



A Professional Membership Society for Social Work Researchers

The Society for Social Work and Research founded in 1994 as a free-standing organization is committed to promoting the development and dissemination of high quality research to improve the social welfare of all people.

The Society for Social Work and Research is a membership society which includes faculty in schools of social work and other professional schools, research staff in public and private agencies, and master's and doctoral students.

With over 1200 members, the society...

- Encourages the design, implementation and dissemination of high quality research that addresses critical social practice and social policy issues;
- Fosters a support network among researchers conducting research on social work practice and social policy in the United States and around the world;
- Provides learning opportunities to improve the conduct of social work relevant research and its application;
- Endorses practices and policies grounded in the best available evidence;
- Promotes increased research funding and training programs for social workers;
- Provides formal recognition of significant contributions to social work relevant research; and,
- Seeks active partnerships with other social work and research-related organizations to accomplish all of the above

Membership and Benefits

Membership in SSWR is open to anyone with a bachelor's, master's or doctoral degree in social work or social welfare; faculty teaching in any accredited social work programs; students in bachelor's, master's or doctoral programs in social work or social welfare.

Annual dues: Full Members are \$100; Student Members are \$50; Associate Members are \$100; and, Emeritus Members are \$50. Online applications are available at www.sswr.org.

Membership benefits include:

- Free electronic subscription to the Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research (JSSWR) available on the SSWR website
- Reduced registration fee at the SSWR Annual Conference
- SSWR annual electronic member newsletter
- Free subscription to one of the following journals: Research on Social Work Practice (RSWP) or Social Service Review (SSR)
- Reduced subscription rate (30%) to the journal Qualitative Social Work (QSW).
- Inclusion in the SSWR online membership directory
- Advocacy for social work research
- National Research Capacity Building Initiative
- SSWR Listserv that delivers up-to-date announcements regarding social work research
- Job Posting service to link researchers and scholars with employers with available positions
- Access to the Doctoral Student Center available on the SSWR website

SSWR Annual Conference

The SSWR Annual Conference offers a scientific program that reflects a broad range of research interests, featuring studies in child welfare, aging, mental health, welfare reform, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, organizations and management, poverty and social policy, research and design measurement, and more. Annual conference events and activities include:

- Presidential plenary and awards presentation, invited symposia, and over 500 symposia, workshop, roundtable, paper and poster presentations.
- Research methods and research capacity building workshops designed to enhance methods expertise and grant-writing skills.
- Program and networking events especially for doctoral students. Opportunities for student volunteers are available.
- Over 40 exhibitors including universities, publishers, non-profit organizations, foundations, and government agencies
- Earn up to 18 hours of Continuing Education Units (CEU) (additional fee)
- 30+ special interest groups convene (all welcome)
- Job Seekers Registry



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Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research (JSSWR)

The Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research (JSSWR) is the official journal of SSWR. JSSWR is a free, open access journal available online at www.sswr.org. SSWR encourages the social work research community to submit manuscripts for the next issue. Submission guidelines are available at www.jsswr.org.

National Research Capacity Building Initiative (NRCBI)

Starting in 2010 SSWR in collaboration with Dr. Llewellyn Cornelius (University of Maryland, Baltimore) will create mechanisms that will increase social work research's visibility and promote it among federal funders. Through this effort SSWR will highlight and advance the outstanding work of social work faculty engaged in research and continue to expand infrastructure and research capacity building strategies on the national level.

Summer Institute Training Workshops

The Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Denver, presented by the Society for Social Work and Research, hosted the first annual SSWR Summer Institute Training Workshops. The workshops held in July 2010 were the *Social Network Analysis and Its Applications to Social Work Research* presented by David Knoke, PhD, (Department of Sociology at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities) and *Propensity Score Analysis and Its Applications to Social Work Research* presented by Shenyang Guo, PhD, (School of Social Work at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).

Research Methods Workshops and Research Priorities and Capacity Building Workshops at the Annual Conference

At each annual conference SSWR offers a series of research methods workshops and a series of research priorities and capacity building workshops that are held Thursday morning. These training-oriented sessions are intended to target cutting-edge topics vital to contemporary social work research. Learn more about these important opportunities to engage with national experts, funding institutions, and research colleagues. Log on at www.sswr.org and click on Annual Conference.

SSWR Awards

SSWR annually presents the Distinguished Career Achievement Award, the Aaron Rosen Lecture Award, the Excellence in Research Award, the Outstanding Social Work Doctoral Dissertation Award, the Deborah K. Padgett Early Career Achievement Award, and the Doctoral Fellows Award at the annual conference. Nomination guidelines, eligibility requirements, and deadlines are available at www.sswr.org; click on Awards.

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