

SOC SCENE

Calendar of Events

Apr. 27— Inequality and Methods Workshop

May 1—Sociology Workshop

May 3—UMSA Social

Department Events

Undergrads welcome and encouraged to attend!

Inequality and Methods Workshop

[Prof. Steve Morgan](#) (Sociology, Cornell) presents "Stutter-Step Models of Educational Achievement and Attainment," Fri. April 27, 12:15-1:30 pm, MPC Conference Room, 50 Willey Hall. Co-sponsored by Life Course Center.

Sociology Workshop

Graduate student Gulseren Kozak-Isik presents "Reproduction and Change in Counter-Hegemonic Law: A Case Study of Islamic Law in the U.K.," Tues. May 1, 4:00 pm, 1114 Soc Sci Bldg.

Advising and Walk-ins

If you need advising assistance with registration, please contact **Becky Mooney** or **Emily Philipp**!

Call the front desk at (612) 624-4300 or stop in to make an appointment.

Upcoming Advising Walk-Ins:

<http://www.soc.umn.edu/undergrad/WalkIns.html>

U of M Sociological Association

Join us for a final celebration of the semester and enjoy cookies and lemonade!

Thursday, May 3
11-11:30am
First Floor Soc Sci

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[Facebook!](#)

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New Internship Award for Soc Majors!

We are excited to announce the launch of the *new*: **Barbara Newsome Internship Award for Sociology Undergraduate Majors!**

The purpose of the Barbara Newsome Internship Award is to provide financial support for Sociology undergraduates to engage in internships in the community related to their major. Recipients of the award will be students in good standing, majoring in Sociology in the CLA at the University of Minnesota. Selection criteria will be based on academic promise and/or demonstrated need. The award provides a \$1600 stipend for a minimum of 135 internship hours.

Applications should be submitted to the Sociology Department by **April 30, 2012**. They are available here: <http://www.soc.umn.edu/assets/doc/InternshipAward2012appfinal.pdf>

Become a Teaching Assistant!

[The Rothenberger Institute](#) is hiring Undergraduate Teaching Assistants for our undergraduate wellness courses: Alcohol & College Life (ACL); Sleep, Eat & Exercise (SEE); and (our newest course) Success Over Stress (SOS). We would appreciate if you could share the job posting with any students who might be interested.

https://employment.umn.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/JobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=535955

Requisition number: 177345

Paid Research Assistant Position!

innovation Research & Training (iRT), a behavioral science research firm, in Durham, North Carolina, seeks a full-time Research Assistant for a paid internship position for up to two years.

Job Description: Contribute to projects designed to develop, evaluate, and disseminate prevention programs for children and adolescents. Participate on a team of with responsibilities including: literature reviews; maintaining meeting minutes; contributing to curriculum development; participating in data collection, coding, and entry activities; assisting with manuscript preparation and grant writing; and providing assistance in general office work and across research projects.

Requirements: B.A. or B.S. in psychology or related field with 1-2 years of research experience and with coursework in research methods and/or statistics. Knowledge of social-emotional development in childhood and adolescence, mentoring, risky behaviors, or prevention preferred. The successful candidate will need to demonstrate strong interpersonal as well as written and verbal communication. Please fax or email your CV to jkupersmidt@irtinc.us, at least one scientific writing sample, and 3 references to iRT at [919-493-7720](tel:919-493-7720).

Editorial Board Position Opening!

Check out Hipolitics—inspired by a new generation of young people who demand a new approach to politics and have an appreciation for cutting-edge culture from around the world. The site has just been launched at: www.hipolitics.com.

The Hipolitics team is looking for highly talented writers to join their Editorial Board this summer. Students can learn more about the writing position and apply online at: www.hipolitics.com/columnist.

Mental Health Awareness Day (MHAD) 2012!

Join us on April 25th on the Coffman Union front lawn for Mental Health Awareness Day! The purpose of this day is to promote awareness about the sometimes profound impact that suffering from, living with, and recovering from mental health issues have on college students. There will be a feature display titled "Don't Sit In Silence", spoken word performances and more. Please consider making this day as successful as possible by sharing your personal experience with mental health by submitting a story, volunteering the day or the event, or just stopping by to decorate a T-shirt. For more information and/or to volunteer, visit our [Facebook page](#).

International UROP Scholarship!

Check out this new scholarship opportunity for undergraduate students! This scholarship is designed to promote learning abroad opportunities to undergrads by providing critical funding to students enrolled in select credit-bearing learning abroad programs involving a research project. For more information: <http://www.umabroad.umn.edu/students/finances/scholarships/urop-scholarship.php>. Award amount: \$1,500; Deadline: May 1, 2012.

Student Submission: Social Bullying

By: Jae Eun You

What do you think the biggest issue is in our society? I would say how severe the bullying is in terms of social aspects. Generally, the bullying is becoming a controversial problem in many fields and further in societies, and it exists in different kinds, from cyber bullying to school bullying. The reason we must consider in bullying is that it could affect society negatively. Societies and countries need to try to protect people from bullying.

Several people killed themselves due to false rumors and malicious comments in cyberspace. A famous South Korean actress Choi, Jin-Sil committed suicide owing to malicious comments and false rumors on the Internet. That is, our rumors and careless whispers in cyberspace broke Choi down. The South Korea National Police launched a crackdown on internet activity after a high-profile suicide of popular actress Choi, Jin-Sil, but cyber bullying still have left as a big problem.

South Korea is one of the most wired countries in the world (Jacobs 2010). Cyber bullying is so rampant there that students favor government regulations that require users to provide their real names. Approximately 20% of the students experienced cyber bullying in their lifetimes ("Cyber bullying victimization," 2010).

Surprisingly, there are different features between South Korea and the U.S. In the U.S, bullying is related with race, gender, sexuality, etc, on the other hand, South Korea is related to economic status and class. Lee writes, "It lies within the hyper-competitive nature of South Korean society. As the country continues to enjoy success economically, Korean students are being pushed into an environment of competition to succeed" (2012).

More and more people are becoming indifferent to a social problem like bullying, and fewer people are interested in it. I wish for people to focus on the issue. It becomes more and more significant for societies to protect people and good societies. So as to respect basic rights of the people and strengthen social bonds, it is necessary to ponder what bullying is no matter what sizes and what kinds are. It would be a good opportunity to comprehend and consider any kinds of bullying problems which are becoming social issues recently.





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Temporary break in the trivia question to allow for registration and the end-of-the-semester rush!

New one for May, so stay posted!

In the meantime, send in a short article about Sociology for the next edition of the Soc Scene!

Write to phili123@umn.edu.

**Congrats to our
March trivia
winner,
Martavius Simmons !**