

DISASTERS, CATASTROPHES, AND THEIR AFTERMATHS



26th Annual
Tennessee Undergraduate Social Science Symposium
February 28th -- March 1st
Middle Tennessee State University
Student Union Building

Program
26th Annual Tennessee Undergraduate Social Science Symposium
All events are free and open to the public

Wednesday, February 28th

7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Registration.....Lobby, Student Union Building

8:00 a.m. - 8:55 a.m.

Gender and Sexuality I.....STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Jackie Eller (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- “Romania, Religion, and Reproductive Regulation: Coping After Communism” (Holly Aslinger)
- “Three Faces of Ezili: How Sexuality is Represented in Vodou” (Hannah Newcomb)
- “I’ve Met Great People in Here: The Role of Family, Inmate, and Staff Supports in Adjustment for Life-Sentenced Women” (Alicia Wray; Huey Davis)

9:10 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.

Gender and Sexuality II..... STU Room 220

Moderator: Kimberly Leifker (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- “A Look within Matrilineal Cultures” (Ciarra Black)
- “What I Learned From a Disney Princess” (Joshua Zeitz)
- “Southern Baptists’ Women Portrayal of Women” (Rachel Beihl)

10:20 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Archaeology..... STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Andrew Wyatt (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- “Woe is Woad: An Alternative Explanation to the Source of the Early Briton’s Body Dye” (Clelie Cottle Peacock)
- “An Elemental Analysis of the Mineral Springs at the Castalian Springs Mound Site” (Shonda Clanton)
- “Zooarchaeological Fieldwork in Brazil” (Chris Lane)

11:15-11:30

Introduction and Welcome.....STU Ballroom

Dr. Andrew Wyatt

Dr. Karen Petersen, Dean Liberal Arts and Sciences

11:30-12:25

Thematic Panel.....STU Ballroom

Moderators: Dr. Ashleigh McKinzie and Dr. Tiffany Saul (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- Michael Erskine: Jones College of Business MTSU
- David Kitchen: Senior Disaster Program Manager, Nashville Area Red Cross
- Tim Harvey: Senior Operations Manager, EMA, Williamson County

12:40-1:35

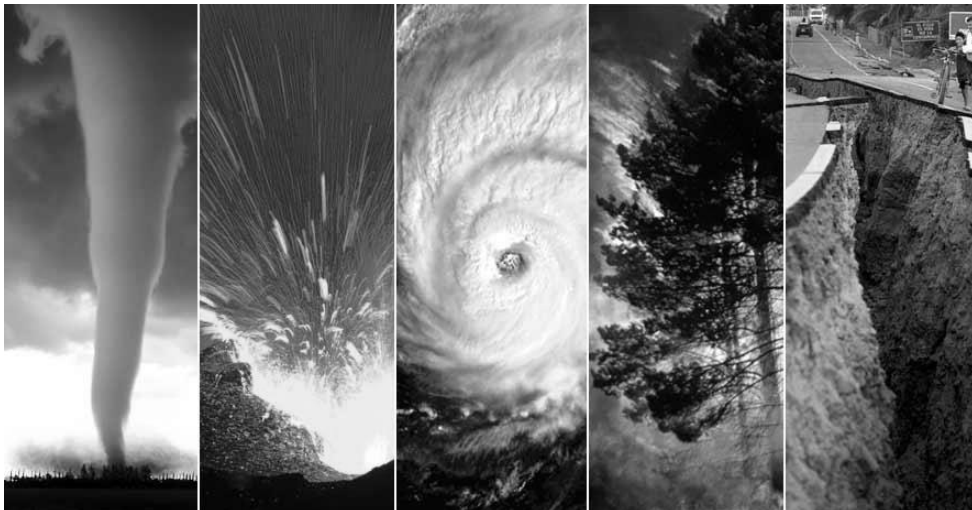
Graduate Studies Presentation STU Room 220

1:50-2:45

Medicine, Politics, and War: Medicine in History STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Ashleigh McKinzie, (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- "The Orthopedic Revolution in World War One Britain" (Alana Markum)
- "Syphilis in the Negro Community: Tuskegee and a History of Bad Blood" (Joseph Woodard)
- "The Mosquito and Electricity: Malaria in the American South" (Lucindi Johnston)



3:00-3:55

Convergences: MTSU Students Take on a Rapidly Changing World STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. LaToya E. Eaves (Department of Global Studies and Human Geography; Women's Studies)

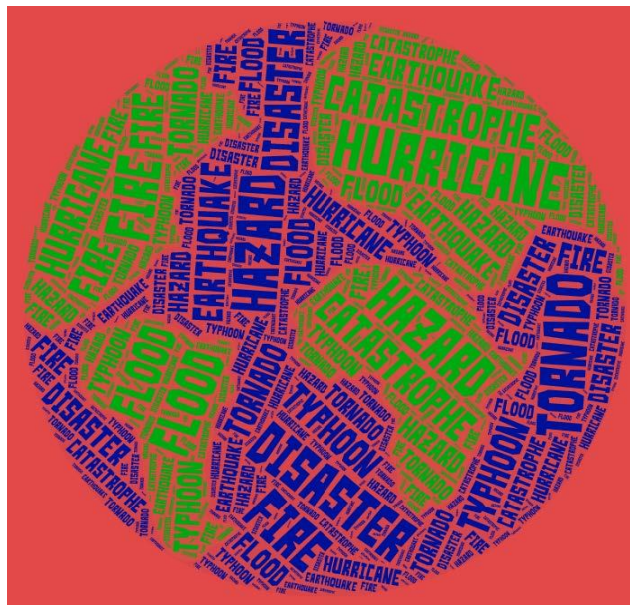
- Ashley McFarland
- Hermon Phuntling
- Emily Webb
- Sydney Casteel
- Hailey Litchfield

4:05-5:00

Studying Local Religious Sites STU Room 220

Moderator: Keven Lewis (MALA Student/Teaching Assistant for Religion and Society)

- Beatrice Barnett
- Rebekkah Riley
- Caitlin Martinez
- Esaie Ndemeye
- Cody Amis



Thursday, March 1st

7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Registration.....Lobby, Student Union Building

8:00 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.

Religion..... STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Will Leggett (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- "Fieldsite: Sri Ganesha Temple" (Beatrice Barnett)
- "Revitalizations of Nature Religions and the Decline of Monotheistic Religion: Wicca, Shinto, and Christianity (Whitney Wilkerson)
- "Memory, Narrative, and Cultural Trauma: Religious Interpretations of 9/11" (Emma Tamplin)

9:40 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.

Politics and Race..... STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Brandon Wallace (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- "Interracial Marriage Shutting Down Systematic Racism" (Regan Harlow)
- "The Application of Forensic Science to the Human Rights Violations in Chile" (Devin Adcox)
- "The Mariota Trichotomy: The Projection of Ethnic and Racial Labels on an NFL Quarterback" (Nicholas Watts)
- "Political Extremism" (Emma Bradley)



11:20 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Jessica Pardee.....STU Ballroom

Introductory Remarks: Dr. Ashleigh McKinzie (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)



In 2009, Dr. Pardee completed her graduate degree at Tulane University. Her book, entitled *Surviving Katrina: The Experiences of Low-Income African American Women*, documents this work and she was honored with the Mid-South Sociological Association's Stanford Lyman Distinguished Book Award in 2017.

Much of her work considers the important need for feminist-informed post-disaster research that is reflexive and ethically accountable. She considers how to be both respectful and sensitive to the losses sustained by the humans and communities who share their experiences during post-disaster research. This

remains under-examined in the methodological literature. She suggests that assuming a critical standpoint towards data collection methods, information presentation, image use, and one's own feelings in the methodology process can determine whether research will perform a secondary role as a healing activity, or, in itself, inflict further trauma to research participants.

Her numerous publications include, "The collective method: collaborative social science research and scholarly accountability," in *Qualitative Research*, "HOPE VI, Section 8, and the Contradictions of Low-Income Housing Policy," in the *Journal of Poverty*, along with several book chapters such as, "Living through Displacement: Housing Insecurity among Low-Income Evacuees" and "Trauma Survivor as Author; Method as Recovery."

Dr. Pardee's research has been funded by various grants including a \$38,000 grant from the Monroe County New York's Child Care Center Emergency Planning Services Program for work on Urban Security and Child Care Emergency Planning Services. From 2006 until 2013, she served as a Senior Analyst for the Social Science Research Council Working Group on Persons Displaced by Hurricane Katrina. Since 2014, she has assisted as a collaborator for the Rochester Institute of Technology's Collaboratory for Resiliency and Recovery.

Dr. Pardee is an Associate Professor in the Department of Science, Technology, and Society at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

1:00-2:25

Disasters and the Environment..... STU Room 220

Moderator: Dr. Ashleigh McKinzie (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- "Plastic Bottle Waste" (Heather Openshaw)
- "Debt for Nature Swaps: The Spread of Western Culture through Conservation" (Amanda Couch)
- "Hawaiian Concerns of Dust Exposure and U.S. Military Presence: A Community Risk Perception Survey" (Darcy Ayers)
- "Archeology of Disaster" (Macie Orrand)

2:40-4:05

In the Time of Crises: Undergraduates' Reflections on Learning about Disasters

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Moderator: Dr. Ashleigh McKinzie (Department of Sociology and Anthropology)

- Kelsey Carter
- Mandy Green
- Tamara Milford
- Erika Miller
- Heather Openshaw
- Kandace Reed
- Rebekah Wagner



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