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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2019- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Drexel University.
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Science, Technology, and Society, Drexel University
- 2018-2019 Visiting Scholar, University of California-Santa Barbara, Department of Environmental Studies
- 2018 Visiting PhD student, Max Planck Sciences-Po Center on Coping with Instability in Markets

EDUCATION

- 2019 PhD Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
Committee: Michael M. Bell (chair), Chad Goldberg, Gary Green, Jane Collins, and William Cronon.
Dissertation award: Lumpkin Dissertation of the Year Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Sociology.
- 2013 M.S. Community and Environmental Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2008 B.A. Politics and Environmental Studies, Messiah College, Pennsylvania.

BOOKS

- Forthcoming *We Still Live Here: Infrastructures, Identities, and the Power of Place in the American Rust Belt*, under contract with Columbia University Press.

ARTICLES

- 2020 "Performing transparency, embracing regulations: Corporate framing to mitigate environmental conflicts." *Environmental Sociology*, forthcoming. (with Erik Kojola)
- 2017 "We made the choice to stick it out?: Negotiating a stable home in the rural, American Rust Belt." *Journal of Rural Studies* 53, pgs. 202-213.
▪ Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Rural Sociological Society.

- Olsen Student Paper Award, Environmental Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.
- Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- Peter K. New Award, Society for Applied Anthropology.
- Wimberly Paper Award, Community, Health, and Family Research Interest Group, Rural Sociological Society.
- Paper Award, Natural Resources Research Interest Group, Rural Sociological Society.

2015 McMillan Lequieu, A. "Keeping the farm in the family name: Patrimonial narratives and negotiations among German-heritage farmers," March 2015, *Rural Sociology* 80(1), pgs. 39-59.

Manuscripts under review

"The Role of Environmental, Economic, and Social Factors Contributing to an Endangered Wild Coffee Supply." *Case Studies in the Environment*. (with Katy Viera, Drexel '20)

"Landscapes of dependency: Reinterpreting welfare capitalism across a natural resource commodity chain." *Sociological Quarterly*.

Manuscripts in preparation

"Theorizing the absent object: Industrial transportation infrastructure decline as narrative symbol in the American Rust Belt"

BOOK CHAPTERS AND REVIEWS

- 2020 "The everyday sociological imagination: Co-creating new knowledge through story and radio," In *Routledge International Handbook on Public Sociology*. L. Hossfeld, B. Kelly, and C. Hossfeld (Editors). Routledge: NY.
- 2018 "Power, politics, and rurality." In *Routledge Companion to Rural Planning*. M. Scott, N. Gallent and M. Gkartzios (Editors). Routledge: NY. (with Michael M. Bell).
- 2017 Book review of *In the Blood: Understanding America's Farm Families*, by Robert Wuthnow, (Princeton University Press: Princeton, NJ), *Journal of American Studies* 51(2), pgs. 240-241.

ESSAYS AND OTHER SCHOLARLY WRITINGS

- 2020 "Environmental Sociologist Amanda McMillan Lequieu on using case studies in the classroom" University of California Press blog, by invitation by the editors of *Case Studies of the Environment*.
- 2018 "Between Declension and Nostalgia: Bringing a Comparative Historical Gaze to the Logics and Lived Experiences of the American Rust Belt," Essay for Fall 2018 *Trajectories* Newsletter of the American Sociological Association's Comparative Historical Sociology section, (with Josh Pacewicz, Shannon Elizabeth Bell, Colin Jerolmack.)

- 2018 “Housing, Home, and the Sociology of Flammable Landscapes: Reflections on California’s Largest Wildfire.” Feature Article for the Winter 2018 Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s Section for Environmental Sociology.
- 2017 “The Thomas Fire Fans the Flames of Southern California’s Housing Crisis.” *Edge Effects*, the blog of the University of Wisconsin-Madison’s Center for Culture, Nature, and Environment. Access at edgeeffects.net/thomas-fire.
- 2017 “Love for Home in a Place Industry Left Behind.” Radio broadcast with interviewees on WJMS AM Hurley, Wisconsin. April 2017. Audio and transcription available at *Edge Effects*, the blog of the University of Wisconsin-Madison’s Center for Culture, Nature, and Environment. Access as edgeeffects.net/iron-county.
- 2015 Textbook development team—*An Invitation to Environmental Sociology, 5th edition*, by Loka Ashwood and Michael Bell, Sage Publications, 2015.
- 2014 “Tastes of Home: Food and Familiarity.” *Edge Effects, Edge Effects*, the blog of the University of Wisconsin-Madison’s Center for Culture, Nature, and Environment. Access at edgeeffects.net/food-and-familiarity

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2020 Lumpkin Dissertation of the Year Award for 2018-2019. University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Sociology.
- 2018 Delamater Dissertation Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2018 Braverman Paper Award Winner, Labor Section, Society for the Study of Social Problems for “Welfare Capitalism and the Corporate Construction of the Precarious Worker.”
- 2018 Kolb Memorial Scholarship, awarded to an outstanding graduate student in Community and Environmental Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2017 Dentler Award for Outstanding Student Achievement, Section for Sociological Practice and Public Sociology, ASA.
- 2016 Teaching Excellence Award in the Departments of Sociology and Community and Environmental Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2016 Louis and Elsa Thomsen Wisconsin Distinguished Graduate Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2015 University Fellowship, Sociology Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2015 Social Science Research Council Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Alternate.
- 2012 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention.

- 2011 University Fellowship, Sociology Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2010 Messiah College Young Alumnus of the Year.
- 2007 Marshall Scholarship finalist.
- 2007 Morris K. Udall Undergraduate Scholar.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2019 Philanthropic Educational Organization Scholar Award. (Declined).
- 2017 Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies Grantee, University of Wisconsin-Madison. In support of travel to Max Planck Sciences-Po Center on Coping with Instability in Markets.
- 2017 Mellon-Wisconsin Dissertation Completion Fellowship.
- 2016 Rural Sociological Society Dissertation Award.
- 2016 Baldwin Wisconsin Idea Endowment mini-grant, 2016.
- 2015 Center for Culture, History, and Environment Summer Research Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2015 Crowe Fund Dissertation Award, Community and Environmental Sociology Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2015 Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies Summer Research Grantee, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2013 Center for Culture, History, and Environment Summer Research Grantee, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2012 Sewell Summer Research Grantee, Sociology Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited talks

- 2021 (upcoming) Special Session, "Landscapes of Inequality: Developing a Sociology of Infrastructural Change," American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2020 "Imagining un-maintenance through industrial transportation infrastructure decline." Histories of Maintenance and Repair workshop, Esch-Belval, Luxembourg. (September 2020; postponed to 2021 due to COVID-19)

- 2020 “Theorizing the absent object: Industrial transportation infrastructure decline as narrative symbol in the American Rust Belt,” Junior Theorist Symposium, American Sociological Association Theory Section workshop.
- 2020 “Transportation Infrastructure Decline as Lived Metaphor in the American Rust Belt,” STS Works-in-Progress, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2019 “Social License to Operate and reproduction of inequality in hydrofracking processes.” Environmental Politics Workshop, University of California-Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2018 “From paternalism to precarity: Economic change, neoliberal narratives, and environmental futurities in post-industrial America.” The Max Planck Sciences Po Center on Coping with Instability in Market Societies, Paris, France.
- 2018 “Why we stay: Making sense of a place-based home in the disconnected American Rustbelt.” Interdepartmental PhD Emphasis in Environment & Society Annual Symposium, University of California Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2016 “From Paternalism to Precarity: Living the Decline in the (Aspirational) Middle Class,” Money, Markets, and Governance Workshop, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.

Selected Conference Presentations

- 2020 “Stories of Trains and Ships: Diagnosing Social Problems through Productive Nostalgia in the American Rust Belt,” Culture and Narrative session, American Sociological Association.
- 2020 “Embracing Regulation, Technology, and History in the Pursuit of Social Licenses to Operate for New Mining Projects,” Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2019 “Transportation Infrastructure Decline as Lived Metaphor in the American Rust Belt,” The Maintainers III Conference, Washington, D.C.
- 2018 “Welfare Capitalism and the Corporate Construction of the Precarious Worker,” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 “Constructing Risk: Isolation, Infrastructural Paternalism, and the Roots of Company Power over Rural-Urban Landscapes,” Rural Sociology Society Annual Meeting, Portland, OR.
- 2018 “Constructing a Precarious Workforce: The Role of Welfare Capitalism in Disconnecting the Rust Belt,” Pacific Sociological Association, Long Beach, CA.
- 2017 “From paternalism to precarity: Living the end of the blue-collar, middle class,” American Sociological Association, Economic Sociology session, Montreal, Canada.
Chicago Ethnography Conference, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL.
- 2017 “Created for Disconnection: Rural and Urban Sacrifice Zones in the American Rustbelt,” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- 2017 ““We made the choice to stick it out”: Negotiating home in the rural, American Rust Belt.”

Society of Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, NM.
Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH.

- 2016 “Globalized rock: A century of local negotiations of a (formerly) extractive landscape.” Social Science History Association meetings, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 “New forms of remote: rural and urban isolation in post-industrial America.” XIV World Congress of Rural Sociology, hosted by the International Rural Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada.
- 2016 “A deindustrialized home? Rural experiences of home without its ‘raison d’etre.’” XIV World Congress of Rural Sociology, hosted by the International Rural Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada.
- 2015 “Lived experiences of land tenure: law, culture, and social organization.” Rural Sociology Society Annual Meeting, Madison, WI.
- 2014 “Losing place: Experiencing a sense of “home” in the face of internal displacement.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Community and Urban Sociology Section round table, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 “Ghosts of Farmers Past: Narrative and the graying of agriculture.” Midwest Sociological Society annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2013 “Motivation or Justification: Decision-making among Midwestern German-heritage farmers.” Presented at the Culture, History, and Environment graduate student symposium, University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI.

TEACHING

Drexel

- Sociology of the Countryside (in development)
Environmental Sociology
Introduction to Sociology
- 2018 “Food Systems: From Global to Local.” Westmont College, California.
- 2018 “Qualitative Methodologies in the Social Sciences.” Westmont College, California.
- 2017 “Eating a global environment: Critical perspectives of agrofood systems.” University of Chicago, Illinois.
- 2014 “Cultural Sociology.” Co-organizer of graduate seminar, University of Wisconsin-Madison

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Institutes and Professional Associations

- 2019 Selection committee, the Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award, Environmental Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- 2017-2019 Communications Committee, Sociological Practice and Public Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2015-2019 Graduate student listserv moderator, Rural Sociological Society.
- 2018 Program Manager, the 2018 Annual Meeting for the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society and the Association for the Study of Food and Society, Madison, WI.
- 2017-2018 Co-chair, Rural Sociological Society, Community, Health, and Family Research Interest Group.

Events/Panels Organized

- 2021 Special Session organizer and presider, "Landscapes of Inequality: Developing a Sociology of Infrastructural Change," American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2018 Special Session organizer, "The logics and lived experiences of politics, culture, and economics in the American Rust Belt," American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2016 Presidential Session Discussant, Social Science History Association.
- 2014-2015 Colloquium coordinator, Department of Community and Environmental Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Peer Reviewer

Social Problems

Journal of Political Ecology, special issue on "Political Ecologies of Time and Temporality in Resource Extraction"

International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Health & Well-being

Qualitative Sociology

Rural Sociology

The Journal of Rural Studies

Professional Association Memberships

American Sociological Association (Sections in Environmental Sociology, Culture); Rural Sociological Society (Research Interest Groups: Natural Resources, Community, Health, and Family); Social Science History Association; Society for the Study of Social Problems