

CALL FOR PAPERS

Sociological Studies of Children and Youth, an annual series which focuses upon research on children and adolescents, is seeking manuscript submissions for its 2017 volume. The volume will focus on the theme of “**Generation Sex: Gender, Sexual Behavior, and Identity among Contemporary Youth.**” Researchers, practitioners, and parents have increasingly become concerned about issues related to sex, gender, and sexuality among children and adolescents. With access to the internet, young people around the globe can readily obtain virtually any and all information they seek concerning sex and sexuality. In many cultures, the clothing and fashions of children, adolescents, and young adults are increasingly merging, leaving little clear distinction between them, and creating what some consider to be the ‘sexualization’ of children’s and adolescents’ clothing. Coinciding with such changes, many youth are more openly expressing their own gender identity, often leading to considerable social debate about not only feminine and masculine identities, but also transgendered identities among youth.

The 2017 volume of SSCY will examine the evolving norms concerning sex, gender, and sexuality in the lives of children and adolescents. The volume will address topics such as: the development of gender identity, sexual behavior among youth, LGBT youth, social media and sexuality, transgendered youth, the cultural context of youth sexualization, parental and peer influences upon the development of gender and gender identity, and other related issues.

The 2017 volume will be coedited by Patricia Neff Claster, of Edinboro University, and Sampson Lee Blair, of The State University of New York (Buffalo). Manuscripts should be submitted directly to the editors (pnclaster@edinboro.edu, sblair@buffalo.edu), preferably in MS WORD format. Manuscripts should not exceed 40 double-spaced pages (not including tables, figures, and references). Submission of a manuscript implies commitment to publish in SSCY. Manuscripts should adhere to the APA format. Manuscripts should represent previously unpublished work. An abstract of 150-200 words should be included at the beginning of each manuscript. All manuscripts will undergo peer review.

The deadline for initial submissions is February 15, 2017. Any questions may be directed to the editors at pnclaster@edinboro.edu and sblair@buffalo.edu.