



*"The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET), Lexington Kentucky, is located on the original homeland of diverse Native peoples who arrived over 10,000 years ago. The most recent among them were the Shawnee. Today, Kentucky is still home to over 25,000 Native people representing scores of tribal groups. CHET recognizes the injustices Native peoples have endured. Through this statement, we hope to begin the long process of healing."*

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Website

## CHET's Weekly Communication Digest

### CHET Call for GRA Applications

Application window: January 10 - March 1, 2022

The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET, <https://chet.med.uky.edu/>) welcomes applications for a graduate research assistantship focused on innovative, transdisciplinary and impactful health equity research.



This is a full-time graduate research assistantship with a competitive stipend and tuition. The start-date is negotiable, and the assistantship may be renewable for multiple years. Members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

You can learn more about this opportunity on our website: <https://chet.med.uky.edu/chet-call-ra-applications>

Applications are due by **March 1, 2022**

### SPARK Administrative Position

CHET is seeking part-time administrative support for the [Students Participating as Ambassadors for Research in Kentucky \(SPARK\) Program](#), an undergraduate health equity research training program for underrepresented students.

We are seeking a detail-oriented, organized, and ambitious individual to provide administrative assistance for the SPARK Program. Duties will involve administrative coordination of the program including scheduling, payment coordination, event planning, and other administrative duties in support of the program. Applicant interest in health equity or social justice is welcomed.

This is a paid position for 10 hours per week.

For more information, please contact Ariel Arthur ([ariel.arthur@uky.edu](mailto:ariel.arthur@uky.edu)).

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## Race in Appalachia: A Conversation

February 7, 2022

4:00-5:00pm

Registration: [https://wcu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ryn7b7ShSAOo2bWQ2DtxMQ](https://wcu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ryn7b7ShSAOo2bWQ2DtxMQ)

The Appalachian Studies Association and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity Programs at Western Carolina University is pleased to invite you to a free Zoom event. This webinar recalibrates race as a continuous and central topic of life in Appalachia. The representation of various lenses seeks a holistic conversation. Presenters will introduce their work at the intersection of race and region followed by a conversation facilitated by [Ricardo Nazario y Colón](#) (Vice-President of ASA) and [Meredith McCarroll](#) (President of ASA).

Registration offers access for the Zoom event, which will be streamed live on the ASA Facebook page. Direct any questions to Meredith McCarroll ([mmccarro@bowdoin.edu](mailto:mmccarro@bowdoin.edu)) or Ricardo Nazario y Colón ([rnazariocolon@wcu.edu](mailto:rnazariocolon@wcu.edu)). Please share widely.

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# RACE IN APPALACHIA: A CONVERSATION

FEBRUARY 7, 4-5PM EST

FEATURING



Sophia Enriquez, Ph.D.  
Assistant Professor  
of Ethnomusicology,  
Duke University



Joe Trotter, Jr., Ph.D.  
Prof. of History/Social Justice,  
Carnegie Mellon University



NEEMA AVESHIA, M.A.  
Author of Another Appalachia:  
Coming up Queer and Indian in a  
Mountain Place



Ben Steere, Ph.D.  
Director of Cherokee Studies,  
Western Carolina University



Trey Adcock, Ph.D.  
Director of American Indian and Indigenous Studies,  
University of North Carolina Asheville

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Live Stream on ASA Facebook page.

Co-hosted by Appalachian Studies Association and Equal Opportunity and  
Diversity Programs at Western Carolina University



For more information, contact hosts (Meredith McCarroll [mmccarro@bowdoin.edu](mailto:mmccarro@bowdoin.edu)  
or Ricardo Nazario y Colón [rnazariocolon@wcu.edu](mailto:rnazariocolon@wcu.edu))



Equal Opportunity and  
Diversity Programs

## Graduate Training Opportunity

The University of Kentucky Human Development Institute is leading a five year Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau in partnership with the University of Louisville and Eastern Kentucky University. LEND programs share the overall mission of improving the health of infants, children and adolescents with autism and other neurodevelopmental disabilities. A major focus of LEND is to increase the number of professionals with the knowledge and skills to provide evidence-based screening and diagnosis, as well as supports to individuals and families.

We are accepting applications across disciplines for the 2022 – 2023 academic year. A total of nine trainees will be accepted in the LEND traineeship, which includes leadership

coursework and a rich array of clinical and community placements each semester. Trainees commit to 15 hours of LEND activities each week.

1. Complete LEND [online application](#) by March 4 (available: [https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5vAMf2dLWxdaRV4](https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5vAMf2dLWxdaRV4))
2. Applications will be reviewed and interviews scheduled with finalists
3. 2022 – 2023 trainees notified by April 15. A total of nine selected trainees receive a nine month fellowship.

Trainees must be one of the following:

- enrolled in a graduate or post-graduate training program in a LEND discipline
- a family member of an individual with an intellectual/developmental disability
- an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability

Visit [hdi.uky.edu/kylend](http://hdi.uky.edu/kylend) to learn more and to apply online. Contact the Kentucky LEND Project Director [caroline.gooden@uky.edu](mailto:caroline.gooden@uky.edu) with any questions, or to schedule an informational session for your department and interested students!

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## SACNAS Research Presentations and Scholarships

Application window: March 9 – April 15, 2022

More information: <https://www.sacnas.org/conference/research-presentations>

Applications for research presentations and travel scholarships for the 2022 NDiSTEM Conference will open on March 9, 2022! Encourage your students to present their research and expand their network by attending the 2022 National Diversity in STEM (NDiSTEM) conference in Puerto Rico this October.

Here are the top reasons to apply:

- Great for graduate school applications and CVs/resumes
- Safe, supportive environment to present on a national scale
- Strengthen and refine presentation skills
- Receive one-on-one mentoring and feedback



*Advancing Chicanos/Hispanics  
& Native Americans in Science*

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## Upcoming Events

### **8th Annual Healthy Hearts for Women Virtual Symposium**

February 4, 2022

8:30am

Zoom: [https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_z51TaMS8QoOxvP4wyjvanQ](https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_z51TaMS8QoOxvP4wyjvanQ)

### **The Social and the Science: Psychosocial and Biomedical Research on COVID-19**

UK Student Poster Session

February 18, 2022

Abstract Submission:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsuCG6UsLFXbJOHbRiy4bmggckVm\\_LH\\_oqQln1EK3OX-f-sWg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsuCG6UsLFXbJOHbRiy4bmggckVm_LH_oqQln1EK3OX-f-sWg/viewform)

Deadline: Monday, January 31, 2022, at 11:59 p.m

Contact: Mia Morales [mmo348@g.uky.edu](mailto:mmo348@g.uky.edu)

### **Sister Circle 2022 "EmpowHer" Conference**

February 24-25, 2022

More information: <https://www.uky.edu/cgd/sister-circle-2022>

## **2022 Substance Use Research Event**

March 1, 2022

Registration: <https://www.research.uky.edu/SURE>

Deadline: February 4, 2022

## **Dr. Moya Bailey in Conversation**

March 10, 2022

7:00-8:00pm

Keynote topic: Black Women's Digital Resistances

Zoom Registration:

[https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_VCwrlGwXRAyoT\\_cTraMSZg](https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VCwrlGwXRAyoT_cTraMSZg)

## **15th Annual Graduate Student Regional Research Conference**

March 24-25, 2022

University of Louisville

Registration: <https://louisville.edu/graduate/gsc/research-conference>

## **UNITE Inaugural Research Event**

May 4, 2022

More information: <https://www.research.uky.edu/unite-research-priority-area/unite-news-events>

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## **Collaboration Column**

The Research committee of the Kentucky Eating Disorder Council is requesting your assistance reaching behavioral health providers and medical providers to collect data on screening and treatment of eating disorders and to assess interest in continuing education. Please forward these surveys to your networks and consider completing it yourself if you are a medical provider or behavioral health provider.

This survey is anonymous and is not intended to be a reflection, positive or negative, of any individual or agency knowledge of services; this survey is also voluntary and offers no compensation or reward for completion. If you have already completed the survey, please do not fill it out again, but please consider forwarding to others.

Behavioral Health providers: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KEDCscan>

Medical providers: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KEDCscan2>

This survey will take an estimated 3 minutes to complete and consists of 8 questions. Please consider forwarding this survey to other providers in your network.

If you are interested in further information about the Kentucky Eating Disorder Council, please contact [Kate.Wagoner@ky.gov](mailto:Kate.Wagoner@ky.gov)

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## **Biostatistics and Research Design Core**

To request a consultation with the CHET Biostatistics and Research Design Core, please click the following link: [https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9GlfBA9n9aPOFlb](https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9GlfBA9n9aPOFlb)

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## **CHET Student and Trainee Listserv**

Please encourage your students and trainees to join our listserv here: [bit.ly/joinchet](http://bit.ly/joinchet)