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EDUCATION:

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Sociology

Ph.D. Student, 2001-present

MA Thesis Defended Successfully, 2006

[The Influence of God Talk and Religious Gateways on Adolescent Volunteerism](#)

Comprehensive Exams (Race and Ethnicity, Stratification) Passed Successfully, 2006

Yale University Divinity School, New Haven, CT

M.Div., 2000

Trinity University, San Antonio, TX

B.A., Sociology, Religion minor, 1996

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Sociology, Fall 2001-present

Adjunct Instructor “Race and Ethnic Relations”, **Continuing Education**

Adjunct Instructor “Sociological Perspectives” (2 sections), **Continuing Education**

Graduate Teaching Fellow “Social Stratification” “Race and Ethnic Relations”
“Sociological Perspectives” (2 sections)

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dr. A. Oberschall, “Social Movements”; Dr. N. Peart, Dr. A. Hastings “Sociological Perspectives”

Dr. J. Blau, “Race and Ethnic Relations”; Dr. D. Orthner, “Sociology of the Family”

Department of African American Studies, Spring 2007

Adjunct Instructor “African Americans from 1865-Present”

University North Carolina-Greensboro, Department of Sociology, Spring 2005-present

Lecturer “Introduction to Sociology” (6 sections) “Sociology of Religion”
“Social Movements and Social Revolution!” “Social Change” (2 sections)

Division of Continual Learning – (On-Line Courses with the iSchool)

Adjunct Instructor “Introduction to Sociology” “Social Problems”

Greensboro College, Department of Sociology, Spring 2007

Adjunct Instructor “Introduction to Sociology”

Elon University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Burlington, NC, Spring 2007

Adjunct Instructor “Introduction to Sociology” (2 sections)

Central Carolina Community College, Pittsboro, NC; Spring 2005-Fall 2006

Adjunct Instructor “Introduction to Sociology” (2 sections), “Social Problems” (2 sections)

Yale University, Department of Sociology, New Haven, CT; Spring 1999-Spring 2000

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dr. J. Soares, “Public Education”; Dr. C. Rhomberg, “Urban Sociology”

Dr. I. Szelenyi, “Modern Sociological Theory”

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

- 1/04-8/04 **Graduate Research Assistant, UNC, Chapel Hill; Low Income Couples Project**
Assisted Dr. D. Orthner coordinating project and workshop and conducting focus groups
- 7/03-12/03 **Graduate Research Assistant, UNC, Chapel Hill; Rural Families Project**
Assisted Dr. Debra Skinner; wrote community and visual ethnography
- 8/01-12/03 **Graduate Research Assistant, National Study Youth and Religion Project**
Assisted Dr. C. Smith with creating surveys and questionnaires; conducted interviews
- 7/01-10/01 **Graduate Research Assistant, UNC, Chapel Hill; Race and Education Project**
Assisted Dr. Judith Blau with community ethnography and statistical data entry

INTERNSHIPS:

- Summer 1999 **Chaplain Intern,**
St. Mary's Medical Center and St. Francis Memorial Hospital, San Francisco, CA
- Summer 1998 **Teacher-Counselor,** Youth Center for Change, New Haven, CT
Taught English, poetry, and drama to juvenile crime offenders in an alternative incarceration program; handled counseling and case management of clients.
- 1997-98** **Substance Abuse Counselor,**
Yale University's Coffin/Forsberg Immersion Project
Hill Health Center's Northside Outpatient Clinic, New Haven, CT
- 1997-99 **Race Dialogue Coordinator, Yale University**
Facilitated events on race and ethnic diversity in the New Haven-Yale community in response to the Association of American Colleges and Universities' *Racial Legacies and Learning: An American Dialogue* Project and President Clinton's Initiative on Race.

PUBLICATIONS:

- 2006 Book Review, "The Art of Protest: Culture and Activism from the Civil Rights Movement to the Streets of Seattle", *Sociological Inquiry*, Vol. 76, Number 4, 529-531.

PRESENTATIONS:

- 2006 Presenter, American Sociological Association Conference, Montreal, Canada
Author, [*The Influence of God Talk and Religious Gateways on Adolescent Volunteerism*](#)

AWARDS and HONORS:

- 2006 **UNC Teaching Awards Committee Member,**
Distinguished Teaching Awards for Post-Baccalaureate Instruction Committee
- 2006 **UNC Tanner Award for Graduate Students for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching**
- 1999-2000 Co-President of the Student Body, Yale University Divinity School

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- 2001-02, 2006-current Student Member, American Sociological Association
- 2000-current Class Agent, Yale University Divinity School
- 2004-present In-Care and Member, United Church of Christ, Chapel Hill, NC
- 2005-present Member, Board of Adult Education, United Church of Christ

REFERENCES: Available upon request.