

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Ph.D. in Sociology in progress, September, 2005 - present.

- Research interests include the sociology of culture, cultural sociology, sociology of literature, inequality, and culture in education

Masters of Arts, Sociology, 2007

- Masters Thesis: "Making It Personal: Book Group Cultures and Discussions of Social Action."

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude* with Honors, Sociology and English, March, 2000

- Senior Thesis: "When it's Not Just About Learning: The Case of Strong and Weak Ties at the Institute for Learning in Retirement."

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

Reading Groups and Literary Localism, with Prof. Wendy Griswold, Northwestern University.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

"Making It Personal: Book Group Cultures and Discussions of Social Action."

- American Sociological Association annual conference, 2007.
- Culture Workshop, Dept. of Sociology, Northwestern University. (Forthcoming).

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- *Graduate Student Fellow*, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University, 2007-08.
- MacArthur Foundation Summer Research Grant, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University, 2006 (with Wendy Griswold).
- *Undergraduate Student Fellow*, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University, 1999.
- *Conference Travel Grant*, Graduate School, Northwestern University, 2007.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- *Research Assistant*. High School Transitions Study, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University (Prof. James Rosenbaum), 2007.
- *Research Assistant*. Reading Groups and Literary Localism, Northwestern University (Prof. Wendy Griswold), 2007.
- *Research Assistant*. Federal Writers Project and Literary Localism, Northwestern University (Prof. Wendy Griswold), 2007.
- *Research Assistant*. Manuscript preparation, research and data analysis for Project on Social Networks in Venture Capital, Kellogg Graduate School of Management (Prof. Brian Uzzi), 2000.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Northwestern University

- Social Inequality
- Sociology of Complex Organizations
- Introduction to Sociology

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- *Co-President*, Sociology Graduate Student Association, 2006-2007
- *Committee Member*, The Graduate School's Graduate Student Orientation Committee. 2006, 2007.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association