

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 2017 Ph.D., Sociology, Duke University (*expected May 2017*)
Dissertation: “Cultural Cognition and Bias in Information Transmission”
Committee: Stephen Vaisey (chair), Linda Burton, Kieran Healy, James Moody, and Lynn Smith-Lovin.
- 2014 M.A., Sociology, Duke University
Concentration: Culture & Cognition
- 2010 B.A., Sociology, Western Carolina University (*summa cum laude*)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Culture and Cognition, Cultural Transmission, Social Psychology, Experimental Methods, Computational Text Analysis, Network Analysis

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Hunzaker, M.B. Fallin. *Forthcoming*. “Cultural Sentiments and Schema-Consistency Bias in Information Transmission.” **American Sociological Review**.
- Hunzaker, M.B. Fallin. 2014. “Making Sense of Misfortune: Cultural Schemas, Victim Redefinition, and the Perpetuation of Stereotypes.” **Social Psychology Quarterly** 77(2): 166-184.
- Winner of the ASA Social Psychology Section Graduate Student Paper Award

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- “Mapping Cultural Schemas of Welfare and Poverty.” (A study to develop and test a new method for collecting cultural schema data from individuals.)
- “Sympathy or Scorn: Stereotype Use as a Response to Narratives of Injustice.” (with Marcus Mann. A follow-up study to “Making Sense of Misfortune,” exploring the impact of perceptions of injustice on negative stereotype-bias.)
- “Evolving Schemas of Healthcare Reform in the US” (A text-analysis based study of the source and shape of change overtime in cultural schemas of healthcare reform in the US.)
- Untitled Topic Model Validation Study (with Akram Al-Turk, Taylor Brown, Neal Caren, and Didem Turkoglu. A study combining simulation testing and comparison of models on actual corpora to provide guidelines for LDA and STM use in Sociology.)

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

- 2016 Vorsanger-Smith Scholar Award, Duke Department of Sociology
(Department award to recognize overall excellence in the graduate program)
- 2015 Duke Sociology Department Research Grant, \$1,145
- 2014 Social Psychology Section Graduate Student Paper Award, American Sociological Association
- 2014-2015 Program for Advanced Research in the Social Sciences Fellowship, Duke University Social Science Research Institute
- 2014 Duke Sociology Department Research Grant, \$4,255
- 2014 Duke University Summer Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2013 Duke Sociology Department Research Grant, \$690
- 2013 Duke University Summer Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2012-2013 Graduate Fellow at the Kenan Institute for Ethics, Duke University
- 2010 College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Outstanding Scholar Award in Sociology, Western Carolina University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 "A Cognition-Based Approach to Understanding the Dynamic Processes of Cultural Transmission, Stability, and Change" American Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 "Mapping Cultural Schemas of Welfare and Poverty." Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Boston, MA.
- 2015 "Sympathy or Scorn: Stereotype Use as a Response to Narratives of Injustice." (with Marcus Mann) American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 "Deflection and the Transmission of Cultural Stereotypes." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- 2014 "Understanding Cultural Dynamics: A Schema-Based Approach." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 "The Co-Optation of a Social Movement: Cooperation vs. Contention in Social Movement-Political Party Interactions." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, NY.
- 2013 "Justice, Justification, and the Perpetuation of Stereotypes." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2015 "Justice, Justification, and the Perpetuation of Stereotypes." Department of Sociology. Western Carolina University. Cullowhee, NC.

2013 “Making Sense of Misfortune: Cultural Schemas, Victim Redefinition, and the Perpetuation of Stereotypes.” Kenan Institute for Ethics. Duke University. Durham, NC.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2016 Instructor – Methods of Social Research

2016 Teaching Assistant – Punishment and Society, with Prof. Jenifer Hamil-Luker

2015 Teaching Assistant – Sociological Inquiry, with Prof. Christopher Bail

2015 Co-Instructor – Workshop on Webscraping in Python, Duke Social Science Research Institute

2014-2015 Research Consultant – Duke Social Science Research Institute

2012-2014 Co-Instructor – Sociology Honors Thesis Seminar, with Prof. Linda Burton and Mr. Raymond Garrett-Peters

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2015-present Editorial Associate – *Socius*

2015 Student Representative – Social Psychology Section Graduate Affairs Committee, American Sociological Association

2015 Panel Member – Invited Panel on Applying to Graduate School in the Social Sciences, Western Carolina University

Reviewer for *American Sociological Review*, *Mobilization*, *Journal of Social Structure*

DUKE SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT SERVICE

2015-2016 Graduate Student Representative for Faculty Meetings

2014-present Founder and Organizer, Culture Student Writing Group

2014-2015 Co-Organizer, Culture and Cognition Workshop

2014-2015 Student Representative, Graduate Policy Committee

2013-2014 Co-Chair, Graduate Student Forum

2014 Co-Coordinator, Prospective Graduate Student Visit

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Member – American Sociological Association (sections: Sociology of Culture; Social Psychology; Methodology; Altruism, Morality, and Social Solidarity), Southern Sociological Society, Eastern Sociological Society

Affiliate – Duke Network Analysis Center (DNAC)