CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2015
Oklahoma Council on Family Relations
34th Annual Conference

Contemporary Influences on Family Relationships: Media, Technology & Other Trends

Friday, March 27, 2015
OSU Center for Family Resilience – OSU/Tulsa

The theme for the 34th annual OKCFR conference, Contemporary Influences on Family Relationships: Media, Technology & Other Trends, was selected to develop a better understanding of family relationships within the ever-changing landscape of technology and media in modern society.

The conference program is designed to address a balance of academic research, application, and policy interests with a theme that is broad enough to capture a variety of topics relating to various family structures and family members at any age or stage.

OKCFR invites a broad array of proposals from students, instructors, researchers, family life educators, practitioners, and advocates for a variety of interest areas and issues including: diversity, aging, applied programs, parenting, marriage, interpersonal relationships, family development, violence and neglect, childhood and adolescence, mental health and wellbeing, professional education and development, theory, research methodology, risk and resilience, prevention and intervention strategies, and public policy.

OKCFR provides the following:

- An environment for students and professionals to develop and share knowledge and skills that will support further scholarship, research, practice and policy work in the field of family relations.
- A forum for the dissemination of the latest research on families and family relationships, and for the examination of practical applications of the family literature and consideration of “best practices”.
- Formal and informal opportunities to network with colleagues engaged in family research, practice, and education from Oklahoma and beyond.
- Avenues to explore public policy implications of research and practice experiences including effective strategies for assisting decision makers.
- Opportunities for OKCFR members to participate in the organization, ensuring that through the activities OKCFR continues to reflect its collective commitment to families and their welfare.
- Opportunities for rejuvenation and transformation through continuing education.

Keynote Speaker
Dr. Sarah Coyne

Dr. Sarah M. Coyne is an associate professor of human development in the School of Family Life at BYU. Her research interests involve media, aggression, gender, and child development. She has 4 children and currently lives in Spanish Fork, Utah.

Presenter Requirements
Submit a two-page mini vita with your proposal that lists:
- educational history
- licenses and certificates
- work history
- publications/presentations within the last three years.

OKCFR uses this information to apply for CEU credits with the Oklahoma State Boards.

Student Paper & Poster Award Competition
An award will be given for the top student research paper and poster at the conference luncheon.

Proposal Submission Deadline: October 31, 2014

Proposals must be submitted online.
Go to the OKCFR Website: www.ok.ncfr.org.
Click on “Conferences” and locate the link to the online proposal application form.