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EDUCATION

- PhD University of Wisconsin-Madison, Sociology (Minor: Qualitative Methods), ABD
Dissertation: “Class Keeping: Producing Elite Status and Making Inequality Moral.”
Chair: Mustafa Emirbayer
- MS University of Wisconsin-Madison, Sociology, 2016
Thesis: “A Server One Moment, a Customer the Next: The Fluid Boundaries of the New Service Economy.”
Preliminary Exams: Social Psychology and Microsociology, Ethnography
- BA Macalester College, Sociology and Germans Studies, 2011
Honors Thesis: “‘Getting Educated’: Working-Class and First-Generation Students and the Extra-Curriculum.”

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- 2024 “Class Experience Mobility through Consumption, Work, and Relationships.”
Sociological Theory Prepublished April 12. DOI: 10.1177/07352751241242804
*Honorable Mention, Consumers and Consumption Student Paper Award, ASA 2023
- 2024 “Classed Burdens: Accessing Unemployment Insurance during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Sociological Science* 11:114-137.
- 2023 “Workers and Their Foes: Customer Scapegoats in the Service Triad.” *Socius* 9.
*Winner of the Harry Braverman Award for best graduate student paper from the Labor Studies Division, SSSP 2022.
- 2022 **Taylor Laemmler**, Eric Grodsky, and Lyn C. Macgregor. “Going Places: First-Generation College Students Framing Higher Education.” *Sociological Forum* 37(4):972-994.

Articles in Preparation

“Class Keeping: The Linked Fates of Middle-Class Professionals and Elites.”

Book Manuscripts in Preparation

Borrowing Class. Invited by the University of Chicago Press. I'm working directly with editors at Chicago to prepare and revise a full manuscript for review.

Taylor Laemml and Mustafa Emirbayer. *The Sociology of Makeup*.

Reports

- 2020 H. Rose Miesner, Chiara Packard, **Taylor Laemml**, and Lyn Macgregor. "Report for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: Practitioners' Recommendations to Improve the Academic Success of Economically Disadvantaged Students." Working Paper No. 2020-13, Wisconsin Center for Education Research, University of Wisconsin-Madison: Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2016 J. Revel Sims, Ian Aley, Lexa Dundore, **Taylor Laemml**, Sheila Long, Emily Lutz, and Ruanda McFerren. "Evicted in Dane County, Wisconsin: A Collaborative Examination of the Housing Landscape." Report, University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Urban and Regional Planning: Madison, Wisconsin.

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Lecturer (Instructor of Record)

- The Sociological Enterprise. Fall 2019, Spring 2020.
 - Large-format (100 students) lecture, introduction to sociology
- Ethnography. Fall 2016
 - Small, seminar-style undergraduate class (6 students), focusing on theoretical and practical issues in ethnography, facilitating student research projects

Additional Prepared Courses

- Principles of Sociology
- Sociology of Elites
- Ethnography
- Introduction to Social Psychology

Independent Study Instructor/Research Mentor

- The Impact of COVID-19 on Service and Arts Workers (undergraduate research opportunity), Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022

Mentoring

- Inaugural “Instructional Peer Mentor,” Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Spring 2023 and Fall 2023
 - Helmed and created a new TA mentoring program. Constructed an observation system; mentored and observed 5-9 new TAs’ teaching. Split appointment with TAsip for Social Psychology.
- College of Letters and Sciences Teaching Mentor, University of Wisconsin-Madison 2023

Guest Lecturer/Instructor

- The Sociological Enterprise (Honors), Spring 2024
- Social Psychology, Fall 2023
- Social Psychology, Spring 2023
- Sociology of Gender, Spring 2022

Teaching Assistant

- Communicating about Careers, Spring 2024
 - Interdisciplinary College of Letters & Sciences course, focus on value of liberal arts
 - Independently taught two sections (40 students) per week
 - Met university writing/communication instruction requirement.
- Social Psychology, Spring 2023, Fall 2024
 - Independently taught two sections (50 students) per week, split appointment with TA mentoring program
- Sociology of Gender, Spring 2022
 - Independently taught four sections (100 students) per week
- Human Sexuality: Sociological and Psychological Issues. Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021
 - Independently taught four to five sections (100-125 students) per week
- Methods of Sociological Inquiry. Fall 2017
 - Independently taught two sections (40 students) that met twice per week
- Survey of Sociology. Spring 2017
 - Independently taught two sections (40 students) that met twice per week
 - Met university writing/communication instruction requirement.
- Sociology of Marriage and Family. Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2019
 - Independently taught five sections (100 students) per week

Additional Training

- Research Mentor Training Seminar, mentoring seminar through The Delta Program in Research, Teaching and Learning at University of Wisconsin-Madison, Spring 2023
- “Becoming a Better College Teacher,” teaching workshop at University of Wisconsin-Madison, Fall 2019
- “Writing Across the Curriculum,” workshop on intensive writing instruction, Spring 2017

- Diversity Training Class, Sociology Department/Department of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, University of Wisconsin Madison, Spring 2014
- College of Letters and Science Teaching Assistant Training, University of Wisconsin Madison, Fall 2013
- Department of Sociology Teaching Assistant/Lecturer Training, University of Wisconsin Madison, Fall 2013

PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Research assistant** for Mustafa Emirbayer, John Dewey Professor of Sociology and Social Thought, University of Wisconsin-Madison. June-July 2023, February 2024
 - Helped to revise a new edition of *Race in America* (Desmond and Emirbayer, Norton).
- **Project assistant** for Eric Grodsky, Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. May 2020-August 2020.
 - Coded and jointly wrote a report on teachers' and principals' qualitative survey responses.
- **Research assistant** for Alice Goffman, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. January 2018-2019.
 - Assisted in secondary research collection, provided editorial assistance on a book project.
- **Project assistant** for Eric Grodsky, Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. May 2014-August 2015.
 - Designed and completed part of an NSF-funded project on "first-generation college student pathways." Interviewed first-generation college students, analyzed data, and published a journal article based on this research.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND GRANTS

- Honorable Mention, Consumers and Consumption Student Paper Award, American Sociological Association. "Class Experience Mobility through Consumption, Work, and Relationships." 2023.
- Conference Presentation Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison Student Research Grants Competition, February 2023
- Winner and Departmental Nominee for Teaching Mentors Program, College of Letters and Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, January 2023
- Harry Braverman Award. Best graduate student paper, Society for the Study of Social Problems Labor Division. "Workers and Their Foes: Low-Autonomy Precarious Work in the Service Triad." 2022.
- Travel Grant, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2022
- Departmental Nominee for the Dana-Allen Dissertation Fellowship, January 2022.
- Teaching Fellow, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Sociology, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022
- Graduate Research Fellow (GRF), Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2019-2021

- GRF Research Grant Summer 2020
- Departmental Small Grant, Summer 2020, Summer 2019, Summer 2020
- Berry-Rinder-Swain Prize, Macalester College, for academic excellence and positive contributions to the life of the department, May 2011

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Class Experience Mobility through Consumption, Work, and Relationships,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 2023.
- “Class Keeping: Helping Elites Meet Rising Standards and Raising the Bar,” Eastern Sociological Association annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, February 2023
- “Class Keeping: How Privileged Non-Elites Produce Elite Lifestyles,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Los Angeles, CA, August 2022.
- “Workers and Their Foes: Precarity in the Service Triad,” Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting, Los Angeles, CA, August 2022.
- “‘We’ve Still Got Rent to Pay’: Service Workers’ Classed Experiences of Unemployment Benefits During the COVID-19 Pandemic,” Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting, Los Angeles, CA, August 2022.
- “Class Laundering: Work, Consumption, and Elite Perks in Nightlife,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August 2020.
- “Servers and Their Foes: Precarity and the Service Triangle.” Emotions and Work Mini Conference, Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting, Boston, MA. March 2019.
- “Restaurant Workers and Their Foes: A Reconsideration of the Customer in Service Work.” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 2018.
- **Taylor Laemml**, Eric Grodsky, and Lyn C. Macgregor. “Taking Place into Account: First Generation College Students’ Experiences at Public Institutions.” Class and Culture Mini Conference, Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting. Baltimore, MD. February 2017.
- “A Server One Moment, a Customer the Next: The Fluid Boundaries of the New Service Economy.” Chicago Ethnography Conference. Chicago, IL. April 2016.
- “‘Getting Educated’: Working Class and First-Generation Students and the Extra-Curriculum.” Midwest Sociological Society annual meeting. St. Louis, MO. March 2011.

CAMPUS PRESENTATIONS

- “Class Laundering: Perks and the Lifestyle Wage,” Qualitative Methods Brownbag, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Madison, WI. April 2019.
- “A Champagne Lifestyle on a Beer Budget: Class Laundering in Las Vegas Nightlife,” Macalester College. St. Paul, MN. November 2019.
- “Taking Place into Account: First Generation College Students’ Experiences at Public Institutions.” Social Psychology and Microsociology Brownbag, Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Madison, WI. February 2016.
- “Crossing Boundaries in the Service Industry.” Social Psychology and Microsociology Brownbag, Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Madison, WI. November 2016.

- Guest speaker on class, higher education, and service work to “Class Cultures and Identities” class, Sociology, Macalester College. St. Paul, MN. September 2016.

SERVICE/PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY LIFE

- Participant, ASA Section on Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Mentoring Program, 2023
- Presenter, New Teaching Assistant Orientation, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sociology. Fall 2022
- Participant, University of Wisconsin-Madison Writing Center Graduate Writing Group, Fall 2022
- Participant, ASA Section on Consumers and Consumption Mentoring Program, 2022-present
- Moderator, Chicago Ethnography Conference, Spring 2022
- Presenter, New Teaching Assistant Workshop, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sociology. Fall 2021
- Presenter, New Teaching Assistant Orientation, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sociology. Fall 2021
- Presenter on Fieldwork, Graduate Student Proseminar, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sociology. Fall 2021
- Graduate Program Committee, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sociology. 2019-2020
- Ad Hoc Committee for the Preliminary Exam, Sociology Graduate Student Association. Fall 2017
- Participant/Mentor, Peer Mentorship Program, Department of Sociology. Fall 2013, Fall 2016
- Reviewer, *American Sociological Review*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association, Eastern Sociological Society, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Wisconsin Collective for Ethnographic Research (WISCER)