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## **EDUCATION**

University of Pittsburgh	B.A. (summa cum laude), 1973 (major: sociology)
University of Chicago	M.A., Sociology, 1975
University of Chicago	Ph.D., Sociology, 1979

## **AREAS OF RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTEREST**

Sociology of ideas; sociology of science; sociology of intellectuals; classical and contemporary sociological theory; history of the social sciences; American and European intellectual history; historical sociology

## **CURRENT POSITION**

John Evans Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University, 2006-  
(Also with affiliation in the Science in Human Culture Program.)

## **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1979-84

Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1984-88

Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1988-2006  
(Associate Department Chair, 1988-91)

Martindale-Bascom Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1999-2006

Visiting Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University, 2005-06

## HONORS & AWARDS (selected)

Visiting Scholar, Russell Sage Foundation, 2004-05  
Martindale-Bascom Endowed Chair, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1999-2006  
Kellet Mid-Career Prize, 1996 (top research award for faculty tenured in previous twenty years), University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996-2001  
Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996, 1983  
Fellowship, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, 1994-95 (award declined)  
Fellowship, Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1991-92  
Romnes Faculty Research Fellowship (top research award for faculty tenured in previous five years), University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1988-93  
Vilas-Associate Faculty Research Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1985-87, 1994-96  
William Rainey Harper Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1978-79  
National Institute of Mental Health Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago, 1973-76

## BOOKS

Camic, Charles. *Experience and Enlightenment: Socialization for Cultural Change in Eighteenth-Century Scotland*. University of Chicago Press, 1983. (Published in Europe by University Press.)

Camic, Charles. Edited, with an Introduction. *Talcott Parsons: The Early Essays*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1991.

Camic, Charles. Edited, with an Introduction. *Reclaiming the Sociological Classics: The State of the Scholarship*. Blackwell Publishers, 1997.  
(Collection of original essays by Martin Bulmer, Valerie Haines, Hans Joas, Robert Alun Jones, Stephen Kalberg, Donald Levine, Lynn McDonald, Mary Pickering, Moishe Postone, and Alan Sica.)

Camic, Charles, and Hans Joas. Edited, with an Introduction. *The Dialogical Turn: New Roles for Sociology in the Postdisciplinary Age*. Rowman & Littlefield, 2003.  
(Collection of original essays by Andrew Abbott, Said Arjomand, S.N. Eisenstadt, Jeffrey Goldfarb, Johan Heilbron, Paul Mendes-Flohr, Eleanor Miller, Richard Munch, Neil Smelser, Thomas Smith, Edward Tiryakian, and Stephen Turner.)

Camic, Charles, Philip Gorski, and David M. Trubek. Edited, with an Introduction. *Max Weber's Economy and Society: A Critical Companion*. Stanford University Press, 2005.  
(Collection of original essays by Julia Adams, Randall Collins, Mustafa Emirbayer, Duncan Kennedy, Hans Kippenberg, Harvey Goldman, Philip Gorski, Hans Joas, Donald Levine, Wolfgang Mommsen, Guenther Roth, Richard Swedberg, and Regina Titunik.)

## BOOKS (continued)

Camic, Charles, Neil Gross, and Michele Lamont. Edited, with an Introduction. *Soci Knowledge in the Making*. In final preparation for review by the Russell Sage Foundation.  
(Collection of original essays by Andrew Abbott, Daniel Breslau, Marion Fourcade, Anthony Grafton, Johan Heilbron, Sarah Igo, Sheila Jasanoff, Rakesh Khurana, Karin Knorr-Cetina, Andrew Lakoff, Rebecca Lemov, Gregoire Mallard, Laura Stark, and Marilyn Strathern)

Camic, Charles, and Geoffrey M. Hodgson. Edited, with an Introduction. *The Essential Writings of Thorstein Veblen*. Under contract with Routledge.

## ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, & COMMENTS

Camic, Charles. "The Utilitarians Revisited." *American Journal of Sociology* 85 (November, 1979): 516-550.  
(Reprinted in *The Classical Tradition in Sociology*, edited by Jeffrey Alexander, Raymond Boudon, and Mohamed Cherkaoui. Sage, 1998.)

Camic, Charles. "Charisma: Its Varieties, Preconditions, and Consequences." *Sociological Inquiry* 50 (1980): 5-23.  
(Reprinted in *Advances in Psychoanalytic Sociology*, edited by Jerome Rabow, Gerald M. Platt, and Marion S. Goldman, pp. 238-76. Kreiger, 1987.)

Camic, Charles. "The Institutionalization of the Role of the Scientist: England in the Seventeenth Century and Ancient Greece." *Comparative Social Research* 3 (1980): 271-85.

Camic, Charles. "On the Methodology of the History of Sociology." *American Journal of Sociology* 86 (March, 1981): 1139-1144.

Camic, Charles. "The Enlightenment and its Environment: A Cautionary Tale." *Knowledge and Society* 4 (1983): 143-172.

Camic, Charles. "Experience and Ideas: Education for Universalism in Eighteenth-Century Scotland." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 25 (January, 1983): 50-82.

Camic, Charles. "Weber and the Judaic Economic Ethic." *American Journal of Sociology* 89 (May, 1984): 1410-1416.

Camic, Charles. Comment on Jones. *Contemporary Sociology* 13 (November, 1984): 662-665.

Camic, Charles. Comment on Lawrence. *Journal for the History of the Behavioral Sciences* 21 (July, 1985): 252.

## ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, & COMMENTS (continued)

- Camic, Charles. "The Matter of Habit." *American Journal of Sociology* 91 (March, 1986): 1039-1087.  
(Reprinted in *Decision Making: Alternatives to Rational Choice Models*, edited by Mary Zey, pp. 185-232. Sage, 1992.)
- Camic, Charles. "The Return of the Functionalists." *Contemporary Sociology* 15 (September, 1986): 692-95. (Review essay.)
- Camic, Charles. "The Making of a Method: A Historical Reinterpretation of the Early Parsons." *American Sociological Review* 52 (August, 1987): 421-39.  
(Reprinted in *Talcott Parsons: Critical Assessments*, edited by Peter Hamilton, volume 1, pp. 269-98. Routledge, 1993.)
- Camic, Charles. Comment on Baldwin. *American Journal of Sociology* 93 (January, 1987): 957-58.
- Camic, Charles. "Notes historiques sur l'apport de Parsons." *Sociologie et Sociétés* 21 (April, 1989): 11-23.
- Camic, Charles. "Structure After 50 Years: The Anatomy of a Charter." *American Journal of Sociology* 95 (July, 1989): 38-107.  
(Reprinted in *Talcott Parsons: Critical Assessments*, edited by Peter Hamilton volume 1, pp. 323-82. Routledge, 1993.)
- Camic, Charles. "Interpreting *The Structure of Social Action*." *American Journal of Sociology* 96 (September, 1990): 455-59.
- Camic, Charles. "An Historical Prologue [to Parsons's Theory of Social Institutions]." *American Sociological Review* 55 (June, 1990): 313-19.  
(Reprinted in *Talcott Parsons: A Critical Assessment*, edited by Peter Hamilton), volume 2, pp. 14-22. Routledge, 1993.)
- Camic, Charles. "Talcott Parsons before *The Structure of Social Action*." Introduction to *Talcott Parsons: The Early Essays* (1991), [see above], pp. ix-lxiv.
- Camic, Charles. "Reputation and Predecessor Selection: Parsons and the Institutionalists." *American Sociological Review* 57 (August, 1992): 421-45.
- Camic, Charles. "Talmudic Exegesis or Identification with the Aggressor?" *The American Sociologist* 24 (Summer, 1993): 63-65.  
(Originally published in *Perspectives* 16 (March, 1993), no. 2.)
- Camic, Charles. "Reshaping the History of American Sociology." *Social Epistemology* 8 (1994): 9-18.

## ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, & COMMENTS (continued)

- Camic, Charles and Yu Xie. "The Statistical Turn in American Social Science: Columbia University, 1890-1915." *American Sociological Review* 59 (October 1994): 773-805. (Reprinted in: *The Classical Tradition in Sociology*, edited by Jeffrey Alexander, Raymond Boudon, and Mohamed Cherkaoui. Sage, 1998).
- Camic, Charles. "Taking Stock of Work on the Founders." *Perspectives* 18 (May, 1995), no. 2.
- Camic, Charles. "Three Departments in Search of a Discipline: Localism and Interdisciplinary Interaction in American Sociology, 1890-1940." *Social Research* 62 (Winter 1995): 1003-1033.
- Camic, Charles. "Alexander's Antisociology." *Sociological Theory* 14 (July 1996): 172-186
- Camic, Charles. "Uneven Development in the History of Sociology." *Swiss Journal of Sociology* 23 (1997): 227-233.
- Camic, Charles. "Classical Sociological Theory as a Field of Research." In *Reclaiming the Sociology Classics* (1997) [see above], pp. 1-10.
- Camic, Charles, and Neil Gross. "Contemporary Developments in Sociological Theory: Current Projects and Conditions of Possibility." *Annual Review of Sociology* (1998) 24: 453-76.
- Camic, Charles. "Reconstructing the Theory of Action." *Sociological Theory* (1998) 16: 283-91. (Review essay.)
- Camic, Charles. "The Sociology of Philosophy." *European Journal of Social Theory* 3 (2000): 95-107. (Review essay.)
- Camic, Charles and Neil Gross. "The New Sociology of Ideas." Pp. 236-49 in Judith R. Blau (ed.), *Blackwell Companion to Sociology*, Blackwell, 2001.
- Camic, Charles. "Habit: History of the Concept" In Neil Smelser and Paul Baltes (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, vol. 10, pp. 6455-58. Elsevier, 2001.
- Camic, Charles. "Knowledge, the Sociology of." In Neil Smelser and Paul Baltes (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, vol. 12, pp. 8143-48. Elsevier, 2001.
- Camic, Charles, and Neil Gross. "Alvin Gouldner and the Sociology of Ideas." *Sociological Quarterly* 43 (2002): 97-110.

## ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, & COMMENTS (continued)

- Camic, Charles, and Hans Joas. "The Dialogical Turn in Contemporary Sociological Theory." In *The Dialogical Turn: New Roles for Sociology in the Postdisciplinary Age*, 2004 [see above], pp. 1-19.
- Camic, Charles, Philip Gorski, and David M. Trubek. "Introduction." In *Max Weber's Economy and Society: A Critical Companion*, 2005 [see above], pp. 1-28.
- Camic, Charles. "Utilitarisme." In Massimo Borlandi, Raymond Boudon, Mohamed Cherkaoui and Bernard Velade (eds.), *Dictionnaire de la pensee sociologique*, pp. 723-26. Presses Universitaires de France, 2005.
- Camic, Charles. "From Amherst to Heidleberg: On the Origins of Parsons's Conception of Culture." In Renee C. Fox, Victor M. Lidz, and Harold J. Bershadly (eds), *After Parsons: A Theory of Action for the Twenty-First Century*, pp. 240-63. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2005.
- Camic, Charles. "Contextualism, Lite and Super-Sized." *American Journal of Sociology* 111 (July 2005): 284-89. (Review essay.)
- Camic, Charles. "Thorstein Veblen ." In Jens Beckert and Milan Zafirovski (eds.), *International Encyclopedia of Economic Sociology*. Routledge, 2006.
- Camic, Charles. "On Edge: Sociology during the Great Depression and the New Deal." In Craig Calhoun (ed.), *Sociology in America: A History*, pp. 225-80. University of Chicago Press, 2007.
- Camic, Charles. "Classics in What Sense?" *Social Psychology Quarterly*. 71 (December 2008): 324-30.
- Camic, Charles. "How Robert K. Merton Sociologizes History of Ideas." In Craig Calhoun (ed.), *The Legacy of Robert K. Merton*. Columbia University Press. (Forthcoming, 2009.)
- Camic, Charles. "Action and Intelligence in John Dewey." In Bettina Hollstein (ed.), *Handlung und Erfahrung: Tagung zu Ehren von Hans Joas* (forthcoming.)
- Camic, Charles. "Bourdieu's Two Sociology of Knowledge." In Philip Gorski (ed.), *The Sociology of Pierre Bourdieu* (forthcoming.)

## ARTICLES, CHAPTERS, & COMMENTS (continued)

Camic, Charles. "Veblen's Apprenticeship: On the Translation of Gustav Cohn's *System der Finanzwissenschaft*." (Under journal submission.)

Camic, Charles. "Schooling for Heterodoxy: On the Foundations of Thorstein Veblen's Institutional Economics." (Under journal submission.)

## BOOK REVIEWS

Camic, Charles. Review of A.P. Simonds, *Karl Mannheim's Sociology of Knowledge*. *American Journal of Sociology* 86 (September, 1980): 422-425.

Camic, Charles. Review of Adam Podgorecki and Maria Los, *Multi-Dimensional Sociology*. *Contemporary Sociology* 11 (July, 1982): 462-463.

Camic, Charles. Review of Gordon Marshall, *Presbyteries and Profits: Calvinism and the Development of Capitalism in Scotland*. *Social Forces* 61 (March, 1983): 929-31.

Camic, Charles. Review of Steven Seidman, *Liberalism and the Origins of European Social Theory*. *American Journal of Sociology* 90 (May, 1985): 1355-57.

Camic, Charles. Review of Michael Young, *The Metronomic Society*. *American Journal of Sociology* 95 (November 1989): 766-68.

Camic, Charles. Review of Stephen P. Turner and Jonathan Turner, *The Impossible Science*. *American Journal of Sociology* 96 (May 1991): 1542-44.

Camic, Charles. Review of Robert Wuthnow, *Communities of Discourse*. *American Journal of Sociology* 97 (July 1991): 210-14.

Camic, Charles. Review of Pierre Bourdieu and Loic Wacquant, *An Invitation to Reflexive Sociology*. *Contemporary Sociology* 22 (May 1993): 450-52.

Camic, Charles. Review of Roscoe C. Hinkle. *Developments in American Sociological Theory, 1915-1950*. *Contemporary Sociology* 24 (September 1995): 707-708.

Camic, Charles. Review of Richard Whitley, *The Intellectual and Social Organization of the Sciences*. *Contemporary Sociology* 25 (July 1996): 444.

Camic, Charles. Review of Stephen Mestrovic, *Anthony Giddens: The Last Modernist*. *American Journal of Sociology*, 105 (September 1999): 536-38.

## **BOOK REVIEWS** (continued)

Camic, Charles. Review of Alain Desrosieres, *The Politics of Large Numbers*. *American Journal of Sociology*, 106 (November, 2000): 817-819.

Camic, Charles. Review of Jennifer Platt, *The British Sociological Association: A Sociological History*. *International Sociology* 19 (December 2004): 533-35.

Camic, Charles. Review of Robert K. Merton and Elinor Barber, *The Travels and Adventures of Serendipity*. *Contexts* 3 (Fall, 2004): 63-64.

Camic, Charles. Review of Pierre Bourdieu, *Science of Society and Reflexivity*. *American Journal of Sociology* (March, 2006): 111: 1569-71.

Camic, Charles. Review of Howard Brick, *Transcending Capitalism: Visions of a New Society in American Thought*. *American Journal of Sociology* (in press).

Camic, Charles. Review of Edward Hackett, Olga Amsterdamska, Michael Lynch, and Judy Wajcman, *Handbook of Science and Technology Studies*. *Contemporary Sociology* (in press).

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Camic, Charles. "The History of Sociology as a Bi-Focal Project." *Timelines* (December 2008), vol. 12. [*Timelines* is the newsletter of the History of Sociology section of the American Sociological Association. This essay is the annual "Chair's Address."]

Camic, Charles, and Neil Gross. "What is the New Sociology of Ideas?" *Transeo Review* (January 2009) vol. 1:

Miscellaneous editorials and reports on *American Sociological Review* (with Franklin Wilson). *Footnotes* and *American Sociological Review* (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)

Obituary notices, *Footnotes* (1989, 2001)

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS** (selected)

Several of the articles listed above were previously presented before audiences at professional meetings or on university campuses. During the last five years, these presentations have included invited lectures at Duke University, Princeton University, Columbia University, Yale University, the University of Chicago, the University of California-Los Angeles, the University of Michigan, the University of Oslo, among others.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### *Editorial Service* (selected)

Associate Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*, 1975-76

Editorial Board Member: *Sociology of Education*, 1983-86; *American Journal of Sociology*, 1986-88; *American Sociological Review*, 1987-90; *Theory and Society*, 1989-2009; *Sociological Theory*, 1994-99; *Swiss Journal of Sociology*, 1996-99; *The American Sociologist*, 2008-11

Manuscript/Proposal Reviewer for: Blackwell Publishers; Cambridge University Press; National Science Foundation; Oxford University Press; Sage Publishers; Princeton University Press; Columbia University Press, etc.

Manuscript Reviewer for: *American Journal of Education*; *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Sociological Review*; *Annual Review of Sociology*; *Current Perspectives in Social Theory*; *Eighteenth-Century Life*; *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences*; *Law and Society Review*; *Social Forces*; *Sociological Inquiry*; *Sociological Perspectives*; *Sociological Quarterly*; *Sociological Review*; *Sociological Theory*; *Sociology of Education*; *Theory, Culture, and Society*; *Rationality and Society*, etc.

Editorial Advisor, *Blackwell Companion to Sociology*, edited by Judith R. Blau. Blackwell, 2001

Editorial Advisor, *International Encyclopedia of The Social And Behavioral Sciences*, edited by Neil Smelser and Paul Baltes, Elsevier, 2001

Editorial Advisor, *Cambridge History of Science*, 8 vols, edited by Dorothy Ross and Theodore R. Porter. Cambridge University Press, 1998-2003

Co-Editor-in-Chief, *American Sociological Review*, 1999-2003

### *Conferences and Committees* (selected)

Member, Dissertation Award Committee, American Sociological Association 1989-92

Member, Council of Theory Section, American Sociological Association, 1993-95

Chair, Theory Section, American Sociological Association, 1994-95

Organizer, Sessions on "Reclaiming the Argument of the Founders" and "Critics of *Visions of the Sociological Tradition*." American Sociological Association, 1995

Chair, Theory Section Prize Committee, American Sociological Association, 1995-96

Organizer, Sessions on "Sociology of Knowledge and Intellectuals." American Sociological Association Meetings, 1997

Organizer, Session on "The American Contribution to the Heritage of Sociology." International Sociological Association Meetings, 1998.

Co-Organizer, International Symposium on "*Economy and Society: Max Weber in 2000*," University of Wisconsin-Madison, September 22-24, 2000

Organizer, Open Sessions on "Social Theory." American Sociological Association Meetings, 2003

Co-Organizer, Exploratory Seminar on "The Social Study of the Social Sciences and the Humanities." Radcliffe Institute of Advanced Study, 2005

*Conferences and Committees* (selected)

Organizer, Sessions on “The Sociology of Knowledge.” American Sociological Association Meetings, 2006

Member, Council of the History of Sociology Section, American Sociological Association, 2007-10

Chair, History of Sociology Section, American Sociological Association, 2008-09

Co-Organizer, Symposium on “Making, Evaluating, and Using Social Scientific Knowledge: The Underground of Practice.” Russell Sage Foundation, 2007

Organizer, Sessions on “The History of Sociology.” American Sociology Association Meetings, 2009

Member, Distinguished Career Award Committee, American Sociological Association, 2007-10

**COURSES TAUGHT** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Classical Sociological Theory  
Intermediate Sociological Theory  
Contemporary Sociological Theory  
Contemporary American Society  
Sociology of Knowledge  
Sociology of Intellectuals  
Psychoanalysis and Sociology  
Sigmund Freud  
Max Weber  
Theories of Ideology

**COURSES TAUGHT** (Northwestern University)

Classical Sociological Theory  
Sociological Theory  
Max Weber  
Sociology of Science  
Professional Writing Seminar

**MASTER'S & DOCTORAL COMMITTEES** (Wisconsin and Northwestern)

*Master's*

Member of 45 committees, Chair of 18

*Ph.D.*

Member of 41 committees, Chair of 12

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE** (selected)

Honors Program Committee, University of Wisconsin, 1984-87, 2000-2004

Graduate School Fellowships Committee, 1984-87

Graduate School Faculty Research Awards Committee, University of Wisconsin, 1990-94

Provost Search and Screen Committee, University of Wisconsin, 1993-94

Co-founder and Steering Committee Member, Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies,  
University of Wisconsin, 2000-04

Graduate School Presidential Fellowships Committee, Northwestern, 2006-09

Rhodes-Marshall Scholarship Selection Committee, Northwestern, 2007-09

Senior Recruitment Committees, Northwestern University: Biomedicine and the Humanities,  
2007-08; Sociology Department, 2007-08, 2008-09