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Mission

The mission of the Committee on Socioeconomic Status (CSES) shall be to further the major purpose of the APA – “to advance psychology as a science and a profession and as a means of promoting health, education and human welfare” – by ensuring that issues of socioeconomic status receive the full attention of the Association. The Committee will identify and act as a catalyst in the Association’s efforts to address issues of SES and promote appropriate attention to SES in psychological research and practice. In this regard, the Committee shall:

- COLLECT information and documentation concerning SES;
- PROMOTE scientific understanding of the roles of poverty and SES in health, education, and human welfare;
- DEVELOP approaches to the application of psychology that take into account the effects of SES on psychological development and well being; and
- ADVOCATE for social policy that will alleviate or reduce the disparities between SES groups.

Meeting Dates

- 2/5
- 3/5
- 4/2
- 5/7
- 6/4
- 7/2
- 8/6
- 9/3
- 10/1
- 10/8
- 11/5
- 12/17

Membership

Chair - Beryl Ann Cowan JD, PhD; Darren Bernal, PhD; Bettina Spencer, PhD; Kristin Mickelson, PhD; Klaus E. Cavallieri, PhD; Christine Pajunar Li-Grining, PhD

Statement of Diversity Representation within the Committee

The current composition of CSES consists of three Caucasian American females (one whose term expires 12/31/21), one Afro-Caribbean male (whose term expires 12/31/21), one Latinx male, and one Asian female

Major Activities

There was a total of 29 activities that the Committee on Socioeconomic Status participated or initiated in (year).

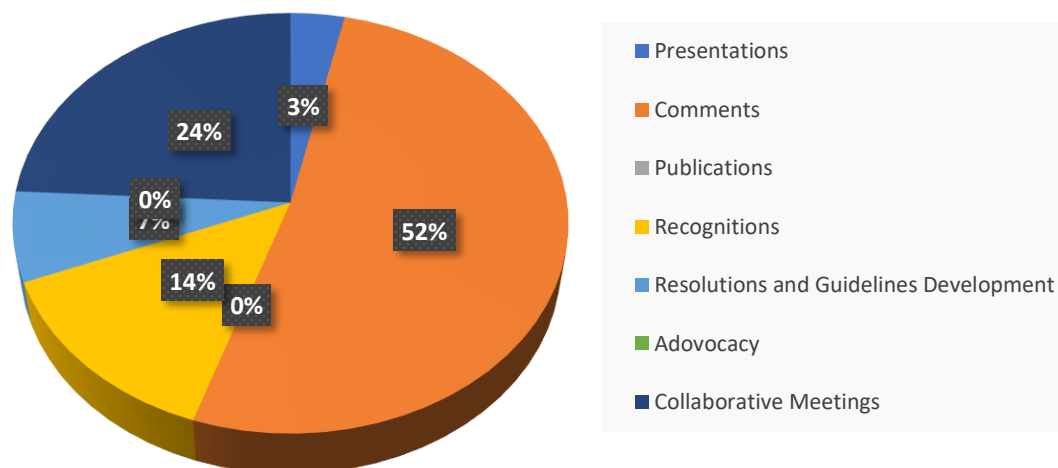
Table 1

Type of Activities	# of Activities
Presentations	1
Comments	15
Publications	0
Recognitions	4
Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development	2
Advocacy	0
Collaborative Meetings	7

Figure 1

Insert Pie Chart here with # of Presentations, Comments, Publications, Recognitions, Resolutions & Guidelines Created/Initiated, Advocacy Activities, and Collaborative Meetings.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS 2021 Activities



(Note*- To enter data, right click on the pie chart, scroll down to “edit data”, hover over the arrow, scroll down to “Edit data in excel”, input your data, “X” out of excel, the data should automatically save, and be reflected in the pie chart)

Presentations***Pres #1***

Dr. Cowan prepared a didactic class on how to conceptualize SES and Poverty in Case Conceptualizations to Doctoral Level Interns. This class was to take place in December 2021, but cancelled at the last minute and was postponed to January 2022.

Comments***Comm #1***

Call for comments: Associate Member Voting Privileges

Comm #2

Specialty Guidelines for Forensic Psychology

Comm #3

Guidelines for Child Custody Evaluations in Family Law Proceedings

Comm #4

Sleep Psychology Specialty Renewal petition

Comm #5

Counseling Psychology Specialty Renewal petition

Comm #6

National Standards for High School Psychology Curricula

Comm #7

Methods and Leading Practices for Advancing Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through Government

Comm #8

Bylaws amendment: Associate Member Voting Privileges

Comm #9

Proposed Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Women with Serious Mental Illness

Comm #10

Inclusive Language Guidelines

Comm #11

APA Racism Apology Resolution

Comm #12

Trans Women of Color (TWOC) Anti-Violence Task Force

Comm #13

Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Older Adults

Comm #14

Resolution on Police and Community Interaction and Police Use of Excessive Force in the United States

Comm #15

Guidelines for Assessment and Intervention with Persons with Disabilities

Publications

None

Recognitions

Reg #1

Student Leadership Award: Holly Brott

Reg #2

Organizational Award: Our House

Reg #3

Emerging Leadership Award: Mindi Thompson, PhD, HSP

Reg #4

Distinguished Leadership Award: Rosie Phillips Davis, PhD, ABPP

Resolutions and Guidelines Creation/Development

R&G #1 *Resolution on Homelessness*

This resolution was adopted by the Council of Representatives in October 2021.

R&G #2 *Resolution on Poverty and Socioeconomic Status*

This resolution was submitted for adoption to the Council of Representatives for their February meeting in 2022.

Advocacy

None

Collaborative Meetings

CM#1 *BAPPI Plenary Meetings*
Full committee participation

CM#2 *#EquityFlattensTheCurve Meetings*

CM#3 *SES Network Meeting and Awards Ceremony*
The networking session brought together and recognized SES and Social class focused researchers and practitioners.

CM#4 *Ethics Code Task Force Meetings*
Dr. Li-Grining represented CSES at the ECTF Meetings

CM#5 *Fall Caucus Meetings*
Full committee participation

CM#6 *Police and Citizen Work Group on Police and Community Interactions*
Dr. Cowan participated in the meetings and was part of the writing group that has submitted a draft resolution being prepared for presentation to council

CM#7 *Resolution to Dismantle Systemic Racism – Preliminary Research*
Dr. Cowan collaborated early on the Resolution research effort by providing information on the criminalization of poverty