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EDUCATION

- 2003 Doctor of Philosophy
 University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology
 Dissertation: *"Where You From!": Grounded Constructions of Gangs in an Inner-City Alternative School*
- 2000 California Teaching Credential
 Los Angeles Unified School District, District Intern Program
- 1994 Master of Arts in Sociology
 University of California, Los Angeles
- 1990 Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
 University of California, Los Angeles
- 1986 American Field Service Exchange Student
 St. Jozef's Colega, Aalst, Belgium

BOOK

- 2009 *Gangs, Edgework and Identity, in a School and on the Streets.* Forthcoming, New York University Press.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2009 "Reconsidering Retaliation: Structural Inhibitions, Emotive Dissonance, and the Acceptance of Ambivalence Among Inner-City Young Men." Forthcoming in *Ethnography*.
- 2007 "Non-Violence in the Inner-City: 'Decent' and 'Street' as Strategic Resources." *Journal of African American Studies*. 10(4):94-111.
- 2007 "'Where you From!': Gang Identity as Performance." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, 36(1):50-84.
- 2004 "'You're not a Stone': Emotional Sensitivity in a Bureaucratic Setting." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*. 33(6):735-766.
- 2003 "'Provocative Looks: The Enforcement of Dress Codes and the Embodiment of Dress in an Inner-City Alternative School." Jack Katz, second author. *Ethnography*. 4(3): 415-448.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

- 2009 “Ethnomethodology and Membership Categorization Analysis.” Tim Berard, second author. *Sage Handbook of Sociolinguistics*. Ruth Wodak, Barbara Johnstone and Paul Kerswill, Editors.
- 2008 “The Use of Rules in Determining Public Housing Eligibility.” Forthcoming (in German) *Sprachvollzug im Amt Kommunikation und Verwaltung im Europa*. Peter Becker, Editor.
- 2008 “‘It’s the Way you Wear Them:’ On Embodying Gang Identity.” Forthcoming in September (in Italian), *Mondi Migranti*. Luca Palmas, Editor.
- 2006 “Inner-City Teens and Face-Work: Avoiding Violence and Maintaining Honor.” Pp. 294-317 in Leila Monaghan and Jane Goodman (Eds.) *A Cultural Approach to Interpersonal Communication: Essential Readings*. Cambridge: Blackwell Press.
- 2005 “Bias Forged Through Suspicion: The Housing Gatekeeper Reconsidered.” Pp. 77-105 in Stacy Burns (Ed.) *Sociology of Crime, Law and Deviance*, Vol. 6. Greenwich, CT: JAI Press.

BOOK REVIEWS/ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

- 2008 “Norma Mendoza-Denton’s *Homegirls: Language and Cultural Practice among Latina Youth Gangs*.” *Crime, Media, Culture*. Forthcoming, July.
- 2007 “Gang Identity as Performance.” Pp. 67-69 in David Brotherton and Luis Kontos (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of Gangs*. New Haven, Connecticut: Greenwood Press.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- “Student Resistance as Edgework in a ‘Ghetto School.’” Revised and resubmitted to the journal, *Sociology of Education*.
- “The Use of Rules in Determining Public Housing Eligibility.” Under review at the journal, *Human Studies*.
- “The Gang’s School: Challenges of Reintegrative Social Control.” Under review at *Research in Social Problems and Public Policy*, a peer-reviewed series edited by Stacy Burns and Mark Peyrot.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2007 “Alienation, Resistance and Edgework in Moral Dramas at School” (In Italian).

- Seconde Generazioni in Movimento: Le Voci dei Figli dell'Immigrazione.
University of Genova. Luca Palmas, Organizer.
- 2007 "Re/cognizing Gang Members." American Sociological Association Meeting,
New York, New York. Sociology of Children and Youth Roundtable Session.
- 2007 "Classroom Resistance as Edgework." On the Edge: Transgression and the
Dangerous Other, An Interdisciplinary Conference. John Jay College of Criminal
Justice.
- 2006 "'Where you From!': Gang Identity as Performance." Performance Studies
International. London, England.
- 2006 "On Defining Gangs." Symbolic Interaction and Ethnography Conference.
Regular Session. Niagara Falls, Canada.
- 2006 "Gangs and Dehumanization." Central States Anthropology Society. Omaha,
Nebraska. Regular Session. Valentina Pagliai, Organizer.
- 2005 "Street Knowledge and Academic Knowledge of Gangs." Conference of
Qualitative Inquiry. University of Illinois. Regular Session. Ruth Sautu,
Organizer.
- 2004 "Ideologies and Contradictions in Managing Youth at an Alternative High School
and a Homeless Drop-In Shelter." Elizabeth Joniak co-author. American
Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California. Roundtable
Session.
- 2003 "Varieties of Gang Involvements." American Sociological Association Annual
Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia. Regular Session.
- 2003 "'Whatchu Lookin' At?' and 'Where You From?': Youth Fights in a Suburb and
an Inner-City." Curtis Jackson-Jacobs co-author. American Sociological
Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia. Regular Session.
- 2003 "Tagging and Gang Banging as Edgework." Society for the Study of Symbolic
Interaction Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia. Regular Session. Leon Anderson,
Organizer; Jack Katz, Discussant.
- 2003 "'It Gots Me Good': Dilemmas of Violence in an Inner-City." Northcentral
Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, Ohio. Regular Session.
Annulla Linders, Organizer.
- 2002 "Face-Work in Inner-City Teens' Accounts of Fights." American
Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana. Society
for Linguistic Anthropology Regular Session. Asif Agha, Discussant.

- 2002 “The Phenomenology of Emotion Management.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois. Sociology of Emotions Regular Session. Martha Copp, Organizer.
- 2002 “‘It’s the *Way* you Wear Them’: The Enforcement of School Dress Codes and the Embodiment of Dress at an Inner-City Alternative School.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois. Sociology of Education Roundtable.
- 1995 “Substantive Rationality in a Bureaucratic Setting: Section 8 Staff Members’ Responses to Applicants’ Emotions.” Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California. Sociology of the Emotions Regular Session.
- 1994 “The Development of Suspicion as an Aspect of Locally Recognized Competence as a Section 8 Housing Officer.” Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California. Ethnomethodology Regular Session, Harold Garfinkel, Organizer and Discussant.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2006 Dwight Conquergood Award, Performance Studies International, Honorable Mention
- 1995 Graduate Student Paper Award, American Sociological Association Emotions Section: “Emotions Front and Backstage: Anger and Tears in a Section 8 Housing Office.”
- 1990 Phi Beta Kappa; Magna Cum Laude; Departmental Honors
- 1988 University of California Regents Scholar; Recipient James A. Davidson Memorial Scholarship

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2008 Grant, CUNY Research Assistance Program
- 2008 PSC-CUNY Research Award
- 2007 Grant, CUNY Research Assistance Program
- 2007 PSC-CUNY Research Award
- 2002 LeRoy Neimann Dissertation Year Fellowship
- 1997 Post-Candidacy Fellowship. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 1993 - 1997 Enrollment Fee Grant. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 1992 Graduate Student Fellowship. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 1988 National Science Foundation Undergraduate Research Fellowship.

INVITED GUEST PRESENTATIONS

- 2007 “Gang Member Behavior” (In Italian)
University of Florence, Italy
Deviant Behavior (course), Professore Filippo Buccarelli
- 2007 “New Perspectives on Gangs in the United States” (in Italian)
University of Genova, Italy, Faculty Presentation
- 2007 “Law in Bureaucracy”
University of Linz, Austria, Faculty Presentation
- 2004 “Developing an Effective Pedagogy”
Mt. Vernon Alternative High School Teachers’ Inservice
Mt. Vernon, Ohio
- 2003 “Inequality in American Inner-Cities”
Kenyon College, Department of Sociology
American Culture (course), Professor Kelly Besecke
- 2002 “Reconsidering the Code of the Street”
University of Cincinnati, Department of Sociology
Contemporary Social Issues (course), Professor Sarah Beth Estes
- 2002 “‘It’s the *Way* You Wear It’: Enforcing Dress Codes and Embodying
Dress in an Inner-City Alternative School.”
Cleveland State University, Department of Sociology, Faculty
Presentation
- 1997 “20th Century Trends in Community Studies”
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology
Sociology Honor’s Colloquium (course), Professor Ivan Szelenyi
- 1995 “The Social Construction of Mind”
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology
Sociology of Mind (course), Professor Warren Tenhouten
- 1995 “Macro-Theories of the Sociology of the Emotions”
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology
Sociology of the Emotions (course), Professor Warren Tenhouten
- 1994 “The Social Construction of Reality”
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology
Introduction to Sociology (course), Professor William Roy

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Deviance: Gangs, Violence and Nonviolence
- Law and Society: Street-Level Bureaucracies and Worker Discretion
- Sociology of Education: Oppositional Student Cultures and Education Reform
- Sociology of Emotions: Emotion Management and the Phenomenology of Emotional Experience

EDITORIAL ADVISING

- 2007 *Contemporary Issues in Criminology*, Sage Publications
- 2007 Reviewer, *Crime, Media, Culture*
- 2007 Reviewer, *Social Problems*

ACADEMIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2008 Departmental Representative, Research Advisory Committee
Department of Sociology, John Jay College
- 2008 Chair, Curriculum Committee and Speaker's Forum
Department of Sociology, John Jay College
- 2007 Member of Research Advisory Committee, John Jay College.
- 2007 Chair, Crossing Lines of Consciousness: Self-Discovery and
Empowerment On the Edge: Transgression and the Dangerous Other, An
Interdisciplinary Conference. John Jay College of Criminal Justice.
- 2007 Chair, Panel on Recent Developments in Social Constructionism
Kent Common Sessions
- 1993 - 2001 Volunteer, Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Los Angeles, California
Leon Watson, Director
- 1996 Faculty Recruitment Committee, University of California, Los Angeles,
Department of Sociology, Graduate Student Representative
- 1995 Admissions and Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, University
of California, Los Angeles, Graduate Student Representative
- 1990 - 1992 County Council Representative, California Green Party
- 1988 - 1989 Editor, UCLA Undergraduate Creative Writing Journal
- 1986 - 1988 Director, UCLA Prison Coalition Tutorial Project

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Sociological Association

