



MCUAAAR Mondays

March 22, 2021

To reduce the number of messages sent out to the MCUAAAR 5 Listserv, if you send me the kind of information found below, I will compile it and send it out on "MCUAAAR Mondays"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RCMAR Condemnation of Atlanta Murders and History of Anti-Asian Discrimination

On behalf of the Directors of the RCMAR Programs across the country, we endorse [the statement](#) written by our colleague, Rutgers RCMAR Director Xinqi Dong, that condemns the murder of eight people in Atlanta this week that included six Asian women. This follows a recent string of violent attacks against Asian American and Pacific Islanders and a history of anti-Asian discrimination. We continue to be saddened, angry, and frustrated at the hate crimes committed in our country, and reaffirm our pledge to hold our own academic institutions accountable for their diversity and equity efforts, and identify and work to systematically eliminate explicit and implicit bias, and structural racism, that exists in our own institutions and professions.

Sincerely,
[RCMAR Directors](#)

GSA Social Research, Policy, and Practice Award Nominations **Due March 31**

The SRPP section has 4 prestigious awards that are currently accepting nominations:

Maxwell A. Pollack Award- *recognizes an individual whose research, scholarship or practice has generated new or improved policies or practices related to healthy aging.*

Barbara J. Berkman Award- *recognizes individuals who have devoted decades of professional work to improving and expanding health care and age-related services for older persons.*

Carroll Estes Award- *in acknowledgment of outstanding early career contributions in social research, policy, and practice.*

Elaine M. Brody Award- *recognizes a mid- or late-career member of the section in acknowledgement of outstanding contributions in social research, policy, and practice.*

Know someone who would be an ideal recipient of these honors? Nominations for GSA'S awards are due on March 31. Full description of nomination requirements and access to the online nomination may be found at the links above. Questions may be addressed to awards@geron.org.

RCMAR Week/RCMAR Annual Meeting Starts Next Week

For more information - [RCMAR Week 2021 \(aka Annual Meeting\) – Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research](#)

James Jackson Memorial Award Applications Due Friday, April 16, 2021

The poster features a circular collage of images showing a woman in a lab coat, a man in a lab coat, and a group of people. The text is arranged in a clean, professional layout with a color palette of teal, white, and yellow.

The NATIONAL INSTITUTE of MENTAL HEALTH
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James Jackson Memorial Award

Applications due
Friday, April 16, 2021

This award is named in honor of the late Dr. James Jackson, a renowned social psychologist who changed the way the field examined and understood Black life and mental health in the United States.

Criteria:
All nominees must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- Have an established record of independent research in mental health
- Have demonstrated innovative contributions to mental health disparities research, including identifying, developing, testing, or implementing solutions to the mental health disparities and diversity challenges facing the field
- Have demonstrated a record of promoting scientific and academic excellence, including but not limited to teaching and other scholarly activities
- Have demonstrated excellence in mentorship
- Have demonstrated a commitment to community engagement
- Be available to deliver a 30-minute virtual lecture about their work in late July 2021 during Minority Mental Health Month (if selected)

Eligibility:
Exceptional researchers in mental health disparities who demonstrate excellence in:

- Individual achievements in mental health disparities research
- Research and knowledge in mental health disparity areas
- Excellence in mentorship, particularly in supporting black, indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) trainees

More information:
www.nimh.nih.gov/jacksonaward

For questions or to submit an application, email:
nimhjacksonaward@mail.nih.gov

 National Institute of Mental Health

The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) is pleased to announce the launch of the inaugural James Jackson Memorial Award. This award is named in honor of the late [Dr. James Jackson](#), a renowned social psychologist who was the Daniel Katz Distinguished Professor of Psychology at the University of Michigan. Dr. Jackson's research on race, ethnicity, racism, health, and mental health has had far-reaching impacts on the fields of disparities research and minority mental health. Of particular significance, he authored the National Survey of Black Americans and the National Survey of American Life, which changed the way the field examined and understood Black life and mental health in the United States. To acknowledge Dr. Jackson's great impacts on the fields of disparities research and minority mental health, the NIMH will honor an outstanding researcher who has demonstrated exceptional individual achievement and leadership in mental health disparities research and excellence in mentorship, influence, and support of students (particularly BIPOC students).

For more information - [NIMH » National Institute of Mental Health James Jackson Memorial Award \(nih.gov\)](#)

EVENTS

James S. Jackson's Continuing Legacy and Contributions to Social and Behavioral Research on Black Americans

Wednesday, March 24 at 1pm ET

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ISR INSIGHTS SPEAKER SERIES

James S. Jackson's Continuing Legacy and Contributions to Social and Behavioral Research on Black Americans

Wednesday, March 24 | 1pm EST

Robert Taylor, Belinda Tucker, and Phillip Bowman

 INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH

This webinar is part of a continuing series focusing on the research happening at ISR. This talk is being recorded and will be shared widely. Join Robert Taylor, Belinda Tucker, and Phillip Bowman for a panel discussion on the continuing legacy and contributions of James S. Jackson.

Link - <https://umich.zoom.us/j/99879554198>

Securing a Book Contract

Dr. R. Khari Brown

Friday, March 26 at 2pm EST

R. Khari Brown, an Associate Professor of Sociology at Wayne State University, is a leading expert of religion and American politics. He is also Research Scientist at the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan and a research consultant at the Pew Research Center where he develops national surveys on race, religion, and politics. He serves on the editorial board of the *Politics and Religion* journal and the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. He is President-Elect of The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. His work appears in numerous academic journals and is featured on NPR's The Academic Minute. Dr. Brown will be discussing his path to securing a book contract and when might be the best time for you to do so.



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://wayne-edu.zoom.us/j/91921874510?pwd=ME5UQ3RBZzFoUWJWUkVDazd5QkJEUT09>

Meeting ID: 919 2187 4510

Passcode: 696041

RESOURCES

Social Media as a Tool for Career Development



Social media is used by scientists in many ways including networking with colleagues as well as sharing information and publications to advance research. The RCCN and partner organizations developed this webinar, that was held March 17, 2021, to help researchers get the most out of social media.

Alex Smith provided a high-level overview and reasons why researchers use social media to advance their reach and build a national profile. Wynn Tranfield provided insights to better understand social media metrics. Alex then moderated a panel

discussion with Wynn, Emmy Betz and Anand Iyer to discuss tradeoffs of engaging in social media, how to build an audience and more!

This webinar was organized by the RCCN in partnership with the [AGING Initiative](#), [RCMAR Coordinating Center](#), [OAIC Early Career Faculty Group](#), [US Deprescribing Network](#), [Nathan Shock Centers Coordinating Center](#) and [Clin-STAR Coordinating Center](#).

Watch the recording of the webinar - <https://vimeo.com/525688342>