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## EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA, Santa Barbara, California  
*Ph.D. (Sociology)* December 2005  
*Ph.D. Certificate (Women's Studies)*

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA, Santa Barbara, California  
*Masters of Arts (Sociology)* June 2002

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, Bloomington, Indiana  
*Bachelor of Arts (Theater). Summa Cum Laude.* May 1998  
Jewish Studies Certificate, Hebrew Minor, Sociology Minor.

## CURRENT APPOINTMENT

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN SOCIOLOGY, WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE, Westfield, MA

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

University of Connecticut General Education Course Development Grant (\$10,000) 2007-2009  
University of Connecticut, Faculty Travel Support 2008, 2007  
Research Grant, University of Connecticut, Women's Studies 2007  
American Sociological Association, Sexualities Section Graduate Paper Award 2005  
Martin Levine Dissertation Fellowship, ASA Sexualities Section, Honorable Mention 2004  
Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, UCSB 2005  
Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grant, UCSB 2004  
Sociology Department Fee Fellowship, UCSB 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999  
Sociology Department Research Grant, UCSB 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001  
Phi Beta Kappa 1998

## TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Movements	Social Psychology
Research Methods	New Technologies
Classical and Contemporary Theory	Social Inequality
Gender and Sexualities	Deviance and Social Control

## DISSERTATION

"THE DISPOSABLE BOY TOYS: IDENTITY TRANSFORMATION IN A DRAG KING COMMUNITY"

Dissertation Committee members: Beth Schneider and Verta Taylor (co-chairs), Richard Flacks, Jodi O'Brien, and Leila Rupp

Using a multi-method design including interviews, participant observation, and content analysis this dissertation is an in-depth case study of The Disposable Boy Toys (DBT), a self-identified 'political feminist collective' drag troupe. I examine how the performance of counter hegemonic and subversive identities and discourses in DBT's drag offers a politicized challenge to the personal identities of participants themselves. I conclude that performing in a politicized, feminist context influenced the gender, sexual and political identities of participants in fundamental and varied ways. Examining DBT as a social movement community engaged in intentional gender performance raises critical questions about the dynamic relationship between performance, identity, and community. Extending existing theory I argue that oppositional communities are central venues for individual-level identity work.

## BOOKS

2010. *Gender Circuits: Bodies and Identities in the Technological Age*. New York, NY: Routledge.
2008. Associate Editor, *Encyclopedia of Gender and Society (2 Volumes)*. Sage Publications. Edited by Jodi O'Brien.

## ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- Forthcoming. "Drag Queens and Drag Kings: The Difference Gender Makes." Co-authored with Verta Taylor and Leila Rupp. *Sexualities* 13(1).
- Forthcoming. "Racializing Gender Performance and Performing Racialized Genders: The Impact of Race in a Drag King Community," *Transforming Sociology: Towards a Social Analysis of Gender Diversity*, edited by Sally Hines and Tam Sanger. Routledge.
2007. "Drag Kinging and the Transformation of Gender Identities." *Gender & Society*. 21(2):250-271.
2007. "Lesbian Feminism." Pp. 2601-2606 in *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by George Ritzer. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing.
- Revised for inclusion in *The Concise Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by George Ritzer. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing. Forthcoming.
2007. "Radical Feminism." Pp. 3773-3776 in *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by George Ritzer. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing.
- Revised for inclusion in *The Concise Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by George Ritzer. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing. Forthcoming.
2004. "Trans'cending Barriers: Transgender Organizing on the Internet." *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Social Services: Special Issue on Strategies for Gay and Lesbian Rights Organizing*. Edited by Yolanda C. Padilla. 16(3/4): 165-179.
2004. with Jodi O'Brien. "'Doing it' on the Web: Emerging Discourses on Internet Sexuality," *Web.Studies: Rewiring Media Studies for the Digital Age*. Edited by David Gauntlett. London: Arnold Press.

## BOOK REVIEW ESSAYS AND PEDAGOGICAL WRITING

- Forthcoming. Book Review Essay. *Mobilizing Science: Movements, Participation and the Remaking of Knowledge*, by Sabrina McCormick. *Mobilization*.
2007. Book Review Essay. *Working Construction: Why White Working-Class Men Put Themselves—and Their Labor Movement—in Harm's Way*, by Kris Paap. *Social Forces* 86(2): 865-867.
2007. "Contemporary U.S. Women's Movements." in *The Sociology of Gender: Syllabi and Other Instructional Materials*, 6th edition, edited by Betsy Lucal and Amy Blackstone. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.
2007. "Gender and Social Movements Syllabus." in *The Sociology of Gender: Syllabi and Other Instructional Materials*, 6th edition, edited by Betsy Lucal and Amy Blackstone. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.
2005. Book Review Essay. *It's Cold And Lonely At The Middle: Discrimination Against Female Graduate Teaching Assistants*, by Joanne Ardovini-Brooker. *Contemporary Sociology* 34(1): 24-25.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

"Is Female to Nature as Transgender is to Culture?: Authenticity, Biology, and Cisgender Privilege in Feminist Theory," co-authored with Kristen Schilt. Under review at *Feminist Studies*.

"Claiming Queer Desire," co-authored with Amy Stone. In progress for submission to *Social Problems*.

*The Disposable Boy Toys: Performing Masculinity, Performing Self*. Book-length manuscript based on dissertation research. In progress.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN SOCIOLOGY, WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE

Principles of Sociology (Fall 2009, Spring 2010)

Sexualities (Fall 2009)

Deviance and Social Control (Spring 2010)

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN RESIDENCE IN WOMEN'S STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, STORRS

Gender in Everyday Life (Fall 2007, Fall 2008)

Women's Movements (Fall 2007, Fall 2008)

Gender in a Global Perspective (Spring 2008, Spring 2009)

New Technologies, Changing Bodies, Shifting Identities (Spring 2008, Spring 2009)

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (YEAR-LONG TERM APPOINTMENT), UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Sociological Theory (Fall 2006, Spring 2007)

Sociology of Law (Fall 2006)

Deviance and Social Control (Fall 2006)

Gender and Social Movements (Spring 2007)

Research Methods (Spring 2007)

INSTRUCTOR, UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Contemporary Social Movements (Spring 2006)

INSTRUCTOR, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA

Contemporary U.S. Women's Movements. Sociology (Summer 2005, 2004, Spring 2003)

Research Methods. Sociology (Spring 2004)

TEACHING ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA

Sexual Politics (Sociology; 2 times)

Social Psychology (Sociology; 3 times, once as Lead TA)

Sociology of the Family (Sociology; 2 times)

Women and the Body (Women's Studies)

Gay and Lesbian Communities (Sociology)

Research Methods (Sociology)

Statistics for Social Research (Sociology)

Sociological Imagination (Sociology)

Social Movements (Sociology)

## PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

"Gender, Race and Class divides in Bay Area Queer Organizing." Invited Session, Queer Organizing in the New Millennium. American Sociological Association annual meeting. San Francisco, August 2009.

"CREATING CISGENDERISM: THE FEMINIST MARGINALIZATION OF TRANSGENDER LIVES," co-authored with Kristen Schilt. TransRhetorics Conference at Cornell University. Ithaca, NY, March 2009.

"SISTERS, BROTHERS, AND THE REST OF US IN STRUGGLE: WHAT FEMINIST SOCIOLOGY HAS TO GAIN FROM TRANS RESEARCH." Invited Session, Transgender Studies' Impact on the Study of Sexuality and Gender.

American Sociological Association annual meeting. Boston, August 2008.

"(RE)BRAIDING GENDER AND SEXUAL IDENTITY IN A DRAG PERFORMANCE TROUPE." Paper Session, The Complexity of Sexual Identity. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. Portland, April 2008.

"LARRY CRAIG, TED HAGGARD, AND MARK FOLEY: MEDIA NEGOTIATIONS OF IDENTITY AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOR." Regular Session, Queering Heterosexuality. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. Portland, April 2008.

"LARRY CRAIG, TED HAGGARD, AND MARK FOLEY: MEDIA NEGOTIATIONS OF IDENTITY AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOR." Regular Paper Session, Issues of Gender and Sexual Identity. Eastern Sociological Association annual meeting. New York City, February 2008.

"THE IMPACT OF RACE AND CLASS ON GENDER TRANSFORMATION IN A DRAG KING COMMUNITY." Paper Session, Transgender Embodiment and Identity. Society for the Study of Social Problems. New York, New York. August 2007.

"PERFORMING POLITICS: DRAG, POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT AND POLITICAL IDENTITY CHANGE." Paper Session, Identity Deployment and Social Change. Collective Behavior and Social Movements Conference at Hofstra University. New York, New York. August 2007.

"PERFORMING GENDER AND SEXUALITY: THE POLITICAL WORK OF DRAG." Co-Authored with Verta Taylor and Leila Rupp. Paper Session, Hard Core: Politics and the Gay Male Body. Many Camps: Subcultures and the Arts of Survival. San Francisco, California. 2006.

"PERFORMING GENDER AND SEXUALITY: THE POLITICAL WORK OF DRAG." Co-Authored with Verta Taylor and Leila Rupp. Thematic Session, Blurring Gender/Sexual Boundaries. American Sociological Association annual meeting. Montreal, Canada. 2006.

"MAKING MESSY DRAG: QUEERING GENDER, SEXUALITY AND POLITICS IN DRAG KING PERFORMANCE." Regular Session, Doing Drag: Performances of Gender and Sexuality. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. West Hollywood, California. 2006.

"DRAG PERFORMANCE, SEXUALITY, AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF DESIRES." Paper Presented. Los Angeles Queer Studies Conference, Los Angeles, California. 2005.

"WE'RE ALL GENDERQUEER PERFORMERS": DRAG PERFORMANCE AND (TRANS)GENDER IDENTITY." Regular Session, GLBT Identities, Practices and Politics. American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 2005.

"DRAG KINGS, POLITICAL PERFORMANCE, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF OPPOSITIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS." Regular Session, Gay, Lesbian, and Gender Queer Social Movements: Contesting Multiple Margins. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting, Portland, Oregon. 2005.

"STUDYING AT HOME: DOING RESEARCH WITHIN YOUR OWN COMMUNITIES AND FRIENDSHIP NETWORKS." Panel, Are You In or Are You Out? Research and the Politics of Identity. Gender Queer/Queer Genders Conference, Santa Barbara, California. 2005.

"VIRTUAL ACTIVISM: THE ROLE OF THE INTERNET IN TRANSGENDER ACTIVISM." Regular Session, Sociology of the Transgendered. American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, Illinois. 2002.

"FROM GENDER CLINICS TO INTERNET ORGANIZING." Regular Session. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting, Vancouver, Canada. 2002.

"THE BIRTH OF THE TRANSGENDER MOVEMENT." Paper Presented. Queer Grad Conference at UCLA, Los Angeles, California. 2000.

## INVITED LECTURES

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, Storrs, Connecticut

"Tonight I'm a Gay Male Cheerleading Lesbian in a Biker Gang: Exploring Drag Performance and the Construction of Gender and Sexuality." Women's Studies Spotlight Series. (Winter 2007)

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, San Luis Obispo, California

"Boy Bands, Boycotts, and Bush: Drag as Political Protest." Change the Status Quo Student Conference. (Winter 2005)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA, Santa Barbara, California

"Boy Bands, Boycotts, and Bush: Drag as Political Protest." Graduate Research Series, Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity. (Fall 2003)

"Trans 101." Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity. (Fall 2000, 2001, 2002)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

ASSOCIATE EDITOR AND RESEARCH ASSISTANT. Spring 2004-Spring 2008

Project: *Encyclopedia of Gender and Society*. Lead Editor Jodi O'Brien, Sage Press.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, Summer 2003-Fall 2004

Project: "Feminist Political Action Committees." Principal Investigator: Beth Schneider, Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, Summer 2002-Winter 2002

General Research Assistance for Beth Schneider, Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

MANUSCRIPT REFEREE

*Gender and Society*

*Research in Political Sociology*

*Social Problems*

*Symbolic Interaction*

*Qualitative Sociology*

*Contemporary Sociology*

*Sexualities*

*Social Forces*

*Rowman and Littlefield Press*

*Mobilization*

AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Council Member, Sexualities Section, 2008-2011

Nominations Committee, Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section, 2009

Program Committee, Sexualities Section, 2009

Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Sexualities Section, 2009

Book Award Committee, Sexualities Section, 2007

Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Sexualities Section, 2006

Roundtables Organizer, Sexualities Section, 2005 annual meeting

Program Committee, Sexualities Section, 2005 annual meeting

Membership Committee, Sexualities Section, 2003-2006

Student Council Representative, Sexualities Section, 2003-2004

Session Organizer: Sexualities Section Session, Sexuality, Community, and Social Change. American Sociological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, California 2009.

Session Presider: Regular Session, Queer Sexual Spaces. American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2005.

LGBT Caucus Session Organizer: Activist Panel on Gay Marriage. American Sociological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, California, 2005.

#### PACIFIC SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Session Organizer with Jane Ward: Regular Session, Rethinking Butch/Femme. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting, Oakland, California 2007.

Session Organizer: Regular Session, Doing Drag: Performances of Gender and Sexuality. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. West Hollywood, California. 2006.

Sexualities Session Organizer: Performing Gender and Sexuality: The Role of Performance in Queer Communities. Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, California, 2004.

#### UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Sociology Dissertation Committee, "The Skinny on Gastric Bypass Surgery: An investigation of pre and post operative behavioral influences," by Dina Giovanelli.

Sociology Doctoral Exam Committee, "Sexualities", Maura Kelly.

Sociology Doctoral Exam Committee, "Sociology of the Body and Sexualities", Natalie Peluso.

Sociology Doctoral Exam Committee, "Gender", Lauren Ross.

#### UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Senior Honors Thesis, Second reader. "Interracial Dating and Asian-American Students" by Clarissa Bautista.

Organizer, 2006-2007 Speaker Series, "Performance and Contemporary Political Engagement" Organized three events with local performer-activist groups Spring 2007.

Member, LGBT Caucus, 2006-2007.

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA

Undergraduate Mentor, 2000-2004.

Minority Opportunity through School Transformation program  
Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara.

Lead Teaching Assistant, 2003-2004.

Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara.

Teaching Assistant Training Committee, 2002-2004.

Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara.

Graduate Admissions Committee, 2002-2003.

Graduate Student Representative  
Department of Sociology, University of California at Santa Barbara.

Advisory Board Member. 2002-2003.

Center for Gender and Sexual Diversity, University of California at Santa Barbara.

Conference Steering Committee and Programming Co-Chair, 1999-2001.

University of California Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Association.

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

American Sociological Association GLBT Caucus

National Women's Studies Association  
Pacific Sociological Association  
Sociologists for Women in Society

## REFERENCES

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