

Section Annual Report Form

Briefly provide the information requested on the form below. If the question does not apply to your Section, please note that it is “not applicable” instead of leaving it blank.

Please try to keep the responses to questions below as succinct as possible

I Please provide, names and e-mail addresses of the Section officers and board members during the period covered:

Central States Anthropological Society

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II Status, Activities and Accomplishments this year

- 1) Provide the most recent membership numbers and list any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership:

Number of Members 224

Factors affecting Membership:

We often hear that many who want to join CSAS cannot afford the expensive AAA dues. Salaries at Midwest schools tend to be lower and so joining AAA can be a challenge. The current move among universities and colleges to drop tenure lines and hire adjunct and temporary contract faculty particularly affects many anthropologists' incomes. Some members have dropped CSAS because they could no longer afford AAA dues. As an aside, it has been difficult to get accurate and up to date counts on membership given the AAA's old membership software

- 2) Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets, if applicable). Also list any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances:

Financial Balance: _\$33,613.72_____

Publications: (if applicable) __NA_____

White award fund: \$18,320.61

Dillingham award fund: \$17,777.63

Factors affecting Finances:

Conference budgeting given limited resources is generally a challenge.

- 3) List the titles of your Section's AAA meeting invited sessions, co-sponsored sessions, and any special events your Section sponsored or in which it participated. Check with your program chairs if needed: When providing session information please note if these are invited or co-sponsored and if the later please list them.

Sessions:

1) Spatial Representation, Orientation, and Circulation

2)

3)

Other Events:

CSAS reception
Board Meeting

4). List spring meeting activities (if applicable):

1) Spring annual meeting held at the University of Wisconsin Madison

2)

3)

5) List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section, if applicable (please provide the title of the award, date presented, and full name, affiliation, and title of the project/paper/accomplishment of the awardees):

| Title of Award | Date | Recipient | Affiliation | Project/Paper/etc |
|---------------------|------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| White Award | 2010 | Chelsea Chapman | U of Wisconsin Madison | research |
| Dillingham Award | 2010 | Laura Macia | U of Pittsburgh | Support research |
| Undergraduate Paper | 2010 | Katharine Singleton | Beloit College | paper |
| Graduate Paper | 2010 | Erin Moore | U of Chicago | paper |
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6) Mentorship efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to any of the following:

1) Undergraduate and/or graduate students:

Special sessions held at the Spring meetings We are a special venue for student development at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

2) Early career scholars: Soliciting and encouraging them to present at our Spring meetings.

3) Independent scholars: Encouraging them to present at our Spring meetings.

7). Additional outreach efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to other sections, interest groups, and scholarly societies, government agencies, public education/community engagement, and underrepresented minorities:

8) Status and use of Section internal communications such as a website, list serve, or newsletter (if applicable): Please list internal communication tools you use and what they are used for

We have a Website, listserv and a Newsletter to communicate with members and to promote interest in CSAS

9) Changes in bylaws or governance structure (if applicable):

N/A

III What Initiatives does your Section have underway or planned for the coming year: Membership, publication annual meeting, mentorship, other?

We will have a sponsored session at the AAA meetings, board meeting and a reception.

We will have our annual meeting in Iowa City in early April hosted by the University of Iowa.

IV Please tell us what your chief concerns and issues are, especially if they are not previously noted:

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the Section Assembly leadership?

We are one of the smaller sections that has a constant struggle to meet AAA's minimum membership numbers. As one of the oldest sections of AAA, it is important that rigid rules do not prevent us from the benefits that follow from meeting membership quotas. Like some of the other smaller units, we provide an especially important educational service and opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Executive Board?

We are sympathetic to the continuing review of the relationship with Wiley Blackwell

We strongly endorse continuing outreach to the larger community to promote anthropology

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Staff?