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About the Newsletter

Items are listed by due date (if applicable) and by category. We welcome updates relevant to the age studies world, including calls for papers, journal articles, recently published books, twitter feeds, blogs, job postings and others. We also invite brief (450 words or less) thought pieces on issues or ideas pertaining to aging and age studies. The deadline for submissions is the 20th of the prior month. Please visit [our website](#) for more information or to submit an item for the newsletter. Thanks to all who contributed news items for this issue of NANAS eNews!

Announcements

New Collaborative Specialization in Aging Studies at Trent University

As Canadian society experiences a significant demographic shift, and new perspectives on aging become more important than ever before, earn your MA, MSc or PhD along with a specialization in Aging Studies. With more than 15 faculty members undertaking research on aging studies including the Canada Research Chair in Rural Aging, Health and Social Care, and the groundbreaking Trent Centre for Aging & Society, you'll be at the forefront of this burgeoning field of scholarship. Contribute to meaningful dialogue on aging and take part in collaborative excellence as you debunk the myths about aging, old age and older populations. Learn more at <https://www.trentu.ca/aging/education-and-training/graduate>.

ENAS/NANAS Conference Travel Funding

ACT is accepting funding applications from ACT-affiliated researchers (namely co-applicants, collaborators and affiliated students) for the 2017 ENAS-NANAS meeting to be held at the University of Graz from April 27-30, 2017. A limited number of partial funding travel grants will be made available. Those interested in applying for funding can do so by sending an email by **February 5, 2017** to “application (at) actproject (dot) ca”. Those who apply should be able and willing to book their flight through ACT by February 24, 2017. [Click here](#) for more information.

Professor Jaber F. Gubrium Awarded an Honorary Doctorate

Congratulations to Professor Jaber Gubrium, who will receive an honorary doctorate (honora causa) from Lund University in Sweden in June 2017! Professor Gubrium is editor of the *Journal of Aging Studies* and served as a keynote speaker at the inaugural NANAS conference in 2015.

NANAS Committees

If you are interested in joining the NANAS Student Committee, Conference Committee, or Grants, Fundraising, and Public Relations Committee, please send an email to arbogast.annabelle@gmail.com.

Articles and Chapters

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Books and Journals

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Massé, Michelle A., and Nan Bauer-Maglin, eds. 2017. *Staging Women's Lives in Academia: Gendered Life Stages in Language and Literature Workplaces*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

Schiff, Brian, A. Elizabeth McKim, and Sylvie Patron, eds. 2017. *Life and Narrative: The Risks and Responsibilities of Storying Experience*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Blogs, Videos, and Weblinks

Applewhite, Ashton. 2017. "Building an Anti-Ageism Movement: The Time Is Now." *Forbes*, Jan. 18. <http://www.forbes.com/sites/nextavenue/2017/01/18/building-an-anti-ageism-movement-the-time-is-now/#1e167ab56c35>

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International Network for Critical Gerontology

The International Network for Critical Gerontology brings together international scholars and graduate students interested in critical approaches to the study of aging and late life. Based at McMaster University in Canada, this virtual network links international scholars from various disciplinary perspectives in the humanities and social sciences. It provides a forum to consider contemporary issues in social/cultural gerontology, reflect on theoretical and conceptual questions in the field, and discuss new insights and developments. Join [here](#).

[Recent INCG Blog Posts:](#)

- Grigorovich, Alisa. "[Workers, Residents, and Sexuality in Residential Long-Term Care](#)"
- Ramirez-Valles, Jesus. "[Queer Gerontology](#)"
- Rozanova, Julia. "['Successful Aging': Sacred or Profane? Insights from Classical Sociological Theory](#)"
- Torres, Sandra. "[Migration and Aging](#)"

Silver Century Foundation

Visit the Silver Century Foundation's [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for news, resources, and blog posts from Ashton Applewhite, Margaret Cruikshank, Margaret Gullette, and others.

Calls for Abstracts, Papers, or Panels

Active CFPs are arranged by submission deadline.

N.B. NANAS members who seek official NANAS affiliation or sponsorship for a panel or project should provide details to any member of the Governing Council, who will then bring the proposal to the Governing Council for consideration.

No Deadline Specified or Ongoing Submissions Accepted

Age, Culture, Humanities: An Interdisciplinary Journal

Age, Culture, Humanities promotes cross-disciplinary, critical investigations of the experiences of age, aging, and old age, as seen through the lens of the humanities and arts. The goals are to consider age as a category of identity, advance understanding of the aging process and of age differences across the lifespan, interrogate cultural articulations of aging and old age, and generate innovative, engaging scholarly approaches to the study of age and aging in the humanities. The journal is affiliated with the North American Network in Aging Studies (NANAS) and the European Network in Aging Studies (ENAS). All manuscripts undergo editorial screening; scholarly articles are selected for publication through a double-blind peer review process. The journal is published annually, in both print and open access digital editions. The journal invites submissions in the following areas:

- Rigorous scholarly articles on topics that investigate the critical intersections of the arts and humanities with the aging process and with age across the lifespan.
- Scholarly position papers or curated forums on critical themes related to the areas of study listed above.
- Brief, well-theorized essays on teaching humanities approaches to age and aging.
- Reviews of recent book publications in humanities and arts scholarship relevant to age and aging and of social science or gerontology scholarship relevant to the arts and/or humanities; reviews of conferences or symposia in these fields; reviews of relevant digital humanities projects and research tools. Proposals for extended review essays are also welcome.
- Reviews of recent fiction, creative non-fiction, poetry, drama, film, performances, and art exhibitions relevant to age, aging, or old age.
- Proposals for themed clusters in future issues are also welcome.

For more information, visit ageculturehumanities.org

Anthropology & Aging

Anthropology & Aging, published by the Association for Anthropology & Gerontology (AAGE) in cooperation with the University of Pittsburgh, is now an open-access peer-reviewed scholarly journal. Submissions are accepted on a rolling basis through the [journal website](#), where detailed author information is available.

Anthropology & Aging is intended as a resource for anthropologists interested in issues related to aging (including intergenerational relationships, caregiving, population aging, human rights, and global health) and aging studies scholars interested in anthropology. Submissions that employ cross-disciplinary approaches and novel methodological strategies are particularly encouraged, but standard anthropological styles are also acceptable.

PGWAM Accepting Rolling Submissions

The *Postgraduate Journal of Women, Ageing and Media (PGWAM)* is a new online journal aimed at postgraduates and early career researchers and run by postgraduates with support from more experienced academics. The journal aims to make 'thinking with age' a key lens from which to approach research focused on women, ageing and the media (film, television, screen media, popular music, advertising radio and the press).

PGWAM invites submissions in article form, but also warmly welcomes contributions which take a more creative or innovative approach, such as photo essays and reports. Please contact us for more information or to make a proposal. Please submit your manuscript via email: pgwamjournal@glos.ac.uk

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Transition and Transcendence: Transforming Aging Through Spirituality

Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL, June 4-7, 2017

The 7th International Conference on Ageing and Spirituality will be hosted by Concordia University Chicago (CUC) in River Forest, Illinois. Past International Conferences have attracted both those with academic interests and expertise in this discipline, as well as those with more practical experience through involvement in the aging service industry, in congregations, or as informal care partners. The Conferences include a mixture of keynote speakers, workshops and papers of interest to those coming from a faith-based approach and to those approaching spirituality from a secular viewpoint. We plan to continue the tradition of including voices from many parts of the world, voices from the domains of the academic and the aging services, voices from various faith traditions and voices representing the "spiritual, but not religious." With the theme of "Transition and Transcendence: Transforming Aging Through Spirituality," the conference will address issues how aging presents us with opportunities to navigate transitions over the life course. Additionally, we will explore how we transcend the mundane and connect with something greater than ourselves while being transformed in the process. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions: **February 15, 2017**

Dis-eased: Critical Approaches to Disability and Illness in American Studies

Although experiences of disability have been an integral part of American life, disability has traditionally been approached as a research object in medicine and the social and rehabilitative sciences. Since the 1990s, however, the field of Disability Studies has continuously engaged with the language surrounding disability, the history of disability and of people with disabilities, the philosophical place of differently-abled bodies and minds, and the ways in which disability is represented (and made metaphor) in literature and art. In this special issue of *COPAS*, we want to survey how a critical approach to disability that considers both the social construction and the materiality of the body enriches the interdisciplinary field of American Studies and may bring new perspectives into the discipline. We welcome contributions from a wide range of methodological, medial, and topical perspectives within the field of American Studies that discuss the socio-historical construction of non-normative bodies and minds in American culture and help to shed light on 'disability' and 'impairment.' Papers are encouraged to discuss the differences as well as overlaps and entanglements of a social and physical disablement and the material reality of impairment. Please consult our online 'Guidelines for Submissions,' which provide a template file for download. Contributions should be about 5,000 to 8,000 words (excluding abstract and list of works cited); for further instructions, see <http://copas.uni-regensburg.de/pages/view/guidelines>. Deadline for submissions: **February 15, 2017**

National Women's Studies Association 2017 Annual Conference

Baltimore, MD, November 16-19, 2017

The theme for the 2017 conference is "40 Years after Combahee: Feminist Scholars and Activists Engage the Movement for Black Lives." Sub-themes include:

- Solidarities: trans-national and local
- Arts and culture: how is social media and visual culture changing how we view, engage and change the world?
- Revisiting intersectionality Engaging, questioning and transcending the state
- Sexualities and representation
- Movement building and freedom-making
- Violence, trauma, agency and resilience

For more information, visit nwsa.org. Deadline for submissions: **February 22, 2017**

NWSA's Aging and Ageism Caucus invites abstract submissions for the following six panels by **February 10, 2017** (see full panel descriptions [here](#)):

- Arts & Culture: The Aging Black Female Body in Contemporary Visual Culture
- Revisiting Intersectionality: Age/Aging and its Intersections
- Sexualities and Representation: Against the policing of sexual expression
- Movement Building and Freedom-Making: The Role of Aging Black Women in the Black Lives Matter Movement
- Violence, Trauma, Agency, and Resilience: Age/ Ageing as a Position of Resistance
- Engaging, Questioning and Transcending the State: Race, Age, and Everyday Activism

The Aging and Ageism Caucus needs your help! In order to keep our caucus going—and our efforts to show that ageism is a feminist issue—we need at least 25 dues-paying members. If you are already a member of NWSA, please sign up for membership in our caucus. The yearly fee is only \$5.00. If you are not a member of NWSA, please consider becoming one and joining our caucus at nwsa.org.

Call for Manuscripts: “New Perspectives on Aging Futures”
Special Issue of *Societies*, Edited by Stephen Katz

This Special Issue of *Societies* invites manuscripts of original research that explore “aging futures” through critical and interdisciplinary perspectives from the social sciences or humanities. According to Nikolas Rose, “contemporary biopolitics is infused with futurity, saturated with anticipations of imagined futures”. How such biopolitics is connected to age and aging forms the theme of this issue. Topics may include the construction of “futurity” around aging populations, the biomedicalization of longevity, anti-aging culture and technologies, narrative visions of a good “old age”, speculative fiction and media, age studies and knowledge-making into future, new bio-gerontological forms of life, the future of intergenerational ethics, new age categories and standards, post-traditional life-courses, the globalization of aging, design futures for aging spaces, aging risk and uncertainty, new genres of meaning and identity, cities and nations of age, future temporalities and everyday life, and the political futures of health and care regimes. The overall aim of the issue is to expand scholarship beyond current economic, demographic and medical models of aging futures to encompass a broader critical thought space that looks ahead to what future probabilities and possibilities are emerging from the social, technological, scientific, governmental, imaginative, cultural and global processes of aging in the present. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions: **February 28, 2017**

IAFOR Interdisciplinary Conferences: Global Studies and the City
Barcelona, Spain, July 14-16, 2017

Two interdisciplinary conferences, organized by the International Academic Forum (IAFOR) and The Centre for Australian Studies at Barcelona University (CEA) will be taking place simultaneously in Barcelona from July 14-16, 2017. Both conferences have a stream for gerontology and ageing studies. One conference is on [Global Realities: Precarious Survival and Belonging](#) and the other is on [Cities of the World](#). Submit an abstract at www.iafor.org/cfp. Deadline for submissions: **February 28, 2017**

Controlling Bodies, Constructing Minds: (Post-)Feminist Identity Politics in the Biomedical Age

The coevolution and intersection of biomedical science and postfeminist identity politics raise a number of significant questions: What happens when science and medicine turn once again towards the bodies of wo*men in order to optimize their lifestyle, career and health? What are

the chances that this will result in a more equal society? What are the challenges to wo*men's self-determination? Which practices of screening, monitoring, and enhancing of wo*men's bodies liberate and which ones control? What knowledges about wo*men's bodies compete with one another? What role do neoliberal economies play in contemporary discourses on lived realities of wo*men's bodies and health? And what acts of resistance have arisen and are arising to counter the new scientific and optimizing gazes? Investigating current biopolitical and cultural trends employed to monitor and reshape wo*men's bodies, this essay collection seeks to put critical discussions of postfeminist identity politics into conversation with feminist science studies. The editors welcome contributions that concentrate on cultural representations as well as theoretical, interdisciplinary, and autoethnographic explorations. Access the full CFP [here](#).
Deadline for submissions: **February 28, 2017**

March 2017

Changing Social Connections in Time and Space: 42nd Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association

Montreal, Quebec, November 2-5, 2017

We live in an increasingly connected social space, but those connections seem quite ephemeral. They come and go in an instant. Nevertheless, there have been important continuities underpinning, for example, local, regional, national and transnational identities. Social science historians are particularly well suited to investigating changing channels and speed of communication at different spatial and temporal scales. From the finest scale of individuals and families, to neighbourhoods, communities, cities, economies, nations, cultures and globalization, social science historians are studying how connections have changed and how those changes have affected the daily lives of ordinary people, whether it be in the form of epidemics or religious and intellectual movements. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions: **March 3, 2017**

2018 MLA Annual Convention

New York, NY, January 4-7, 2018

Approaches to Teaching Age in Literature. How and why do/should faculty incorporate age and/or aging into literature courses? How does the current academic climate present challenges or opportunities? Send a 300-word abstract and brief CV to Valerie Lipscomb (vklipscomb@gmail.com) and Roberta Rosenberg (rrosenb@cnu.edu) by **March 10, 2017**. To browse additional CFPs for the 2018 convention, visit https://apps.mla.org/cfp_browse.

Call for Book or Chapter Proposals: Music and Brain Research

Vernon Press invites book or chapter proposals on the theme of "Music and Brain Research" for our book series in *Cognitive Science and Psychology*. All areas of study, with the common goal

of representing the current state of music perception and cognitive neuroscience of music, are encouraged to submit, including disciplines such as Psychology, Anthropology, Neuroscience, Philosophy, Education, Musicology and more. Contributions may be monographs, chapters, or edited collections of original chapters. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions:

March 15, 2017

WSQ Call for Papers: Special Issue - Beauty

The politics of beauty have been heavily debated within feminist studies and LGBTQ studies. While some feminists critiqued beauty as an extension of patriarchal gender regimes (beauty as a site of systemic oppression), other feminists reconceptualized beauty as a form of play and expression of identity. At the same time, women of color feminists, particularly black and Chicana/Latina feminists, such as bell hooks, Amalia Mesa-Bains, and Maria Elena Cepeda, acknowledge the significance of beauty—not only as personal adornment but as a mode of survival. Moving away from white second wave feminists that dismissed beauty as mere compliance with patriarchal expectations, some women of color feminists embrace beauty as a site of agency. At the same time, LGBTQ studies and critical disability studies critique heteronormative beauty regimes and explore the potentials of non-gender-normative stylizations and more inclusive modes of recognition. This issue places new interventions in gender and sexuality studies in conversation with these debates. We are seeking papers that take a critical and transgressive approach to gendered and sexualized conceptions of beauty. Access the full cfp here. Deadline for submissions: **March 15, 2017**

April 2017

Call for papers: Digital Subjectivities

This issue of *Angles*, the new online journal published by the [SAES](#), aims to examine the evolution of subjectivities and our sense of self in response to digital technologies, apparatuses and practices. The latest developments in digital technologies — cloud computing, digital personal assistants such as Siri or Alexa and connected objects, from smartphones to smart fridges — redefine interactions between humans and machines. These devices constitute as many prostheses of our bodies: they signal the advent of the augmented self on an industrial scale. This issue welcomes contributions from the fields of media studies, literature and the arts, linguistics, sociology and history, philosophy and language sciences. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions: **April 30, 2017**

June 2017

CFP: Technology and Aging

The Gerontologist is currently welcoming submissions for a forthcoming special issue titled "Technology and Aging." The editors are planning to highlight how technology can enhance the quality of life for older people and support aging in place. Quantitative, qualitative, and mixed-methods approaches are welcome from disciplines that include anthropology, computer science, economics, engineering, human factors, humanities, law, medicine, psychology, robotics, social work, and sociology. In keeping with the applied research mission of *The Gerontologist*, articles should identify implications for policy or practice. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for abstract submissions: **June 8, 2017**

August 2017

Aging and Society: Seventh Interdisciplinary Conference

University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, November 3-4, 2017

This knowledge community is brought together by a common concern for learning and an interest to explore issues of concern in the fields of aging and society, and in their social interconnections and implications. We are inviting proposals for paper presentations, workshops/interactive sessions, posters/exhibits, or colloquia addressing aging and society through one of the following themes: economic and demographic perspectives on aging; medical perspectives on aging, health, and wellness; public policy and public perspectives on aging; and social and cultural perspectives on aging. Access the full cfp [here](#). Deadline for submissions: **August 3, 2017**.

Conferences and Events

Ashton Applewhite, Aging While Female-Reimagined

Senior Planet Exploration Center, 127 West 25th St., Manhattan, February 2, 2017

What makes aging different for women — and so much harder than it has to be? How does the double whammy of ageism and sexism affect women's health, income and well-being? And how does competing to "stay young" dig the hole deeper? In her rousing talk, Ashton Applewhite proposes that we throw away the damn shovel, forge new cross-generational compacts and collaborate on new ways of thinking and behaving. The women's movement taught us to claim our power. A pro-aging movement will teach us to hold onto it. Doors open at 5:30pm, talk is at 6pm followed by your questions. RSVP through Eventbrite by clicking [here](#).

Understanding Material Loss across Time and Space

University of Birmingham, February 17-18, 2017

Understanding Material Loss intends to examine the usefulness of 'loss' as an analytical framework across different disciplines and subfields, but principally within historical studies. Loss and absence are slowly being recognized as significant factors in historical processes, particularly in relation to the material world. Archaeologists, anthropologists, philosophers,

literary scholars, sociologists and historians have increasingly come to understand the material world as an active and shaping force. Nevertheless, while significant, such studies have consistently privileged material presence as the basis for understanding how and why the material world has played an increasingly important role in the lives of humans. In contrast, *Understanding Material Loss* suggests that instances of absence, as much as presence, provide important means of understanding how and why the material world has shaped human life and historical processes. Learn more [here](#).

Futures of Aging

McMaster University, March 8, 2017

The Trent Centre for Aging & Society and the Gilbrea Centre for Studies in Aging are pleased to co-host 'Futures of Aging' on March 8, 2017. This FREE event will bring together faculty, students (current and alumni), seniors, and community partners with an interest in social aspects of aging. The day will provide networking opportunities, a faculty panel of leading researchers speaking on the future of aging research in Canada, a keynote by Dr. Neil Hanlon (University of Northern British Columbia), as well as student specific sessions. A student poster session 'Are We There Yet?: New Directions in Aging' will provide students with the opportunity to showcase their graduate work in the field of aging to peers and faculty from both Trent and McMaster. Student poster abstract submission must accompany registration. If you are interested in attending, please complete the [registration form](#) and email to gilbrea@mcmaster.ca. Registration deadline: **February 10, 2017**

First International Research Conference on the Arts and Dementia: Theory, Methodology and Evidence

RSPH, Portland Place, London, March 9-10, 2017

We are pleased to announce the first international conference on arts and dementia research. The conference will take place over two days and involve internationally known keynote speakers, paper sessions, roundtable discussions, an art exhibition curated by people with dementia, a film screening and time to explore the nearby Wellcome Collection's Hub, Shaping Perceptions of Dementia through Art and Science, and meet their artists and researchers. Learn more [here](#).

Diversity, Cultures, and Health Humanities

6th International Health Humanities Conference, Houston, TX, March 9-11, 2017

The theme for this year's health humanities consortium conference is "Diversity, Cultures, and Health Humanities." This theme was chosen for two reasons: (1) it has been noted in recent years that bioethics and health humanities needs to pay more attention to issues of diversity; and (2) Houston is the most diverse city in the United States of America. This cross-disciplinary and inter-professional conference will bring together scholars, educators, clinicians, health advocates, students, patients, and caregivers. Learn more [here](#).

Healthy Ageing: Multidisciplinary Perspectives, Life-span Applications

Krakow, Poland, March 23 - 25, 2017

The aim of the conference is to review the latest scientific knowledge surrounding optimal late adulthood and old age, and to identify potential opportunities and practices that foster human development and high quality of life during in one's later years. Through lectures, panel meetings and workshops, we wish to provide an interdisciplinary forum for exchanging theoretical and research ideas and to facilitate the sharing of participants' knowledge about and experiences with working with older persons. Learn more at <http://www.zdrowo.up.krakow.pl/index.php/pl/about-the-conference/>.

Southern Gerontological Society Meeting: New Horizons in Aging

Asheville, NC, April 6-9, 2017

Our Annual Meeting's theme this year is New Horizons in Aging: Advances in Research and Practice. We encourage those who are examining critical aspects affecting the older adult population through innovative research and those using creative approaches and programming to address the needs of this population to share your work at our meeting. Learn more at <http://southerngerontologicalsociety.org/>.

PCA/ACA 2017

San Diego, CA, April 12-15, 2017

Please join us in San Diego, California for the PCA/ACA National Conference. We will convene at the Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina, San Diego CA. The PCA/ACA is highly regarded in academe with well over 5,000 academic oral presentations given internationally, two top-tier journals (The Journal of American Culture and Journal of Popular Culture), and over 3,000 members. This year's Seattle conference should be exciting with papers on an enormous array of subjects. Learn more [here](#).

Cultural Narratives, Processes and Strategies in Representations of Age and Aging.

1st Joint ENAS & NANAS Conference, Graz, Austria, April 27-30, 2017

The first joint ENAS & NANAS conference will take place in April 2017 at the University of Graz. This conference will focus on the interconnectedness of aging and cultural heritage in terms of cultural narratives and representations. How can processes and strategies of identity construction over the life course be identified in regard to narratives, rituals, popular media forms and other forms of cultural expression, and how do they influence both collective and individual cultural heritage narratives? Which methodologies can be developed for interdisciplinary and intersectional research in this context? Visit the conference website for

more information: <http://www.aginggraz2017.com/>. For NANAS members, full-price conference registration includes the cost of NANAS dues for the year 2017. Check “NANAS member” on the [registration form](#) if you would like to be registered as a NANAS member for 2017.

Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX, May 18-21, 2017

This interdisciplinary conference seeks to explore the interplay between human, ethical, cultural, and political values, on the one hand, and science, technology, engineering, and medical research and practice, on the other hand. We invite presentations that seek not only to understand how values and science can and do influence one another, but also how they should interact (as well as interactions and influences that should be avoided). Finally, we are ultimately interested in promoting ethically responsible and socially beneficial scientific research and technological innovation, the social conditions for the pursuit and appreciation of science and technology, and critical reflection about the influence of science, technology, and medicine on our values, culture, practices, and worldview. This year includes collaboration with the Comics and Popular Arts Conference (CPAC) to jointly present a special set of target themes for the conference. For more information, visit <http://www.utdallas.edu/c4v/2017-conference/>.

Culture, Commitment, and Care across the Life Course

Oxford Brookes University, Oxford, UK, June 8-9, 2017

At any age, and in every society, commitment to cultural values and to care for others is vital to our functioning and flourishing. Our conference will explore this idea and reflect on anthropology's progress since Margaret Mead's lectures on 'Culture and Commitment' almost 50 years ago. The theme of the 10th Biennial AAGE Conference is intended to be inclusive, looking at all ages and approaches to the life course. Learn more [here](#).

Transnational Families: Generations, Differences, Solidarity

Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, July 7-8, 2017

Transnational families have attracted major attention in the field of transnational migration studies, as “the provenance of most everyday migrant transnationalism is within families”. Family solidarities and intergenerational resources over borders take various forms, and transnational families possess the capacity to exchange the same types of care and support as non-dispersed families, i.e. emotional/moral, financial, practical, personal support, and provisions of accommodation. In addition, there are complex factors influencing the transnational family caregiving arrangements, at the intersection of institutional contexts and family configurations, norms and obligations, in conjunction with gender, class and ethnicity. Beside the ‘imagined’ dimension which is at the core of the sense of ‘familyhood’ over borders, migrants and their relatives develop ways of ‘doing family’ based on a sense of shared presence constructed in different ways. Furthermore, in a ‘polymedia’ environment, ICTs and digital

communication contribute to the renewal of ‘family practices’ and generate ‘ordinary co-presence’ routines. This conference aims at addressing the diversity of ‘doing family’ processes in transnational settings. For more information, visit <http://csp.centre.ubbcluj.ro/transnational/>.

International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG)

San Francisco, CA, July 23-27, 2017

GSA will host the [21st World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics](#) in 2017. The World Congress is only held in the U.S. once every 32 years. GSA was selected by IAGG to host the 2017 event following a competitive bid process in 2009. As a result, GSA will not convene its own Annual Scientific Meeting in November 2017.

NANAS 2018 Conference

Trent University, Peterborough, ON, Date TBA

The Trent Centre for Aging & Society (<http://trentu.ca/aging/>) has offered to host NANAS members in 2018 for a conference on the beautiful Trent University campus in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. Additional conference details and a call for abstracts will be available [here](#) in the coming months.

International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics European Region Congress

Gothenburg, Sweden, May 23-25, 2019

The congress theme is ‘Towards Capability in Ageing – from cell to society’. The theme emphasizes our ability to perform actions in order to reach valued goals within the macro, meso, and micro contexts. The congress is the natural meeting place for researchers and professionals engaged in various scientific enquires and aging matters; whether in biological science, medical and health sciences, social sciences, in humanities or aging services. The main track of the congress includes sessions on multidisciplinary aspects of aging in which we can meet and learn from each other. A CFP is currently unavailable. For additional conference details, visit <http://iagger2019.se/>.

Scholarships, Fellowships, and Job Postings

National Endowment for the Humanities Public Scholar Program

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) invites applications for the 2017 round of the Public Scholar Program, which is intended to support well-researched books in the humanities that have been conceived and written to reach a broad readership. Books supported through the Public Scholar Program might present a narrative history, tell the stories of important individuals, analyze significant texts, provide a synthesis of ideas, revive interest in a neglected subject, or examine the latest thinking on a topic. Most importantly, they should present

significant humanities topics in a way that is accessible to general readers. The Public Scholar Program is open to both independent scholars and individuals affiliated with scholarly institutions. It offers a stipend of \$4,200 per month for a period of six to twelve months. The maximum stipend is \$50,400 for a twelve-month period. Application guidelines (including a full statement of the eligibility requirements) and a list of F.A.Q.'s for the Public Scholar Program are available on the NEH's website at <http://www.neh.gov/grants/research/public-scholar-program> . The application deadline for this cycle is **February 1, 2017**.

Year-Long Fellowship, University of Connecticut Humanities Institute

The University of Connecticut Humanities Institute invites applications for residential fellowships. Fellowships offer a stipend, support staff, and all the benefits of a Research I university. As important, we offer community, space, and time for scholars to write, argue, engage, and create. Year-long fellowships open to humanities professors, independent scholars, writers, museum and library professionals. Take advantage of the research facilities, archives and special collections, and museum with ideal proximity to Hartford, Boston, and New York City. For complete information, application, and guidelines, visit: www.humanities.uconn.edu. Application materials must be received by **February 1, 2017**.

Roy Porter Student Essay Prize in Medical History

The Society for the Social History of Medicine (SSHM) now invites submissions to its annual Roy Porter Student Essay Prize Competition. This prize will be awarded to the best original, unpublished essay in the social history of medicine submitted to the competition as judged by the SSHM's assessment panel. The competition is open to undergraduate and post-graduate students in full or part-time education. The winner will be awarded £500.00, and his or her entry may also be published in the journal, *Social History of Medicine*. Further information, regulations and a submission form can be found here: <https://sshm.org/portfolio/prizes/>. The deadline for entries is **February 1, 2017**.

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship in Health Humanities and Race

Clark University, Worcester, MA

This interdisciplinary teaching appointment seeks to bridge humanities-based inquiry with medicine and/or the health sciences. The successful applicant will teach three courses the first year and four in the second year, beginning undergraduate to graduate level; give one public lecture based on research; and actively participate in the intellectual life of the Center for Gender, Race, and Area Studies. Review of applications begins **February 15, 2017**; finalists will be invited for campus visits in March 2017. For additional details, visit <https://careers.insidehighered.com/job/1316020/post-doctoral-fellow/>.

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