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Monthly Newsletter from CRN6 Sex, Work, Law and Society

Dear Friends,

In an effort to maximize the utility of CRN6, we will now be compiling a monthly newsletter. The CRN6 Newsletter will go out on the 15th of each month. Please send information on publications of interest, job postings, call for proposals (in Word format), grants or awards of interest to section members to nels5271@gmail.com. Please include "CRN6" in the subject line of Newsletter requests. For books, please provide a link to your publisher's page rather than a summary. If you have a report or something longer than two pages to share (like a CFP) please provide a 1-2 page summary or introduction in a word document and a link to the larger report or CFP that can be inserted.

September Newsletter Contents:

- 1) CRN6 Call For Papers LSA 2025 Chicago
- 2) The Butterfly Effect Dinner Gala
- 3) New Publications of Interest: 1 Book, 7 Book Chapters, 2 Book Reviews, 10 Dissertations/Theses, 51 articles, 1 report & 1 blog.

Sincerely,

Alex Nelson & Patricia Fernandez

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CRN6 Call for Papers - LSA 2025 Chicago

Abstract Submission Deadline: Tuesday 10/15

The Sex, Work, Law and Society Collaborative Research Network (CRN6) seeks submissions for the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, USA, 22-25 May 2025

CRN6 has become an important community to welcome and support sex work and critical anti-trafficking scholars as well as to 'move the needle' in sex work research. The sex worker rights movement has long established that sex work is work and that sex workers have agency. Given these foundational tenets of the sex worker rights framework, we welcome the opportunity to refresh conversations in sex work research to better meet the challenges of the current social, political and economic context and to better align ourselves with other social movements working towards decarcerality and social justice. As a community, how do we see the field of sex work research advancing in the years ahead?

CRN6 welcomes any submissions to speak to the network's themes. In addition, we are also planning the following sessions (e.g. panels or roundtables) with the aim of advancing particular discussions in sex work studies, and welcome submissions that speak to the following:

- **Re-thinking decriminalization:** Decriminalization has long been a goal for sex workers globally, yet established decriminalization models have also explicitly criminalized migrant sex workers and street-based workers. In this session, we would like to re-orient discussion on the implications, potential and limitations of existing decriminalization models, and how we can advocate for models of decriminalization that protect all sex workers.
- **Sporting events, tourism and anti-trafficking panics:** Los Angeles will host the Summer Olympics in 2028 and local sex worker rights organizations have already begun to assess what this may mean for sex workers. In addition, anti-trafficking awareness initiatives are increasingly visible in tourism infrastructure (e.g. airports, hotels). This session will share knowledge of how to best mitigate or preempt anti-trafficking panic that has often arisen around other sporting events (e.g. World Cup, Grand Prix, Super Bowl) as a means of supporting sex worker rights organizations that may be grappling with these issues in the years ahead.

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- **Methodological and theoretical advancements in sex work:** By necessity, sex work research requires an attentiveness to the ethical and political dimensions of research given the history of exploitation in sex work research and the key role of sex workers in knowledge production. This session will focus on ongoing debates or discussions on the how, why and who in sex work research, with a focus on research ethics and positionality. This session will also consider theoretical advancements that are not solely tethered to countering anti-prostitution frameworks and that speak to workers' day to day realities.
- **Sex work, anti-trafficking and settler colonialism:** In this session, we aim to facilitate much-needed discussion on how to ground a sex worker rights framework more firmly within an analysis of settler colonialism. Dominant anti-trafficking and sex work discourses have minimized indigenous experiences or relied on reductive dichotomies (e.g. empowerment vs. exploitation). Can we re-orient discussion in sex worker rights spaces to include indigenous experiences? How can sex worker rights spaces (including research spaces) speak to the role of settler states in human trafficking and the structural forces that shape sex work for indigenous workers?

If you are interested in an AuthorMeets Reader (AMR) session to promote your new book, please read and follow LSA's requirements (<https://www.lawandsociety.org/author-meets-reader-new-books-in-the-field/>). If you need any help organizing an AMR, we would be happy to assist. Please email us at co-chairs@sex-work-law-and-society.org before October 3rd, giving us sufficient time to assist you before the October 15th LSA submission deadline.

We are also considering hosting a New Books in the Field panel which would feature authors and readers for five books published between January 2024 and May 2025. If you are interested in participating, please email us at co-chairs@sex-work-law-and-society.org before October 3rd, giving us sufficient time to assist you before the October 15th LSA submission deadline.

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To submit an abstract:

Please see <https://www.lawandsociety.org/chicago-2025-homepage> to submit an abstract for an individual and/or a session for our 2025 Annual Meeting! Law and Society requires a 2000 character abstract for individual papers and a 850 character abstract for panel description to be submitted for conference presentation vetting. The deadline for submission is October 15th, Eastern Standard Time. Please be sure to select CRN6 as your primary CRN when you submit your proposal or you won't be placed on a CRN6 panel.

In the past, some papers were sent to other CRNs that were intended to go to CRN6. To help ensure this doesn't happen again, we encourage you to forward your submission email to us at co-chairs@sex-work-law-and-society.org after submitting it through the LSA portal so we know to expect your paper and can make sure it does not get lost .

For more information about our CRN, please visit <https://www.lawandsociety.org/crno6/> and <https://www.sex-work-law-and-society.org/>.

Please email us at co-chairs@sex-work-law-and-society.org if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to seeing you in Chicago!

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INVITATION TO BUTTERFLY 10TH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER

Hi friend!

We at Butterfly (Asian and Migrant Sex Workers Support Network) have so much to celebrate over the past decade of mobilizing communities of Asian and migrant sex workers and massage workers. And to mark this occasion, we invite you to join us at our milestone celebration party!

Our Butterfly Gala dinner and fundraiser is taking place on October 3rd from 6-10pm at 421 Dundas St W, 3rd floor, Toronto with special performances, sharing from allies and community members, a silent auction and more.

For more details and to buy tickets [click here](#).

We hope you can make it. Afterall, a decade only comes around once!

With Love & Solidarity,

Elene & the members of Butterfly



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Publications of Interest

Books

Cooper, E., Graham, L., Armstrong, L., Zebracki, M., & Maginn, P. J. (Eds.) (2024). *Navigating Contemporary Sex Work: Gender, Justice, and Policy in the Twenty-First Century*. (Palgrave Advances in Sex Work Studies). Springer [LINK](#)

Book Chapters

DeLacey, H. (2024). The Struggle with Stigma in Sex Work: Webcam models' strategies for stigma management. In: Graham, R.S., Humer, S.G., Lee, C.S., & Nagy, V. (Eds.). (2024). *The Routledge International Handbook of Online Deviance* (1st ed.). Routledge. [LINK](#)

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Kelly, A. (2024). "Porno (2002)". In *Irvine Welsh*. Manchester, England: Manchester University Press. [LINK](#)

Hinz, M. (2024). Affiliative Kinship and Agency in On Black Sisters' Street. In: Espinoza Garrido, L., Gebauer, C., Wewior, J. (eds) *Mobility, Agency, Kinship. Palgrave Studies in Mediating Kinship, Representation, and Difference*. Palgrave Macmillan, Cham. [LINK](#)

Masango, L. (2024). Living the #Blessed Life Compensated Relationships and Social Media in Johannesburg. In: Lingam, L., & Mkhwanazi, N. (Eds.). (2024). *Digital Technologies and Gendered Realities* (1st ed.). Routledge India. [LINK](#)

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Publications of Interest

Book Reviews

Tenorio, D. (2024). *Dangerous Love: Sex Work, Drug Use, and the Pursuit of Intimacy in Tijuana, Mexico*: By Jennifer Leigh Syvertsen Oakland, CA: University of California Press, 2022, 177 pp., £30 (paperback), ISBN: 9780520384392. *The Journal of Development Studies*, 1–2. [LINK](#)

Goetsch, D. (2024). For Want of Touch: The astonishing breadth of our passions. *The American Scholar*. [Review of book *Fierce Desires: A New History of Sex and Sexuality in America* by Davis, R.L.]. *American Scholar*. 93(4), 111. [LINK](#)

Thesis/Dissertations (1 of 2)

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Escott, T. (2024). Making and Managing the Discredited Victim: Reproduction of Sex Work Stigma in Canadian News Media, 2010–2019. (Masters Thesis). University of Ottawa. [LINK](#)

Turda, I-M. (2024). Post-trafficking trajectories and experiences of Romanian women sexually exploited in the UK: Multiple voices and perspectives. (Doctoral Dissertation). University of Central Lancashire. [LINK](#)

Ketterling, E.J. (2024). Play the Body Electric: Sex and Desire in Indie and Experimental Single-Player Sexual Videogames. (Doctoral Dissertation). Carleton University. [LINK](#)

Kiyingi, J. (2024). Economic Behavior and HIV Risk Behavior Among Vulnerable Women: A Prospective Randomized Control Study in Southern Uganda. (Doctoral Dissertation). Washington University in St. Louis. [LINK](#)

Kim, H. (2024). The Disruption of Kinship: Interracial Relationships, Displacement, and Marginalized Mixed-Race Families in Korean War Literature. (Doctoral Dissertation). University of South Carolina. [LINK](#)

Nicolini, E. (2024). A retrospective of “comfort culture:” A paradigmatic study on the creation of the “comfort women” system constructed by the Imperial Japanese military from 1932 to 1945. (Master's thesis). Clemson University. [LINK](#)

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Ebrahem, S. (2024). Ain't I Trans and Woman? Representing the Everyday Black Trans Fugitive Navigating Belonging and Resistance. (Masters Thesis). Utrecht University. [LINK](#)

Tsoukalas, A.P. (2024). "What's in a frame? Exploring state policymakers' conceptualization of human trafficking." (Doctoral Dissertation). University of Central Florida. [LINK](#)

Cullum, M.L. (2024). Guilt, Stigma, and Shame: Identity Management of Cyber-sex workers. (Masters Thesis). Texas Tech University. [LINK](#)

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Koo, G. H., & Chen, B. (2024). It's Not Just "8 Dead": Examining News and Twitter's Social Construction of the Atlanta Spa Shootings Through the Lens of Networked Gatekeeping and Affective Publics. *Social Media + Society*, 10(3). [LINK](#)

Powers, R. A., Burckley, J., & Centelles, V., et al. (2024). The legality of labor and perceptions of deservingness of rights and services for sex workers. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 53(3609–3624). [LINK](#)

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Milovanovic, M., et al. (2024). The health effects and moral imperative of funding sex worker programmes. *The Lancet Global Health*, 12(9), e1373–e1374. [LINK](#)

West, J. R. (2024). Online sex workers' absence from gig economy discourse: The politics of seeing in the neoliberal sexual agenda. *European Journal of Cultural Studies*, 0(0). [LINK](#)

Osipova, E., Badieijaryani, A., & Spiel, K. (2024). Cyber toy stories: The broken promises and broken parts of interactive sex toys. *Sexualities*, 0(0). [LINK](#)

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Cann, L., (2024). “The Organisation of Women of Asian and African Descent, Prostitution and Pornography: The British Black Women’s Movement and Sex Work, 1970s–1980s”, *Brief Encounters* 1(8). [LINK](#)

Schultz, C.E. (2024). Debut in te officiosior esse: Power, Place, and Accusations of Prostitution in Late Republican Rome. *American Journal of Philology* 145(1), 153–180. [LINK](#)

Sweeney, L., & Flynn, S. (2024). Exploring feminist egalitarian discourse and sex work for the social work curriculum: a critical pedagogy. *Critical and Radical Social Work*. [LINK](#)

McDermid, J., Pearson, J., Braschel, M., et al. (2024). Increases in housing rules and surveillance during COVID-19: Impacts on overdose and overdose response in a community-based cohort of sex workers who use drugs in Vancouver, BC. *Harm Reduction Journal*, 21, 153. [LINK](#)

Kaufman, E. M., Gesselman, A. N., & Bennett-Brown, M. (2024). Clients’ Perceptions of Authentic Intimate Connection on Erotic Webcam Modeling Sites. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 1–11. [LINK](#)

Vejdani, F. (2024). Prostitution in Nineteenth-Century Tehran. *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*, 67(5–6), 528–569. [LINK](#)

Kielhold, K., Shannon, K., Krüsi, A., et al. (2024). Association between sex work occupational stigma and inconsistent condom use: Findings from a community-based cohort of women sex workers in Vancouver, Canada (2014–2022). *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*. [LINK](#)

Nanjunda, D. C., & Jyothi Lakshmi, S. (2024). Children of female sex workers: A study of situation and vulnerability in Karnataka. *SAARC Journal of Social Science*, 2(1), 61–74. [LINK](#)

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Crotty, S.M., & Zhou, X. (2024). Shame buffers and spatial risk-mitigation: Exploring the effects of social stigma on the locational strategies of illicit massage businesses and their customers. *Applied Geography*, 171, 103391–103391. [LINK](#)

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Divya, G., Athithan, S., & Ghosh, M. (2025). Modelling the prevalence of prostitution under the influence of poverty: A deterministic vs. stochastic approach. *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 485, 129030. [LINK](#)

Fleming, P., Muhr, S. L., & Shadnam, M. (2024). The Business of Pornography: Contributions From Organization Studies - Introduction to the Special Section. *Organization*, 31(5), 741–751. [LINK](#)

FitzGerald, S. (2024). On being a ‘passive observer’: The corporeal and affective dimensions of power in observational research on trafficked women in criminal proceedings. *Qualitative Research*, 0(0). [LINK](#)

Dziuban, A. (2024). Imposed mobility, legal ambiguity, institutionalized abandonment: Exploring the sex work crimscape in contemporary Poland. *Critical Criminology*. [LINK](#)

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Gorissen, S. (2024). Choreographic leadership and audience mobilization as resistance: digital sex work after the Social Media Safety Act. *Gender, Technology and Development*, 1–20. [LINK](#)

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Reports

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