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Present Position (2007-)

Assistant Professor of Sociology & African American Studies, University of Georgia, College of Arts & Sciences.

Academic Training

- Ph.D. 2007. Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota
Dissertation: Bringing the Movement Home: Black Social Worker's Struggle for Power
in the Profession, 1966-1976.
Advisor: Ronald Aminzade
- B.A. 1998. University of St. Thomas
Majors: Sociology and Spanish

Areas of Specialization

Racial & Ethnic Relations
Collective Behavior and Social Movements
Qualitative Methods (historical, ethnographic, & intensive interviewing)
Work, Professions, and Organizations

Publications

2007. "Diversity in Everyday Discourse: The Cultural Ambiguities and Consequences of 'Happy Talk.'" (with Doug Hartmann) *American Sociological Review*, 72(6):895-914.

Papers in Progress

“Do’s and Don’ts:’ The Black Press, Racial Etiquette, and Black Politics of Resistance, 1956-1969.” Under review (peer reviewed journal).

“Searching for New and Different Forms of Political Structure: Black Power, Social Movement Incorporation, and Institutional Autonomy.” (with Keith Mayes) (manuscript in preparation for submission)

“Maneuvers of Whiteness: The Ideology of Reform and Retrenchment in the Rhetorical Boundaries of the Affirmative Action Discourse.” (with Wendy Leo Moore) (manuscript in preparation for submission)

Book Manuscript in Progress

Bringing the Movement Home: The Institutionalization of Black Power in the Social Work Profession, 1966-1976.

Based on extensive research of archival and oral history sources, this book examines the struggle of black social workers in two organizational settings to translate the gains of the Civil Rights and Black Power Movements into their profession. One group of social workers challenged the National Conference on Social Welfare and went on to create a separate organization—the National Association of Black Social Workers. The other, the Techni-Culture Movement maintained a commitment to gaining voice within the National Federation of Settlements and dissolved after some level of success. The book follows two analytic logics, one is a logic of process tracing, or strategic narrative, that seeks to better understand the process by which movement related changes were brought about within the profession of social work, as a way of theorizing about social movement institutionalization in non-state arenas and the shifts that happened in US race relations during this period. The second is a comparative logic that seeks to understand the observed differences between these two similar movements of black social workers. I place the activism of black social workers during the years from 1966 to 1976 in the context of the institutionalization of the rights revolution and the expansion of black power politics. In this way, the book simultaneously proposes a critique of state-centered studies of social movement outcomes, takes a step towards filling the empirical gap in the literature concerning the institutionalization of the rights revolution, and provides an expansion of how we think about the long-term impacts of the Black Power Movement.

Presentations

2008. “Bringing the Movement Home: Black Power and Social Welfare Organizations.” Social Science History Association, Annual Meetings, Miami, October.

2008. “Black Power Professionals in Social Welfare: The Rise of Black Professional Associational Life, 1966-1976.” Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Annual Meetings, Birmingham, October.

2008. “Race Relations in Transition: Professional Black Power Activism and Organizational Responses in Social Welfare, 1966-1976.” American Sociological Association, Annual Meetings, Boston, August.

2006. "Diversity in Everyday Discourse: The Cultural Ambiguities and Consequences of 'Happy Talk.'" (with Doug Hartmann). American Sociological Association, Annual Meetings, Montreal, August.

2005. "Negotiating Identities in the Classroom." Metropolitan State University, New Faculty Training Institute, St. Paul, October.

2005. "Black Social Movements in Brazil: Political Consciousness, the State and Visions for the Future." American Sociological Association, Annual Meetings, Philadelphia, August.

2005. "Hip-Hop in the Classroom." B-Girl Be International Women in Hip-Hop Summit, Minneapolis, June.

2004. "A Report From the Field: Studying Race and Religion in America." Sociologists of Minnesota, Annual Meetings, Red Wing, October.

2004. "'Do's and Don'ts': The Black Press, Racial Etiquette, and Black Politics of Resistance, 1956-1969." American Sociological Association, Annual Meetings, San Francisco, August.

2004. "Life Management 101 for First Time Graduate Instructors: A Practical Guide." Midwest Sociological Society, Annual Meetings, Kansas City, April.

2003. "The Structural and Cultural Determinants of Social Movement Factionalism." American Sociological Association, Annual Meetings, Atlanta, August.

1998. "How International Actors Balance Human Rights and Sovereignty: The Case of Female Genital Mutilation." Ronald E. McNair Scholars National Conference, Delavan, October.

1998. "Teaching Strategies for Sensitive Diversity Issues: Handling Hostile Situations." University of St. Thomas, Diverse Voices in the Classroom Series, St. Paul, March.

Grants

- 2005 University of Minnesota Graduate Research Partnership Program Research Award, \$5500
- 2003 Department of Sociology, Underrepresented Student Summer Research Fellowship, \$3500
- 2002 University of Minnesota Graduate Research Partnership Program Research Fellowship, \$4900
- 1999 University of Minnesota DOVE Fellowship, \$21,000

Honors

- 2008 University of Georgia, Lilly Teaching Fellowship
- 2008 Minnesota TRiO Achiever Award

Courses Taught

Undergraduate

Race and Ethnicity in the US
Introduction to Sociology
Social Movements

Graduate

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity

Teaching Interests

Undergraduate

Introduction to Sociology, American Race Relations, Historical Sociology, Qualitative Research Methods, Race, Class, & Gender, Social Movements, Sociology of the Black Experience

Graduate

American Race Relations, Historical Sociological Research Methods, Political Sociology, Qualitative Research Methods, Social Movements, Social Theory, Teaching Sociology

Student Services Positions

Assistant Academic Advisor, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota

Responsible for assisting students with course selection, career planning and problem solving. Maintained records of admitted majors and a database of transfer course evaluations. Assisted with web site design and maintenance. Responsible for planning and facilitating informational meetings for prospective majors. Planned and conducted "What Can I Do With a Major in Sociology?" sessions.
2001-2003

Academic Advisor, University of Minnesota Upward Bound Program

Responsible for a caseload of 30, low-income, first-generation, college-bound high school students. Aided students with academic planning and finding educational resources. Served as a liaison between parents, students and high school personnel. Planned and taught a course on college planning for entering high school seniors and a course that used forensic science to teach basic science concepts to ninth graders. Managed numerous special projects and planned special events, including SAT preparation workshops, parent information sessions, recreational activities, and a summer youth employment program.
1998-1999

Service Contributions

University

University of Georgia, Department of Sociology
Executive Committee, 2007-

University of Georgia, Institute for African American Studies
Undergraduate Reading Group Committee, 2007-

Professional

Member. *Contexts* Editorial Board, 2008-

Reviewer. Oxford University Press

Reviewer. McGraw-Hill Textbook Division

ASA Section Memberships: Race and Ethnic Minorities, Collective Behavior and Social Movements.

Community

Executive Board Member, Caffee, Caffee & Associates, Public Health Corporation, Inc. I serve as an executive board member of Caffee, Caffee & Associates, which is committed to decreasing health disparities among African Americans. Our focus has been on African American tobacco education. Caffee, Caffee & Associates is most known for its innovative women's second-hand smoke empowerment program *Not in Mama's Kitchen*, which encourages women to maintain a commitment to smoke free homes and cars. 2003-present

Spanish Language Group Facilitator, Smoking Cessation Working Group: Best Practices Exchange & Dissemination, a Continuing Medical Education Program. World Conference on Tobacco or Health. July 2006, Washington, D.C.

Organizer and Facilitator, Women in Hip Hop Scholarship Panel. With Juliana Pegues, Rachel Raimist, Melisa Riviere and Roxanne Shante. B-Girl Be Summit. June 2006, Minneapolis, MN.

TRIO Alumni Representative for the State of Minnesota, Council on Opportunity in Education Leadership Summit, Policy Seminar, and Capitol Hill Lobby Day. April, 2004.

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association

Association of Black Sociologists

Social Science History Association

Association for the Study of African American Life and History

REFERENCES

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