Call for Proposals: Movement and Stillness

The Stony Brook Sociology Graduate Student Forum would like to invite proposal submissions for our spring graduate student colloquia, surrounding the theme: "Movement and Stillness: Navigating the Currents of Bodies, Ideas, and Spaces". Graduate students from different disciplines working on movements and stillness are welcome to submit a proposal to present at this conference on April 5th, 2024.

Diverse dynamics define our social landscapes. Movement and stillness in bodily expression, intellectual ideology, and spatial configuration intricately influence our daily experiences. The ebb and flow of cultural expressions, technological advances, and ecological balance play pivotal roles in shaping our world. This event aims to unravel the multifaceted aspects of movement and stillness across various domains. We invite contributions that delve into the interplay between physical motions, evolving ideas, and changing spaces, fostering a nuanced exploration of these interconnected themes. Submissions are encouraged to encompass historical, contemporary, and futuristic perspectives, exploring real-world cases and hypothetical scenarios alike.

We would like to hear from graduate students who work on topics such as:

- State legitimacy and governance
- Gender, feminism, and queer critiques
- Movements in race and diasporas
- Public health, welfare, and disability
- Environment and climate change
- Migration, refuge, and mobility
- Embodied experiences and emotions
- Collective action, social movements, and resistance

- Nourishment, food, and nutrition
- Postcolonial and decolonial dialogues
- Moral systems and deviance
- Memory, justice, and human rights
- Cultural expressions, art, and media
- Identity, self-perceptions, and meaning-making
- Polarization, radicalization, and discourse

We invite submissions of **250-word abstracts or project descriptions** as a PDF file **until February 16**, **2024**. Project submissions may include, but are not limited to: academic papers (in-progress work welcomed and encouraged!), artistic pieces (video, photography, creative writing, critiques), or book chapters.

Participants will be notified about acceptance decisions by March 8. There is no participation or registration fee, and more details about the colloquia will be communicated in the upcoming weeks.

For all questions regarding the conference and to submit your proposal please email hannah.judson@stonybrook.edu.

We look forward to receiving your submissions!

The SBU Sociology Student Colloquia Organizing Committee