

ISPP JUNIOR SCHOLARS COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER, FALL 2000

The ISPP Junior Scholars Committee (JSC) gives voice and visibility to the needs and interests of graduate students, Junior faculty, and other Junior and non-tenured academic life forms within ISPP. The JSC's goals include providing information and assistance to Junior scholars' efforts to conduct political-psychological research, helping them develop their careers and supporting their attendance at the ISPP annual meetings.

Dear Fellow ISPP Members,

This is the first complimentary newsletter of your Junior Scholars Committee. We want to provide you with updates on our activities and on news and events relevant to all of you who are in the early stages of a research career or other professional involvement with political psychology.

In particular, we want to give encouragement to all of you who want to enhance their networks of colleagues and want to engage in dialogue in any area of political psychology. We highly value diversity and aim at facilitating a personally and professionally rewarding exchange across all boundaries, real or imagined, among those interested in the interdisciplinary field of political psychology.

From now on you will find the JSC newsletter attached to the ISPPNews twice a year. However, you don't have to wait for the News – you can create some. Come and join the different activities we are offering or get in touch if you have any concerns or ideas how to enhance interactions among Junior Scholars themselves as well as between them and more senior academics and professionals.

---Tobias Nischalke, JSC News Editor

The members of the JSC are:

- Markus Kemmelmeier, Chair
- Antonio Brown
- Andrea Grove
- Shana Levin
- Andrew Manning
- Tobias Nischalke
- Birgit Schreiber

Any Travel Plans for 2001?

See you in Mexico in July - At our ISPP Meeting!!!

This is the first reminder of our upcoming ISPP meeting in Cuernavaca, Mexico, from July 15-18, 2001. The theme of next year's meeting is "Cultures of Violence, Cultures of Peace", however, you can make a contribution in any area of political psychology.

If you have not yet enjoyed the stimulating exchange of ideas at ISPP meetings, this is a great chance to experience first-hand an event that combines the benefits of a major scholarly conference with a relaxed and convivial atmosphere. Those of you who are already familiar with ISPP meetings should not need too much encouragement, but we can't help pointing out the special attractions of next year's meeting. It will be the first ever meeting in Latin America and it will take place in Mexico close to some of the world's most awe-inspiring historical sites.

For a sneak preview, see <http://ispp.org/ISPP/cuernavaca2001.html>.

For our activities, see <http://ispp.org/ISPP/yscweb01.html>.

For general information on the ISPP meeting, including registration details see <http://ispp.org/ISPP/meet.html>.

Remember to submit your Paper Proposal, including a 500 word abstract, by 31 December 2000 at the latest!!!

Any Travel Plans for 2001? (cont')

Your Junior Scholars Committee intends to make sure that this will be a memorable event for you. In order to give you an indication that we are not just there for moral support, but can at least direct you to tangible benefits, see the announcements below.

Look here for further notices closer to the meeting!!!

Social Hour

Even in case your Spanish does not improve in time, we will make sure you have a sociable time. We will again organize a Social Hour at the ISPP Meeting. In the past two years, the social hour has managed to bring together junior scholars from a diversity of backgrounds and has provided the opportunity to meet some of the most accomplished scholars to share their ideas and experience.

SIPP Reunion

This year the Social Hour will also feature a reunion of the Summer Institute of Political Psychology at Ohio State University (SIPP). Come to the Social Hour and see your SIPP buddies again (more details to follow in the Spring newsletter).

Roommate Service

After this year's success, we will also try again to help you find suitable roommates prior to our meeting in Cuernavaca. Whether this service helps to alleviate the anxiety of being in a foreign place or simply gets you off to a sociable start to our ISPP meeting, we believe this service could make a difference to your experience. This service will be online via the ISPP website <http://ispp.org> starting in March, 2001.

Dissertation

We want to give more exposure to dissertations on political psychology topics. If you have recently completed a dissertation that advances interdisciplinary scholarship in our field, contact us and we may have some small award. This year we have awarded a complimentary ISPP graduate student membership to Richard Robyn from Kent State University.

Call for Papers: Roberta Sigel Graduate Student Paper Award

The Sigel award has been dedicated to support Junior Scholar travel to the 2001 ISPP Annual meeting in Cuernavaca, Mexico. All Junior Scholars who had their paper accepted at the Cuernavaca conference are eligible to be considered for this award. Junior Scholars are all students (graduate or undergraduate) and faculty who received their Ph.D. within the last five years.

There are two prizes with slightly different criteria to accommodate the authorship and publication practices in the various disciplines represented in ISPP:

·The **first** award will be given to the best paper written by Junior Scholars only. Especially in the case of multiple authors, all co-authors must be Junior Scholars.

·The **second** award will be conferred to the best paper with a Junior Scholar first author. This award allows, but does not require non-Junior Scholar co-authors.

Only papers by current* ISPP members are eligible for consideration

Please submit your complete paper by May 1, 2001 (postmarked). Papers previously submitted to the Sigel award are not eligible. Be sure to indicate whether you apply for the **first** or **second** award. All submissions will be read by a 3-person committee, consisting of two members of the ISPP Junior Scholars Committee and one senior scholar. Two papers will be selected strictly according to scientific excellence and their contribution to research in political psychology. The winners will receive an award of \$250 each at the Cuernavaca meeting.

Send three copies of papers nominated for this award to:

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*A current member is a member who has paid his/her dues for the current year, e.g. 2001 for Cuernavaca.

Insights from Professional Careers in Political Psychology

We want to promote cooperation and the exchange of experiences with the goal of making the transition towards professional careers easier for junior scholars. For this purpose we have established a 'professional issues panel'. We wish to include non-academic professionals who are applying relevant political psychology backgrounds in their professional careers. Also, we are working hard to ensure that the panel will include participants from outside North America/the US.

If you know somebody - or are working yourself - in any area that employs interdisciplinary knowledge from political psychology let them know about us. If your current career draws on knowledge in political psychology and you have feedback on your experiences or advice for junior up-starts, it would be great to hear from you, whether you plan presidential campaigns, alleviate poverty, work in a cross-cultural environment, etc.

If you are interested or have more queries contact Antonio Brown at antoniob@umich.edu

Discuss Your Research with Well-Known Scholars in Your Specialist Area!

If you are interested look at our Mentorship Program:

The JSC Mentorship Program is designed to facilitate contact between junior scholars and senior faculty who share similar research interests or who may provide methodological guidance to the junior scholars. While the most opportune time for participating in the mentorship program is just prior to the annual conferences, allowing for face-to-face meetings and in-depth discussion, the JSC will help you to establish contacts with senior faculty at any time.

The JSC will:

*Arrange for a face-to-face with a faculty member at the upcoming Annual Meeting of ISPP, or, should you be unable to attend,

*Make every effort to facilitate email or phone contact with that senior faculty you wish to meet.

For details please contact Andrew Manning at andrew_manning13@hotmail.com

Contact US:

If you want to get involved in any of those activities or if you would simply like to get more information feel free to browse the JSC website at <http://ispp.org/ISPP/yscweb01.html>.

You can also contact any of your Junior Scholars Committee Members:

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