

Provost Report  
6 February 2012 Faculty Meeting

**Kathie O’Gorman** has been invited by the National Endowment of the Humanities to serve as a panelist reviewing this year's competition for fellowships for the Library of Congress at its John W. Kluge Center.

Assistant Professor of Sociology **Meghan Burke** published the article "[Sociology by Any Other Name: Teaching the Sociological Perspective in Campus Diversity Programs](#)," *Teaching Sociology*, Vol. 40, No. 1, pp.21-33 (January 2012). The article's coauthor is former faculty member Kira Hudson Banks, now assistant professor of psychology at St. Louis University.

Assistant Professor of Sociology **Meghan Burke** has been appointed to the Editorial Board for the journal *Teaching Sociology*. Her term began Jan. 1, 2012 and continues through Dec. 31, 2014.

**WJBC Radio** -- Political Science Professor [Tari Renner](#) analyzed the results from the Iowa caucuses in the Fall 2011 issue of [Tikkun Magazine](#).

A research poster by Scholarly Communications Librarian/Associate Professor **Stephanie Davis-Kahl** has been accepted for the 2012 NITLE Symposium Inventing the Future in Arlington, Va. Her proposal, "Publishing & Pedagogy: Extending the Capstone Course Experience," was selected from among many submissions from faculty, technologists, librarians, and administrators across the country through a peer-review process.

A paper by Information Literacy Librarian/Assistant Professor **Chris Sweet**, "The Role of Information Literacy in Service Learning Courses: A Case Study and Best Practices," was accepted for the highly competitive LOEX (Library Orientation Exchange) conference in May 2012. Sweet also has been invited to speak at a graduate independent study seminar at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign on information literacy this spring.

Professor of Educational Studies and Associate Dean of the Faculty **Irv Epstein** has published, "Sports as a Metaphor for Comparative Inquiry," a chapter that appears in the volume, [Beyond the Comparative: Advancing Theory and its Application to Practice](#), edited by John Weidman and W. James Jacob. (Pittsburgh Studies in Comparative and International Education. Rotterdam: Sense Publishers, 2011): 93-112.

Epstein also participated in an international academic freedom workshop sponsored by the Scholars at Risk (SAR) Network at Bilgi University in Istanbul on Jan. 15-16. On Jan.18, he and Scholars at Risk Legal Advocacy Officer Jesse Levine spoke before a group of faculty interested in creating their own SAR section in Croatia at the University of Zagreb.

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Visiting Assistant Professor **Monica Moore**, sciences and e-resources librarian, has been invited to speak at the upcoming [U.S. Agricultural Information Network](#) (USAIN) conference "Soil, Water, Food and Energy: Agriculture in an Era of Global Climate Change" in Minneapolis on April 29. Her presentation highlights her work in the development of techniques for collections analysis in libraries. USAIN is an organization of information professionals who take leadership roles on national information policies relating to agriculture. USAIN advises the National Agriculture Library on information matters and promotes collaboration among agricultural research centers.

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