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CURRENT POSITION

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

2006-present, Postdoctoral Fellow

Program in Science in Human Culture and Department of Sociology

EDUCATION

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY (2000-2006)

Ph.D., Sociology, September 2006

Morality in Science: How Research is Evaluated in the Age of Human Subjects Regulation

Committee: Michèle Lamont, Elizabeth Lunbeck, Robert Wuthnow (chair)

M.A., Sociology, May 2003

CORNELL UNIVERSITY (1995-1998)

B.S. with Honors, Communication

Thesis: *Teachers' Knowledge of Population Education in New York State Public Schools:*

A Survey of Two Districts

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

2007 MacArthur Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University (with Alan Czaplicki).

2005 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship.

2005 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, Sociology Program.

2005 Program in American Studies Research Sponsorship, Princeton University.

2000-2004 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship, Academic Year and Summer.

2003 Bressler Teaching Award nomination, Department of Sociology, Princeton University.

PUBLICATIONS

Submitted. Laura Stark. "IRB Meetings by the Minute(s)." In Charles Camic, Neil Gross, and Michèle Lamont, eds., *Knowledge Making, Use and Evaluation in the Social Sciences: The Underground of Practice*. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

2007. Laura Stark. "Victims in Our Own Minds? IRBs in Myth and Practice." *Law and Society Review*. 41(4): 777-786.

2005. Mario Small and Laura Stark. "Are Poor Neighborhoods Resource-Deprived? A Case Study of Childcare Centers in New York." *Social Science Quarterly: Special Issue on Poverty/Inequality/Opportunity*. 86(5): 1013-1036.

2004. Laura Stark and Hans-Peter Kohler. "The Popular Debate about Low Fertility: An Analysis of the German Press, 1993 – 2001." *European Journal of Population* 20(4): 293-321.

2002. Laura Stark and Hans-Peter Kohler. "The Debate Over Low Fertility in the Popular Press: A Cross-National Comparison, 1998-1999." *Population Research and Policy Review* 21(6): 535-574.

IN PREPARATION

"Ethics and Qualitative Research." In Ivy Lynn Bourgeault, Raymond DeVries, and Robert Dingwall, eds. *Handbook on Qualitative Health Research*. New York: Sage Publications.

"Deriving Ethics from Science: Deception and the Moral Authority of Scientific Methods in American Psychology, 1965-1973." (Journal article manuscript.)

The Moral Authority of Science. (Book manuscript.)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2007. "Review: *Twentieth Century Ethics of Human Subjects Research: Historical Perspectives on Values, Practices, and Regulations*, Volker Roelcke and Giovanni Maio (eds)." *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences* 43(2): 227-8.

2002. Nils Daulaire, Pat Leidl, Laurel Mackin, Colleen Murphy, and Laura Stark. *Promises to Keep: The Toll of Unintended Pregnancies on Women's Lives in the Developing World*. Washington, DC: Global Health Council.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS

2006. "Becoming Human Subjects." Workshop: Papering Ethics, Documenting Consent: The New Bureaucracies of Virtue. October 28. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

2006. "Experience and Expertise in IRB Decisionmaking." Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research. April 25. New Brunswick, NJ.

2006. "Making Science Moral: The Institutionalization of American Human Subjects Committees, 1953-1974." University of Nottingham, Institute for the Study of Genetics, Biorisk, and Society. March 9. Nottingham, UK.

2005. "Creating American Human Subjects Regulations: Biomedical or Experimental Model?" Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research. February 15. New Brunswick, NJ.

CONFERENCE TALKS

2006. "Observing and Deceiving: The Science and Ethics of Research Methods, 1966-1973." Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society. November 2-5. Vancouver, BC, Canada.

2006. "Experience and Expertise in IRB Decision Making." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 11-14. Montréal, Québec, Canada.

2005. "Negotiating the Ethics of Deception: Methods, Morality, and Human Subjects in American Psychology, 1966-1973." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 13-16. Philadelphia, PA..

2005. "The Ethics of Deception in American Psychology." Annual Meeting of Cheiron: The International Society for the History of Behavioral and Social Sciences. June 23-26. Berkeley, CA.

2005. "Introductory Remarks: A Brief History of IRBs and their Study." Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. March 17-20. Washington, DC.

2005. "Biomedical or Experimental Model? Framing the Federal Human Subjects Regulations." Sociology of Bioethics Mini-Conference. March 18-19. Washington, DC.

2004. "Practicing Morality: Psychological Research Practices and the Rise of Human Subjects Regulations in Postwar America." Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society. November 18-21. Austin, TX.

2004. "Practicing Morality: Psychological Research Practices and the Rise of Human Subjects Regulation in Postwar America." US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Research Integrity, Research on Research Integrity Conference. November 12-14. San Diego, CA.

2004. "Methods as Morality: American Psychology and the Rise of Human Subjects Regulations." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 14-17. San Francisco, CA.

2002. "Uncertainty as Knowledge: Exploring Public and Professional Discourses on Low Fertility." Meeting of the Population Association of America. May 9-11. Atlanta, GA.

2001. "Constructing Low Fertility: Public Alarm and Fertility Measures in the European Popular Press." IUSSP Committee on Anthropological Demography, Conference on the Production and Circulation of Demographic Knowledge. March 20-25. Providence, RI.

EXPERIENCE

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Northwestern University:

Virtue and Vice: The Sociology of Morality, scheduled Winter 2008.

Sociology of Medicine, Spring 2007 (47 students) and scheduled Winter 2008.

Sociological Analysis, Winter 2007 (22 students).

Preceptor, Princeton University:

History of the Human Sciences with Professor Elizabeth Lunbeck, Summer 2003.

Creativity, Innovation, and Society with Professor Steven Tepper, Spring 2003.

Practical Ethics with Professor Peter Singer, Spring 2002.

Introduction to Sociology with Professor Patricia Fernandez-Kelly, Fall 2001.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Professor Mario Small, Department of Sociology, Princeton University
Princeton, NJ, June 2002-January 2004.

Visiting Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research
Rostock, Germany, fall & winter 1999, summer 2000, summer 2001.

Demographic Consultant, Global Health Council
Washington, DC and White River Junction, VT, spring & summer 2000.

Research Assistant, Population Reference Bureau
Washington, DC, 1998-1999.

Writer and Interviewer for “*Our Ocean World*” *public radio program*, Finger Lakes Productions
Ithaca, NY, 1998-2001.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Assistant Master, Mathey College, Princeton University
Princeton, NJ, September 2004-July 2005.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Organizer

Workshop: “Re:Calling ‘Science as a Vocation’”

Northwestern University, May 29-30 2008.

www.shc.northwestern.edu/workshop2008

Conference Session: “Lies, Damn Lies, and Their Characteristics”

History of Science Society 2006 Annual Meeting.

Conference Session: “IRBs and the Regulation of Sociology Research”

Eastern Sociological Association 2005 Annual Meeting.

Peer Reviewer

Law and Social Inquiry.

Population Research and Policy Review.

Representative

Area Two, History of Science Society Forum for the History of the Human Sciences,
2006-9.