



**Center for Social and Behavioral Science (CSBS) Assistant Professors Gathering**

**Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 | 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM**

I-Hotel and Illinois Conference Center  
1900 South First Street | Champaign, Illinois 61820

**8:30 – 9:00 AM – Sign-in and Welcome, *Breakfast will be served.***

**9:00 – 9:35 AM – Welcome and Introductions, *Technology Room***

**9:35 – 9:45 AM – Break**

**9:45 – 10:45 AM – Breakout Sessions by Topic**

**Black Lives in America (*Technology Room*):**

**9:45 – 10:30 AM**

**Jarrett Lewis**, Department of Educational Psychology

*Development of an Intervention to address Trauma due to Violence and Racism among Black Youth*

**Augustus Wood**, School of Labor and Employment Relations

*The Crisis of Subproletarianization: The Black Worker and the Political Economy of Gentrification*

**Cortney VanHook**, School of Social Work

*The Vulnerability of Young Black Men*

**10:30 – 10:45 AM – Discussion**

**Social Groups, Identities, and Attitudes Across the Globe (*Honors Room*):**

**9:45 – 10:30 AM**

**Suzie Telep**, Department of Anthropology

*“Speaking like a White Person.” Language, Race, and the Black Body among Cameroonian activists in Paris*

**Ruth Velásquez Estrada**, Department of Latino/Latina Studies

*Intersectional Justice Denied: Violence, Warring Masculinity and Grassroots Peacemaking in Post-Accords El Salvador*

**Benedek Kurdi**, Department of Psychology

*Global stability and change in explicit and implicit social group attitudes (2009–2019)*

**Nora Webb Williams**, Department of Political Science

*Tracking Russian Elite Relationships from Text and Images*

**10:30-10:45 AM – Discussion**

**Equity and Inclusiveness in Education (*Graduate Boardroom*):**

**9:45 – 10:30 AM**

**Rebecca Hinze-Pifer**, Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership

*Pathways to Chicago's alternative high schools*

**Amber Ray**, Department of Special Education

*College Ready: Reading and Writing to Learn*

**Giselle Martinez Negrette**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction  
*Examining the Intersection of Social Constructions and Spatial Considerations in the White Space of Dual Language Education*  
**Wes Wilson**, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health  
*The Marginalization of Adapted Physical Education*  
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**11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Breakout Sessions by Topic**

**Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health (Technology Room):**

**11:00 – 11:45 AM**

**Catalina Herrera Almanza**, Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics  
*Fertility Decisions and Human Capital Investments: Improving Women’s Economic Empowerment and Children’s Wellbeing*

**Damir Torrico**, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition

*Exploring the Palate: Innovations in Taste Perception and Consumer Acceptability Studies*

**Saima Hasnin**, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition

*Community-based Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Intervention and Future Directions*

**11:45 AM – 12:00 PM** – Discussion

**The Social Context of Diversity and Equity (Honors Room):**

**11:00 – 11:45 AM**

**Windy Zhao**, School of Architecture

*Cultural identity and spatial justice for underrepresented social groups.*

**Marynia Kolak**, Department of Geography/Geographic Information Science

*Place and the Social-Spatial Determinants of Health*

**Travis Wagner**, School of Information Sciences

*Examining Collaboration, Accountability, and Ethics in the Production of Queer Digital Cultures*

**11:45 AM – 12:00 PM Discussion**

**Learning Processes and Policies (Graduate Boardroom):**

**11:00 – 11:45 AM**

**Paul Bruno**, Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership

*Current Issues in K-12 Computer Science Education Policy*

**Jon Willits**, Department of Psychology

*Knowledge Representation in Children, Adults, and Machine*

**Susu Zhang**, Department of Psychology

*Analysis of test-taking process data to inform assessment and learning*

**11:45 AM – 12:00 PM**– Discussion

**12:00 – 12:30 PM** – Lunch and CSBS Overview, *Technology Room*

