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ACADEMIC PREPARATION

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D. Sociology (Science Studies) (2010)

Dissertation: "Drawing the Straight Line: Social Movements and Hierarchies of Evidence in Sexual Reorientation Therapy Debates"

M.A. Sociology (Science Studies) (2006)

University of Texas at Austin

BA Sociology with High Honors (1999)

BS Electrical Engineering with Honors (1994)

AREAS OF INTEREST

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies

Sexuality Studies

Sociology of Social Movements

Sociology of Inequality (Race, Class, Gender, Sexuality)

Sexuality, Gender, and Technology

Sexuality, Gender, and Science

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Northwestern University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Science in Human Culture Program, 2010-2012

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Sociology, 2010-2012

University of California, San Diego

Lecturer, courses:

Sociology of Health Care Issues

Introduction to Critical Gender Studies: Social Movements

Teaching Assistant, courses:
Classical Sociological Theory
Law & Society
Sociology of Health Care Issues
Introduction to Critical Gender Studies: Social Movements
Dimensions of Culture Writing Program

Senior Teaching Assistant, Sociology Department, 2007-2008

Readership, courses:
Sociology of Sexuality and Sexual Identities
International Terrorism

Research Assistant
Prof. Mary Blair-Loy
Gender and work project
Fall 2005 – Winter 2007
Prof. Steven Epstein, Prof. Héctor Carillo
Coding for Trayectos research study
Fall 2004-Summer 2005

HONORS AND AWARDS

American Sociological Association, Sex and Gender Section. Honorable Mention, Best Graduate Student Paper Award. 2010. for “Navigating the Heteronormativity of Engineering: The Experiences of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students,” co-authored by Erin Cech and Tom Waidzunas.

American Society for Engineering Education, Professional Interest Council III, Best Paper Award. 2009. for “‘Engineers who Happen to be Gay’: The Experiences of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students in Engineering,” co-authored by Erin Cech and Tom Waidzunas.

American Sociological Association, Sexualities Section. Martin D. Levine Dissertation Award, Honorable Mention. 2009. for “Drawing the Straight Line: Hierarchies of Evidence in Sexual Reorientation Therapy Debates.”

American Sociological Association, Sexualities Section. Graduate Student Paper Award. 2008. for “Young, Gay, and Suicidal: The Troubled Project of Defining a Social Problem with Statistics.”

UCSD Department of Sociology, TA Excellence Award 2007-08

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant, awarded August 2008

UCSD Sociology Departmental Writing Fellowship, Fall 2009

UCSD Academic Affairs Summer Graduate Teaching Fellow Program, Summer 2008

UCSD Science Studies Program Research Fellowship, Winter 2008

UCSD Sociology Department Summer Graduate Research Assistantship for Faculty-Student Collaboration 2006. "Erectile Truths: Four Decades of Constructing Sexualities with the Phallometric Test," with Steven Epstein

UCSD Division of Social Sciences Dean's Fellowship 2003-2004

PUBLICATIONS

"Measuring Desire: The Science of Phallometric Testing" *Cabinet Magazine*. 34 (Summer 2009): 80-1.

"Navigating the Heteronormativity of Engineering: The Experiences of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students. co-authored by Erin Cech and Tom Waidzunus, forthcoming in *Engineering Studies*. Discussed in "Closeted Discoverers: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Scientists," *Science Careers*, October 1, 2010.

"Young, Gay, and Suicidal: Dynamic Nominalism and the Process of Defining a Social Problem with Statistics." Revise and Resubmit, *Science, Technology and Human Values*.

WORKING PAPERS

"Testing Masculinities: Gender Performances among Support Engineers in a High-Tech Firm." In preparation for *Gender & Society*.

"Erectile Truths: The Co-construction of Male Sexualities and the Phallometric Test." co-authored by Tom Waidzunus and Steven Epstein.

PRESENTATIONS AT SCHOLARLY MEETINGS

“Drawing the Straight Line: Hierarchies of Evidence across Social Worlds in Sexual Reorientation Therapy Debates.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of Society for the Social Studies of Science, Washington, DC, 31 October 2009.

“Drawing the Straight Line: Hierarchies of Evidence across Social Worlds in Sexual Reorientation Therapy Debates.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 9 August 2009.

“Forging a Partnership across Religious and Secular Worlds: Epistemic Practices of Researchers within the Ex-Gay Movement” Presented at the Annual Meeting of Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA, 10 April 2009.

“Drawing the Straight Line: Hierarchies of Evidence across Social Worlds in Sexual Reorientation Therapy Debates.” Presented at the UCSD Gender-Inequalities Group, 9 April 2009.

“Engineers Who Happen to be Gay”: Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students’ Experiences in Engineering.” (with Erin Cech). Presented at the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) National Conference. 18 June 2009.

“Drawing the Straight Line: Scientific Knowledge Struggles over Conversion Therapy for Homosexuality. Presented at the UCSD Science Studies Colloquium. 13 January 2009.

“Taking Measure of Sexual Reorientation.” Presented at the Dialogues in Sexuality Studies Series. UCSD LGBT Resource Center. 30 October 2007.

“Sexualities Built with Brain Scans: Locating the machine in brain tomography research on sexual arousal.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Social Studies of Science. Montreal, QC. 11 October 2007.

“Erectile Truths: The Co-Construction of Male Sexualities and the Phallometric Test.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the University Consortium of Sexuality Research and Training, Kinsey Institute, Indiana University, Bloomington Indiana, 11 April 2007.

“Somewhere Under the Rainbow: Assessing the Pride Flag as Marker of ‘Gay’ Space and Global Citizenship.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, 31, March 2007.

“Beyond the Fishbowl: Condom Outreach in the ‘Post-Bureaucratic’ Age” Presented at the Annual UCSD Sociology Graduate Student Conference, 7 April 2006.

“Sciences of Liberation: Gay Teen Suicide, Risk, and Resilience” Presented at the UCSD Gender Study Group, 4 April 2006.

“Erectile Truths: Four Decades of Constructing Sexualities with the Phallometric Test” Presented at the UCSD Science Studies Colloquium, 27 February 2006.

“Practicing Phallometry, Making Sexualities: The Prolific Career of the Penile Plethysmograph” (with Steven Epstein). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Social Studies of Science, Pasadena, 21 October 2005.

“High-Tech Masculinities: Informal Interaction and Homosocial Reproduction in an Engineering Firm,” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, 13 August 2005.

“Sciences of Liberation: Gay Teen Suicide, Risk, and Resilience.” Presented at the UCSD Science Studies Conference “Making Society/Knowing Society,” June 2005.

“Hegemonic Masculinity in an Engineering Corporation: Corporate Structure and Informal Interaction as Components of Homosocial Reproduction,” Presented at the UCSD Gender Study Group, 22 October 2004.

INVITED LECTURES

“Homosexuality: Demedicalization and Attempts at Remedicalization.” Lecture for Sociology Course on Science, Technology, and Society. UCSD. 30 January 2008.

“The New Politics of Homophobia”. Lecture for Critical Gender Studies Course on Social Movements. UCSD. 30 November 2006.

“Gay Teens and the Debate over Suicide Risk.” Lecture for Sociology of Gender Course. UCSD. 2 October 2006.

“Risk and Resilience: Scientific Controversies over Gay Teen Suicide.” Lecture for Sociology of Gender Course. UCSD. 18 April 2006.