Upcoming programs and news from the SSRC at DePaul University (May 2015).

May 2015

Spring is always a busy time around the SSRC. The spring air seems to remind faculty that summer is near and it’s time to start setting up research plans. We’re still getting used to Jessica Speer no longer being on the staff at the SSRC (she took a dream job with the Highland Park Public Library in April). Research Methodologist Jessi Bishop-Royse has taken over the Newsletter- which explains the slightly different format. That said, we have some big things happening in the Social Science Research Center.

Data Sources
Resident Geographer Nandhini Gulasingam put together a list of data resources for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, the US, the World. Access this list at the SSRC blog.

Summer Writing Group
The SSRC is coordinating a writing accountability group. The idea is that group members submit one page of a current research project every week from Jun 1- Sep 1. Group members provide comments and feedback, but the main benefit is actually getting the writing done. By the end of the summer, group members will have completed 12-15 pages of a paper. The Writing Group is best for people who are re-working a draft or who are trying to get a first rough draft of a paper together. To express interest email Jessi Bishop-Royse (jbishopr[at]depaul.edu).

2014 Annual Report Now Available!
The SSRC’s annual report is now available! Find it on our website, located HERE.

Presentations for Department Meetings
The SSRC staff are happy to do brief presentations at department meetings. This is a great opportunity to introduce faculty to the resources of the SSRC. We can tailor presentations as needed- but generally, they take only 10-15 minutes. Contact Jessi Bishop-Royse (jbishopr[at]depaul.edu) for more information.

Loop Office Hours, Social Work Conference Room 11am-1pm
SSRC Research Methodologist Jessica Bishop-Royse is holding bi-weekly office hours in the Dept of Social Work’s Loop conference room (Room 914 of 14 E. Jackson Blvd) every other Thursday (next dates: 5/28, 6/25) from 11am to 1pm. Bring your lunch or a coffee and chat with JBR about your research issues, problems, ideas, and such.
Darsie Bowden is Investigating the Role of Instructor Feedback on Student Writing
SSRC Projects Coordinator Linda Llevendusky chatted with WRD Prof Darsie Bowden about her current research project examining the feedback that students receive from instructors and how it is used to improved writing quality. For more, follow this LINK.

Mess Hall

May
GSC Fellow Joseph Cunanan delivered a Mess Hall presentation on the desirable qualities of urban greenways on May 15th. For a recap, follow this LINK.

June
Presented by: Nadia Spawn, SSRC Graduate Student FellFriday June 5, 2015 from 1-2 p.m.
SSRC Conference Room, Suite 3100
990 W. Fullerton Ave.

Nadia will present findings from a two-year national study of nursing faculty retention rates in PhD vs. DNP programs. The nursing faculty member shortage contributes greatly to the inability of nursing programs to fulfill the demand for potential nursing students. This presentation will discuss potential issues that cause nursing faculty members to leave early on, and how PHD & DNP doctorate programs differ in preparation for higher education roles.

Get Messy with Us!

Call for Presenters

We’re looking for Mess Hall presenters. Faculty, students, and staff are all welcome to present on their scholarship. Mess Hall sessions are a low-risk environment for people to talk about their work with colleagues from all over the university. Past sessions have focused on getting methodological advice, getting feedback on book proposals, and simply sharing research.

To propose a session, fill out this simple form.

Funding Opportunities of Interest
Great Lakes Invites Applications for Paid Student Internship Programs (due: June 25, 2015).
Terra Foundation Offers Funding for American Art Exhibitions (due: August 1, 2015).
Open Society Fellowship (due August 3, 2015).

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