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Academic Positions

2014- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Connecticut
 2014- Senior Fellow, Urban Ethnography Workshop, Yale University
 2008-2014 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Connecticut
 2010-2012 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholar, University of Pennsylvania

Education

Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles, Sociology (2008)
 M.A. University of California, Los Angeles, Sociology (2004)
 M.A. New School for Social Research, Historical Studies and Sociology (2002)
 B.A. Pennsylvania State University, Cultural Studies (1999)

Areas of Research/Interest

Urban and Community Sociology; Culture; Neighborhoods; Market Infrastructure;
 Consumption; Food Systems; Ethnographic, Historical, and Comparative Methods

Books (Published and Under Contract)

2012. *Venice: A Contested Bohemia in Los Angeles*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press
 *2012 L.A. Public Media (KCET) best books about Los Angeles
 *2013 Mirra Komarovsky Award, Honorable Mention, Eastern Sociological Society
 *2013 Robert E. Park Award, Honorable Mention, Community and Urban Sociology
 Section, American Sociological Association
 *Excerpt in Duneier, Mitchell, Philip Kasnitz, Alexandra Murphy, *Urban
 Ethnography Reader*, Oxford University Press.
 *Reviewed in *American Journal of Sociology*, *City & Community*, *Contemporary
 Sociology*, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, *Journal of Urban History*, *International
 Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, *Los Angeles Public Media*

Feeding Cities: Infrastructure, Efficiency, and the Transformation of the Food System.
 Under Contract, University of Chicago Press

Global Urbanism: Meaning, Practice, and the Formation of Urban Culture (with Jonathan
 Wynn). Under Contract, Oxford University Press

Articles

- 2015 The Pitfalls of Invoking Cultural Change to Improve Population Health (Co-Author with Robert Aronowitz, Danya Keene, Jason Schnittker, and Laura Tach). *American Journal of Public Health*. July 2015, 105(S3): 403-408.
- 2012 Los viajes de un zapato en la economía global. (with Claudio Benzecry) Article for special issue on “Other Globalizations” by *Nueva Sociedad. Revista Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales*. Issue No 240.
2010. The “Black Section” of the Neighborhood: Collective Visibility and Collective Invisibility as Sources of Place Identity. *Ethnography*, 11(1): 1-23.
*Featured in *Contexts*, Fall 2010, “Discoveries: New and Noteworthy Research.”
2009. Forging Distinct Paths Toward Authentic Identity: Outsider Art, Public Interaction, and Identity Transition in an Informal Market Context.” *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, 38: 169-200
2007. Commerce as the Structure and Symbol of Neighborhood Life: Reshaping the Meaning of Community in Venice, California. *City and Community*, 6:4.
*ASA Community and Urban Section Graduate Student Paper Award

Chapters in Edited Volumes

2013. “Planning Los Angeles: Neighborhood and Downtown Development” (coauthored with Steven Erie, Vlad Kogan, and Forrest Stuart), in Halle, David and Andrew Beveridge (editors), *New York and Los Angeles: The Uncertain Future*. New York: Oxford University Press.
2010. “The Decline of a Black Community by the Sea: Demographic and Political Changes in Oakwood,” in Hunt, Darnell (editor), *Black Los Angeles: Race, Community, and the American Dream*. New York: New York University Press.

Articles Under Review and Working Papers

Pathways and Contingencies in Neighborhood Participation: Reassembling Intergroup Conflict (Revise & Resubmit)

The Origins of the Food Desert: Urban Inequality as Infrastructural Exclusion (Working Paper, Draft Available)

Architecture of an Ethnographic Puzzle: Data, Contexts, and Ambiguity as Accomplishment (Working Paper, Draft Available)

Reproducing High Volume Marketplaces: Infrastructure Work and the Cultures of Consumption (Working Paper, Draft Available)

Reviews and Other Writings

- Forthcoming Book Review of *Street Level: Los Angeles in the Twenty-First Century*, by Rob Sullivan, *Contemporary Sociology*
- Forthcoming Book Review of *There Goes the Gayborhood?* By Amin Ghaziani, *Sociological Forum*. Forthcoming.
- 2014 Book Review of *Seeing Cities Change* by Jerome Krase, *Contemporary Sociology*. 43: 707
- 2012 “The Ditches of the Slum: How Venice’s Squalid Past Shaped the Glitzy Canals,” Essay in *Zocalo Public Square*.
2011. Book review of *Hobos, Hustlers, and Backsliders* by Teresa Gowan. *American Journal of Sociology*. 116(6): 2056-2057
2010. “Cultural Variations or Socioeconomic Positions: The Gentrification Debate Continues,” *Sociological Forum*. 25(4):865-869.
2009. Book review of *Faithful to Fenway: Believing in Boston, Baseball, and America’s Most Beloved Ballpark* by Michael Ian Borer. *Contemporary Sociology*. 38(2): 134-135.

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

- 2013 Robert E. Park Award, Honorable Mention, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- 2013 Mirra Komarovsky Award, Honorable Mention, Best Book, Eastern Sociological Society
- 2010-2012 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholar, University of Pennsylvania
- 2012 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Research Grant for “Feeding the City” (\$20,030)
- 2011 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Research Pilot Grant for “The Changing Politics of Food in Philadelphia” (\$17,790).
- 2007 UCLA Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies Research Grant (\$3,000)
- 2006-2007 John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (20,000)
- 2006 UCLA Gold Shield Alumnae Oral History Graduate Research Grant (2006)
- 2005 Graduate Student Paper Award, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- 2004-2005 Department of Housing and Urban Development, Early Doctoral Research Grant (\$15,000)
- 2003 UCLA Summer Research Mentorship Award Fellowship (\$3,000)

Invited Talks

- 2015 “Inequality in Objects: Infrastructure Work and the Cultures of Consumption,” Metropolitan Studies, Social and Cultural Analysis, NYU

- 2013 “Feeding Cities: Risk, Efficiency, and the Transformation of the Food System.” Colloquia at: University of Michigan (Urban Studies); NYU (Sociology); Brown University (Sociology); London School of Economics (Urban Geography); American University (Center on Health, Risk, and Society); University of Massachusetts (Sociology)
- “The Origins of the Urban Food Desert: Reconfiguring Market Infrastructures and the Institutionalization of Vulnerability,” Yale University, Center for Comparative Research; University of Michigan, Sociology Department Workshop on Power, Culture, and History
- “Time-Space Compression and the Reproduction of Urban Markets,” RWJ Health & Society Scholars, University of Pennsylvania
- “Planning Los Angeles.” Book Forum on *New York and Los Angeles: The Uncertain Future*, City University of New York Graduate Center
- 2012 “The Transformation of the Food System and the Persistence of Urban Inequality,” Urban Studies Colloquium, Brown University.
- 2012 “The Reconfiguration of Neighborhood Groups in Venice, California,” American University, Conference on Community Disruption.
- 2012 *Venice: A Contested Bohemia in Los Angeles*. Reading and discussion at Skylight Books, Los Angeles, CA
- 2012 Critic at “Author Meets Critics” session for Jonathan Wynn’s *The Tour Guide*, University of Chicago Press, New York, Eastern Sociological Society.
- 2011 “Developing a Qualitative Project on Urban Food Access,” Thomas Jefferson University School of Population Health.
- 2011 “Four handed sociology: Collaboration and knowledge production,” Brandeis University, Department of Sociology (with Claudio Benzecry).
- 2011 “People Out of Place or a Home for the Homeless?” University of Pennsylvania, Urban Studies Colloquium
- 2010 “Neighborhood Public Cultures in Venice,” Queens College, City University of New York, Sociology Colloquium.
- 2010 “Venice: Stability and Change in a Los Angeles Beach Town,” University of Pennsylvania, Urban Ethnography Workshop.
- 2009 “Mosaic of Little Worlds: Neighborhood Attachment in the Context of Urban Change” presented at Yale University, Workshop in Urban Ethnography.

Discussant, Urban Spaces and Ethnography, *Stony Brook Ethnography Conference*.

2008 “Oakwood as a ‘Black Neighborhood’” presented at Yale University, Urban Ethnography Conference.

2007 “Community, Diversity, and Public Space in a Changing Los Angeles Neighborhood,” University of Connecticut; Barnard College.

“Comparing Local Adaptations to a Bohemian Representation,” presented at Northwestern University Urban Representations Conference.

Conference Presentations

2013 “The Origins of the Food Desert in Philadelphia,” American Sociological Association, NY, NY

2012 “Food Market Infrastructure in the Context of Urban Decline,” Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars Annual Conference, Princeton, NJ.

2011 “Feeding Philadelphia and Making the Market for Fresh Food, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars Annual Conference, Bethesda, MD.

2011 “Venice: Conflict and Community in Los Angeles,” Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA

2010 “Territorial Attachments and Symbolic Power in the Housed/Homeless Conflict,” Social Science Historical Association, Chicago, IL.

2009 “Community Continuity and Change: Lessons from a Historical Ethnography of a Los Angeles Beach Town,” Social Science Historical Association Annual Meeting, Long Beach, CA.

“People Out of Place: Homeless in search of neighborhood attachment,” presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2007 “Pathways of Participation: Biographical Position, Group Association, and Political Commitment in Neighborhood Activism,” presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY.

2005 “Culture, Cohorts, and Community Boundaries: Explaining the Relationship between Neighborhood Transition and Social Exclusion,” presented at Harvard University, Culture Lines Conference on Emerging Research in Ethno-Racial Boundaries.

“Resistance and Transcendence in the Career of the Venice Beach Artist,” presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

“Constructing a Street Logic: The Transition of Neighborhood Space and Place and Its Unintended Consequences,” presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Teaching Experience

University of Connecticut, 2008-Present

Undergraduate Courses:

Urban Sociology

City Life

Social Problems

Graduate Courses:

Urban Sociology

Metropolitan Community

Contemporary Social Theory

Qualitative Methods I (Developing Research)

Qualitative Methods II (Analyzing Data)

Advanced Qualitative Methods (Writing an Article)

Instructor, UCLA, Spring 2006

Theories of Urban Space (Undergraduate): Spring 2006

Student Committees

University of Connecticut

Senior Thesis: Robert Steller (Urban Studies)

PhD Committees: Ranita Ray (Chair, Degree 2013, Asst Prof UNLV), Adane Zawdu (Chair), Sylvia Pu (Chair), Ordoitz, Galilea (Chair), Caner Hazar, Tom Hochschild, Annie Wisnesky, Trisha Tiamzon, Danishia Harris

MA Committees: Stephen Wulff, Dinur Blum, Krysten Brown, Allen Hyde, Trisha Tiamzon, Chandra Waring

Area Exams: Denishia Harris (culture/urban); Trisha Tiamzon (culture/race-ethnicity), Adane Zawdu (culture/race-ethnicity); Allen Hyde (urban/stratification), Greg Mills (urban/stratification)

Professional Service

Editorial Board, *Contemporary Sociology* (2015-)

Editorial Board, *Qualitative Sociology* (2014 -)

Editorial Board, *City & Community* (2012 -2015)

Ad Hoc Reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology, City & Community, Environmental Practice, Ethnography, Journal of Urban Affairs, Urban Studies, Urban Geography, Public Culture, Qualitative Sociology, Social Problems, Symbolic Interaction, Routledge Press, University of Chicago Press, Oxford University Press, New York University Press.*

University of Connecticut:

University IRB Advisory Committee (2014)
Department Executive Committee (2013-Present)
Undergraduate Planning Committee (2008-2009; 2013-2014)
Graduate Planning Committee (2009-10; 2014-Present)
Chair, Colloquium Committee (2009-2010; 2012-Present)
Faculty Search Committee (2012-2013)
Awards Committee (2012-2013)

American Sociological Association:

Council Member, ASA Section on Community and Urban Sociology (2015-)
Session Organizer, ASA Annual Meeting: Urban Sociology Regular Session (2015)
Session Organizer, ASA Annual Meeting: “Diversity and Urban Space” (2011)
Chair, Best Student Paper Committee, Community and Urban Section (2011)
Chair, Membership Committee, Community and Urban Section (2012-2013)
Chair, Jane Addams Article Award, Community and Urban Section (2013)
Co-editor (with Claudio Benzecry and Jonathan Wynn), Culture Section Newsletter (2010-2014)

Social Science Historical Society:

Session Organizer, SSHA Annual Meeting, “The City as a Spectacle”
Session Organizer, SSHA Annual Meeting, “Innovation and Place”