Call for new BSA Families and Relationships Study Group Co-Conveners

Open to team and individual applications

Deadline 16 October

We are currently looking for a new team of co-conveners to lead the Families and Relationships (FAR) study group for the British Sociological Association (BSA). This is an exciting opportunity to help shape the direction of this active study group and to support, and further build, this community. This call is open to both individual applications and joint applications from predefined teams.

The aim of the FAR study group is to support scholarship, collaboration, inclusion and knowledge exchange in relation to the field of families and relationships sociology (broadly understood), and also to promote this sub-field within the wide discipline. The duties of co-conveners include:

- Managing the FAR study group email list
- Maintaining and building a supportive and inclusive study group community
- Organising events (including online and in-person workshops, seminars and networking)
- Reviewing abstracts and supporting the organisation of the FAR stream at the BSA Annual Conference
- Managing the BSA FAR social media channels
- Managing the BSA FAR study group budget
- Publicising the work of FAR study group members via BSA publications
- Reporting on the work of the study group to the BSA

We welcome applications for the role of FAR study group co-convener from people at any career stage with an interest in the sociology of families and relationships. You do not need to work at a UK institution. However, the role is most suitable for those living in the UK since most BSA events will be hosted here. Experience of event management, network development, diversity and inclusion work and management of social media would be beneficial but are not essential.

Please note, in order to take up the role of study group co-convener, you will need to be a member of the BSA.

To apply for the role of FAR study group co-convener, please send your CV and a 200-300 word statement to l.gilman@mmu.ac.uk. The statement should include your name, contact details, role and institution; explain how you would approach the role and highlight relevant experience and expertise you would bring. Applications from teams (up to 3 people) should include each team member's CV but only require one joint statement.

Please make clear in your statement whether you are applying as an individual or as a team.

The deadline for applications is Thursday 16 October 2025.