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The Family Science Association (FSA) is an independent organization of family science professionals and students who have joined together to strengthen and enhance the Family Science profession.

Welcoming a New Year

I hope you are all doing as well as can be in this new year! At FSA we are already looking forward to gathering again at our Teaching Family Science conference in the summer. I know thoughts of sharing time in Puerto Rico are getting me through some of the cold, gray mid-Atlantic winter days! Please find information about the conference and call for proposals in this newsletter and stay tuned for a forthcoming message about conference registration. I am looking forward to another year of collaborating as scholars, educators, and practitioners as we work to advance our field.

– Laura Evans

2024 TEACHING FAMILY SCIENCE CONFERENCE AND CALL FOR PROPOSALS:

Conference Theme – Advancing Experiential Education in Family Science: Breaking Barriers and Embracing Experiences



[La Fortaleza, and Castillo San Felipe del Morro, one of UNESCO's World Heritage sites in Old San Juan]

Registration Coming Soon!

Conference registration will be available on the FSA website soon. We will send an email when it is available.

The 2024 Teaching Family Science will be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico June 17th and 18th.

The deadline for proposals for the 2024 Teaching Family Science Conference is rapidly approaching! **Proposals are due by January 31st, 2024.**

Conference Chair, Bethany Willis, PhD, welcomes proposals that reflect innovative approaches to experiential teaching and learning including the assessment and evaluation of experiential learning, integrating technology into experiential learning, community engagement as a type of experiential learning, as well as proposals on the scholarship of teaching and learning (SoTL) in the field.

Faculty and students are invited to share projects as posters or presentations. More information about the 2024 TFS Conference, including the full call for proposals, can be found on the TFS Conference website (https://www.familyscienceassociation.org/teaching-family-science-conference/)

We hope to see you in Puerto Rico June 17-18, 2024!

CALL FOR REVIEWERS: Family Science Review

Family Science Review is seeking reviewers to help evaluate and review manuscripts submitted for publication consideration. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide service to the organization, further the discipline of family science, and support innovative original research and the scholarship of teaching and learning within family science. For more information, please contact our Editor-in-Chief, Karen Lee Doneker (kdonekermancini@towson.edu).

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Kate Riera



Position: Assistant Professor in the Human Services program, Department of Human Development and Family Sciences at the University of Delaware

How long have you been a member of FSA? I became a member of FSA starting in 2023 and have been a reviewer with the Family Science Review journal as well.

What do you enjoy most about being a member of FSA? I most enjoy the feeling of belonging and finding an academic home among excellent and welcoming colleagues. I appreciate all of the resources FSA has to offer including the website, annual conference, and journal.

What is one thing you are looking forward to doing this upcoming summer?

I am looking forward to the annual Teaching Family Science conference in Puerto Rico of course, and also our family trips to the Jersey Shore and Outer Banks in North Carolina.

What is one fun fact about you that will help people get to know you better? I love learning about languages and cultures! This is evident in my travels, research interests, teaching, and cooking. During college I studied Spanish, French, Japanese, Hebrew, and Arabic.

Family Science Review – Editor's Corner

Welcome to 2024! The Family Science Review is looking forward to a great year. Our first issue will come out in January, 2024, followed by a special issue on applications of family theory in the field. Our goal in 2024 is to enhance the standing of FSR by increasing submissions. We have expanded our categories of submission, fully transitioned to APA 7th edition, and are on our way to have a banner year at the journal. If you are interested in discussing the journal submission categories prior to submitting a piece for consideration, please feel free to reach out and we can schedule a conversation. We are dedicated to publishing primary research, exploratory research, and professional reflections, and are here to support scholars at each step of the submission process.

As a reminder, please note that IRB review is required for all submissions to Family Science Review, except in the case of manuscripts based on publicly available data (e.g., review of online syllabi). You will be required to submit your letter of IRB approval or an explanation of the publicly available data that was used in order to be considered for peer review.

Best Regards,
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LOOKING FOR MORE?

If there is something you would like to see in the Family Science Association quarterly newsletter, let us know!

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