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Education

PhD in Sociology University of Pennsylvania: Expected May 2016

MA in Sociology University of Pennsylvania 2011

BA in Philosophy Villanova University 2009

Dissertation

Afterward: Prisoner Reentry in a Street-Level Bureaucracy

The dissertation is an ethnographic case study on an employment-based prisoner reentry bureaucracy. In contrast to much of the literature on reentry, which is evaluative and practitioner oriented, the dissertation interrogates the ways in which prisoner reentry is socially constructed. In particular, there will be a focus on the viewpoints and experiences of both staff and clients using participant observation and interview data, from the theoretical perspectives of the sociology of crime and punishment, race relations, and organizations. The committee includes three members: the chair, David Grazian, Dorothy Roberts, and John MacDonald.

Publications

2014. "Quality Controlled: An Ethnographic Account of Tea Party Messaging and Action." *Sociological Forum* 29(2).

Under Review

"Twenty First Century Populism: Tea Party and Occupy in Ethnographic and Rhetorical Comparison." with Shantee Rosado at *Qualitative Sociology*.

Working Papers

"Cohesion of Security, Surveillance, and Service Provision in a Prisoner Reentry Organization."

Academic Presentations

Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2015: "New American Populism: Tea Party and Occupy in Ethnographic and Rhetorical Comparison," with Shantee Rosado.

Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2015: "Cohesion of Security, Surveillance, and Service Provision in a Prisoner Reentry Organization."

Presentation at *Penn Urban Ethnography Workshop* 2015: "Afterward: Service Provision Post-Release and the Mark of a Criminal Record."

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Panel at *American Anthropological Association* 2014: Prisoner Reentry: An Ethnographic Account of Service Provision and Social Insecurity.”

Panel at *Mid-Atlantic Law and Society* 2014: “Teaching the Sociology of Punishment at Elite Universities.”

Panel at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2014: “New American Populism: The Tea Party Movement and Occupy in Comparison,” with Shantee Rosado.

Roundtable at *American Sociological Association* 2012: “The Tea Party Movement: Struggles in Frame Vulnerability and Micromobilization.”

Panel at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2011: “The Tea Party Movement: Frames and Micromobilization.”

Poster Session at *Eastern Sociological Society* 2008: “The Effect of Progressive Politics on Unionization Rates.”

Teaching Experience

Instructor

The Social Consequences of Mass Incarceration: Penn Critical Writing Seminar Fall 2014 and Spring 2015.

Introduction to Critical Writing Part II: Penn Critical Writing Seminar/Liberal and Professional Studies Summer and Fall 2015.

Urban Sociology: Penn Sociology Department/Liberal and Professional Studies Fall 2015.

Social Movements: Penn Sociology Department/Liberal and Professional Studies Spring 2016.

TA Trainer: Penn Center for Teaching and Learning Summer 2015.

Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Sociology:
Fall 2013 with Onoso Imoagene.
Fall 2012 with Annette Lareau.
Fall 2011 with Tukufu Zuberi.

Medical Sociology: Spring 2011 with Jason Schnittker.

Sociology of Media and Pop Culture :Spring 2012 with David Grazian.

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Awards and Fellowships:

Graduate Student Fellowship: 2009-2014.

Critical Writing Graduate Teaching Fellowship: 2014-2015.

Service:

Referee for *Sociological Forum* 2014.

Activities:

Inside-Out Prison Exchange

2015 Facilitated Public Workshop on Criminal Justice Issues.

2014 Trained as an Instructor for Inside-Out Courses.

2014-2015 Member of Graterford Think Tank.

Pennsylvania Prison Society

2013-2015: Official Visitor and Member.

References:

David Grazian, Associate Professor of Sociology, dgrazian@ssc.upenn.edu, 215-898-7682.

Dorothy Roberts, George A Weisse Professor of Law and Sociology, dorothyroberts@law.upenn.edu,
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John MacDonald, Professor of Criminology and Sociology, johnmm@sas.upenn.edu, 215-746-3623.