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Position

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Urban Studies Program, 2006-present.

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Urban Studies Program, 1999-2006.

Education

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. 1999 in Sociology. M.A. 1994 in Sociology.

Harvard Law School

J.D. 1990, cum laude.

Yale University

B.A. 1986, magna cum laude with distinction in the Psychology major.

Hunter College High School

Diploma 1982. National Merit Scholar.

Areas of Specialization

Sociology of the Body. Race/Class/Gender/Sexuality. Occupations and Professions. Sociology of Identity. Medicine, Science, and Technology. Sociology of the Family. Social Problems. Internet Culture.

Research Center

Founder and Director of the Avatar Identity Research Center in the virtual setting of Second Life. Over 100 researchers regularly participate in the Center's activities, including a regular seminar series, research meetings, and networking events.

Publications

"Researching Identity in Second Life." 2008. *Communications*, 32(12): pp. 19-21.

"Teratology: 'Monsters' and the Professionalization of Obstetrics." 2006. *Journal of Historical Sociology*, 19(1): pp. 1-33.

Professional Identity Crisis: Race, Class, Gender and Success at Professional Schools. 2006. Nashville, TN: Vanderbilt University Press.

"Changing Clothes: Gender Inequality and Professional Socialization." 2004. *National Women's Studies Association Journal*, 16(2): pp. 138-155.

“Cosmetic Genital Surgery Performed upon Children.” 2004. Robert Perrucci, Kathleen Ferraro, JoAnn Miller, Paula C. Rodriguez Rust, eds., *Solutions: Agenda for Social Justice 2004*. Tenn.: Society for the Study of Social Problems: pp. 81-86.

The Sociology of Gender and Work: Syllabi and Teaching Materials. (editor) 2002. Washington, D.C.: American Sociological Association.

“Comment: Limits of Biological Determinism.” Coauthored with Eleanor M. Miller. 2001. *American Sociological Review*, 66(4): pp. 592-8.

“Schooled by the Classroom: The (Re)Production of Social Stratification and Professional School Settings,” 2001. Eric Margolis, ed., *The Hidden Curriculum in Higher Education*, New York: Routledge: pp. 43-59.

Published in Mandarin Chinese translation, 2004, Xue Xiao Zhang, trans., Higher Education Press, Taipei, Taiwan.

Published in Simplified Chinese characters, 2006, Xue Xiaohua, trans., Huadong Normal University Press, Huadong, China.

“Conceiving Identity: Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Parents Consider their Children's Sexual Identities,” 1997. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 24(3): pp. 63-89.

“Legitimate Bonds and Unnatural Unions: Race, Sexual Orientation and Control of the American Family,” 1992. *Harvard Women's Law Journal* 15: pp. 79-171.

Book Reviews

Review of book *Women's Work: Gender Equality vs. Hierarchy in the Life Sciences* by Laurel Smith-Doerr. 2006. *American Journal of Sociology* 111(6): pp. 1980-1981.

Review of book *The Starting Gate: Birth Weight and Life Chances* by Conley, Strully and Bennet. 2004. *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 33(6): pp. 667-668.

Fellowships and Awards

C. Wright Mills Award Finalist, 2006, for *Professional Identity Crisis: Race, Class, Gender and Success at Professional Schools*.

UWM Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2003.

Women's Studies Fellowship, UWM, 2001-2.

Course Development Grant, Honors Program, UWM, Fall 2001.

Center for 21st Century Studies Fellowship, UWM, 2000-1.

Course Development Grant, Women's Studies, UWM, Spring 2000.

Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley, 1998-9.

Vice Chancellor for Research Fund Award, U.C. Berkeley, 1997-8.

Graduate Division Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley, 1996.

Chancellor's Humanities Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley, 1995.

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Honorable Mention, 1993.

Regents' Intern Fellowship, U.C. Berkeley, 1992-3, 1993-4.

Justinian Law Fellowship, Harvard Law School, 1989.

Courses Taught

Social Problems, UWM

Sociology of Sexuality, UWM.

Sociology of the Body, UWM.

The Body and the Self, UWM

Sex and Gender, UWM.
 Sexual Diversity and Social Change, U.C. Berkeley.
 Sociology of Marriage and the Family, Diablo Valley College.
 Sociology of Law, U.C. Berkeley.
 Classical Sociological Theory, U.C. Berkeley.
 Contemporary Sociological Theory, U.C. Berkeley.

Conferences

Presented paper, "Transforming Transgender in Virtual Worlds," 59th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2009, San Francisco.

Presented paper, "Avatars and Identity," Center for 21st Century Studies, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, May 2009.

Presented paper, "Crossing Bodily Boundaries: Transcendence in Virtual Worlds," 58th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2008, Boston.

Presented paper, "Conjoined Twins: Bodily Ideologies, Difference and Quality of Life," 57th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2007, New York City.

Invited as speaker to present "Professional Identity Crisis" at conference entitled Frontiers in Qualitative Sociology, October 2006, Berkeley.

Discussant for panel on "Medical Authority and Reproductive Regulations," 56th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2006, Montreal.

Presented paper, "Teratology: 'Monsters' and the Professionalization of Obstetrics," 55th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2005, Philadelphia.

Presented colloquium, "Teratology: Monsters, Medicine and Meaning," UWM Sociology Colloquium Series, May 2005.

Discussant for panel on "Families and Bodily Management." 54th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2004, San Francisco.

Discussant for panel on "Social Justice and LGBT Families." 53rd Annual Meeting of Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2003, Atlanta.

As an invited speaker, presented paper on "Globalism and Youth Culture" at conference "Understanding Youth Culture and Commerce in a Globalized World, UWM. July, 2003.

Presented paper, "Changing Clothes: Identity, Consumerism, and Professional Socialization." 52nd Annual Meeting of Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2002, Chicago.

Presented paper, "Identity and Work/Family Conflicts." Sociologists for Women in Society's Summer Conference, August 2002, Chicago.

Discussant for panel on "Reforming Sexuality and Familial Authority." 52nd Annual Meeting of Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2002, Chicago.

Invited speaker, The Milwaukee Forum, "Sociological Perspectives on Monogamy." January 2002, Milwaukee, WI.

Invited speaker, Medical College of Wisconsin Center for AIDS Research, "The Invention of Heterosexuality: Life before Sexual Orientation." November 2001, Milwaukee, WI.

Presented paper, "Using Images to Teach Sociology of Sexuality." 96th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 2001, Anaheim, California.

Discussant for panel on "Sociology of the Body." 96th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 2001, Anaheim, California.

Presented paper, "Dressing Down the Self: Professional Identity Transformations and Wardrobe Alterations." Women's Studies Network Conference, June 2001, Cheltenham, UK.

Conference Discussant, "Just Feelings" conference of the Center for 21st Century Studies, April 2001, UWM.

Presented paper, "Identity Dissonance as a Feeling-State," Center for 21st Studies Fellow Symposium, March 2001, UWM.

Presented paper, "Schooled by the Classroom: The (Re)production of Social Stratification in Professional School Settings." 50th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 2000, Washington, D.C.

Discussant for panel on "Sociology of the Body." 95th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 2000, Washington, D.C.

Presented paper, "Identity Dissonance and Work/Family Conflicts." Center for Working Families conference, March, 2000, San Francisco.

Presented paper, "Identity Dissonance and Professional Socialization at Law School." 93rd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Regular Session on Occupations and Professions, August 1998, San Francisco.

Presented paper, "Gender, Identity and Professional Socialization." Annual Graduate Student Conference, April, 1998, U.C. Berkeley.

Presented paper, "Professionalism Embodied: Cultural Capital and Habitus." Beatrice M. Bain Gender Studies Conference: "Boundaries in Question—Designing Women", March, 1998, Berkeley.

Presented paper, "Conceiving Identity: Bisexual, Lesbian and Gay Parents Consider Their Children's Sexual Identities." Annual Graduate Student Conference, April, 1996, U.C. Berkeley.

Presented paper, "Race, Sexual Orientation, and Discrimination through Family Law." Berkeley Women's Law Journal Conference: "Underrepresented Women and the Law," March, 1995, Boalt Hall, U.C. Berkeley Law School.

"Embracing Diversity" Multicultural Alliance conference organizer and workshop director. July, 1992, Washington, DC.

"Sexual Orientation and the Law: Implications for Legal Education" Committee on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues conference organizer and panel presenter. February, 1989, Harvard Law School, Cambridge.

Professional Associations

Bar Memberships

Admitted to practice law at the New York and Connecticut Bars.

Sociological Professional Associations

Member of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, the American Sociological Association, and Sociologists for Women in Society.

Professional Service

Internal Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects, U.W.M.

Committee member, 1999-2007.

Subcommittee on Undergraduate Research.

Subcommittee on Exempt Research.

Subcommittee on Noncompliance and Complaint Procedures.

Decentral I.R.B. Review panel, U.W.M.

Reviewer, sociology and social sciences, 1999-present.

Undergraduate Committee, Sociology Department, U.W.M.

Chairperson, 2000-6, Committee member, 1999-2000

Public Information Committee, Sociology Department, U.W.M.

Chairperson, 2006-present

Coordinator of Website Development Project, 2002-4.

Presented monthly "Social History" segment on NPR station WUWM, 2001-2003.

Women's Studies Department

Department Affiliate, 2001-present

Scholarship Committee, 2005

LGBT Studies Certificate Program Committee

Committee member, 2001-present.

Urban Studies Awards Committee

Committee member, 2001-present

Student Accessibility Center

Alternative Text Program volunteer, 2001-2003.

National Science Foundation

Sociology Program Grant Reviewer, 2003-present.

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Vice President, 2007-8

Vice President Elect, 2006-7

Chair of the Council of Division Chairs, 2004-2007

Member of the Board, 2003-2007

Division Chair, Family Division, 2001-3

Annual Conference Session Organizer—1 panel 2007, 2 panels 2006, 2 panels 2005, 2 panels 2004, 2 panels 2003, 2 panels 2002, 2 panels 2001.

Family Division Graduate Student Paper Competitions Committee Chair, 2000.

American Sociological Association, Race/Class/Gender Section

Session Organizer, 2005.

Elected Councilmember, 2001-2004.
 Chair, Article Competition Committee, 2002-3.
 Roundtable Organizer, 2001.

American Sociological Association, Organizations Section
 Roundtable Organizer, 2000.

Journal Positions

Peer Reviews Performed

American Journal of Sociology
American Sociological Review
Social Forces
Social Problems
Gender and Society
Sociological Quarterly
Journal of Family Issues
Journal of Historical Sociology
Work and Occupations

Harvard Women's Law Journal

Executive Editor, 1989-90: responsible for all aspects of journal publication, from initial article selection to editing to technical format.

General Editor, 1988-89: responsible for editing articles and for supervising staff in verifying citations made by article authors.

Harvard Civil Rights/ Civil Liberties Law Review

Staff Member, 1987-8: responsible for verifying citations made by authors.

Research Positions

University of California, Berkeley

Research Assistant, 1992-3: assisted Professor Reva Siegal in sociolegal research of feminist jurisprudence and 15th Amendment advocacy.

New York University Law School

Research Assistant, 1987: assisted Law Professor Peggy Davis in researching the impact of social science literature on the adjudication of child custody disputes.

Cesar Pelli & Associates, New Haven, CT

Research Assistant, 1986-7: assisted partner Diana Balmori on research projects in architectural and landscape architectural history.

Legal Employment

Spiegel & McDiarmid, Washington, D.C.

Associate, 1990-92 and Summer Associate, 1989: involved in environmental and public energy law practice. Worked as a registered lobbyist in the environmental area. Drafted legal briefs, pleadings, contracts and memoranda of law. Engaged in research and in discovery. Supervised paralegals.

Connecticut Fund for the Environment

Legal Intern, 1988: engaged in legal research. Aided local citizen's groups involved in Superfund cleanup activities. Drafted public comments on state and federal environmental legislation.