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Employment history

Associate Professor, Case Western Reserve University, Sociology Department	2008-Present
Associate Professor (secondary appointment), Case Western Reserve University, School of Law	2008-Present
Assistant Professor, Case Western Reserve University, Sociology Department	2002-2008
Assistant Professor (secondary appointment), Case Western Reserve University, School of Law	2003-2008
Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky, Department of Sociology	1999-2002
Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholar, Yale University	1997-1999

Publications

Refereed (underlined: student)

With Gertrud Lenzer. "Rights and the Role of Family Engagement in Child Welfare: An International Treaties Perspective on Family's Rights, Parents' Rights, and Children's Rights." Forthcoming in *Child Welfare*.

With Nigel Thomas and Karl Hanson. "An independent voice for children's rights in Europe? The role of independent children's rights institutions in the EU." Forthcoming in *The International Journal of Children's Rights*.

"*Making a Case: Visual Sociology of Eminent Domain*." 2011. Chapter 35 of *The SAGE Handbook of Visual Research Methods*. Edited by Eric Margolis and Luc Pauwels. London, England: SAGE.

"The Roles of Independent Children's Rights Institutions in Implementing the CRC." 2011. Pages 219-237 in *Children's Rights: From 20th Century Visions to 21st Century Implementation?* Edited by Jane Williams and Antonella Invernizzi. Surrey, UK: Ashgate Publishing Group.

With Rachel Bryant. "Children's Rights." 2011. Pages 223-242 in *Sociology and Human Rights: A Bill of Rights for the Twenty-First Century*. Edited by Judith Blau and Mark Frezzo. Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press.

"The Rights of Poland's Children: Mitigating Poverty, Inequality, and Social Exclusion." 2010. By invitation. 11 *Problemy Wczesnej Edukacji* 61-78.

- “Comparing Children’s Rights: Introducing the Children’s Rights Index.” 2010. 18(1) *The International Journal of Children’s Rights* 1-17.
- "The Rights of the Child." 2009. Pages 47-50 in *The Leading Rogue State: The US and Human Rights*. Edited by Judith Blau, Alberto Moncada, Cathy Zimmer, and David Brunnsma. Boulder, CO: Paradigm Publishers.
- “Examining Systems of Retirement-income Provision: Should We Retire the Public-Private Dichotomy?” 2008. 30 *Research on Aging* 507-542.
- With Will Henry. “Public-Private Prisons: A Comparative Perspective.” 2008. 34 (3-4) *Social Justice* 173-194.
- “Public-Private Organization of Social Policy: A European Comparison.” 2008. 2 *Sociology Compass* 1-29.
- With Jeremy Hein. “The Consequences of Social Movement Actions and Preconditions: Opinions of Immigrant Assimilation among Local Polity Members in France.” 2005. 38(1) *Sociological Focus* 25-39.
- With Dawn Aliberti. “The Office of the Children’s Ombudsperson: Children’s Rights and Social-Policy Innovation.” 2003. 31(2) *International Journal of the Sociology of Law* 89-106.
- With Laurel Gaddie. “Changing Boundaries, Child Abuse, Public Health and Separation of Church and State.” 2003. *Buffalo Public Interest Law Journal* XXI: 1-35.
- “A Second Opinion: Rethinking the Public-Private Dichotomy for Health Insurance.” 2003. 33(2) *International Journal of Health Services* 283-313.
- “Charitable Choice Policy and Abused Children: The Benefits and Harms of Going Beyond the Public-Private Dichotomy.” 2003. 23(11) *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* 80-125.
- With Charles C. Ragin, David Shulman, and Adam Weinberg. “Beyond Analytic Induction: Qualitative Comparative Analysis and Complexity and Generality in Social Research.” 2003. 15(4) *Field Methods* 323-340.
- With Thomas Janoski. “The Foundations of Legal and Political Citizenship.” 2003. Pages 13-52 in *The Handbook of Citizenship Studies*. Edited by Engin Isin and Bryan Turner. Newbury Park, CA: Sage.
- With Susan St. John. “The World’s Social Laboratory: Women, Work, and Pensions in New Zealand.” 2002. Pages 199-215 in *Women, Work, and Pensions: International Comparisons in the Anglophone World*. Edited by Jay Ginn, Debra Street, and Sara Arber. Open University Press.
- With Elizabeth J. Clifford. “Rights and Ratios: A Comparative Analysis of Social Rights and Immigration Ratios.” 2000. 26(3) *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 417-447.
- With Jeremy Hein. “International Migration, Ethno-Politics, and the French Nation-State: Explaining Natives' Views of Immigrant Assimilation.” 1997. 78(2) *Social Science Quarterly* 369-384.
- “Three Worlds of Old-Age Decommodification? A Comparative Analysis of Old-Age Support and Inequality Using the Luxembourg Income Study.” 1997. 11(1) *The Journal of Aging Studies* 63-79.
- With Charles C. Ragin, David Shulman, and Adam Weinberg. “Beyond Complexity and Generality: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis of Collective Action in Wade’s *Village Republics*.” 1993. 4 *Sosiologi Idag* 67-87. (Published in Norwegian).

Non-refereed

“Public-Private Obstacles to Voluntary Service and Citizenship.” 2006. Pages 121-133 in *Charting the Landscape of Voluntary Activities*. Strasbourg, France: Council of Europe.

Under review

With Rachel Bryant. “The UN Does Not Go It Alone.” Under review with *Sociology*.

In progress

“Does Diversity Harm Children’s Rights? Ethnic-Cultural Diversity and Children’s Rights from a Comparative Perspective.” In preparation for submission to *American Sociological Review*.
The Champion of Children’s Rights: Children’s Ombudspersons Enforcing Children’s Rights.
Book manuscript.

The Handbook of Sociology and Human Rights. With David Brunnsma and Keri Iyall Smith (editors). Book manuscript. Contract with Paradigm Publishers.

The Sociology of Human Rights. With David Brunnsma and Keri Iyall Smith. Book manuscript. Contract with Paradigm Publishers.

How Human Rights Change What Sociologists Do. With David Brunnsma and Keri Iyall Smith. Book manuscript. Contract with Paradigm Publishers.

Research databases

Children’s Rights Index (CRI): an international measure of children’s formal rights for over 190 countries for year 2004. In progress is replication of CRI for 1989-2009 at five-year increments.

Development of the U.S. Children’s Rights Index, which will accompany the international Children’s Rights Index.

Invited Presentations (selected)

“Children’s Rights Policies in the Americas.” 2010. Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch, Sion, Switzerland.

“Children’s Ombudspersons and the Implementation of the UNCRC.” 2010. Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch, Sion, Switzerland.

“Independent Children’s Rights Institutions.” 2008. University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

“Children’s Rights.” 2008. *The Leading Rogue State: The United States and Human Rights*. Boston, Massachusetts.

“Anti-Bullying Legislation Across European Countries.” 2007. Annual Meeting of the European Network of Ombudsmen for Children (ENOC). Barcelona, Spain.

“Implementation and Monitoring Strategies of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.” 2007. Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch, Sion, Switzerland.

“Children’s Ombudspersons: Their Independence and Legal Powers.” 2006. Innocenti Research Centre, UNICEF. Florence, Italy.

“Children’s Rights and the Role of the Children’s Commissioner.” 2004. University of Cambridge.

“Children’s Commissioners and Children’s Rights: A Comparison.” 2004. University of Bath.

Grants (selected)

“A Comparative-Historical Analysis of Children’s Rights.” October 2010-September 2012. U.S. National Science Foundation. \$104,928 (SES 1025393)

British Academy Visiting Fellow. 2004. “Seen **and** Heard: Children’s Rights and the Children’s Ombudsperson.”

“Comparing European Children’s Ombudspersons.” 2004. U.S. National Science Foundation. \$3527 (SES 0456279).

Honors and awards (selected)

Visiting Fellow, Swiss National Science Foundation, “Independent Children’s Rights Institutions.” March 2011. (Host: Professor Dr. Karl Hanson, Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch, Sion, Switzerland).

Mentor Fellow, Case Western Reserve University. 2011.

Nominated for Wittke Award (teaching; declined), Case Western Reserve University. 2010.

Awarded Learning Fellowship (teaching), Case Western Reserve University. 2009.

Awarded Glennan Fellowship (teaching and scholarship), Case Western Reserve University. 2007.

Nominated for Wittke Award (teaching), Case Western Reserve University. 2007.

Nominated for Jackson Award (mentorship), Case Western Reserve University. 2006.

Nominated for Wittke Award (excellence in teaching), Case Western Reserve University. 2004.

Nominated for Undergraduate Student Government Teaching Excellence Award, Case Western Reserve University. 2003.

Consultations (selected)

Egypt National Observatory on Children’s Rights. Consultation on project on children’s rights in Egypt. 2010.

Member, UNICEF Expert and Scientific Committee on Independent Human Rights Institutions for Children. March 2007 to present.

Research Consultant, World Justice Project, American Bar Foundation. 2007-2008.

Consultant, Carnegie Mellon University-USAID Project on children’s wellbeing in Eastern Europe. July 2007.

Professional Service (selected)

Expertise

Green Paper on Indicators of Article 15 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. Prepared for the Science and Human Rights Program of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

With Rachel Bryant. Memo prepared to Executive Council of the American Sociological Association on ASA support of U.S. ratification of the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Co-organizer and co-director, Research Group on Ombudspersons for Children. 2010-present.

Editorships

Member, Editorial board, *The International Journal of Children's Rights*

Member, Editorial board. *The International Review of Comparative Sociology*

Reviewer

Health Research Board (Ireland).

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

American Political Science Review.

American Sociological Review.

Child Indicators Research.

Choice.

The International Journal of Children's Rights.

International Sociology.

Law and Society Review.

Social Forces.

Sociological Spectrum.

Reviewer of Pine Forge Press Reader series: *Contemporary Issues in Sociology*

Reviewer of Palgrave Macmillan Press.

U.S. National Science Foundation. 2010-Present.

Offices

Council, Human Rights Section, American Sociological Association. 2011-2012.

Co-chair, Article 15 and Welfare of Scientists Working Group, Coalition on Science and Human Rights. Coalition on Science and Human Rights. American Association for the Advancement of Science 2009-present.

Member, Council of the Coalition on Science and Human Rights, American Association for the Advancement of Science. 2009-present.

Member, Coalition on Science and Human Rights, American Association for the Advancement of Science. 2009-present.

Member, Service to the Scientific Community Working Group, Coalition on Science and Human Rights. American Association for the Advancement of Science. 2009-present.

Member, Welfare of Scientists Working Group, Coalition on Science and Human Rights. American Association for the Advancement of Science 2009-present.

Chair, Nominating Committee. Human Rights Section, American Sociological Association. 2009-present.

Treasurer, Human Rights Section-in-formation, American Sociological Association. 2007-2008 present.

Founding co-organizer, Human Rights Section, American Sociological Association. 2006 to present.

Council member, Sociology of Law Section, American Sociological Association. 2006 to 2008.

Organizer, Collaborative Research Network on Law and the Public-Private Dichotomy, Law and Society Association. 2003 to present.

Community

Assistant coach, Strikers Soccer, Solon, Ohio. 2006-Present.

President, Parent Association, Ruffing Montessori School, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. 2010-2011.

Council, Advent Lutheran Church, Solon, Ohio. 2006 to 2008.

Other

Member, International Law Program, Law School, Case Western Reserve University. 2009-Present.

Member, College Strategic Planning Subcommittee, College of Arts and Sciences, Case Western Reserve University. 2009-Present.

Other experience

Staff Attorney, Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, May 1988 to November 1989. Represented indigent clients in cases involving Supplemental Security Income, Social Security Disability Insurance, and Aid to Families with Dependent Children benefits. Also represented indigent clients in unemployment insurance and special education cases.