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THE MEMPHIS FORUM

Training Standards for Applied and Practicing Anthropology Programs: The Memphis Forum

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This note reports the content of the forum on training standards for applied and practicing anthropology programs held at the Memphis meetings of the Society for Applied Anthropology this past March for the SfAA/NAPA Training Standards Committee. The session was similar to one held at Chicago during the American Anthropological Association Meetings under the auspices of the National Association for the Practice of Anthropology in November, 1991. The 35 participants in Memphis were encouraged to express their opinions rather than to attempt to develop a consensus. This note is an interpretation of the prominent themes that emerged in the discussion.

Continual Emphasis on the Traditional Subdisciplines of Anthropology

It was emphasized that applied and practicing anthropology training programs must have a solid foundation in anthropology. Along with the traditional theoretical base, theories of social change should be included in the program curriculum. Some participants felt that practice-oriented anthropology students should be more knowledgeable about theory—even more than the non-practicing anthropology students. Most of the participants felt that the four field approach must be retained in training for practitioner careers.

Training in Substantive Areas and Why do We Need It?

The field is becoming so specialized that we cannot do everything within anthropology. Some specializations mentioned were agriculture, nutrition, gerontology, and health. An important issue is now to incorporate these substantive areas of specialization. One participant

insisted that we can always develop a generic model. Some aspect of the required studies can be done by anthropology departments and others can be done cooperatively with related departments. Each department may have its own specialty. It was also suggested that after receiving basic training in anthropology, one can move to other specialized departments for advanced training in the field of interest such as public health.

We Cannot Lose Sight of Methodology

Students should be taught how to generate data and apply the results in real world situations. Participants emphasized the importance of quantitative methods as well as ethnographic research. Practitioners need to be adequately trained in both aspects of method.

Increased Concern for Computer Literacy

Computer training is considered inevitable for applied anthropology students. It was maintained that it is difficult to provide training in all the software but some important programs like SAS and SPSS should be included in the training process. Students must invest time in learning computer applications.

Concern for the Goal of Applied Anthropology Training

There were differing opinions on the final goal of training for practice. Some participants asserted that training programs should be geared towards entering the job market. If that is the objective then students should not be forced to learn beyond certain limits. Development of ancillary skills continue through one's career, so it is not necessary to provide everything in the university. One can do a great deal with work experience. Some were of the opinion that standards cannot be rigid or narrow as a student should be able to develop his/her own program in a way that is consistent with the standards.

Reiteration of the Need to Inculcate Commitment Among Budding Practitioners

In a humanistic discipline like anthropology, personal commitment is of vital importance. It is very important to have the right attitude. Adaptability to different situations,

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be they academic, agency, or community, is very important. This is something that may be difficult to include in the formal curriculum.

Preparation for the Job Market

The resume is an important tool in the process of becoming employed. Students should learn this skill under the auspices of the program. One should put specific skills such as needs assessment, community development, and social planning in the resume. The functional value of these skills is that they are widely applicable and marketable. Anthropology must be communicated to the public, and therefore practicing anthropologists must be equipped to do this. Training programs should provide training and experience in dealing with contracts. There should be some sort of informal mentor program, both inside and outside the department. Internships are important for exposure to the real world.

The Issue of Faculty Qualifications

Participants asked whether training standards should state the minimum qualifications of the faculty involved in the training of practitioners. What should we do about faculty who are not experienced in application?

Advertisements and Admission Policies by Departments

It was suggested that training standards should also be expressed in the admissions policy of departments so that appropriate students are admitted. It is also crucial to pay attention to the accuracy of program advertisements.

MORE MEETING REPORTS

Executive Committee Retreat Meeting Notes

The SfAA Executive Committee (EC) held retreats at the 1991 American Anthropological Association meeting in Chicago and the 1992 SfAA meeting in Memphis to examine the Society's goals and to develop plans for the future. What follows is an interim report to the members about directions under consideration by the EC.

Proposed Mission Statement

"The Society for Applied Anthropology is an interdisciplinary association dedicated to the improvement of the human condition and the promotion of cross-cultural understanding through the application of anthropological precepts and knowledge." The Executive Committee voted to take this statement to the members for action.

New Action Committees

A Policy and Issues committee will be developed to consider ways for the Society to take a more proactive role in national and international affairs. Members selected a number of issues to become involved in including: Intellectual Property Rights, Native American Rights, the National Park Service, and Human Rights and the Environment. The new committee will be charged with bringing these issues for discussion to the annual meeting in the form of symposia. Position papers will be generated.

A Task Force on Media Relations will also be developed to increase awareness and visibility of the SfAA. Media coverage of annual meetings could be increased if issues of local concern were addressed. For example, in San Antonio, issues of multiculturalism could be highlighted that would attract local media. The Executive Committee voted to assign one person to be a media liaison for this event.

New Initiatives

Two new initiatives were discussed: membership diversification and expansion, and closer relations with Local Practitioner Organizations (LPOs). Strategies to enhance membership included translation of Human Organization abstracts into French, Spanish, and Japanese; subscription and membership discounts for institutions traditionally serving people of color; invitations to the Association of Black Anthropologists and the Association of Latina/Latino Anthropologists for annual meetings and the offer of meeting rooms every off year; more aggressive marketing of Society membership; greater inclusion of students on Society committees; and energetic recruitment of practitioners to Society offices.

To create closer relations with LPOs, committee discussions included creating a directory of members that shows geographic and substantive interests; LPO information in the directory; more information about LPOs in the Newsletter and in Practicing Anthropology, and news of the Society in LPO newsletters; greater communication between the SfAA and LPOs such as LPO workshops at the annual meeting, joint sessions of SfAA and AAA, and opportunities for SfAA and LPO members to work together; and facilitate linkages between departments and anthropology clubs.

Good As Gold Proceedings In Print

The edited transcript of the proceedings of the symposium "Good as Gold": Foods the Americas Gave the World, held at the National Museum of American History on October 18-20, 1991, is now ready for distribution. It consists of approximately 240 pages. For information, write to: "Good as Gold," Department of Public Programs, MRC 646, National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C. 20560.

OBITUARY

Some Recollections Of Hal Vreeland

by Thomas Greaves
Bucknell University

Herbert H. Vreeland, III, died of cancer on June 1, 1992, at the age of 72. Hal, as he was known to all his associates, was a gifted applied anthropologist who pursued his work with a remarkable vigor and zest. After military service in China during World War II he completed his doctorate at Yale in 1953, drawing on field work in Outer Mongolia. He later worked among the Pathan of northern Pakistan.

Much of his professional life entailed senior responsibilities for the Army's Foreign Area Handbooks, edited at American University. For a generation of fieldworkers, the handbooks were often the first source consulted about the distribution of native societies in a remote area, their cultural and linguistic characteristics, the history of recent contact, and other useful information. Hal also engaged in numerous applied research projects as senior research scientist for Human Sciences, Inc., and, in 1975, joined NIMH to direct training programs dealing with urban economic change, work and unemployment, and the mentally handicapped. His strong commitment to the housing and rehabilitation of the mentally ill led him to take a leadership role at Bethesda's St. Luke's House for the mentally ill, a service recognized this year in an award ceremony officiated by Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan and Congresswoman Connie Morella. A founding member of the Washington Association of Professional Anthropologists, Hal was its president elect at his death.

This short piece is not intended as a comprehensive obituary of Hal's many and diverse professional accomplishments. To accomplish that task requires someone who has had the privilege of knowing Hal over a longer span and in more settings than I have. Rather, it is my purpose to call attention to one of Hal's contributions to the SfAA.

While the Society had taken stands on public affairs issues in the past, until Hal's appointment as its first Public Affairs Representative the Society had not developed a means of exercising a sustained, permanent presence in Washington policy making. With his characteristic readiness, Hal agreed to create this role, covering his incidental costs with the munificent budget of "up to \$100" from my President's budget (he never spent it all).

Hal set to work. He focussed on a long-languishing idea at the National Park Service to start an ethnography program, in essence a plan to hire cultural anthropologists to survey cultural resources in our national parks, to conserve and protect them, to work with Native American groups in interpreting cultural histories associated with

park lands, and so forth. Hal met with members of Congress and their staffs, tracked the bill through the maze of hearings, committee markups, and conference committees, enlisted other SfAA members in the effort, and brought about the congressional approval and funding of the program. The program has expanded in each subsequent year and, as a critically important by-product, has established our profession as a federal job category.

Last year our Executive Committee expanded Hal's pioneering efforts by creating the SfAA Washington Committee. Mentored by Hal's techniques, the Washington Committee has expanded the effort, and this year, newly renamed the Policy and Issues Committee, we will begin to establish a structure that can work at state and regional levels as well.

Hal Vreeland showed our Society how to establish a sustained SfAA presence in the process of Washington decision-making. Ranked among the many contributions Hal made in his lifetime, his trail-blazing on behalf of the SfAA is probably a marginal matter. What he did for us, however, was to show that, even on a financial shoestring, our sustained role in Washington decision-making is possible, and that we can have an impact on issues that matter to us.

I will miss Hal's familiar resonant voice on my telephone, up-dating me on testimony just presented, or laying strategy for a forthcoming meeting. He served many people and groups; among them has been the SfAA. Together with so many others, we owe much to this gentle, thoughtful, creative man.

AWARDS

1992-1993 Margaret Mead Award Criteria Announced, Nominations Invited

The Margaret Mead Award, jointly sponsored by the Society for Applied Anthropology and the American Anthropological Association, is awarded to a young scholar for a particular accomplishment, such as a book, film, monograph or service that interprets anthropological data and principles in ways that make them meaningful to a broadly concerned public. The Award is designed to honor a person clearly and integrally associated with research and/or practice in anthropology. The awardees activity will exemplify skills broadening the impact of anthropological insight for which the late Margaret Mead was widely admired.

The Society for Applied Anthropology is piloting new criteria for the award. Among these changes are an extension of the age requirements. The nominee must be under 45 years of age on January 1, 1993, or have received a Ph.D. after January 1, 1978.

Nominations for the 1992-1993 Award are now invited. To be considered each application must include (1) the nominee's curriculum vitae, (2) one or more letters of recommendation, describing the accomplishment and documenting its impact on relevant publics, and (3) other supporting material including examples of the central work being considered. Nominees are judged on this information using the following criteria (not necessarily in order of importance): (1) intellectual quality, (2) clarity or understandability, (3) the extent or depth of impact (how great was the effect), (4) the breadth of impact (how many people and/or fields were affected).

There are now two categories of possible nomination: nomination by colleagues and self-nomination. Both need supporting materials and the self-nominations should include a list of references. In the latter case, candidates should arrange to have the reference sent to the Chair of the award committee.

Please send nominations and four copies of supporting material to: Alexander M. Ervin, 1992-1993 Margaret Mead Award Committee Chair, Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada S7N 0W0; (306/966-4176); FAX 306/966-8709

Nominations will be accepted until November 1, 1992. Supporting material will not be returned unless specifically requested. The 1992-1993 award will be given at the annual meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology in San Antonio, Texas in March, 1993.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Cultural Aspects Of Deafness Project Planned In Uk

A group of researchers have united to co-operate in developing research and action projects concerning *cultural* aspects of problems faced by deaf children and adults in different countries. Efforts are being initiated by Professor Ronald Frankenberg, a medical anthropologist at the Centre for Medical Social Anthropology, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, University of Keele, U.K., who has general interests in the social processes of disablement in different cultures. Frankenberg works part-time at Brunel University, Middlesex, where he is joined by a colleague, Dr. Ruth Pinder, whose most recent publication is *The Management of Chronic Illness: Patient and Doctor Perspectives on Parkinson's Disease*. Others in the group include Dr. Valerie Newton, Senior Lecturer in Audiological Medicine and Honorary Consultant in Paediatric Audiological Medicine at The University of Manchester Department of Audiology, and her colleague, Mrs. Eileen McSporran, an Educational Audiologist. They are both involved in the

Masters' programmes in Audiology, Paediatric Habilitation and Audiological Medicine at Manchester. In the course of their work they have become conscious that their past efforts have often been frustrated by their failure fully to understand the cultural situation in which their (especially 'Third World') students are practising. In addition, Mr. Simon Thompson, a social scientist completing an assignment with a health oriented Research Group in the International Health Division of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, is planning to follow up with specific anthropological investigations, both academic and applied. All five are totally committed to the principle that research of this kind should have practical aims and be directly guided from the outset by the participation of the persons most concerned, in this case, the deaf themselves. All have been partially frustrated by the absence of reporting in standard databases the work which has been done, sometimes incidental to other research, by anthropologists and sociologists in addition to that of self help organizations and deaf people. The group is preparing an annotated bibliography and report using formal materials and databases. They also have plans to network with medical and other concerned anthropologists in the U.S., U.K., Europe and other parts of the world.

Susanne Simon is a student of anthropology and psychology at Brunel, a former nurse with an RGN qualification and able to read French and German. She has chosen this project as part of the requirement for her degree. She is being supervised by Professor Frankenberg and financially assisted by a bursary generously provided by the Department of Audiology at Manchester.

For further information, correspond with Susanne Simon at: Centre for the Study of Health, Sickness and Disablement, Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex UB8 3PH; Telephone: 0895 274000.



POSTINGS

Two Professorial Positions Available at Florida Atlantic University

Florida Atlantic University Department of Anthropology seeks applications for a visiting professorship for the Spring semester of 1993 (January 6 to April 30) in the general area of community studies (subsuming peasant and ethnic studies, urban anthropology, and related specialties). A Ph.D. is required. Salary is competitive and teaching duties will consist of two to three courses. Please send a letter of application, current vita, and names of three references by October 23, 1992 to Chair, Search Committee, Department of Anthropology, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

Also, Florida Atlantic University Department of Anthropology announces a full-time tenure track position in the general area of community studies beginning Fall, 1993. A Ph.D. is required. Applicants should be competent to teach a comprehensive array of courses, both undergraduate and graduate, on peasant communities, ethnic communities, urban anthropology, etc., plus introductory anthropology. An international focus involving fieldwork abroad is desired, plus willingness to take advantage of local research possibilities in southern Florida. Rank and salary will be negotiated. Send a letter of application, vita, names of three references by January 1, 1993 to Chair, Search Committee, Department of Anthropology, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

MEETINGS

Paris Hosts Development vs. Tradition Conference

The third conference of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Environments (IASTE), addressing the theme "Development vs. Tradition: the Cultural Ecology of Dwellings and Settlements," will be held October 8-11, 1992, at the Union International des Chemins de Fer in Paris, France. The conference will focus on the dialectic tension and the potential balance between development and tradition, given the ongoing effects of modernization. The final schedule includes 125 papers from scholars representing 40 countries. Keynote speakers include Oleg Grabar, Anthony King, Paul Oliver, Zmarak Shalizi, Wolf Tochtermann, and Gerard Toffin. For registration information please contact: IASTE '92 Conference, Center for Environmental Design Research, 390 Wurster Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720, U.S.A.; (510/547-7814), FAX 510/643-5571.

Conference Of Undercounted Ethnic Populations

The U.S. Bureau of the Census announces a Research Conference on Undercounted Ethnic Populations, May 5-7, 1993 in the Washington, D.C. area. The conference is being held with the hope of developing ideas for consideration in planning future censuses.

The Bureau invites interested parties to submit papers and research findings related to undercounted ethnic populations. Papers may be of a methodological, ethnographic, sociological, or statistical nature. Ethnic undercount in both urban and rural areas is of interest. Possible topics include: who gets missed; behavioral/attitudinal causes of census undercount; cultural and language patterns that affect enumeration; census outreach or promotion; and geographic issues leading to undercount. Abstracts must be submitted by September 1, 1992 for consideration. Honoraria of \$200 to \$400 are offered for papers accepted for presentation.

Call David Whitford or Laurie Moyer at 301/763-4940 with questions or for further information regarding the conference. Conference plans are contingent on final approval and funding.

Qualitative Research in Education Conference in Athens, Georgia

The Qualitative Interest Group (QUIG) at the University of Georgia announces its 1993 conference: CULTURAL DIVERSITY: CONTEXTS, PERSPECTIVES, AND VOICE to be held January 7-9. Proposals for papers, roundtables, and workshops reflecting this theme are encouraged. However, the overall conference theme should NOT be interpreted as discouraging proposals on other issues. Information interchange around a wide range of topics is encouraged.

The conference will be held at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education in Athens, Georgia. QUIG announces that Vivian Gadsden will give the opening keynote address on Thursday evening, January 7 and Henry Trueba will give the closing keynote address on Saturday afternoon, January 9. A unique element of the Qualitative Conference is the opportunity for participants to have individual and small group consultation sessions with the keynote and other speakers throughout the conference. Registration fees for the 1993 conference will be about \$90.00 (\$45.00 for students).

Receipt deadline for proposals is September 1, 1993. For further information, contact: Judith Priessle, Social Science Education, 215 Tucker Hall, The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia 30602; (404/542-6489).

THE MEMPHIS MEETING PROGRAM

Did you miss the 1992 meetings in Memphis? If so, you missed an informative event. Did you attend the 1992 meetings, but misplaced your Program or found that you would like to have an additional copy for your library? If either applies, you are in luck!

The Business Office has a limited supply of the Final Programs from the 1992 Annual Meeting. The Final Program is a wonderful source of information. It contains the abstracts for all presentations as well as a list of participants with mailing addresses. This a resource that should be in your library.

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It's Not Too Early To Be Thinking About San Antonio!

Call for Student Papers and Sessions



**Society for Applied Anthropology
1993 Annual Meeting
March 10-14, 1993
San Antonio, Texas**

Theme: Applying Social Science in a Multicultural Setting

The Student Committee of the Society for Applied Anthropology invites students to participate in the 1993 annual meeting by presenting papers and/or helping with the organization of student sessions. This is your opportunity to have input into the content of the annual meeting.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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Students are also encouraged to submit their work to the Peter Kong-Ming New Award Student Paper Competition. For more information, contact the SfAA Business Office.

ABSTRACTS ARE DUE OCTOBER 19TH, 1992

Program Chairs Provide an Early List of Symposia

The Co-Program Chairs for the 1993 meetings in San Antonio, Maria Luisa Urdaneta, John Donahue and Martin Topper, have already received commitments from 32 colleagues to organize more than 50 symposia. Since the deadline for symposia and volunteered papers is October 19, there is time for members who wish to take part in any of the symposia listed below to contact the organizers and request

participation. This "early list" is not meant to preclude members from organizing more symposia. The program chairs hope that there will be more than 100 symposia in addition to volunteered papers. The meetings in San Antonio promise to bring together a wide range of expertise on *Applying Social Science in a Multicultural Setting*.

Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting--1993

	Name	Organization	Street Address	City	State/ Cntry	Zip Code	Phone #	Name of Session
1	Allen, John C.	University of Nebraska, Dept. of Ag. & Natural Resources	102 H. C. Filley Hall	Lincoln	NE	68583 - 0922	402-472-3401	Cultural Diversity in Small Town America: A By-Product of Economic Development
2	Bertrand, William	Tulane Univ., School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine	1501 Canal Street, Suite 1300	New Orleans	LA	70112-2824	504-584-3655	Rapid Appraisal Methods: Applied Research Revisited in the Advent of Information Technology Revolution
3	Davis-Floyd, Robbie	Applied Anthropologist	1301 Capital of Texas Hwy., Suite B128	Austin	TX	78746	512-327-4726	Midwifery and Anthropology: Multiculturalism in Birth
4	Dennis, Philip A.	Texas Tech Univ., Dept. of Anthropology	P.O. Box 41011	Lubbock	TX	79409-1011	806-742-2228	Cultural Exchange Tourism
5	Earle, Duncan	Univ. of Texas at Austin, Institute of Latin American Studies	Sid W. Richardson Hall 1.310	Austin	TX	78712	512-471-5551	Pro-Cultural Pro-Community Development in the "Ethnic Hinterlands": Alternate Development Theory & Practice
6	Fabregat, Claudio Esteva	Applied Anthropologist	Apartado de Correos, 23.325	08080 Barcelona	Spain		93-333-20-25	Work & Labor Design in Cultural Perspective
7	Foley, Douglas Lein, Laura	Univ. of Texas at Austin, Dept. of Anthropology		Austin	TX	78712-1086	512-471-4206	Families on Welfare: A Collaboration Between Anthropologists & Community Organizations
8	Freidenberg, Judith	Mt. Sinai Medical Center	1 Gustave L. Levy Place	New York City	NY	10029-6574		Social Support Networks in Cross-Cultural Settings
9	Greaves, Tom	Bucknell University, Dept. of Anthropology		Lewisburg	PA	17837	717-524-1117	Winning Battles: Contemporary Protests by Native American Indians
10	Gudejran, Thomas H.	Institute of Texan Cultures	P.O. Box 1226	San Antonio	TX	78294	512-226-7651	Empowering the Indians
11	Hoppe, Sue Keir	Univ. of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio (UTHSCSA)	7703 Floyd Curl Drive	San Antonio	TX	78284-7792	512-567-5470	Acculturation & Health
12	Leap, William	American Univ., College of Arts & Science, Dept. of Anthropology	4400 Massachusetts Ave.	Washington, D.C.		20016-8003	202-885-1830	Applied Anthropology in Gay/Lesbian Settings

13	Mamani, Manuel	Univ. of Tarapaca, Dept. of Anthropology & History		Arica	Chile			056-058-2524/34	Mythology & Therapeutic Rituals in the Medical Development of Andean Society
14	McElroy, Ann	SUNY Buffalo, Dept. of Anthropology	SUNY Buffalo	Buffalo	NY	14261	716-636-2291		Multicultural Care Strategies for the Disabled
15	Miracle, Andrew	Texas Christian Univ., Dept. of Sociology		Fort Worth	TX	76129	817-921-7470		Research & Institutional Responses to At-Risk Adolescents: What Works, What Doesn't
16	Mitteness, Linda	Univ. of California, San Francisco, Dept. of Epidemiology & Biostatistics	University of California	San Francisco	CA	94143-0850	415-731-1880		Ambiguity, Medicine, & the Margins of Life in a Multi-Cultural Society
17	Murray, Gerald	Univ. of Florida, Dept. of Anthropology	1350 Turlington Hall	Gainesville	FL	32611	904-392-2031		Arboreal Anthropology: the Destruction and Restoration of Trees
18	Nishida, Chizuru	WHO, Nutrition Unit	1211 Geneva 27		Switzerland		791.21.11		Anthropology and Nutrition
19	Oliver-Smith, Tony	Univ. of Florida, Dept. of Anthropology	1350 Turlington Hall	Gainesville	FL	32611	904-392-2290		Disaster Research and Management in Multicultural Settings
20	Palinkas, Lawrence	Univ. of California, San Diego, Dept. of Community & Family Medicine	9500 Gilman Drive	La Jolla	CA	92093-0807	619-543-6393		Health Care for the Medically Underserved: Applying Anthropology to Primary Care & Prevention
21	Phillips, James	Incarinate Word College, Dept. of Anthropology	4301 Broadway	San Antonio	TX	78209	512-829-3960		In Search of the Sustainable Culture: Problems and Prospects
22	Reed, Richard	Trinity Univ, Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology	715 Stadium Drive	San Antonio	TX	78212	512-736-8506		Indigenous Commercial Agroforestry: Alternate Models for Tropical Development
23	Robbins, Lester	Applied Anthropologist	4129 Astoria St.	Irving	TX	75062-2978			Alcohol & Drug Abuse Among North American Indians
24	Ruybal, Sally	Univ. of New Mexico, College of Nursing		Albuquerque	NM	87131-1061	505-277-4221		Diffusion of Health Care Innovation
25	Shain, Rochelle Ramos, Reyes	Univ. of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio (UTHSCSA), Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology	7703 Floyd Curl Drive	San Antonio	TX	78284-7836	512-567-5051		Use of Ethnographic Data in STD/AIDS Research
26	Topper, Martin	Applied Anthropologist	P.O. Box 223	Falls Church	VA	22046	703-534-5409		Combining Theory, Method, & Practice: Applied Anthropology in the Next Millennium
27	Trotter, Robert	Northern Arizona Univ., Dept. of Anthropology, Flagstaff	P.O. Box 15200	Flagstaff	AZ	86011-5200	602-523-3180		Multi-Cultural AIDS Out-Reach Prevention Programs: Drugs, Cultural, & Sexual Risks in Hard-to-Reach Populations
28	Velez-Ibanez, Carlos	Univ. of Arizona, Dept. of Anthropology		Tucson	AZ	85721	602-621-6282		Funds of Knowledge in Multicultural Settings: the Comparative Application of Strategic Information to Learning Among U.S. Minority Groups
29	Warns, Richard L. McGee, Jon	Southwest Texas State Univ. Dept. of Sociology	601 University Dr.	San Marcos	TX	78666-4616	512-245-2113		Language, Metaphor, and Problem Solving: Applying Anthropological Perspectives for Empowerment
30	Watson-Franke, Maria-Barbara	San Diego State Univ., Dept. of Women's Studies		San Diego	CA	92182	619-594-6524		The Family: Theories, Policies, Realities
31	Woodward, Wayne	Trinity Univ., Dept. of Communications	715 Stadium Drive	San Antonio	TX	78212	512-736-8113		The Ethnographic Turn in Mass Communications Audience Research
32	Von Mering, Otto	Univ. of Florida, Center for Gerontological Studies	3355 Turlington Hall	Gainesville	FL	32611-2036	904-392-2116		New Theory from the Anthropological Study of Aging & Well-Being

East Meets West Conference In April

The Second International East Meets West Conference in Cross-Cultural Communication, Comparative Philosophy, and Comparative Religion will meet April 8-10, 1993 in Long Beach, California. The goal is to promote understanding between the East and the West by providing a unique opportunity for scholars and practitioners to share their research and insights.

The previous East Meets West Conference, held at the University of Mysore, India, June 8-10, 1991, provided an excellent opportunity for participants to formally and informally exchange ideas and to acquaint with colleagues from around the world. The planning of this Conference has been an outgrowth of the success of the Mysore event.

Although it is understood that no single paper can adequately address all relevant issues, cross-cultural and comparative themes will be a major determinant in the selection process. Papers are invited in the following areas:

- I. Cross-Cultural Communication
 - A. Human resources management in multicultural organizations
 - B. "The Other" in cross-cultural communication
 - C. Nonverbal behavior across cultures
 - D. Cross-cultural negotiations and conflict resolution

- II. Comparative Philosophy
 - A. Comparative views of the person and community
 - B. Comparative logic, epistemology and metaphysics
 - C. Comparative ethics
 - D. Critical thinking in a multicultural context

- III. Comparative Religion
 - A. Secularism: east and west
 - B. Liberation theology in Africa, Asia and Latin America
 - C. Women and religion world-wide
 - D. Humans and nature in religion
 - E. Interreligious dialogue

Deadline for abstracts is September 30, 1992. Abstracts should not be more than 300-400 words, double-spaced, and must be submitted in triplicate. Notification of acceptance will be made by October 30, 1992. Persons not offering papers are invited to chair a panel session or be commentators. Send abstracts or inquiries to: B. Srinivasa Murthy, Program Chair, Asian and Asian American Studies, California State University, Long Beach, Long Beach, CA 90840-1004.

Communication and Diversity Conference At Cal State

The School of Communications at California State University, Fullerton will hold a Conference on "Communication and Cultural Diversity in American Institutions" on October 2-3, 1992. The purpose of the Conference is to bring together scholars, educators, and speech and language pathologists together to examine the role of communication in managing cultural diversity in American institutions. The Conference will include theoretical and research oriented papers addressing issues on the theme, as well as papers designed to apply theory and research to practical settings. Papers may address, but are not limited to, topics such as the following: discourse patterns in the culturally diverse classroom, communication concerns in working with parents from culturally diverse populations, issues in multilingual and multicultural speech-language assessment or treatment processes. In addition, plenary speakers will be invited to present major addresses.

For more information, contact Toya Wyatt, Department of Speech Communication (EC 199), California State University, Fullerton, CA 92634-9480; (714/773-3739 or 773-3355); FAX 714/773-3377.

International Colloquium On the 'New Decade For Women'

The Research and Working Group on 'Women in Development' of the Association for the Advancement of Policy, Research and Development in the Third World cordially solicits and invites proposals for research papers, panels and country specific studies in the areas of: Women in the Professions; Women in Development; Gender Specific National/International Issues; and other issues pertinent to the New Decade for Women within the suggested framework of the United Nations.

The colloquium will be held Saturday, March 27, 1993 at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas. Please Submit proposals and biographical professional statements by November 1, 1992 to: Doug Ann Newsom, Ph.D., Department of Journalism, Texas Christian University, P.O. Box 32930, Fort Worth, TX 76129; (817/921-7425), FAX 817/921-7133.

Economic Anthropologists Call For Papers

The 1993 meetings of the Society for Economic Anthropology will be held April 23-24, 1993 at the New England Center, Durham, New Hampshire. The conference theme will be "Economic Analysis Beyond the Local System."

Following the Society's practice, there will be four plenary sessions over the two days, each made up of four or five half-hour presentations, with ample time available for questions and discussion. In addition, there will be one poster session.

Some possible issues for paper presentations:

—Evaluation and critique of various theoretical frameworks, particularly world-systems theory and its specific concepts, such as “mini-system,” “external arena,” “semi-periphery,” “preciosities.” To what extent is world-system theory applicable to non-capitalist (or “pre-capitalist”) social formations (including its applicability to archaeological research)?

—Evolution of, native of, and consequences of core-periphery hierarchy.

—Types of multi-societal systems, and relation of world-systems concepts to similar concepts, for example G. William Skinner's “macroregion.”

Papers will be selected for inclusion in the plenary sessions so as to maximize both the quality of the presentations and the coherence of the sessions. Papers not selected for presentation in the plenary sessions may be presented as posters, and are still eligible for consideration for inclusion in the annual volume of proceedings. Papers presented in the plenary sessions are not automatically included in the proceedings.

Please submit abstracts by November 1, 1992 to: Richard E. Blanton, Sociology-Anthropology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana 47907; (317/494-4681/4668).

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The Roundtable on the Middle East and the Gulf of the Association for the Advancement of Policy, Research and Development in the Third World cordially solicits and invites proposals for research papers, panels and country specific studies for possible selection and inclusion in the conference on 'The Middle East in the 1990s: A Decade of Redefinition'. The Roundtable will be held Saturday, April 17, 1993 at Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Illinois.

Deadline for submission of a proposal and a biographical professional statement is November 1, 1992.

Send proposal to: Ghada Talhami, Ph.D., Department of Politics, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL 60045-2399; (708/234-3100), FAX 708/234-6487.

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