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2011 Meeting of the Critical Demography Association

CALL FOR PAPERS

2011 (2nd Annual) Meeting University of Nevada Las Vegas Las Vegas, NV March 4-5, 2011

Critical Demography is an approach that makes explicit the manner in which the social structure differentiates dominant and subordinate populations. Accordingly, it necessitates discussion of population control and population power. In this context, one cannot speak of race, sex, and class without likewise articulating the impact of racism, sexism, and classism on various population outcomes.

Throughout the past several years, the United States and the world at large have witnessed events that have both limited and expanded social, political, and economic freedoms. While the terrorist attacks of 9/11, the resulting Patriot Act, the current global economic crisis, and pushes for exclusionary immigration policies have restricted social and economic freedoms in the U.S. and placed more people than ever in precarious economic positions, several states have passed same sex marriage laws, President Obama outlawed torture and secret military prisons, and the US is moving toward a health care system that will provide more coverage to more citizens. The extraction of some freedoms and granting of others has had vast impacts on population phenomena in the United States and abroad.

The 2011 meeting will focus on the presentation of concepts, theories, and methods that examine population control and population power from new and innovative perspectives. How has/will the global economic crisis change patterns of marriage, immigration, migration, and consumption? How have government policies related to welfare, health care, prisons and crime, the economy, and the military affected the most marginalized groups in the US? How do the ways we define race and ethnicity impact social policies targeted at minority groups? Will the gains of women and minorities over the past several decades be lost as a result of the economic recession and rollbacks of affirmative action? How have attitudes toward immigration changed since 9/11 and/or since the economic decline? We are interested in receiving submissions on all of these topics and more in such varied forms as:

- Individual papers
- Wholly constituted sessions (with names and affiliations of all presenters)

• Workshops on specific topics and techniques related to teaching or conducting research on Critical Demography topics

Regular submissions for all sociological topics in any of the above formats are due by **Dec. 15, 2011.** Electronic submission is available at: http://www.albany.edu/~hdh/criticaldemography/index.html

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