



SPECIAL ISSUE CALL FOR PAPERS

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Contextualizing Theoretical and Methodological Perspectives on Ethnic Minority and Diverse Fathers

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The purpose of this special issue is to highlight recent theoretical innovations on ethnic minority, immigrant, and diverse fathers. Since the early 1970's, fathering has gained significant prominence among scholars (Lamb, 2010). However, Arnett (2008) and Henrich et al. (2010) stressed that most of our psychological research on children and families is American dominated and based on Americans of European descent. Thus, the proposed special issue will explicitly explore how researchers have meaningfully utilized theories and/or models to explore fathering in ethnic minority, immigrant, and diverse families.

As economic, social, and cultural changes occur globally, the field of fathering, to some extent, has reflected these changes. For example, with the increased divorce rates and single-headed households, research topics included residential and non-residential fathering, biological and social fathering, marital factors, divorce and child custody issues, and the impact on their children's lives (e.g., see Fagan, Kaufman, Dyer, in press; Fagan & Palkovitz, 2018). Also, ethnoprofiles in many countries have significantly become more diverse, and thus, researchers have investigated fathering in immigrant and ethnic minority families (Chuang & Moreno, 2008; Chuang & Tamis-LeMonda, 2009, 2013; Chuang & Costigan, 2018). Fortunately, the field of fathering has attracted researchers from various disciplines as topics become wide-ranging and complex.

We are interested in articles that explicitly focus on how theories/models have contributed to contextualizing fatherhood. We welcome submissions from around the world, as perspectives and implementation of research may culturally differ. We also invite scholars to focus on the methodological strategies used to contextualize fathering to more accurately portray contemporary fathers. We encourage submissions that bridge between theorizing and application to cater to not only scholars but practitioners and interested stakeholders.

Moreover, with increased knowledge about the importance of fathering, social and political policies have been revised and implemented in attempts to decrease the barriers and challenges that fathers may experience, hindering their ability to fulfill their parental obligations. Thus, we encourage articles on how theories on ethnic and diverse fathering have influenced policies and programs.

Manuscripts should not exceed 35 double-spaced pages including references and appendices. Please note in the cover letter that the manuscript is being submitted to the special issue "*Contextualizing Theoretical and Methodological Perspectives on Ethnic Minority and Diverse Fathers.*" For manuscript preparation guidelines and to submit a manuscript, go to <http://www.ncfr.org/jftr/submit-jftr>.

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