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Current Position

Postdoctoral Scholar

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Education

- 2016 PhD (Sociology) University of California, Berkeley
Dissertation - *Enchanting Disciplined Selves and Secular Publics: Ethics and Politics in a Mexican Charismatic Christian Brotherhood*
- 2009 MA (Sociology) University of California, Berkeley
Thesis – “Reinvigorating *France* – the Symbolic Dimensions of French Immigration Administration”
- 2004 MA (History) Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris
Thesis – “La disparition du sujet à partir de la contingence, l’extériorité et la discontinuité dans la méthodologie historique de Michel Foucault”
Mention très bien (with highest distinction)
Jury: Marcel Gauchet, Gerard Jorland
- 2001 BA (History, Comp Lit.) University of Colorado, Boulder
Cuma Sum Laude; Phi Beta Kappa

Research and Teaching Interests

Sociology of Religion, Social Theory, Cultural Sociology, Political Sociology, Narrative, Identity, Europe, Latin America, Qualitative Methods, Ethnography

Publications

Peer-reviewed Articles

“Enchanting Self-Discipline: Methodical Reflexivity and the Search for the Supernatural in Charismatic Christian Testimonial Practice.” *Sociological Theory* 35(4) 2017: 288-311
Winner of Robert J. McNamera Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Graduate Student Paper Award

“Between Church and State: A Christian Brotherhood’s Faithful Claims to Secularity in Mexico City.”
Revised and resubmitted at *Qualitative Sociology*
Winner of Society for Scientific Study of Religion Annual Graduate Student Paper Award

Book Chapters, Essays and Book Reviews

“Review of *On Purpose: How We Create the Meaning of Life*, Paul Froese.” *Sociology of Religion* 79 (3) 2018.

“Laicidad y religiosidad: conceptos opuestos entremezclados.” *Colección Cuadernos Jorge Carpizo*, Cátedra Extraordinaria Benito Juárez, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (forthcoming).

“Negociaciones cotidianas del concepto de la religión y sus consecuencias practicas para la política.” 5a Semana Internacional de la Cultura Laica. Cátedra Extraordinaria Benito Juárez, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (forthcoming).

Publications Projects in Process (papers available upon request)

Between Church and State: Everyday Negotiations of Secularism
Book manuscript in progress

“The Narrative Dissipation of Identity: Blurring Categorical Bounds of Selfhood in Christian Testimonial Practice”
Manuscript in progress

“And the Secret is... There is no Secret: Secrecy as Means and Ends of Masonic Symbolic Practice”
Manuscript in progress

“Ethical Commitments and Unsettling Questions: Towards a Weberian Negative Case Method”
Manuscript in progress

Grants, Awards, Honors, Fellowships

Global Religion Research Initiative-funded project: *The Rise of Evangelical Political Organizations in Latin America, 2018-2019*

Swiss National Science Foundation Grant-funded project: *Challenging Secularism From Within: Freemasons' Pursuit of the Spiritual and the Secular in France and Switzerland, 2016- 2019*

Amount awarded: \$296,455 (295,645 Swiss Francs)

Society for Scientific Study of Religion Annual Graduate Student Paper Award, 2015

Robert J. McNamera Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Graduate Student Paper Award, 2014

Berkeley Center for the Study of Religion Research Fellow, 2014

University of California, Berkeley Sociology Berkeley Connect Fellow, 2014, 2015

University of California, Berkeley Sociology Leo Lowenthal Fellowship, 2013, 2014

University of California, Berkeley, Graduate Division Summer Research Fellowship, 2010, 2013

UC MEXUS Dissertation Research Fellow, 2012

University of California, Berkeley Andrew Mellon Research Fellow, 2011

University of California, Berkeley, Graduate Division Summer Research Fellowship, 2010

University of California, Berkeley, Center for European Studies Research Fellowship, 2008

Invited Talks and Select Conference Presentations

“The Narrative Dissipation of Identity.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting; Culture and Narrative Panel. Philadelphia, 2018

“Negociaciones cotidianas del concepto de la religión y sus consecuencias practicas para la política.” 5a edición de la Semana internacional de la Cultura Laica. Cátedra Extraordinaria Benito Juárez, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

“Blurring Categorical Bounds of Selfhood in Christian Testimonial Practice.” European Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Bologna, 2018

“An Enchanting Variety of the Secular? A Charismatic Christian Claim to Secularity in Mexico City.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting; Spirituality and Religion Panel. Montreal, 2017

“Testimonial Practice: The Narrative Blending of Self and Other, Mundane and Supernatural.” Association for the Sociology of Religion Conference. Seattle, WA, 2016

“Reclaiming the Secular: A Charismatic Christian Fellowship’s Interventions on Secularism in Mexico City.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting; Religion in the Broader Social World Panel. Chicago, 2015

“Enchanting Self-Discipline: Testimonial Practices of the Self and Orientation to the Supernatural in a Charismatic Christian Businessmen’s Fellowship.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Indianapolis, 2014

“Giving and Receiving Testimony: Self-discipline and the Supernatural in a Charismatic Christian Businessmen’s Fellowship.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting; Sociology of Religion Open Session. San Francisco, 2014

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