OVERVIEW

College teachers face formidable challenges as they try to foster student understanding of the connections between workplace and family experiences. To help address this concern, the Sloan Work and Family Research Network has gathered a wealth of content that can engage students in understanding key concepts, facts, and multidisciplinary perspectives on work and family concerns. In addition, the Network has worked with two teaching task forces to develop innovative work-family curricula that can be integrated across disciplinary boundaries. If you teach in economics, business, sociology, psychology, or other fields that address work-family concerns, the Network offers many resources certain to be of value to you and your students.

“A resource for teaching about work and family

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“The website’s easy navigation and accessibility mark it as a wonderful tool. It has been an instrumental part of my learning experience.”

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“The Network has provided me with terrific resources, from course content and teaching activities to sources for my students’ own work-family research.”

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The Alfred P. Sloan Work and Family Research Network—the premier online destination for information about work and family—offers a wealth of teaching resources. Here are some ways to engage with us.

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Your first stop for work and family information

Resources for Teachers

Primary Content: Network teaching resources can be readily incorporated into courses. In addition, the Network offers a guide for engaging students in compelling readings, innovative research projects, and informative presentations on a variety of work-family topics.

Syllabi: The Network provides course outlines developed by leading work-family teacher-scholars representing courses in sociology, psychology, economics, history, management, social work, human development, and labor studies.

Statistics Database: The Database gives quick access to thousands of statistics that can be easily incorporated into lectures.

Class Activities: The Network has hundreds of learning activities developed by experienced teachers available for integration into classroom encounters.

Teaching Modules: The Modules offer overviews of work-family issues in the U.S., strategies for integrating award-winning articles into class discussions, a work-life game illustrating employer and employee perspectives on workplace policy/practice/culture, and presentations detailing work and family policy.

Other Teaching Resources: The Network provides work-family timelines, matrices of work-family domains, videos of work-family leaders, and the Work and Family Blog, as well as interviews with work-family leaders in the monthly e-newsletter, the Network News.

Resources for Students

Work and Family Encyclopedia: Details work-family linkages, the state of knowledge for central concerns, and recommendations for policy and practice. These entries can be used to inform class discussions and have been successfully integrated as primary readings in work-family courses.

Literature Database: Offers over 10,000 bibliographic citations with selected annotations. Through the Network’s online search platform, students can access multidisciplinary scholarship from a wide variety of sources: peer-reviewed journals, books, chapters in books, reports from research organizations, dissertations, and academic working papers. Free affiliation with the Network provides password access to full-text articles available from selected journals.

Topic Pages: Organizes resources that link seminal scholarship, statistics, definitions, interviews, audiovisual clips, reports, readings, and other resources about a range of topics, including afterschool care, breastfeeding, health and workplace flexibility, telework, and negative spillover.

Glossary: Provides understandable and precise definitions for hundreds of work-family concepts.

Flexibility Case Studies: Summarizes successful innovative flexibility practices implemented in various types of work environments.

Family-Friendly Employers: Offers a unique compilation of employers selected to be “the best” in various categories.