## SSSP Drugs and Drinking Section Meeting – July 8, 2024

Attendance: David Frank Andrew Burns Joshua Stout Ellen Benoit Sam Friedman Dina Perrone

- Alex Bennett (not attending) mentioned to David the name of 2025 SSSP "Insurgent Sociology in a Time of Crisis" fails to include non-sociologists (e.g., anthropologists).
- Discussion of SSSP 2025 Chicago Sections.
  - o Sam: epidemiology, overdose prevention, and ending the overdose crisis.
    - What would it really take to solve the overdose epidemic in the United States?
  - o Ellen: suggests survivors (participant science, autoethnography)?
    - Discussion of CITI training for citizen scientists.
    - Dina: possible title "Doing Community Participatory Action Research with People who Use Drugs."
    - Sam: reverse it, "People who use drugs doing community action research."
    - Joshua: mutual aid reference can be useful in broadening interests.
  - o David suggests including a drug sale or drug trade as a research topic.
    - Joshua suggests considering it being connected with globalization.
    - Sam suggested including historic perspective.
  - o Drew: Medicalization of Psychedelics
  - o Dina: 75 Years of SSSP, 75 Years of Drug War Research
- Dina suggest we need to work to increase graduate award.

Ended meeting with discussion about plans to discuss Chicago planning further while in Montreal.