Connecting Researchers, Advancing Scholarship

2016 WFRN Conference Special Sign-Ups

The 2016 WFRN Conference will offer many exciting opportunities to learn from and engage with colleagues from around the world. For several of them, pre-registration is required in order to participate, i.e., the **Idea Incubator Workshop** and the **Mentoring Workshop** on Thursday, June 23, and the **Networking Dinner** on Friday, June 24. These sessions were very well received by participants at the 2014 WFRN Conference, so have been continued (and updated) for our 2016 conference. ***Please see below for descriptions of these sessions and a reply form to let us know of your interest.***

The deadline for pre-registering is Friday, May 6.

IDEA INCUBATOR WORKSHOP

Thursday, June 23, 2016 (2:30-4:00 PM)

The Work-Family Research Idea Incubator Workshop will feature accomplished work-family scholars from multiple disciplines providing substantive and developmental feedback on research projects that are in their formative stages. This workshop will consist of informal, collegial roundtable settings. Each roundtable will have one or more facilitators to provide feedback and lead discussions on a small number of research papers or projects, allowing plenty of time for interactions among group members. Scholars at every stage of development - junior, mid-career, and senior - are welcome to attend. This workshop will provide an invaluable opportunity to receive detailed feedback from experienced scholars. If you would like to participate in this workshop, you must pre-register by sending us a short overview statement of your research project (see reply form below).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/MENTORING WORKSHOP

Thursday, June 23, 2016 (2:30-4:00 PM)

This workshop will provide an opportunity to link junior scholars with senior advisors. Informal and confidential career advice will be offered by prominent scholars in a group discussion format. This session is ideal for assistant professors, postdoctoral scholars, and advanced graduate students. If you are interested in participating, you must pre-register using the reply form below to provide your name, title, institution, discipline (e.g., sociology, biobehavioral health, economics, management), and email address.

NETWORKING DINNERS

Friday, June 24, 2016 (6:00-7:30 PM)

Networking dinners provide the opportunity for members to network with one another in an informal context. By building community, this session will enhance members' connections to each other and to the WFRN. Participants will be organized into dining groups, with each group hosted by a member of the membership committee. Groups will be organized around shared interests. We will then have dinner at a restaurant within walking distance of the conference hotel, with each participant paying for his/her own dinner. Scholars and practitioners at any point in their careers are welcome to attend. To participate, please pre-register and send a brief overview of your work-family interests (see reply form below).

REPLY FORM - **Please reply by May 6, 2016**

(To reply, please "forward" this message and then complete the form below before "sending" to workandfamily@sas.upenn.edu – or copy the reply form and paste it in an email to workandfamily@sas.upenn.edu. *Please note that the Idea Incubator Workshop and the Mentoring Workshop are being held at the same time, so you may only pre-register for one*.)

Name:

Position:

University/Organization:

Contact Email:

□ Yes, I would like to participate in the Idea Incubator Workshop on Thursday, June 23. **_Here is a short overview of my research project:_**

□ Yes, I would like to participate in the Mentoring Workshop on Thursday, June 23. **_My discipline (e.g., sociology, biobehavioral health, economics, management) is_**:

□ Yes, I would like to join you on Friday, June 24 for the Networking Dinner. **_Here is a brief overview of my work-family interests_**:

Message sent April 13, 2016