

**Eastern Sociological Society (ESS) Annual Meeting 2016**  
**"My Day Job: Politics and Pedagogy in Academia" March 17-20, 2016**  
**The Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Towers**

**PANEL "The Politics and Pedagogy of Development Sociology"**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS FOR A PANEL

The past few years have seen the rebirth or growth of development sociology in North America and elsewhere. Scholarly work about the so-called “developing societies” and about the “development apparatus” is now more abundant than ever. But, development sociology poses many further ethical, social and political challenges. Development is being criticized for its ethnocentric vision and its imperialist endeavours. These criticisms are increasingly visible and debated. In that context, we would like to call for critical papers that reflect on the practice and teaching of sociology development. This panel is following two successful development sociology mini-conferences organized at the ESS meetings in 2013 and 2014.

This panel welcomes papers critical of the ambitions of mainstream sociology, proposing ways to overcome limitations or presenting alternative pedagogies and practices. Submitted abstracts could be addressing such themes as, but not limited to:

- Reflections on teaching development issues;
- Analysis of educational material in development sociology;
- Proposals for the decolonization of development pedagogy;
- Innovations in teaching development sociology;
- Teaching development issues outside the academia;
- Teaching for development;
- Social and political activism in the academia;
- The practice of development sociology.

Please send your abstract (about 250 words) to F. Sonia Arellano-López ([farellan@binghamton.edu](mailto:farellan@binghamton.edu)) and Dimitri della Faille ([dimitri.dellafaille@uqo.ca](mailto:dimitri.dellafaille@uqo.ca)) no later than October 19, 2015. Please note that full papers are not required. Abstracts that are not accepted could be submitted for the general conference.

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