

Call for Nominations
2008 *Brown* Lecture in Education Research
American Educational Research Association
Deadline: January 15, 2008

The American Educational Research Association (AERA) seeks nominations for the Annual *Brown* Lecture in Education Research. The purpose of this public Lecture is to feature important research that advances understanding of issues related to equality and equity in education. The Lectureship was inaugurated in 2004 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, in which the U.S. Supreme Court took into account scientific research in issuing its landmark ruling. The 2008 Lecture will be delivered on October 23, 2008, at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. The lecturer receives an honorarium of \$1,000 and coverage for travel expenses.

Each year, a distinguished scholar notable for producing significant research or lines of research related to equality in education is invited to give the *Brown* Lecture. Edmund W. Gordon, Director of the Institute of Urban and Minority Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, gave the inaugural *Brown* Lecture in 2004. Gordon was followed by Claude M. Steele, Director of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, in 2005; Linda Darling-Hammond, the Charles E. Ducommun Professor of Teaching and Teacher Education at Stanford University, in 2006; and Margaret Beale Spencer, Board of Overseers Professor of Applied Psychology and Human Development at the University of Pennsylvania's Graduate School of Education, in 2007.

AERA members are invited to submit nominations for the 2008 *Brown* Lecture. All nominations must include a brief resume (no longer than one page) and a one-page statement on the nominee, the nominee's research, and how the nominee's research meets the objectives and purposes of the Lectureship. The deadline for receipt of nominations is January 15, 2008. Nominations can be submitted by e-mail to brownlecture@aera.net or by U.S. mail to *Brown* Lecture, American Educational Research Association, 1430 K Street, N.W., Suite 1200, Washington, D.C. 20005.

The Selection Committee consists of the AERA President and President-Elect, the Chair of the Social Justice Action Committee (SJAC), two additional members of the SJAC, the Director of Social Justice and Professional Development, and the AERA Executive Director. The Chair of the Social Justice Action Committee serves as Chair of the Selection Committee. The 2008 Selection Committee, accordingly, is chaired by Kris Gutierrez (Chair, SJAC) and includes Hugo Garcia (Member, SJAC), Stephen Hancock (Member, SJAC), Felice J. Levine (Executive Director), Lorraine M. McDonnell (President-Elect), William F. Tate (President), and George L. Wimberly (Director of Social Justice and Professional Development).

President-Elect McDonnell Invites Nominations for Committees

Dear AERA Colleagues:

In an organization as large as AERA, it is often difficult to meet colleagues outside our own area of research. One of the best ways to extend our professional networks is through service on AERA committees. Not only does it enable members to participate in the Association's governance and contribute to the common goal of advancing education research, but it also provides a wonderful opportunity to work collaboratively with colleagues we would not ordinarily meet in the course of our research and teaching.

Over the next several months, I will be making appointments to a variety of committees, and I need your help in identifying colleagues with the interest and expertise to participate in what has been for many AERA members a satisfying and enjoyable experience. The following committees present such opportunities: Annual Meeting Policies and Procedures, Communications and Outreach, Government Relations, International Relations, Minority Fellowship Selection, Nominating, Professional Development and Training, Publications, Research Advisory, Scholars and Advocates for Gender Equity in Education, Scholars of Color in Education, Social Justice Action, and Technology. In addition, appointments will be made to the following awards committees: Distinguished Contributions to Research in Education, Early Career, E. F. Lindquist, Outstanding Book, Palmer O. Johnson Memorial, Relating Research to Practice, and Review of Research.

Please consider nominating someone (including yourself) by sending a brief biographical statement (one page maximum) and indicating which committees are of interest. You can reach me at Department of Political Science, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-9420, or send me an e-mail at mcdonnell@polsci.ucsb.edu (preferably without extensive attachments).

Thank you,
Lorraine M. McDonnell, President-Elect