



Discordant Socialities

Welcome to our seventh issue of the Journal of Critical Dietetics. This editorial contains the requisite overview of our latest issue, plus other pertinent information including our new membership structure, our newsletter, and our call for conference abstracts. There is much going on in Critical Dietetics these days.

First, this new issue we are calling “Discordant Socialities” opens with a compelling image on our cover on which the duality of “good” versus “bad” food is depicted as inspired by a Starbucks Unicorn Frappuccino®. Did you try one of these drinks when it was released last year? Clearly it struck a chord with these artists and scholars who expand on their art-making with the article entitled, “Mythical Battle.” Next we are delighted to hear from colleagues in Sweden who have boldly initiated a Critical Dietetics for the Nordic region. In their article, they outline what the scholarly imperatives are for this area of the world and you will be interested in how those issues intersect with those already taken up (or not) by Critical Dietetics. Two reflexive articles follow from our Critical Dietetics colleagues in the USA who are living the theme of discordant sociality with their current political reality. Finally, we have three pieces of research that offer inquiry on childhood experience of body size, stories from Chicago dietitians, and barriers to practice experienced by African American students. Another first for this issue is that Roen’s article on Chicago dietitians appears in two parts; a digital story and the textual accompaniment. The digital story will be posted on our blog.

Thank you to Kerry Beake who was able to prepare these articles for publication while completing her internship rotations. Enormous gratitude to Kerry for her dedication to our Journal and the artful gestures she brings to each and every article.

Finally, a note about some additional changes; newsletter and memberships. Jennifer Brady is taking on the creation of our first newsletter to share updates about Critical Dietetics. And, memberships will enable further growth. Costs that are covered by our membership fees include stipends for student work on our CD newsletter, costs associated with our annual conference, copyediting and translation work for the Journal of Critical Dietetics, and student awards and bursaries for conference attendance and travel. There are three annual membership options: regular (\$100); student/unwaged/underemployed/retire (\$20); and sustainer (\$200). All options are in Canadian dollars. The sustainer option is for those who are able to pay more because of access to grant or professional development funds. Please visit our blog to become a member today: <https://criticaldieteticsblog.com/2018/02/02/become-a-member-of-critical-dietetics/>

We are excited about how this change will buttress changes to our organizational structure, which will slowly unfold over the next year. Thank you to all who have made these changes possible as a means to support our growth and, thus, our reach. Please email me to join committees, share notes on social media, and discuss Critical Dietetics with colleagues.

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