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appointments

Oberlin College

Associate Professor of Sociology, 2015

Program Committee in Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies, 2009-

Assistant Professor of Sociology 2008-2015

Gender, Sexuality & Feminist Studies Program; Law & Society Program

University of Michigan

Visiting Assistant Professor Women's Studies and Sociology, 2011-12

education

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. Sociology, 2008. *Governing Loose Women: Rationalizing Prostitution in Europe, 1998-2004*

Qualifying exams: social theory, gender & sexuality, urban sociology

Oxford University

M.Phil. Sociology, 1999. Logistic regressions of the gender gap in rates of reported homosexuality

University of Amsterdam

Graduate Certificate, 1998. Institute for Sexuality, Culture & Society

The George Washington University

B.A. Sociology with Honors, *summa cum laude*, 1997. Thesis: "Marxism as a Scientific Revolution"

research & teaching areas

Urban & community studies

Sexuality studies

LGBTQ studies

Cultural sociology

book

[The Cultural Politics of European Prostitution Reform: Governing Loose Women](#), 2016. Palgrave.

Reviewed in American Journal of Sociology, Journal of Nordic Social Work Research,

European Union Studies Association Review of Books

peer-reviewed publications

revise and resubmit, "Weaponization: Metaphoric meaningfulness in ubiquity." *Metaphor and Symbol*

under review, "The Decline of Bars and Rise of Restaurants, 2006-2016." *Tourism and Hospitality Research*

under review, "Mixed LGBTQ and straight places by design: Lesbian bar owners against lesbian-only bars." *Gender, Place, and Culture*

under review, with Alex Hamada, Han Guel Jung, and Karl Orozco. "'We're all so red!' The subjective meanings of alcohol flush reaction for Asian ethnic identification." *Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse*

under review, "Teaching sexualities beyond the book." *Teaching Sociology*

2020 "Small-city gay bars, big-city urbanism." *City & Community* 19(1), pp. 76-97

- 2019 "[Are Gay Bars Closing? Using Business Bar Listings to Infer Rates of Gay Bar Closure in the United States, 1977-2017.](#)" *Socius* 5
Covered in *The New York Times*, *Reuters*, *NBC News*, *Slate*, *Jezebel*, *them*, *Marie Claire*, *Eater*
- 2018 with Andrew Gelman and Dan Simpson. "[Gaydar and the Fallacy of Context-Free Measurement.](#)" *Sociological Science* 5, pp. 270-280
- 2018 with Jennicet Gutiérrez, Steven Thrasher, Paulina Helm-Hernández, Salvador Vidal-Ortíz, Terry Roethlein, and Angela Jones. "Systemic Violence: Reflections on the Pulse Nightclub Massacre," in *The Unfinished Queer Agenda After Marriage Equality*. Angela Jones, Joseph Nicholas DeFillipis, and Michael W. Yarbrough, eds. Routledge, pp. 20-34
- 2016 with Taylor Field (OC '15), "[Parenting Transgender Children in PFLAG.](#)" *Journal of GLBT Families* 12:3, pp. 403-429
- 2015 with Lisa Stampnitzky, "[Sociology of Security and Insecurity.](#)" in *Security: Dialogue Across Disciplines*, Phillipe Bourbeau, ed. Cambridge University Press, pp. 90-110
- 2015 "[The Modern Career of 'The Most Ancient Profession' and the Social Embeddedness of Metaphors.](#)" *American Journal of Cultural Sociology* 3, pp. 191-223
- 2015 "[Style and the Fate of Gay Nightlife: Homonormative Placemaking in San Francisco.](#)" *Urban Studies* 52:16, pp. 3144-3159
- 2015 "[Bar Districts as Subcultural Amenities.](#)" *City, Culture and Society* 6(1): 1-8
- 2014 "The Gender Gap in Reports of Homosexuality." *International Journal of Advances in the Social Sciences and Humanities* 2(10):20-26
- 2014 "[Nation-State Science: Lappology and the Construction of Sweden's Ethnoracial Purity.](#)" *Comparative Studies in Society & History* 56(2): 320-350
- 2009 with Claude Fischer, "[Is American Fragmenting?](#)" *Annual Review of Sociology* 35:435-55
- 2007 "[Urban Ethnography's Saloon Problem and its Challenge to Public Sociology.](#)" *City & Community* 6(2):75-94
- 2003 with Jaye Cee Whitehead, "Pierre Bourdieu Memorial: For a Sociologist of Categorization, Against a Sociology of Categories." *Berkeley Journal of Sociology* 46: 1-4

manuscripts

- book contract with Libby Murphy, *In Search of Lost Women: Prostitution in the City of Paris and Beyond*, Lever Press
- book manuscript, *Who Needs Gay Bars?*
- "The Queer Death and Heterosexual Afterlife of Polk Gulch, San Francisco's Original Gay Neighborhood," *The Life and Afterlife of Gay Neighborhoods: Resurgence and Renaissance*, Alex Bitterman, Ed.
- "Style and the Value of Gay Nightlife: Homonormative Placemaking in San Francisco." *Somewhere Beyond the Rainbow: A Collection of Critical Essays on the Gayborhood*, Christopher T. Conner and Daniel Okamura, Eds.
- "Outposts: Centering Lone Gay Bars of the American Interior," *Outskirts: Queer Experiences on the Fringe*, Amy Stone and D'Lane Compton, Eds.
- For *Teaching Sociology*, "Teaching sexualities beyond the book."
- for *Urban Studies*, "The Disappearance of a Proto-Gay Neighborhood: Anti-Queer Gentrification in Cleveland."

other publications

- 2020 Review of Peter Hart-Brinson's *The Gay Marriage Generation: How the LGBTQ Movement Transformed American Culture*. *Contemporary Sociology* pp. 170-172

- 2020 “Shuttered by the Coronavirus, Many Gay Bars—Already Struggling—Are Now on Life Support.” *The Conversation*, Apr. 14
Reprinted in *Slate*, *Yahoo News*, *Business Insider*, *Curve*, *AP Wire*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, *Houston Chronicle*, and 40 regional papers
- 2019 “All Sexual Politics is Local,” review of Japonica Brown-Saracino’s *How Places Make Us: Novel LBQ Identities in Four Small Cities*. *European Journal of Sociology / Archives Européennes de Sociologie* 60(3) pp. 443-447.
- 2019 “The Stonewall Riots Didn’t Start the Gay Rights Movement.” *JSTOR Daily*, Jun. 12
- 2018 with Tory Sparks (OC ’17) “You Don’t Need a Coast to be Cosmopolitan: Small-City Gay Bars,” in *Red State Blues*, Martha Bynes, ed. Cleveland: Rust Belt Press, pp. 109-114.
Reprinted 2018 in *Literary Hub*, Jul. 19.
2017. “Artificial Intelligence Discovers Gayface. Sigh.” *Scatterplot*, Sept. 10.
2017. “Learning from Pulse, Listening to Latinx Queers.” *The Society Pages*, Jul. 27.
- 2016 with Libby Murphy, *A La Recherche du Femmes Perdues: On Prostitution in the City of Paris and Beyond*. Oberlin, OH: Oberlin College. [OMEKA digital archive](#).
- 2016 “Post-Orlando Truth for You: Gay Bars Aren’t Safe Spaces.” *The Daily Beast*, Jun. 18.
- 2016 “[Before It Was Hingetown](#),” in *The Cleveland Neighborhood Guidebook*, Anne Trubek, ed. Cleveland: Rust Belt Chic Press, pp. 53-56.
Best Writing From and About Northeast Ohio, [Cleveland Scene](#).
- 2016 “Kinsman’s Other Corridor of Opportunities,” in *Cleveland Neighborhoods*, Anne Trubek, ed. Cleveland: Rust Belt Chic Press, pp. 143-45.
- 2015 “Book Review: Straights: Heterosexuality in Post-closeted Culture.” *Teaching Sociology* 43(4): pp. 311-313.
- 2012 “State of the Field Working paper on Sex Work / Trafficking,” Barb Brents, ed. ASA Section on Sexualities, <http://www2.asanet.org/sectionsex/miniconferencepapers.html>
- 2011 “Sin in the Suburbs: Nevada’s Changing Brothel Industry.” Review of *The State of Sex: Tourism, Sex & Sin In The New American Heartland*, *Journal of Sex Research* 48(6): 599-601
- 2005 “What does Prostitution Have to Do With Queers?” *FinnQueer Magazine*, Helsinki, April.

visiting appointments

- 2011-12 *University of Michigan* Center for European Studies, Institute for Research in Women & Gender
- 2007-8 *Mills College* sociology adjunct
- 2003-7 *University of California, Berkeley* acting instructor
- 2006 *San Francisco State University* sociology and sexuality studies adjunct
- 2005 *Free University of Brussels*, visiting researcher at the Institute of European Studies
- 2004 *Tampere University*, Finland, social welfare visiting instructor
- 2004 *University of Helsinki*, visiting researcher

grants & awards

- 2019-20 Office of Undergraduate Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,600
- 2019 Grant-in-Aid *Oberlin College* \$600
- 2018 Curriculum Development Grant, *Oberlin Center for Languages and Cultures*, \$2,000
Grant-in-Aid *Oberlin College* \$1,450
Mellon Foundation Music+ Curriculum Development Grant, \$1,000
- 2017 Grant-in-Aid *Oberlin College* \$3,405
Office of Undergraduate Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$13,200
- 2016 with Libby Murphy, Sherman Fairchild grant for technology and the arts *Oberlin College* \$6,600\

- with Libby Murphy, Office of Undergraduate Research Summer Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,600
- with Libby Murphy and Megan Mitchell, attendance at the Institute for Liberal Arts Digital Scholarship, \$3,400
- 2015 with Libby Murphy, Office of Undergraduate Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,600
- 2013 Office of Undergraduate Research Summer Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,600
- 2013 Office of Undergraduate Research Academic Year Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,600
- 2012 Year of Queer Theory program grants, OKUM Faculty Development Fund, *University of Michigan* and *Oberlin College* \$18,100
- 2011 Andrew Delaney Fellowship in the Social Sciences, *Oberlin College* \$33,000
OKUM faculty development grant, *Oberlin College* and *University of Michigan*, \$20,000
Class of '57 Research Grant, *Oberlin College* \$4,000
- 2010 Powers Research Travel Grant, *Oberlin College*, \$4350
- 2009 Booth Ferris Computation and Modeling curriculum develop. grant, *Oberlin College* \$1,400
Office of Undergraduate Research Summer Research Assistantships, *Oberlin College* \$6,200
- 2007 Graduate Division Course Improvement Grant, *University of California, Berkeley*, \$500
- 2006 Leo Lowenthal Prize in cultural/historical sociology, *University of California, Berkeley*, \$4,000
- 2004-5 *Fulbright Scholar* to the European Union, \$14,000
- 2003-4 Fernström Research Fellow, Scandinavian Studies, *University of California, Berkeley*, \$6,000
- 1997-3 *National Science Foundation* Graduate Research Fellowship, \$70,000

teaching & pedagogy

- 2018 Workshop invitee, Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges, “Women’s Bodies as Sites of Social Navigation, *Bryn Mawr College*
- 2016 Institute attendee, Institute for Liberal Arts Digital Scholarship, *Hamilton College*
- 2013 “Professor Props” recognition for contributions to the first-year experience, *Oberlin College*
Workshop leader, “Revamping Your Syllabus To Include more Gender, Sexuality and Feminist Theory.” *Oberlin College*
- 2011 Nominated attendee, Midwest Faculty Seminar, Crime and Social Control, *University of Chicago*
“Teaching at Liberal Arts Colleges.” Sociology Department, *University of Michigan*
- 2009 “Getting a Job at Small Liberal Arts Colleges,” Sociology, *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2006-7 Writing and the Sociology Curriculum Working Group, *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2006 Integrating Group Work in Large Classrooms, Pedagogical Certificate, *San Francisco State*
- 2005 Teaching and Resource Center Workshop leader, *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2004 Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, *University of California, Berkeley*

invited talks

- 2020 “Queer Places Without Queer Politics: Small-City Gay Bars.” University of Kentucky Department of Geography Symposium
Rural Sexualities Roundtable, Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association (cancelled)
Mapping Sexualities Symposium, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (cancelled)
- 2018 “Bringing Cultural Sociology to the Public Workshop.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia.
“Lesbian Bar Owners against Lesbian-Only Bars.” *American Alliance for Liberal Arts Colleges Workshop*, *Bryn Mawr College*.
- 2017 “Centering Provincial Gay Bars.” Annual Meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, London

- “Who Needs Gay Bars?” Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative, Kent State University
 “Lesbian Bars, Gay Places, Queer Futures?” California State University, Fresno
- 2016 “From ‘Gay Oasis’ to ‘Radically Inclusive’ Arts District: Creativity and Queer Displacement in Cleveland.” Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland
 “Queer Communities After Marriage,” and “After Pulse” Panelist, *After Marriage Conference*, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, New York
 “Anti-Queer Gentrification in Cleveland.” Science Fridays, Oberlin, OH
 “The Cultural Politics of European Prostitution Reform,” Friends of the Library Talk, Oberlin OH
- 2015 “States of Vulnerability: Prostitution Reforms and the European Union.” Comparing European Prostitution Policies: Understanding Scales and Cultures of Governance, Vienna
- 2014 “The Modern Career of the Oldest Profession: The Persistent Meaningfulness of a Prostitution Metaphor.” Belt Magazine Public Engagement Lecture Series, Cleveland OH
 “‘Tracking Discourse’ with Digital Archives to Track the Conflicting Meanings of a Prostitution Metaphor.” Science Fridays, Oberlin, OH
 “Why are Cities Where They Are?” Belt Magazine Public Engagement Lecture Series, Cleveland
 “Swedish Nationalism and the Origins of Anthropometric Innovation,” Science Fridays, Oberlin, OH
 Keynote address for the Junior Visit Program, Office of Admissions, Oberlin
- 2013 “Proper Women, Necessary Women.” with Libby Murphy, Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin, OH
 “Legislating Peace for Women: Sweden’s Sex Purchase Act of 1999.” Swedish Cultural Society of Cleveland
- 2012 “Swedish Expertise and Lappology,” Experts & Policy Panel, *Social Science History Association*, Vancouver, Canada.
 “Framing Human Trafficking: The Rights and Wrongs of Prostitution,” Sex and Justice Conference, *University of Michigan*
 “Queer Theory and Utopias,” Panelist. *American Sociological Association*. Denver
 “Reframing Sexualization: Why Researchers Should Intervene in the ‘Sexualization of Girls’ Discourse,” Discussant. *Crossing Boundaries Sociology of Sexuality Conference*
 “Prostitution Reform as a Symptom of European Union Integration Anxieties.” Center for European Studies. *University of Michigan*
 “Queering Tradition,” Discussant, Meanings and Makings of Queer Dance. *University of Michigan*
 “Identity Work and the Interviewer: Prostitution, Feminists and Ambivalence.” Institute for Research of Women and Gender, *University of Michigan*
- 2011 “Sex Markets,” lecture for Prof. Sarah Quinn’s course Extreme Markets, *University of Michigan*
- 2009 “Success and succession among San Francisco’s homosexual bar districts.” Institute for Gender, Sexuality and Feminist Studies, *Oberlin College*
- 2007 “Are We Mongols? How the Finns became Modern Europeans in 1952.” Finnish Studies Center, *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2006 “How the Finns Went from ‘Asians’ to Ethnic Europeans.” Institute for European Studies, *University of California, Berkeley*
 “Prostitution and the Underground Economy.” *Sociology of the Underground Economy*, *University of California, Berkeley*

- 2004 “The Trouble with Trafficking: Women vs. Workers in Human Rights Discourse.” Seminar for Human Rights, *University of Helsinki*
- “‘You Should See Their High Heels:’ Finnish Women Talk About Russians.” Hostilities and Hospitalities Biannual Conference, *University of Lapland*
- 2003 “Fear and Loathing at the Edge of Europe: Scandinavian Human Trafficking & Anti-Russian Prejudice.” Institute for European Studies, *University of California, Berkeley*

conferences

- 2019 “Weaponization: Metaphorical Ubiquity and the Rejection of Politics.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City
- Session organizer, “Culture and its Impact on Other Subfields.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City
- “Queer Places Without Queer Politics: Small City Gay Bars “in Relation to.” Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association, Honolulu
- 2019 with Tess Jewell OC’18, Rebecca J. Whelan, Evangeline Heiliger, and Michelle Myers Ernst. “The Impact of the 2006 Consensus Statement on Medical Discourse on Differences of Sex Development (DSD). North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology. New Orleans.
- 2018 “Small City Gay Bars: Places of Micropolitan Cosmopolitanism.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia.
- “Gay Bars, Queer Bars, White Bars, Everybody Bars? Exclusion and Inclusion in LGBTQ+ Businesses.” Sexualities, Race, and Empire Conference. Philadelphia.
- 2017 “Centering Provincial Gay Bars.” Annual Meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, London
- 2016 with Libby Murphy, “*A la Recherche des Femmes Perdues*: Parisian Prostitution in the July Monarchy, Institute for Liberal Arts Digital Scholarship, Hamilton College.
- 2015 Panel convener: “The Perils and Promise of Qualitative Comparative Sexuality Research,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- 2015 with Taylor Field OC ’15, “Parenting Transgender Children,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- 2014 “The Modern Career of the Oldest Profession: The Persistent Meaningfulness of a Prostitution Metaphor.” *Social Science History Association*, Toronto
- With Alexandra Hamada OC’ 13, Han Guel Jung, OC’ 14 and Karl Orozco OC’13. “‘We’re All So Red:’ The Alcohol Flush Reaction and Asian American Ethnic Identification.” *American Sociological Association*, San Francisco
- 2012 “Nationalism and the Science of Ethnic Categorization.” ASA Regular Session on Race and Ethnicity Beyond the Black/White Divide, Denver
- “Lapp Early Modern: Anthropological Innovation and Swedish Nation-Building.” Anthro-History Symposium. *University of Michigan*
- 2010 “Seeing as a Welfare State: Citizenship, Culture and the Problem of Prostitution,” ASA Regular Session on Citizenship and the Welfare State, Atlanta

- 2009 “Settlement and Bar Socializing: Success and Succession Among San Francisco’s Homosexual Enclaves.” ASA Regular Session on Leisure & Urban Community, SF
- 2008 “Governing Loose Women: Prostitution Laws and Vulnerable Women.” ASA Roundtable on the Sociology of Law, Boston
- 2005 “The European Union and the Rationalization of Prostitution.” Fulbright Conference: Living Understanding, Brussels
- 2004 “The Trouble with Trafficking, or Practice vs. Praxis in Transnational Organizing.” ASA Regular Session on Comparative & Transnational Sociology, San Francisco
- 2003 “Strange Bedfellows in Human Trafficking Politics.” ASA regular session on Sexuality, Atlanta
- “Finnish Identity and the Russians Among Us.” BJS Nationalisms and Identity Conference. *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2002 “Bars in the City of Desire.” ASA Regular Session on Space and Place, Chicago
- “What is Risky About Risky Sex?” Crossroads in Cultural Studies. Tampere, Finland
- 2001 “Playing the field: Notes on the Symbolic Economy of Sexual Marketplaces.” European Sociological Association regular session on Place and the Body. Helsinki, Finland
- “Ethnographer as Research Object: The Politics of Team Ethnography.” Pacific Sociological Association Regular Session on The Politics of Methods, San Diego
- “Bars in the City of Desire.” Visualizing Modernities Conference Department of Geography. *University of California, Berkeley*
- 2000 “Predictive Models of Gendered Homosexuality: A Structural Approach.” ASA Regular Session on Sexuality, Washington D.C.
- “Implications of the Materialist Hypothesis of Homosexuality for the U.S. and U.K.” British Sociological Association. York, England
- “The Gay Gap: The Prevalence of Homosexuality Among Men in Population Surveys.” Pacific Sociological Association Regular Session on Sexuality, Oakland
- undergraduate
research
mentoring
- 2020 “Good Sex, Bad Sex, Queer Sex? Narratives of MSM Experience.” Jack Spector-Bishop, Sociology Honors
- “Legal Consciousness and the Legal Culture of NAGPRA.” Eleanor Haskin, Anthropology Honors
- 2019 “Queer Matters in London: A Documentary Film Project.” Sophie Grosskopf and Jacqueline Steel, Winter Term Project
- “Queer Party Politics: Nightlife’s Engagement with Anti-Oppression Frameworks.” Charlie Sherman Sociology Honors
- “The Potential of Using Zines as Feminist Pedagogy in Publicly Funded Sex Education.” Charlotte Brewer GSFS Honors Research
- 2018 “Midwives, Obstetricians, and Gendered Power: Possibilities and Limits of Complementary Care in Danish Obstetrics. Christina Ruggiero-Corliss GSFS Honors Research
- “Good Sex, Bad Sex, Queer Sex.” Jack Spector-Bishop Summer Research Fellowship
- “Who Is Accessing Treatment? Mental Health Identity Formation in a Liberal Arts Context.” Charis Stanek Sociology Honors Research
- 2017 “This is a Space for Queer Folk’: Inclusion and Exclusion in Queer Spaces.” Tory Sparks GSFS Honors Research

- “Language and Framing in Medical Educational Tools on Intersex Conditions.” Tess Jewell GSFS Honors Research
- “At the Edges of Queer: Navigating Ambiguity in Identity, Community and Politics.” Madeline Batzli GSFS Honors Thesis
- “This is DC: Brookland Manor as a Site of Gentrification from Above and Resistance from Below.” Clara Lincoln Comparative American Studies Honors Project
- “Rethinking Redevelopment: The Triangle of Neoliberalism, New Urbanism, and Sustainable Urban Design in Cleveland, Ohio.” Julian Geltman ENVS Honors Research
- 2016 “Gender-Neutral Pronouns and the Potential for Transqueer Resistance.” Ali Nadeau-Rifkind GSFS Honors Research
- “Factors in Parental Choice of Childcare in Oberlin.” Leah Awkward Rich Sociology Honors Research
- “Elder Inquiries.” Quinn Meckley Winter Term Research.
- “Perceptions of Gun Violence in Urban, Impoverished Communities of Color.” Aliyah Abu-Hazeem Sociology Honors Research
- 2015 “Why We Do It? An Examination of the Importance of Music Education.” Hannah Santisi Sociology Honors Proposal
- 2014 “Regional Housing Development and Community Development,” Christophe Beaumier Sociology Honors
- “Prostitution and Performance: Sexual Commerce in Global Dance Traditions,” Julia Sheppard, Dance Honors
- “Does it Get Better for Parents of LGBT Children?” Taylor Field, Sociology Honors
- 2013 “Comparative Study of 19th Century Oberlin Student Activism Around Alcohol and Tobacco,” Han Guel Jung Sociology Honors
- “Aloha Marriage Equality: Unsettling Gay Constructions of Paradise,” Cuyler Otsuka Comparative American Studies and Politics Honors
- “Planning and Play: Resource Allocation in Urban Centers Through the Lens of Playgrounds,” Joelle Lingat Environmental Studies Honors
- 2012 “Seen and Not Heard: Queer Childhoods in Popular Music,” Asher Butnik, Gender Sexuality & Feminist Studies capstone, under review *Journal of Popular Music Studies*
- “Social Responses to the Alcohol Flush Reaction,” Alexandra Hamada, Han Guel Jung & Karl Orozco, SOCI 426 final project
- “Gay and Lesbian Literature of the 20th Century: Selections from the Gene Woodling Collection,” Lauren Vandemortel and Alicia Gaber, winner of the Friends of the Library Student Research Award
- “Building the Post-industrial Community: New Urbanist Development in Pittsburgh, PA.” Steven Niedbala, Art and Art History honors
- “The Coming Out Ritual for Parents of LGBT Children,” Taylor Field independent research
- 2011 “Game Over: The Racially Distinct Benefits of Athletic Participation,” James Tompsett, Sociology honors
- “Divergent Discourses: Medical and Cultural Understandings of Latina Reproductive Health in the Era of Gardasil,” Cindy Camacho, Sociology honors
- “(Un)Spoken Desire: Affect, Confession, and the Erotics of Policing the Pornography Addict.” Jonathan Doucette, Comparative American Studies honors
- “Ionescu’s The Chairs: The Absurdism of Old Age in French Drama,” Moze Halperin, French and Theater honors

- 2010 “It Takes All Kinds: Urban Parks, Decentralization and Access to City Space and Environment.” Kate Coury, Environmental Studies capstone
 “Exploring Vietnamese Entrepreneurship and the Exponential Growth of Vietnamese-owned Nail Salons, Tuyet Ngo, Comparative American Studies capstone
 “Urban Health and Public Sex,” Francesca Krihely independent research
- 2009 “Symbolic Interaction and the Social Construction of Space in a Campus Dining Hall,” Nesaru Tschaas, Sociology honors
 “Black People Don’t Go Skiing: Why Black Individuals Take Less Financial Risk Than Whites of Similar Net Worth,” Cherelle Lewis, Economics & Africana Studies
 “Religious Conversion of the Chinese in Cleveland,” Fei-ran Phil Lee, Mellon research

professional
service

Ad-hoc reviewer, *American Sociological Review*, *Social Problems*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, *Oxford University Press*, *Urban Studies*, *City & Community*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Men & Masculinities*, *Journal of Homosexuality*, *Journal of Lesbian Studies*

- 2020-21 General Faculty Council, Oberlin College
 2020 ASA Culture Section Clifford Geertz Article Prize
 ASA Sociology of Sexualities Simon-Gagnon Lifetime Achievement Award Committee
 2019-20 ASA Urban and Community Section Publications Committee
 2019 Presider of the College Faculty, Oberlin College
 2018-19 ASA Culture Section Program Committee
 2018 ASA Urban and Community Robert E. Park Book Award Committee
 ASA Sociology of Sexualities Distinguished Book Award Committee
 2017 ASA Culture Section Clifford Geertz Article Prize
 2017-19 Fulbright National Screening Committee Reviewer
 2018-19 National Science Foundation Geography and Spatial Sciences Proposal Reviewer
 2016-19 Director of the Program in Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies
 2016-18 College Faculty Council, Oberlin College
 2008-13 Member, ASA Committee on the Status of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Persons
 2012-13 Year of Queer Theory, Faculty Steering Committee, Oberlin College
 2011 ASA section on Law and Society undergraduate paper prize committee member
 2005 Conference organizer, Fulbright Living Understanding Conference, Brussels
 2001-03 Founding editor, *Contexts Magazine*, American Library Association’s “Best New Journal”
 2000-03 Editor, *Berkeley Journal of Sociology*

other
qualifications

Member, *American Sociological Association*, Sections: Sexuality, Culture, Community & Urban
 Member, American Studies Association
 Member, *Centre for Sex Work Research and Policy*. Dalhousie University, Canada
 Languages: Finnish, Spanish and Japanese (Intermediate) French (Basic)
 Phi Beta Kappa (1996), National Merit Scholar (1993), Eagle Scout (1991)