Relevance of work to the advancement of a free society; Academic or professional performance; Potential for success in chosen field. All applicants will be considered without regard to race, gender, religion, national or ethnic origin, citizenship, or disability. Although IHS considers applications from outside the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom, fellowships are generally awarded to applicants who live or study in those countries.

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

**Contact:** Institute for Humane Studies at George Mason University, 3301 N. Fairfax Dr., Ste. 440, Arlington, VA 22201

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### Full PhD Fellowship Program in Political Science

**Institution/Organiser:** Doctoral School of Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations, Central European University (CEU)

**Kind of support/work:** fellowship

**Duration:** three years

**Site:** Budapest, Hungary

**Topics:** Central European University (CEU), an English language graduate institution invites applications for the US accredited PhD Program in Political Science. The Doctoral School offers five specializations: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Economy, Political Theory, and Public Policy. The doctoral students are actively involved in research networks in their field through participation in graduate conferences and major research projects. The Doctoral School collaborates with a number of CEU-based research centers, such as the Center for Ethics and Law in Biomedicine, the Center for Media and Communication Studies, the Center for the Study of Imperfections in Democracies, the Center for Environment and Security, the Center for European Research and the Asia Research Initiative.

**Eligibility:**

**Deadline:** January 25, 2012

**Contact:** CEU Doctoral School of Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations: Nador u. 9, 1051 Budapest, Hungary

**E-mail:** [ds@ceu.hu](mailto:ds@ceu.hu)

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### Master and PhD programmes in Political Science at Central European University (CEU)

**2012/2013**

**Institution/Organiser:** Political Science Department, Central European University (CEU)

**Kind of support/work:** fellow

**Duration:** one- and two-year

**Site:** Budapest, Hungary

**Topics:** The Political Science Department of the Central European University offer one- and two-year MA programs, as well as doctoral education in political science. The programs focus on such fields as European politics,

democratization, regime change, political institutions, party systems, comparative political economy, media policy, analytical and normative political theory, constitutional theory and political sociology. The one-year MA program and the PhD program are accredited in the US; the two-year MA program has Hungarian (European) and US accreditation.

**Eligibility:** For Master's programs: Applicants must have a first degree from a recognized university or institution of higher education, or provide documentation indicating that they will earn such a first degree before enrolment in a CEU Master's program. For its one-year US accredited Master's programs, CEU normally accepts students who have completed four years of undergraduate university study. Applicants with a three-year Bachelor's degree will be considered for two-year Master's programs (both for the ones accredited in the US and in Hungary).

For doctoral programs: Applicants must have a Master's degree (or equivalent) in a related field from a recognized university or institution of higher education, or provide documentation indicating that they will earn such a degree before enrolment in a CEU doctoral course of study. Students enrolled in a doctoral program at CEU must not be simultaneously enrolled in other institutions of higher education, and are required, at the beginning of their studies at CEU, to sign a declaration to this effect. Furthermore the applicants must demonstrate proficiency in English by submitting standardized English language test scores, e.g., the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), TOEFL (paper version), IELTS 7 Cambridge Proficiency examination C or Cambridge Advanced English Test A.

**Deadline:** January 25, 2012

**Contact:** Political Science Department

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## Master of Arts in Public Policy

**Institution/Organiser:** Department of Public Policy, Central European University (CEU)

**Kind of support/work:** fellow

**Duration:** one year

**Site:** Budapest, Hungary

**Topics:** The one-year Master of Arts in Public Policy degree program seeks to train future decision-makers and policy experts. The curriculum connects critical thinking with problem-solving dynamics and policy practice. It aims to deepen the knowledge of policy theories and administrative practice for its application in contemporary governance. The program is based on a strong conviction that well-targeted research, reasoned debate, and informed public decision-making need to be advanced to address contemporary policy problems, and that these needs can usefully draw on globally transformed policy experience. Besides completing the course requirements, students are engaged in practical research and gain professional experience, notably through the program's compulsory practice component. Students either do an internship with an international organization, government department, NGO or similarly relevant body. Alternatively, students work in small teams of three-four to produce a piece of original research for an external client engaged in public policy advocacy, implementation and development, in which students either do a 2-month internship or carry out a piece of policy research advising an external client. MA students may specialize in either one of the seven fields, as well as writing their thesis on a topic in either of the fields below: European Public Policy; International Public Policy; Decentralized Governance; Higher Education Policy and Management; Media, Information and Communications Policy; Political and Economic Development; Equality and Social Justice.

**Deadline:** January 25, 2012

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