WFRN Summer 2013 Update

Hope you are having a great summer! Here's the latest from WFRN:

1. WFRN 2014 Conference Call for Papers Deadline October 18, 2013

The Work and Family Researchers Network (WFRN) invites submissions for our 2014 conference, Changing Work and Family Relationships in a Global Economy, to be held June 19-21, 2014 at the Millennium Broadway Hotel in New York City. We seek fresh and innovative scientific contributions on work and family issues from investigators in diverse disciplines. We value all disciplinary perspectives on the issues, including, but not limited to, anthropology, business and management, economics, family studies, political science, psychology, public health, social work, sociology, and related fields. The voices of all stakeholders are needed to understand and address work and family issues to advance knowledge and practice. We also encourage policy advocates, policy makers, and work-life practitioners to submit evidence-based contributions. New for 2014 is the addition of practitioners to the program committee, in an effort to encourage practitioner and policy-oriented submissions and promotion of researcher and practitioner/policy maker collaboration. Also new is organizing the meeting to kickoff with a preconference of meetings of Early Career Scholars, WFRN officers, committees, and member volunteers on June 18.

Tip for the Selection Process: If you are interested in submitting a presentation for the 2014 WFRN conference that has been previously published or presented at a conference, please reference this in your Call for Papers submission and indicate the addition of new components (i.e., updated analyses or content). Original work or previous work with new analyses is strongly preferred and will be given higher priority during the selection process.

Read more about the Call for Papers
Go to the Submission Instructions and Forms

2. Thanks to the WFRN 2014 Program Committee

Below are the members of the 2014 Committee. Feel free to contact any member to discuss your submission or with questions.

- Ellen Ernst Kossek, Purdue University, Chair
- Joseph G. Grzywacz, Oklahoma State University, Co-chair
- Anne Bardoel, Monash University
- Orfeu Buxton, Harvard Medical School, Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Laura den Dulk, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Lucy English, Horizons Workforce Consulting
- Jennifer Glass, University of Texas at Austin
- Jeffrey Greenhaus, Drexel University
- Jerry A. Jacobs, University of Pennsylvania
- Erin L. Kelly, University of Minnesota
- Susan Lambert, University of Chicago
- Maureen Perry-Jenkins, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- Marcie Pitt-Catsouphes, Boston College
- Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University
- Kim Wells, U.S. Office of Personnel Management

3. Congratulations Early Career Scholars Cohort 4

Welcome to our 4th Cohort of Early Career Scholars. To date, 65 individuals (2 Cohorts from the Sloan Network) have been included in this program to mentor the next generation of work and family scholars. Cohort 4 includes:

- Erin Cech, Rice University
- Eunae Cho, The University at Albany, State University of New York
- Christina Costa, Boston College
- Sue Epstein, SUNY Empire State College
- Lena Hipp, WZB Social Science Research Center Berlin
4. The Why and How of Contributing Content to the WFRN

Want to know how you can share the latest research with the global work and family community? Read the blog, The Why and How of Contributing Content to the WFRN written by Repository Committee Chair, Noelle Chesley.

WFRN welcomes your contributions including News posts as well as research content for the Work and Family Commons, WFRN’s open access subject matter repository.

5. Committee Wants Member Research for Research Spotlights

The WFRN External Affairs/Outreach Committee (name change underway!) is responding to our survey results (conducted this April) by sharing the work of our members via quarterly “Research Spotlights.” The Committee will oversee “Spotlights” focused on key topics in work and family research, starting in November. If you’re interested in having your work spotlighted, please contact committee co-chairs, Jennifer Kohler and Jennifer Swanberg, and include your research topic.
6. Sponsor WFRN 2014 Conference?

WFRN is reaching out to leading organizations for support of the 2014 WFRN conference. Your sponsorship can:

- Demonstrate your commitment to work and family research/scholarship
- Give you the opportunity to network with leading work and family academics, scholars, practitioners and policy makers
- Provide scholarships to attendees unable to participate without your support

The four levels of sponsorship are:

- Benefactor Sponsor: $10,000
- Patron Sponsor: $5,000
- Partner Sponsor: $2,500
- Friend Sponsor: $1,000

Thanks so much to our confirmed sponsors! Additional information about sponsorship is available [here](http://workfamily.sas.upenn.edu). Please note that we can customize your sponsorship to meet your needs. If you are interested, please contact us.

7. You Can Book Your Conference Hotel Room

The Millennium Broadway is offering a very reasonable room rate for conference attendees ($220 US/night). This rate includes **FREE wifi in your hotel room and the public areas** for WFRN attendees. We would appreciate it if you could [book your hotel room](http://workfamily.sas.upenn.edu) by January 6, 2014. This will help us provide the hotel with an accurate count for our room block.

Best,

Judi Casey, WFRN Director