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**EDUCATION**

- 1987 Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, Sociology.  
1980 M.A., University of California, Berkeley, Sociology.  
1978 B.A., University of California, Los Angeles, Sociology (Phi Beta Kappa).

**EMPLOYMENT**

- 2026 (July) Professor Emerita, Sociology, Northeastern University.  
2016-26 Professor, Sociology, Northeastern University.  
2009-16 Associate Professor, Sociology, Northeastern University.  
2014-17 Graduate Program Director, Sociology, Northeastern.  
2011-12 Interim Director, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Northeastern.  
1996-2009 Assistant to Associate Professor, Sociology and Women's Studies, University of New Hampshire.  
2005-06 Coordinator, Women's Studies Program, University of New Hampshire.  
1995-96 Visiting Associate Professor, Sociology, Tufts University.  
1988-95 Assistant Professor, Sociology and Women's Studies, University of Michigan.

**AREAS OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH**

Sociology of Gender; Families, Inequality, and Intersectionality; Inequality, Disability, Health, and the Body; Sociological Theory; Qualitative, Ethnographic, and Feminist Methods.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**BOOKS:**

- 2015 *Raising Generation Rx: Mothering Kids with Invisible Disabilities in an Age of Inequality*. NY: New York University Press.
- Reviews: *American Journal of Sociology*, *Booklist*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Disability & Society*, *Gender & Society*, *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Midwest Book Review*, *Metapsychology Online Reviews*, *Sociology of Health & Illness*
  - Featured, Author-Meets-Critics Session, American Sociological Association, August 2016
  - 2016 Outstanding Publication, Disability and Society Section, American Sociological Association
- 1999 *At the Breast: Ideologies of Breastfeeding and Motherhood in the Contemporary United States*. Boston: Beacon Press.

- 2008 Chapter Two (edited), “From Sacred to Disembodied Motherhood” in *Sociology of the Body*, Malacrida and Low, eds. Oxford University Press.
- 2002 Honorable Mention, Mirra Komarovsky Book Award, Eastern Sociological Society
- 2000 Distinguished Book Award, Sex & Gender Section, American Sociological Association

1991 *Between Feminism and Labor: The Significance of the Comparable Worth Movement*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

- 1996 Japanese edition, Ochanomizu Press.
- 1993 Chapter One (edited) in *Cases and Materials on Employment Law*. Calloway, Sullivan, and Zimmer, eds. New York: Little Brown.
- 1992 Honorable Mention, C. Wright Mills Book Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

- 2021-25 PI, Spencer Foundation Small Grant, “Biographical Disruption? Transitions from College to Adulthood Amid the Pandemic and Its Aftermath: A Longitudinal Study” (\$ 49, 999)
- Under review, “When the World Shut Down:” Young Adults, Biographical Illumination, and Crip Time in the Covid-19 Pandemic. Submitted March 2026.

#### JOURNAL SPECIAL ISSUE

2023 Coeditor, Special Issue, Complexities of Care and Caring. *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 49, 1. **Linda M. Blum**, Martha Albertson Fineman, and Amber Jamilla Musser.

Introduction: Complexities of Care and Caring. *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 49, 1: 1-6. **Linda M. Blum** and Amber Jamilla Musser.

#### REFEREED ARTICLES: (\*\* = with graduate students, \* = undergraduate students)

- 2025 “Feminist Solidarity or Moralized Body Politics?: Online Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Communities and Feminist Health Politics.” **Linda M. Blum** and KJ Surkan. *Gender & Society* 39, 5: 799-827.
- 2023 “Dating at a Distance: Does it take a Pandemic to Challenge Campus Sexual Culture?” **Linda M. Blum** and Kaitlyn Eri Lee\*, Olivia Binder,\* and Emma Clifford.\* *Sociological Forum* 38, 3: 616-35. DOI: 10.1111/socf.12922.
- 2018 “Women Organized Against Sexual Harassment: A Grassroots Struggle for Title IX Enforcement, 1978-1980.” **Linda Blum** and Ethel Mickey.\*\* *Feminist Formations* 30, 2: 175-201.

- 2015 “‘Suits to Self-Sufficiency’: Dress for Success and Neoliberal Maternalism.” Emily R. Cummins and **Linda M. Blum**.\*\* *Gender & Society* 29, 5: 623-646.
- 2011 “‘Not Some Big, Huge, Racial-Type Thing, But . . .’: Mothering Children of Color with Invisible Disabilities in the Age of Neuroscience.” *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 36, 4: 941-967.
- 2018 Translation in *Antropologia psychiatrii dzieci i młodzieży. Teksty wybrane (Anthropology of Child and Youth Psychiatry)*, Anna Witeska-Młynarczyk, ed., publisher: Oficyna Naukowa.
- 2007 “Mother-Blame in the Prozac Nation: Raising Kids with Invisible Disabilities.” *Gender & Society* 21, 2: 202-226.
- 2012 Featured on *Sociological Images, The Society Pages* website. July 2, Lisa Wade.
- 2004 “Gender in the Prozac Nation: Popular Discourse and Productive Femininity.” **Linda M. Blum** and Nena F. Stracuzzi.\*\* *Gender & Society* 18, 3: 269-286.
- 1998 “Not Just 9 to 5: The Problems of Non-Standard Working Hours.” Peggy Kahn and **Linda M. Blum**. *WorkingUSA*. November/December, 50-59.
- 1996 “Negotiating Independent Motherhood: African American Women Talk about Marriage and Motherhood.” **Linda Blum** and Theresa Deussen.\*\* *Gender & Society* 10, 2: 199-211.
- 1998 Reprinted in *Taking Sides: Controversies in Gender Studies*, McGraw/Dushkin.
- 1993 “Mother to Mother: A Maternalist Organization in Late Capitalist America.” **Linda Blum** with Elizabeth Vandewater.\*\* *Social Problems* 40, 3: 285-300.
- 1993 “Mothers, Babies, and Breastfeeding in Late Capitalist America: The Shifting Contexts of Feminist Theory.” *Feminist Studies* 19, 2: 291-312.
- 1993 “Mothers Construct Fathers: Destabilized Patriarchy In La Leche League.” **Linda Blum** and Elizabeth Vandewater.\*\* *Qualitative Sociology* 16, 1: 3-22.
- 1995 Reprinted in *Everyday Life*. L. Tepperman and J. Curtis, eds., McGraw-Hill Ryerson.
- 1988 “Women's Mobility in the Corporation: A Critique of the Politics of Optimism.” **Linda Blum** and Vicki Smith. *Signs* 13, 3: 528-545.
- 1987 “Possibilities and Limits of the Comparable Worth Movement.” *Gender & Society* 1, 4: 380-399.
- 1997 Reprinted in *Workplace/Women's Place*, Dana Dunn, ed., Roxbury Press.

- 1985 “Commentary on Gilligan's *In a Different Voice*.” Judy Auerbach, **Linda Blum**, Vicki Smith and Christine Williams. *Feminist Studies* 11, 1: 149-160.
- 1983 “Politics and Policy-making: The Comparable Worth Debate.” *Berkeley Journal of Sociology* 28: 39-67.
- 1982 “Feminism and the Mass Media: A Case Study of *The Women's Room* as Novel and Television Film.” *Berkeley Journal of Sociology* 27: 1-24.
- 1987 Reprinted in *Women and Symbolic Interaction*, Mary Jo Deegan and Michael Hill, eds. London: Allen and Unwin.

REFEREED CHAPTERS: (\*\*= with graduate students)

- 2020 “Narratives of Care and Citizenship: Mothering ‘Precariously Normal’ Adult Sons and Daughters in an Age of Inequality.” *New Narratives of Disability: Constructions, Clashes, and Controversies*, eds. Sara Green and Donileen Loseke. *Research in Social Science and Disability* 11: 59-73.
- 2020 “Gender and Disability Studies.” (9,900 words) *Companion to Women’s and Gender Studies*, ed. Nancy A. Naples. John Wiley & Sons: 175-194.
- 2019 “Women Organized Against Sexual Harassment: Protesting Sexual Violence on Campus, Then and Now.” **Linda Blum** and Ethel Mickey.\*\* *Handbook of Contemporary Feminism*, eds. T. Oren and A. Press, Routledge.
- 2016 “Protecting Our Children: Paradoxes of Resistance in an Era of Neoliberal Education.” **Linda Blum** and Shelley Kimelberg. *Sage Handbook of Resistance*, eds. David Courpasson and Steven Vallas. London: Sage.
- 2016 “Mothering with Neuroscience in a Neoliberal Age: Child Disorders and Embodied Brains.” **Linda M. Blum** with Estye R. Fenton.\*\* *Bodies, Boundaries and Vulnerabilities*, ed. Lisa Folkmarson Kall, Uppsala University, Centre for Gender Research, Crossroads of Knowledge, and NY: Springer.
- 2016 “Rural Women’s Bodies and Invisible Hands: Neoliberalism and Population Control in China.” Lihua Wang with **Linda Blum**. *Bodies, Boundaries and Vulnerabilities*, ed. Lisa Folkmarson Kall, Uppsala University, Centre for Gender Research, Crossroads of Knowledge, and NY: Springer.
- 2002 “What Can We Hear After Postmodernism? Doing Feminist Field Research in the Age of Cultural Studies.” **Linda M. Blum** and Andrea L. Press. *American Cultural Studies*, ed. C. A. Warren and M. D. Vavrus. Urbana IL: University of Illinois Press.
- 1992 “Gender and Class in Comparable Worth.” *Equal Value/Comparable Worth in the UK and the USA*. Peggy Kahn and Elizabeth Meehan, eds. London and NY: The Macmillan Press.

COMMENTARY, REVIEW SYMPOSIA, REVIEW ESSAYS:

- 2024 Comment (invited) on Gareth Thomas, “We Wouldn’t Change Him for the World, But We Would Change the World for Him.” *Current Anthropology* 65, 26 (December).
- 2011 Organized, edited, and introduced: Symposium on *Surrogate Motherhood and the Politics of Reproduction* by Susan Markens. *Sociological Forum* 26, 1: 194-208. (With M. Sullivan, E. Teman, B. Katz Rothman, S. Markens)
- 2005 Lead essay, featured symposium: “Which Woman? Which Bodies?” on *Am I Still A Woman?: Hysterectomy and Gender Identity* by Jean Elson. *Contemporary Sociology* 34 (4): 345-348.
- 2002 “Body Wars: The Clash of the Paradigms, a Review Essay.” *Qualitative Sociology* 25, 2: 305-314.

ENCYCLOPEDIA, REFERENCE PIECES: (\*\*= with graduate students)

- 2013 “Feminist Theories of Work.” Katrina M. Uhly and **Linda M. Blum**.\*\* (2000 words.) *Sociology of Work*, Ed. V. A. Smith. Sage Reference Publication.
- 2009 “Breastfeeding.” **Linda M. Blum** and Jennifer J. Esala.\*\* *Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development*, Ed. D. Carr. Vol 1: 64-68. (2500 words on socio-cultural constructions of breastfeeding.) Detroit: Macmillan, Gale.
- 2010 Reprinted in *Gendered Bodies*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Judith Lorber and Lisa Jean Moore, eds., Oxford University Press.
- 1998 “Comparable Worth” and “American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees.” **Linda Blum** and Peggy Kahn. *Readers' Companion to U.S. Women's History*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 119-121; 305-306.

NEWSLETTER ESSAYS:

- 2009 “Advice to Obama: Reproductive Rights.” *Sex & Gender Section Newsletter, American Sociological Association*, March.
- 2005 “Breast vs. Bottles in the ‘Real World’ or What I Did Last Summer.” *SWS (Sociologists for Women in Society) Network News*, 22, 4: 9-10, Winter.
- 1987 “Worth Every Cent And More: Equal Pay in the US.” **Linda Blum** and Peggy Kahn. *International Labor Reports* 24: 18-19.

BOOK REVIEWS (\*\*= with graduate students)

- 2019 Prainsack, Barbara. *Personalized Medicine: Empowered Patients in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?* *Contemporary Sociology*, 48, 3: 344-346. **Linda Blum** and K.J. Surkan.
- 2017 Reich, Jennifer. *Calling the Shots: Why Parents Reject Vaccines*. *Contemporary Sociology* 46,6: 708-710. **Linda Blum** and Rebekah Getman.\*\*

- 2016 Villalobos, Ana. *Motherload: Making It All Better in Insecure Times*. *American Journal of Sociology* 121, 4: 1286-1288. **Linda Blum** and Ethel Mickey.\*\*
- 2010 Bell, Susan. *DES Daughters: Embodied Knowledges and the Transformation of Women's Health Politics*. *Contemporary Sociology* 39, 4: 421-423. **Linda Blum** and Alisa Lincoln.
- 2009 Davis, Kathy. *The Making of Our Bodies, Ourselves: How Feminism Travels Across Borders*. *Gender & Society* 23, 5: 713-715. **Linda M. Blum** and Jean Elson.
- 2008 Cobble, Dorothy Sue, editor, *The Sex of Class: Women Transforming American Labor*. *Contemporary Sociology* 37, 3: 243-244. **Linda Blum** and Peggy Kahn.
- 2006 Gatrell, Caroline, *Hard Labor: The Sociology of Parenthood* and Ann Oakley, *The Ann Oakley Reader*. *Sociological Review (UK)* 54, 3: 595-598 (1500 words).
- 2003 Sharon Kurtz, *Workplace Justice: Organizing Multi-Identity Movements*. *American Journal of Sociology* 109, 2: 546-547. **Linda Blum** and Peggy Kahn.
- 2003 Pamela E. Klassen, *Blessed Events: Religion and Home Birth in America*. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 42, 1: 159-160.
- 2001 Nancy J. Chodorow, *The Power of Feelings: Personal Meaning in Psychoanalysis, Gender, and Culture*. *Contemporary Sociology* 30, 2: 199-201.
- 1999 Monica Casper, *The Making of the Unborn Patient: A Social Anatomy of Fetal Surgery*. *Contemporary Sociology* 28, 6: 740-742.
- 1997 "Tough Times for Feminism," review of: Veve Clark et al., *Antifeminism in the Academy* and Heidi Gottfried, *Feminism and Social Change*. *Contemporary Sociology* 26, 3: 321-323.
- 1995 Lise Vogel, *Mothers on the Job: Maternity Policy in the U.S. Workplace*. *Contemporary Sociology* 24, 5: 615-616.
- 1995 Michael W. McCann, *Rights At Work: Pay Equity Reform and The Politics of Legal Mobilization*. *American Journal of Sociology* 101, 1: 242-244.
- 1995 Steven E. Rhoads, *Incomparable Worth: Pay Equity Meets the Market* and Elaine Sorenson, *Comparable Worth: Is It A Worthy Policy?* *Signs* 21, 1: 195-197. **Linda Blum** and Peggy Kahn.
- 1994 Ann Oakley, *Social Support and Motherhood*. *Contemporary Sociology* 23, 6: 795-796.

- 1993 "Virile Capitalism," review of: David Collinson, *Managing the Shopfloor: Subjectivity, Masculinity and Workplace Culture* and Albert Mills and Peta Tancred, eds., *Gendering Organizational Analysis*. *Contemporary Sociology* 22, 2: 244-246.
- 1992 Marcia Millman, *Warm Hearts and Cold Cash: The Intimate Dynamics of Families and Money*. *Contemporary Sociology* 21, 1: 70-71.
- 1991 Barbara Levy Simon, *Never Married Women*. *Gender & Society* 5, 1: 122-123.
- 1988 Marcia Westkott, *The Feminist Legacy of Karen Horney*. *Contemporary Sociology* 17, 2: 148.
- 1985 Massachusetts History Workshop, *They Can't Run the Office Without Us: Sixty Years of Clerical Work*. *Socialist Review* 15, 6: 138-140.

INVITED TALKS, ADDRESSES:

- 2023 "Studying the Medicalization of Childhood in the U.S."
  - The Moral Economies of Medicine Working Group, Department of Anthropology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, March.
- 2021 "Studying Invisible Disabilities, Inequality, and Family Life in the U.S."
  - The Rare Disease Research Center, Society and Technologies of Health and Illness Series, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland, virtual June.
- 2017 "Managing Precarious Normality: Mothers, Boys, and Invisible Disabilities in the Contemporary US"
  - Boston University, Sociology Department Colloquium, October.
- 2017 "Raising Generation Rx: Invisible Disabilities in an Age of Inequality"
  - University of South Florida, Sociology Department Colloquium, January.
- 2015 "Raising Generation Rx in an Age of Inequality"
  - Canterbury Christ Church University, UK, "Engaging Sociology," Open Lecture Series, October.
  - School of Social Policy, Sociology, and Social Research, University of Kent, U.K., October.
  - Aston University, Birmingham, UK, October.
  - Social Science, Health, and Medicine Series, King's College London, UK, October.
- 2015 "Mother-Child Troubles, Past and Present"
  - Family Studies Group, Roehampton University, London, UK, October.
  - Neuroscience and Society Group, Oxford University, Oxford, UK, October.

- 2015 “Raising Generation Rx: Racialized Issues in Negotiations with Schools”
- Department of Education, Tufts University, June.
- 2015 “Raising Generation Rx in an Age of Inequality”
- Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, May.
  - Department of Sociology, Brandeis University, April.
  - Departments of Sociology, Women’s and Gender Studies, Health Professions, College of the Holy Cross, April.
- 2012 “Mothers of the Rx Generation: Childhood Disability in the Age of Neuroscience.” Centre for Gender Research, Uppsala University, Sweden, October.
- 2012 Invited Presenter, Symposium on “Race & Gender, State & Capital: The Work of Dorothy Roberts.” University of California, Irvine, African American Studies, Humanities Center, Law School, and various departments and programs. May.
- 2012 “Not This Big, Huge, Racial-type Thing, But . . .:” Mothering Children of Color with Invisible Disabilities in the Age of Neuroscience. University of Virginia, Department of Sociology, March.
- 2011 “Not This Big, Huge, Racial-type Thing, But . . .:” Mothering Children of Color with Invisible Disabilities in the Age of Neuroscience. Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology and Ethnic Studies Program, April.
- 2011 Author-Meets-Critics, Symposium on Joan B. Wolf’s, *Is Breast Best* (New York University Press, 2011). Texas A&M University, Women’s and Gender Studies Program, April.
- 2008 “Not This Big, Huge, Racial-type Thing, But . . .:” Mothering Children of Color with ADHD, ADD, ASD, OCD in the Prozac Nation. San Diego State University, Chicana/Chicano Studies and Women’s Studies Programs, October.
- 2005 “Breast vs. Bottle, the U.S. and the U.K. Compared.” Invited Plenary speaker, University of Kent, UK, School of Social Policy, Sociology, and Social Research, “The Ambiguities of Infant Feeding,” July.
- “Care, Harm and Racial Ideologies of Motherhood: The Passions that Breastfeeding Provokes.”
- 2002 Loyola University, Chicago, Symposium on Race and Reproduction, with Professor Dorothy Roberts (Northwestern University Law School), March.
  - 2000 Department of Sociology, Brandeis University, September.
  - 2000 Harvard Center for Literary and Cultural Studies, Cambridge MA, February.
  - 1999 University of California, Berkeley, Center for Working Families, November.

“Bodies at Work: The Case of Breastfeeding.”

- 2000 Department of Sociology, Brandeis University, November.
- 1999 Women’s Health Lecture Series, Sonoma State University, California, November.

1995 “What Can We Hear After Postmodernism? Doing Feminist Field Research in the Age of Cultural Studies.” With Andrea Press. American Cultural Studies Association, Champaign IL.

1993 “Gender and Organizational Studies: A Discussion of Changes in the Field.” Interdisciplinary Organizational Studies Seminar, University of Michigan.

*CONFERENCES (Since 2005):* (\*\* = with graduate students, \* = with undergraduate student)

2024 **Presider and discussant (invited), Thematic session**, “Building Communities of Healing: Theorizing Disability, Chronic Illness, and Mental Health.” American Sociological Association, Montreal, August.

2022 “Why *At the Breast* is still relevant” Lead paper for session “Breastfeeding Scholarship Across Disciplines: Retrospective and New Directions.” Mothers’ Milk: Breastfeeding from Metaphor to Practice, a Symposium. University of New Hampshire Humanities Center, virtual, October.

2021 “Dating at a Distance?” Linda Blum and Kaitlyn Eri Lee.\* Sociologists for Women in Society, Roundtables, virtual, July.

**Organizer and presider**, Author Meets Critics, Carey, Block, and Scotch, *Allies and Obstacles: Disability Activism and Parents of Children with Disabilities*. Eastern Sociological Society, virtual, February.

2020 **Co-organizer, presider, discussant**, “Care, Disability, and Inequality Panel,” Carework Miniconference, Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, February.

2019 **Co-organizer, presider, discussant**, Sociology of Body and Embodiment, American Sociological Association, New York, August.

2017 **Co-organizer, co-presider**, Disability as a Dimension of Intersectionality and Inequality. American Sociological Association, Montreal, August.

**Invited panelist**, Feminist Disability Studies: Advancing Intersectional Analyses. American Sociological Association, Montreal, August.

2017 **Organizer and Presider**, Families, Disabilities, Current Controversies. Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, February.

- 2016 “Women Organized Against Sexual Harassment: Protesting Sexual Violence on Campus, Then and Now.” Linda Blum and Ethel Mickey.\*\* Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, March.
- 2015 **Organizer and Presider**, “Fighting Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault on Campus: Then and Now,” Presidential Thematic Panel, American Sociological Association, Chicago, August.
- 2015 “Protecting Our Children: Paradoxes of Resistance in an Era of Neoliberal Education.” Linda Blum and Shelley Kimelberg. Eastern Sociological Society, New York, February.
- 2015 “Violence against Youths with Invisible Disabilities.” With Jack Levin, Gordana Rabrenovic, Linda Blum, and Alisa Lincoln. Eastern Sociological Society, New York, February.
- 2014 “Single Mothers and Disabled Kids in an Age of Neuroscience.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August.
- 2013 **Co-Organizer and Panelist**, Vulnerable Bodies/Embodied Boundaries, a Research Symposium, Body/Embodiment Collaborative Research Cluster, NU Humanities Center, CSSH, and Centre for Gender Research, Uppsala University, Sweden. Boston, April.
- 2012 “Mothering with Neuroscience in a Neoliberal Age: Child Disorders and Embodied Brains in Precarious Times.” With Estye Fenton.\*\* American Sociological Association, August, Denver.
- 2011 **Author Meets Critics** Session, on N. Whittier’s *The Politics of Child Sexual Abuse*, Social Science History Association, November, Boston. With Estye R. Fenton.\*\*
- 2011 “‘The Multi-Million Dollar Child:’ Raising Kids with Invisible Disabilities in the Context of Privilege.” American Sociological Association, Las Vegas.
- 2009 “‘Not This Big, Huge, Racial-type Thing, But’ . . .: Mothering Children of Color with ADHD, ADD, ASD, OCD, etc. in the Prozac Nation.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco.
- 2009 **Organizer, Presider, Discussant, Author Meets Critic** Session on Susan Markens’ *Surrogate Motherhood and the Politics of Reproduction*. Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore.
- 2008 **Co-organizer, co-presider**, Managed Hearts and Second Shifts: Hochschild’s Theorizing of the Many Worlds of Work. Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association, Boston.

- 2007 **Co-organizer, Presider, Discussant**, Gender, Medicine, and the Body. American Sociological Association, New York.
- 2006 “Mothers in the Prozac Nation: Raising Kids with ‘Invisible’ Disabilities.” American Sociological Association, Montreal.
- 2005 **Organizer**, “Gender In/And Parenthood.” American Sociological Association, Philadelphia.

Prior to 2005 List available on request (23 papers delivered or other conference activity).

**AWARDS AND HONORS (External)**

- 2021-24 Spencer Foundation Small Grant for “Biographical Disruption? Transitions from College to Adulthood Amid the Pandemic and Its Aftermath: A Longitudinal Study” (\$ 49, 999.)
- 2021-22 Chair (elected), Disability and Society Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2018-19 Chair (elected), Sociology of Body and Embodiment Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2016 Outstanding Publication in the Sociology of Disability Award, Disability and Society Section, American Sociological Association, for *Raising Generation Rx*.
- 2015 Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for Parenting Culture Studies, University of Kent, UK, School of Social Policy, Sociology, and Social Research, October (nonstipended).
- 2013 Honorable Mention, Distinguished Article Award, Sex & Gender Section, American Sociological Association, ““Not Some Big, Huge, Racial-Type Thing, But . . .””
- 2012 Visiting Scholar, Centre for Gender Research, Uppsala University, Sweden, October (nonstipended).
- 2007-08 Chair (elected), Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2005 Honorable Mention, Distinguished Article Award, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association for “Gender in the Prozac Nation.”
- 2002 Honorable Mention, Mirra Komarovsky Book Award, Eastern Sociological Society for *At the Breast*.
- 2000 Distinguished Book Award, Sex & Gender Section, American Sociological Association for *At the Breast*.
- 1996-97 Bunting Fellow, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies, Harvard University (stipended).
- 1992 Honorable Mention, C. Wright Mills Book Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems, for *Between Feminism and Labor*.
- 1991 American Sociological Association/National Science Foundation, Fund for the Advancement of The Discipline Award (\$5000).
- 1986 Woodrow Wilson Foundation, Women's Studies Dissertation Award (\$1000).

***FUNDS, AWARDS, HONORS (Internal)***

- 2020-21 College of Social Science and Humanities Research Development Initiative, Northeastern (\$5,000).
- 2020-21 Institute for Health Equity and Social Justice Research Pilot Award, Northeastern (\$4,750).
- 2018-19 Fellow, Northeastern Humanities Center, College of Social Science and Humanities.
- 2015 College of Social Science and Humanities Research Development Initiative, Northeastern (\$5,000).
- 2015 College of Social Science and Humanities Undergraduate Research Fund, Northeastern (\$1,500) with Emily A. Barton.
- 2014-15 Co-convenor, Narratives of the Body and the Limits of Science and Medicine, Humanities Center Collaborative Research Cluster, Northeastern (\$2,000 with E. Bucar).
- 2011-13 Co-convenor, Body/Embodiment Collaborative Research Cluster, Northeastern University Humanities Center with L. Folkmarson Kall, the Centre for Gender Research, Uppsala University, Sweden (\$2000, \$1000).
- 2004 Center for the Humanities, Senior Faculty Fellowship, University of New Hampshire.
- 2002 Center for the Humanities, Sidore Initiative Grant, University of New Hampshire.
- 2000 Summer Faculty Fellowship, "Gender in the Prozac Nation," University of New Hampshire.
- 1994-95 Faculty Fellow, Differences Among Women Project, University of Michigan.
- 1991 University of Michigan Faculty Fellowship.
- 1985, 83 University of California, Berkeley, Regents Fellowships.
- 1982 University of California, Berkeley, Department of Sociology, Gertrude Jaeger Award.

***TEACHING and ADVISING (since 2009, at Northeastern University)******COURSES OFFERED at Northeastern*****Undergraduate:**

- Sociology of the Family (Socl 1255)
- Social Theory (Socl 3300)
- Sociology of Disability (Socl 2225)
- Honors College seminar, Invisibility, Disability, and Family Life (Honr 1310)

**Graduate:**

- Foundations of Social Theory 1 (Socl 7200)
- Sociology of Gender (Socl 7265)
- Graduate Consortium in Women's Studies (GCWS – MIT: WGS 615) Feminist Inquiry/Feminist Methods (with K. J. Surkan, MIT)

**Dissertation Committees, Chair, Northeastern (since 2009):**

- 2023 Naomi Darom, "Has Anything Really Changed? Mothers Negotiating Generational Sexual Cultures."

- 2016 Estye R. Fenton, “The End of International Adoption?: Altruism, Reproductive Markets, and the “Healthy” Child.”  
Revised dissertation published with Rutgers University Press, June 2019.

Dissertation Committee Member, Northeastern unless otherwise noted (since 2009):

- 2026 Emily Ruppel, *Disability and the State Production of Precarity, 1970 to the present*. Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2024 Rebekah Getman, “Uncertain Institutions: Policy, Risk, and Reward in Childbirth During COVID-19.”
- 2021 Elicia Cousins, “Reproducing Invisibility: Contested Narratives About Radiation Health Effects After Fukushima.”
- 2019 Sarah Faude, “The Road to Registration: Bureaucracy, Inequalities, and the Paradox of Compulsory Choice.”
- 2018 Ethel Mickey, “Networks of Exclusion in a Gendered Organization in the High-Tech Industry”
- 2018 Krysti Ryan, University of California, Davis, “A Labor of Love: Parenting Gender-Creative Children as Advocacy Work.”
- 2015 Betul Balkan Eksi, “Masculinities of the State: Reproducing the State through Discourse and Practice.”
- 2015 Katrina Uhly, “Reconstituting Portals and Power Relations: The Internationalization of L’Ecole Polytechnique.”
- 2012 Jennifer Esala, University of New Hampshire, “Anxious Lives: Tracing the Life Course of a Medical Diagnosis through Illness Narratives.”

Comprehensive Exam/Field Statement Committees, Chair, Northeastern:

*Sociology of Gender*

- 2021 Rebekah Getman  
Shunan You
- 2020 Naomi Darom
- 2018 Ezgi Deniz Rasit
- 2015 Kevin Geyer
- 2014 Ethel Mickey
- 2012 Emily Cummins  
2014 Mother Board Paper Award from the Graduate Consortium in Women’s Studies
- 2012 Emily Smykla
- 2011 Brett Nava-Coulter
- 2011 Katrina Uhly

*Inequality: Gender, Race, and Class*

2015 Sarah Faude

Comprehensive Exam/Field Statement Committees, Member, Northeastern:*Globalization*

2020 Shunan You

*Sociology of Work*

2015 Ethel Mickey

*Sociology of Gender*

2019 Ran Keren

2017 Diana Ramirez Leon

2014 Behice Pehlivan

2012 Betül Balkan Eksi

2010 Estye Fenton

*Sociology of Race and Ethnicity; Gender, Race, and Class*

2010 Estye Fenton

2010 Nakeisha Cody

MA Advisor, Northeastern (stand-alone MA program suspended 2019 to present):

2019 Kallí Williams, “‘We have to be tough:’ Presentations of Femininity among collegiate women athletes.”

2016 Stacy Pietari, “‘Not Your Canary:’ Attention to Environmental Health Findings Regarding Endocrine Disruptors in the Online Intersex Rights Activist Spaces.”

***SERVICE TO NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY***Department of Sociology and Anthropology (abbreviated)2023- **Chair**, Faculty Affairs committee, and member Department Steering Committee2009-20 **Co-chair** (with S. Vallas), Graduate Theory Committee and Committee for the Graduate Theory Qualifying Exam, Sociology

2019-20 Member, Committee on Graduate Studies and Graduate Admissions (+ earlier years)

2018-19 Member, Intellectual Events Committee, Sociology and Anthropology

2017-18, 20-22 Member, Undergraduate Committee, Sociology and Anthropology (+ earlier years)

2014-17 **Graduate Program Director**, and member, Department Steering Committee

2014 Annual Merit Review Committee, Ad hoc Committee on the Merit Review Document, Ad hoc Committee on the Variable Load Document

2009-11 Member, Distinguished Lecture Series Committee, Sociology and Anthropology

2009-present Member, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Sociology and Anthropology

2009-20 Co-chair (some years with K. Zippel), Graduate Gender Concentration, Sociology

2009-15 Advocate for 3<sup>rd</sup>-year Review and Tenure and Promotion, for Dr. Liza Weinstein

College of Social Science and Humanities

- 2017-21 Member (elected, 2 terms; **chair**, 20-21), College Tenure and Promotion Committee
- 2016 Presenter, Pedagogy-in-Progress Panel, Mental Health Issues and Invisible Disabilities in Our Culture and In Our Classrooms, September
- 2014-15 Co-convener, Humanities Center Collaborative Research Cluster, Narratives of the Body and the Limits of Science and Medicine (with E. Bucar)
- 2014 Mentor, Visiting Pre-Doctoral Fellow Edmee Baliff, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2013 Co-Organizer and Presenter, *Vulnerable Bodies/Embodied Boundaries* Research Symposium, April
- 2011-12 **Interim Director**, Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Program
- 2011-13 Convener, Humanities Center Collaborative Research Cluster, Body/Embodiment
- 2011 Member, Dean's Advisory Committee on Women's, Gender, Sexuality Studies Program
- 2010-11 Member, Political Science Chair Search Committee
- 2010 Guest Speaker, Sexuality Studies Working Group, Humanities Center
- 2009-12 Member, Executive Committee, Women's, Gender, Sexuality Studies Program
- 2009-10 Member, Life Story Writing Group, Humanities Center

University

- 2018-19 Member, Ad hoc Grievance Mediation Committee, Academic Senate, Northeastern
- 2017-20 Northeastern Member, Board of Directors, Consortium for Graduate Studies in Gender, Culture, Women, and Sexuality (GCWS, at MIT)
- 2012 Panel Speaker, Film Screening and Discussion on "Miss Representation."  
Cosponsors: Human Services Program, Social Justice Resource Center, University Health and Counseling Services, Violence Support, Intervention, and Outreach Network, and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program
- 2010 Member, Joint Provost-Academic Senate Committee on Work-Life Balance

***SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION***

- 2024-present Editorial Board Member (invited), *Sociological Forum*.
- 2021-22 **Chair** (elected), Disability and Society Section, American Sociological Association
- 2019-20 Chair, Best Publication Award Committee, Sociology of Body and Embodiment Section, American Sociological Association,
- 2018-19 **Chair** (elected) Sociology of Body and Embodiment Section, American Sociological Association, and Chair, Program Committee for the Section
- 2017-18 Chair-Elect (elected) Body and Embodiment Section, American Sociological Association, and Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, for the Section
- 2015-present Editorial Board Member (invited), *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*.
- 2014-16 Committee on the Status of Women in Sociology (invited), American Sociological Association
- 2014 Sociologists for Women in Society Mentor (for A. Frederick, UT, El Paso)
- 2013-16 Reviewer, Preliminary Selection Committee (invited), Woodrow Wilson Foundation Dissertation Fellowship in Women's Studies
- 2012-13 Member (elected), Committee on Committees, American Sociological Association

- 2008-09 Chair (as past elected section chair), Nominations Committee, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2008 Member (as elected section chair), Martin Levine Dissertation Award Committee, American Sociological Association.
- 2007-08 **Chair** (elected), Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2006-07 Chair-Elect (elected, serve on Council), Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2003-08 Editorial Board Member, *Gender & Society* (invited, 2 terms).
- 2002-03 Member, Rose Laub Coser Dissertation Award Committee, Eastern Sociological Society.
- 2000-02 Chair, Cheryl Allyn Miller Award Committee, Sociologists for Women in Society.
- 2000 Member, Nominations Committee, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association.
- 1999 Newsletter Coeditor, Society of Institute Fellows, the Bunting Program, Radcliffe Institute.
- 1993-94 Reviewer, Woodrow Wilson Foundation, Women's Studies Dissertation Award.

Outside Evaluator, Tenure and Promotion, Promotion Review for: Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Boston University, CUNY- Lehman College, Rice University, SUNY-Stony Brook University, Texas A&M University; Tufts University; University of Colorado at Denver; University of Connecticut; University of Delaware; University of Denver; University of Massachusetts, Boston; University of Texas, Arlington; University of Texas, El Paso.

Occasional Reviewer for:

*American Sociological Review, Australian Feminist Studies, Canadian Journal of Sociology, Catalyst, Chinese Journal of Sociology, Contexts, Feminist Studies, Gender & Society; Gender, Work & Organization; Hypatia, Industrial Relations; Journal of Women, Politics, and Policy; Political Power & Social Theory, Qualitative Sociology, Research in Social Science and Disability, Signs, Social Currents, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Science & Medicine, Sociological Forum, Sociological Inquiry, Sociological Quarterly, Sociological Review, Sociology Compass, Sociology of Education, Sociology of Health and Illness, Women's Studies Quarterly, Work and Occupations.*

Book manuscript reviews for: University of Chicago Press, Cornell University Press, Harvard University Press, University of Illinois Press, University of Michigan Press, NYU Press, the Ohio State University Press, Rutgers University Press, Temple University Press.

**NOTABLE SERVICE, UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (1996-2009)** available on Request

**NOTABLE SERVICE, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (1988-1995)** available on request

**SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC: PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY**

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- 2020 Interview, Dr. Celene Reynolds (Postdoctoral scholar, Cornell) on histories of Title IX and early activism against sexual harassment.
- 2020 Interview, Newton South High School, Newton MA, on Emma Goldman and histories of feminist and allied movements (D. Weintraub, teacher).
- 2019 **Featured** Interview, Karen Zilberstein, *Parents Under Pressure*, Levellers Press.
- 2019 Cited in Petersen, Anne Helen, “How Millennials Became the Burnout Generation.” *Buzzfeed News*, January 5. [Millennial Burnout](#)
- 2016 Expert Report, ACLU Springfield, MO, on Indecent Exposure Ordinance in *Free the Nipple v. City of Springfield*, November. *On the gender disparate impact and harm to women.*
- 2016 **Featured** Interview, Diana Tourjee, “‘Chop the Things Off’: The Plight of Boys Who Grow Breasts.” *Vice Magazine*, January 13. *Addressed concerns with changing and fluid gender boundaries and impact of psychoactive medications that cause metabolic changes.* [https://broadly.vice.com/en\\_us/article/gynecomastia-chop-the-things-off-the-plight-of-boys-who-grow-breasts](https://broadly.vice.com/en_us/article/gynecomastia-chop-the-things-off-the-plight-of-boys-who-grow-breasts)
- 2015 Panelist, “The battle over breasts: Good breasts, bad breasts, why the fuss about breasts in public?” The Battle of Ideas, an annual festival of debates. London, October 17.
- 2015 **Featured Program**, *Disability Awareness*, KBOO Portland (OR) Community Radio, June 22, <http://kboo.fm/invisibledisabilitiesinanageofinequality>
- 2015 Interview, *TalkPoverty Radio*, Episode 2, All Eyes on Baltimore. Center for American Progress, May. <http://talkpoverty.org/podcast/eyes-baltimore/> and blog post, “Following Mothers’ Day, Stop Blaming Mothers” <http://talkpoverty.org/2015/05/14/blaming-mothers/>
- 2015 **Featured Program**, *Think*, KERA Radio (NPR Dallas), “Raising Children with Invisible Disabilities.” March 25. <http://www.kera.org/2015/03/25/raising-children-with-invisible-disabilities/>
- 2014 Interview, Mallory Black, “More Places to Breastfeed Brings Back Cultural Traditions.” *Osage News* (Osage Nation, Pawhuska OK), November; and Native Health News Alliance website, August.
- 2014 Interview, Kristen V. Brown, “Instagram's 'Mommy Wars': the Right to Bare Chest.” *San Francisco Chronicle*, July
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- 2006 Interview, Women's History Month, Clear Channel Radio, Portsmouth NH, March.
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- 1997 Guest Speaker, Boston Chapter, National Organization for Women, What is Needed for Women-Friendly Workplaces? March.
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