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The Sociology Department

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The Fourth Undergraduate Research Symposium



**“Are Our Rights Alright?
Human Rights in the 21st Century”**



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Rosetti Hall
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Saturday, April 9, 2016

Rosetti Hall

8:30AM - 4:00PM

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

8:30AM-9:00AM

Breakfast and Registration

9:00AM-10:20AM

Session 1

10:30AM-11:50AM

Session II

12:00PM-1:00PM

Lunch

Welcome Address

Megan J. Crandall '16

Keynote:

Olivia M. Bizovi '12

Oak Ridge National Lab

1:10PM-2:30PM

Session III

2:40PM-4:00PM

Session IV

4:00PM

Reception

The Department of Sociology at Siena College is a vibrant academic community devoted to the pursuit of a systematic understanding of social groups, social institutions and social processes. The department ensures that our students gain theoretical and methodological grounding, examine social difference and develop critical social sensibilities, and make a difference in their world through civic engagement at the local, regional, national, and international levels. Our alumni have been accepted in graduate programs at NYU, Columbia, University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill, Brandeis, Northeastern University, Stony Brook, University at Albany and Albany Law among others. In addition to local and internships with the Unity House, the Albany Boys and Girls Club, New York State Department of Health, the Colonie Police Department, the Troy Record, the Children's Hospital at the Albany Medical Center, our students have done global internships in London, India and Bolivia.

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The Department of Sociology, The Office of Academic Affairs,
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The School of Liberal Arts and Alpha Kappa Delta,
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Session IV - 2:40PM-4:00PM

Panel VIII: Restorative Justice and Moving Away from Stigma - Rosetti Hall - 120

Facilitator: Tessa M. Biskup, Spanish Major, Sociology Minor

“Charitable Giving Towards Addiction and Mental Illness”

Katherine E. Burt, Siena College, Department of Psychology

“Redeemability from the Perspective of the Un-Redeemable: An Extensive Analysis of Rehabilitation and Punitive Actions and Beliefs”

Michelle R. Yanniello, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Restorative Justice Practices and the Need for Police Involvement”

Julia H. Smith, Siena College, Department of Psychology

“Restorative Justice in our Community: An Evaluation of Albany CAB”

Alexander C. Pulver and Nour A. Sultan and Rima S. Lghzaoui,
Siena College, Department of Economics

4:00PM Reception Rosetti Hall - 3rd Floor Lounge

Symposium Organizing Committee

Organizer

Megan J. Crandall

Committee

Tessa M. Biskup

Claudia M. Cellucci

Naw Eh Ku

Tiffany T. Gilmore

Camilla A. Leonard

Erin L. McGeary

Regena G. Ramprasad

Mattie J. Whitman



Session I - 9:00AM-10:20AM

Panel I: Sociology of Education - Rosetti Hall - 117

Facilitator: Mattie J. Whitman, Sociology Major

“For Combat Boots to Books: A Qualitative Look at the College Experience of Veterans”
Monique M. Jenkinson, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“The 21st Century Student Mindset: A Sociological Study of the Modern Day Education Structure”

Graham L. Pritchard, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Parent/Guardian Effect on Siena Students Political Views”

Jessica R. Senft, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Immigrant Integration and Adjustment into the U.S. College System: An Analysis of Small, Liberal Arts Colleges”

Tessa M. Biskup, Department of Sociology

Panel II: Examining Race and Gender - Rosetti Hall - 120

Facilitator: Regena G. Ramprasad, Sociology Major

“Negotiating Black Identity on a Predominantly White College Campus”

Tiffany T. Gilmore, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Diversity Photo Project”

Fanta Cheriff S. Sissoko, Department of Sociology and Victoria M. Bennis,
Department of Psychology, Siena College

“Campus Sexual Violence: An Examination of Policies and Student Attitudes”

Megan J. Crandall, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“The Patriarchy of Hollywood Film”

Claire C. Tomich, Siena College, Department of Sociology

Session II - 10:30AM-11:50AM

Panel III: Media and Consumer Culture - Rosetti Hall - 117

Facilitator: Erin L. McGeary, Psychology Major

“Siena Students’ Use of Social Media and Distraction”

Kathleen A. Joy, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Sociological Effects of Mobile vs. In-Store Purchasing Behaviors”

Colin M. Scherff, Siena College, Department of Marketing

“A Contextual Content Analysis of Caldecott Award Winning Children’s Books”

Caylin M. Dadeo Winick, Siena College, Department of Sociology

“Content Analysis on the Knowledge and Perception of the Black Lives Matter Movement”

Tamara D. Jackson, Siena College, Department of Sociology

Session II - 10:30AM-11:50AM

Panel IV: Pivotal Events in the Struggle for Equality - Rosetti Hall - 120

Facilitator: Claudia M. Cellucci, Sociology Major

Students from Dr. Murray's First Year Seminar classes will present creative interpretations of their research on pivotal events in the long struggle for equality.

Lunch/Keynote - 12:00-1:00PM

(Lunch is in the Norm - Lonnstrom Dining Hall)

Olivia M. Bizovi '12

Oak Ridge National Lab



Olivia Bizovi is currently an Emerging Technologies Analyst in the Global Security Directorate at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee. Prior to that, Olivia worked as an Intelligence Analyst at the Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area in Maryland. While at HIDTA, she focused specifically on the heroin overdose issue and the identification of drug trafficking organizations. Olivia is a graduate of Siena College with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and minors in History and Global Studies. Her semester abroad in Jordan cemented her desire to pursue an advanced degree in intelligence. This led her to Mercyhurst University, where she earned a Master's Degree in Applied Intelligence and focused her thesis on female involvement in terrorist organizations. Olivia currently resides in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Session III - 1:10PM-2:30PM

Panel V: Exploring Culture, Diversity and Human Rights - Rosetti Hall - 117

Facilitator: Naw Eh Ku, Sociology Major

“Severe Restrictions on the Freedom of Expression of Human Rights Journalists: A Matter of Human Rights”

Scott M. Gurnick, Siena College, Department of Marketing

“Gender-Based Violence & Refugee Women: A Human Rights Crisis”

Ellie M. Lockhart, Siena College, Department of Biology

“Legalization of the Human Rights of Sex Workers”

Stephanie M. Lopez, Siena College, Department of Social Work

“Inhumane Treatment of Individuals Based on Their Religious/Political/Personal Views: A Human Rights Issue”

Julia A. Parks, Siena College, Department of Psychology

Panel VI: Veterans for the Civil Rights Movement - Rosetti Hall - 120

Facilitator: Tiffany T. Gilmore, Sociology Major

“Mamie Chinn: Giving a Head-start to Racial Equality”

Brittany M. Drollette, Siena College, Department of Political Science

“From Coalwood, West Virginia to New Bedford, Massachusetts - Race Relations in the military, the South, and the North”

Tiffani L. Ferguson, Siena College, Department of Political Science

“Susan Butler: An Everyday Change Maker”

Emily A. Heald, Siena College, Department of English

Session IV - 2:40PM-4:00PM

Panel VII: Are Our Rights Alright? Human Rights in the 21st Century

Rosetti Hall - 117

Facilitator: Megan J. Crandall, Sociology Major

“Human Rights and the United States: Addressing Violations at Guantanamo Bay”

Daniel P. Carey, Siena College, Department of Political Science

“Under what conditions are reparations for slavery considered? A Comparison of Brazil to the United States”

Samantha C. Holmes, Siena College, Department of Political Science

“2011 Somali Famine: Connecting Climate Change and Failed Governance”

Megan L. Grace, Siena College, Department of Political Science

“No Less than Human”

Naw Eh Ku, Siena College, Department of Sociology