Sociologists for Trans Justice (S4TJ) was founded in 2016 by Dr. Eric Joy Denise and Dr. Laurel Westbrook as an independent initiative to advance transgender justice in and through sociology. In the past seven years, we have worked to raise public awareness about transgender, non-binary, and intersex communities, drawing upon sociological insights in trans, non-binary, and intersex studies. We have pushed the discipline of sociology to take seriously and advance scholarship on trans, non-binary, and intersex communities, and to include and support trans, non-binary, and intersex sociologists (no matter their research interests).

In order to inform the public and our colleagues about our goals and efforts (and to celebrate our victories!), we release a progress report each year. Below, we are pleased to update you on the progress we have made during the 2023-2024 academic year. This report was prepared by S4TJ Chair alithia zamantakis along with the S4TJ Executive Council; you may reach us at sociologistsfortransjustice@gmail.com. And, during the year you can stay up to date with our efforts through our Google groups listserv.

#### **S4TJ CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chairs: alithia zamantakis

## **S4TJ Chair Position and Executive Council**

alithia zamantakis served as chair, Jeremy Brenner-Levoy and Hayden Fulton served as co-chairs of the Supporting Trans, Non-Binary and Intersex Scholars committee; Rosalind Kichler as chair of the Advancing Trans, Non-Binary and Intersex Scholarship committee, and the Advancing Public Understanding of Trans, Non-Binary and Intersex Issues committee was led by Kairo Noah Weber and Piper Thomson. Wynn Strange & Madi Lou Alexander served as media and website editors.

### **Advancing Trans, Non-Binary, and Intersex Scholarship**

Chair: Rosalind Kichler

**Committee Members:** Katie Donnelly Moran, Christina Pao, Aven Peters, Cary Gabriel Costello, alithia zamantakis, Max Osborn, Cameron Whitley

#### Tasks:

- Revise and implement Trans, Nonbinary, and Intersex Folks in Higher Ed Survey
- Create a standardized process for adding new scholarship to the Trans Studies Bibliography and Trans Justice Syllabus

#### **Updates:**

After substantial discussion, the committee has finished revising the Trans, Nonbinary, and Intersex Folks in Higher Ed Survey. Members are currently exploring both recruitment strategies and IRB approval for the survey. We hope to have the survey live by the end of the 2024 calendar year.

The committee chair drafted a Google form that could be used to standardize the process for adding new scholarship to both the Bibliography and Syllabus. The next step is to determine who will be responsible for reviewing submissions and for updating both documents once submission are approved. Once we have answers to these questions, we should be able to post the form on the S4TJ website.

## **Supporting Trans, Non-Binary, and Intersex Scholars**

**Co-Chairs**: Jeremy Brenner-Levoy and Hayden Fulton

Committee Members: Ethan Levine, Jinsun Yang, Harry Barbee, Miller Finkelstein

Conferences Sub-Committee: The committee reached out to ESS, ASA, SSS, SWS, and NASSS to ensure that each organization's conference provided pronouns on badges and gender neutral bathrooms to conference attendees.

Mentorship Sub-Committee: The mentorship committee (Jinsun Yang and Ethan Levine) successfully launched the 2023-2024 version of the S4TJ mentorship program, resulting in 11 new mentor/mentee pairs.

# Advancing Public Understanding of Trans, Non-binary, and Intersex Issues

**Co-Chairs:** Kairo Noah Weber and Piper Thomson

Committee Members: Madi Lou Alexander, Wynn Strange, Bailey Otter, Ezra

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## Media & Website

Co-Editors: Wynn Strange & Madi Lou Alexander

The media and website editors deactivated our X account and created a Discord channel that can be accessed <u>here</u>.