

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

PH.D. Social Science 1985 University of California, Irvine, School of Social Sciences
M.A. Social Science 1980 University of California, Irvine, School of Social Science
B.A. Psychology 1972 Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, California. (With honors)

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Social and Cultural Theory Media and Digital Gaming Sociology
Social Movements Social Inequality and Urban Sociology
Play and Consumption Homelessness and Housing

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS:

2018-present Professor Emeritus, Lecturer in Sociology, Sonoma State University
1997-2018 Associate Professor of Sociology, Loyola University, Chicago
2001 - 2012 Associate Faculty, Loyola University Chicago, Women and Gender Studies Program
2004 - 2005 Visiting Professor of Sociology, Sonoma State University
1999 - 2000 Visiting Lecturer in Anthropology and Political Science, San Francisco State University.
1999 - 2000 Visiting Lecturer in Sociology, Sonoma State University
1991 - 1997 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Loyola University Chicago
1989 - 1991 Lecturer of Sociology and Social Work, San Jose State University
1991 Lecturer of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
1989-1990 Lecturer of Applied Behavioral Sciences, University of California, Davis
1988 Lecturer of Sociology and Political Science, California State University, Fullerton
1987 Lecturer of Political Science, California State University, Dominguez Hills
1986-1988 Instructor of Social Science, Orange Coast Community College, Costa Mesa, California
1983-1984 Staff Research Assistant, College of Medicine, University of California, Irvine
1976-1984 Teaching Assistant in the School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS:

2012 – 2014 Graduate Program Director, Department of Sociology, Loyola University

APPLIED GRANTS (Funded and Unfunded) AND LEAVES

Paid Research Leave, Loyola University for Spring 2014

Loyola University, *College of Arts and Sciences Grant*. w/David Embrick, "Sociology Department Invited Speaker and Professional Development Colloquium." \$4,000.00. 2011.

National Science Foundation Grant, with Alanah Fitch (Chemistry, Loyola University Chicago), et. al., *Exploratory Play as the Glue to a Virtual Global Organization*, submitted Fall 2008. (Not funded).

Paid Research Leave, Loyola University for Fall 2004 and Spring 2005.

Paid Research Leave, Loyola University for Fall 1999 and Spring 2000.

California Endowment, Bay Area Homelessness Program, San Francisco State University, submitted with, Roma Guy (director), submitted Fall 1999. \$503,716.40. Operating funds for research based advocacy in the San Francisco Bay Area on homelessness and poverty. (Not funded).

Research Support Grant, Loyola University. Summer 1998. \$2,000. *A Comparative Study of Homeless Advocacy SMOs: Success and Failures within a Regional Urban Context.*

Apprenticeship Grant, Policy Research and Action Group (PRAG), Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois. For researching oral histories of those living on Lower Wacker Drive and for training one ex-homeless person in interviewing skills and data gathering. Fall 1994. \$5,000.00

Research Support Grant, Loyola University. Fall 1994. \$1,200. Lower Wacker Drive Project.

Research support Grant, Loyola University. Summer 1994. \$210. Translating a video on homelessness and redevelopment into German for showing in Berlin.

Research Support Grant, Loyola University. Summer 1992. \$910

Business and Professional People in the Public Interest (BPI) grant for an analysis of the Chicago Housing Authority's Community Area Waiting Lists Outreach Procedures for Scattered Site Public Housing Tenant Assignment. Fall 1991. \$20,000.00.

HONORS and AWARDS

Outstanding Scholarship Award for *Out of Place: Homeless Mobilizations, Subcities and Contested Landscapes*. Marxist Section, American Sociological Association. 1998.

Finalist for the C. Wright Mills Award for *Out of Place: Homeless Mobilizations, Subcities, and Contested Landscapes*. Society for the Study of Social Problems. 1998..

Regent's Dissertation Fellowship. Spring 1985. University of California, Irvine, California.

Regent's Fellowship. Summer 1984. University of California, Irvine, California.

Chancellor's Patent Fund. Spring 1984. University of California, Irvine, California.

Brython P. Davis Fellowship. 1978. University of California, Irvine, California.

PUBLICATIONS:

- 2016 "Rejoinder to Lembcke's Response to Wright," *Humanity & Society*, February, 40(1), 102-103.
- 2015 "Interdisciplinarity, Post-Disciplinarity, and Anomic Specialization: Where Do We Locate Sociology?" co-authors David G. Embrick and Kelsey Henke, *Humanity & Society*, 39 (3): June. 267-273.
- 2012 *Social Exclusion, Power and Video Game Play*. David G. Embrick and Andras Lukacs, co-editors. Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Press. Refereed publication
- □ □ Reviewed by David Leonard. 2014. *Humanity & Society*, 38 (1):
- 2012 "Producing the Social in Virtual Realms." *In Social Exclusion, Power and Video Game Play*, edited by David G. Embrick, Talmadge Wright and Andras Lukacs. Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Press. 63-84. Refereed publication
- 2012 "Social Justice, Ethics and Advocacy in Street Research," *In Professional Lives, Personal Struggles*, edited by Martha Tenna Valado and Randall Amster. Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Press. 11-26. Refereed publication

- 2010 *Utopic Dreams and Apocalyptic Fantasies: Critical Approaches to Researching Video Game Play*. David G. Embrick and Andras Lukacs, co-editors. Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Press. Refereed publication
- Reviewed by Michael Hancock. 2013. *First Person Scholar* (www.firstpersonscholar.com) 06 March.
 - Reviewed by Misty Luminais. 2011. *International Social Science Review* 86.1/2: 89-90.
 - Reviewed by Emma Westecott. 2011. *American Journal of Play* 3 (1): 559-560.
- 2008 “Media and Violence: From Media Effects to Moral Panics.” In *Battleground: the Media*, edited by Robin Andersen and Jonathan Gray. NY: Praeger Press. 549-557.
- 2007 “Themed Environments and Virtual Spaces: Video Games, Violent Play and Digital Enemies.” In *The Themed Space: Locating Culture, Nation, and Self*, edited by Scott A. Lukas. NY: Lexington Books. Refereed publication. 247-270.
- 2003 “Gentrification and Social Exclusion: Spatial Policing and Homeless Activist Responses in the San Francisco Bay Area.” Anne Roschelle, co-author. In *Urban Futures*, edited by Malcom Miles and Tim Hall. NY: Routledge. Refereed publication. 149-166.
- 2002 “Creative Player Actions in FPS On-Line Video Games: Playing Counter-Strike.” Paul Briedenbach and Eric Boria, co-authors. *Game Studies: The International Journal of Computer Game Research*. Vol. 2, #2. [Http://www.gamestudies.org](http://www.gamestudies.org), Refereed publication.
- 2000 “Resisting Homelessness: Global, National, and Local Solutions.” *Contemporary Sociology* . V.29, #1, Symposium - Utopian Visions: Engaged Sociologies for the 21st Century. Refereed publication. 27-43
- 2000 “New Urban Spaces and Cultural Representations: Social Imaginaries, Social-Physical Space, and Homelessness.” *Researching Urban Sociology*, V.5. JAI Press. New Perspectives in Urban Sociology Series. Refereed publication. 23-57.
- 1997 *"Out of Place": Homeless Mobilization, Subcities and Contested Landscapes*. Albany: SUNY Press. This work explores the relationship between homeless mobilization and social space, within city contested landscapes, comparing Chicago, Illinois and San Jose, California. Refereed publication.
- 1997 *International Critical Perspectives on Homelessness*. Mary Jo Huth, co-editor. Praeger Publishers. An edited volume incorporating revised papers presented at several panels on homelessness at the XIII World Congress of Sociology in 1994.
- 1997 “Socio-Spatial Reproduction and the Built Environment: Marketing Culture and Urban Change.” Ray Hutchinson, co-author. *Researching Urban Sociology*, V.4. JAI Press. New Perspectives in Urban Sociology Series. Refereed publication. 187-214.
- 1996 “Suburban Homelessness and Social Space: Strategies of Authority and Local Resistances.” Anita Vermund, co-author. In Anna Lou Dehavenon, ed., *There’s No Place Like Home: The*

Anthropology of Housing and Homelessness in the United States. Bergin & Garvey. Urban Studies Series. Refereed publication. 121-143.

- 1995 "“Tranquility City” and Shelters: Homeless Placemaking, Protest, and Collective Gains Within a Chicago Homeless Encampment.” *Marginal Spaces -Comparative Urban and Community Research*, V.5. New Brunswick: Transaction Publishers. Refereed publication. 37-68.
- 1989 “The Decline of Orange County's Suburban Oasis: Regional Problems in Employment, Housing and Transportation.” Corrine Riave, co-author. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*. University of Minnesota, V.9, #2/3, Refereed publication. 97-117.
- 1986 “The Deliberate Design of Nondescript Architecture.” In *Architecture in Cultural Change*, edited by David G. Saile. Lawrence, Kansas: University of Kansas. Refereed publication. 83-90.
- 1986 “Corporate Interests, Philanthropies, and the Peace Movement.” With Felix Rodriguez, and Dr. Howard Waitzkin. *Monthly Review*, February. Also *International Journal of Health Services*, V.16, #1, 1986, Refereed publication, 33-41.
- 1976 “Garden Grove Community Church: A Portrait in Corporate Religion.” *Working Papers #126*. School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine, California.

RESEARCH REPORTS:

- 2012 “Anthropological, Behavioral, and Sociological Studies of CGVW,” co-authored with Tom Boellstorff, Mia Consalvo, Bonnie Nardie, Chris Paul, Celia Pearce, T.L. Taylor, et. al.. pg. 62-77. July 2012. *The Future of Research in Computer Games and Virtual Worlds*. Sacchi, W. (Ed.), Workshop Report, Technical Report UCI-ISR-12-8, Institute for Software Research, University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA. http://www.isr.uci.edu/tech_reports/UCI-ISR-12-8.pdf
- 2001 Global Homelessness and the Poverty of Neo-Liberal Strategies. 2001. Back ground paper prepared for *Cities in Globalizing World: From Engines of Growth to Agents of Change*, Global Report on Human Settlements 2001, United Nations Committee on Human Settlements (UNCHS), Nairobi.
- 1992 Chicago Housing Authority's Community Area Waiting Lists Outreach Procedures for Scattered Site Public Housing Tenant Assignment: An Analysis. July 1992. Commissioned by: The Woods Foundation and the *Business and Professional People in the Public Interest*, 17 W. Monroe, Chicago, Illinois.

BOOK REVIEWS/ESSAYS:

- 2016 Review of “The Interrelationship of Leisure and Play: Play as Leisure, Leisure as Play,” by Robert A. Stebbins, *American journal of Play*, V9 (1), 89-91
- 2016 “Falling Skies: A Modern Baroque Drama in Survivalist Chic,” Multimedia review. *Humanity and Society*, May, 40(2), 209-211

- 2015 Review of “Varieties of the Gaming Experience, by Robert Perinbanayagam” New Brunswick, New Jersey. *American Journal of Play*, V. 7, #3, Spring . 391-392.
- 2007 Review of ““We Are Not Garbage!” The Homeless Movement in Tokyo, 1994-2002,” by Miki Hasegawa, New York: Routledge Press. *Contemporary Sociology*, V. 36, #4, July.
- 2005 Review of “Global Cities.” By Matk Abrahamson, Oxford University Press. *Contemporary Sociology*, V.34, #4, July.
- 2002 Review of “Placing London: From Imperial Capital to Global City,” by John Eade. New York: Berghahn Books. *American Journal of Sociology*, V. 107, #6, May 2002.
- 2002 Review of “How Claims Spread: Cross-National Diffusion of Social Problems,” by Joel Best (ed.). NY: Aldine de Gruyter. 2001. *Sociological Research Online*, V.6, #4, February.
- 2001 Review of “Worlds Apart: Social Inequalities in a New Century,” by Scott Serneau, Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press. *Sociological Research Online*, V.6, #3, November 2001.
- 2001 Review of “Race, Media, and the Crisis of Civil Society: From Watts to Rodney King,” by Ronal Jacobs, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 2000. *Sociological Research Online*, V.6, #2.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW:

Critical Visions: Future Productivity and Pleasure. A special edited volume for the *American Journal of Play*. w/David G. Embrick, Loyola University. Submitted May 2016. Still under review.

“Capturing Human Expression: Moving Beyond Work versus Play,” in the *American Journal of Play*. Under review. Submitted May 2016

“Virtual Gaming Worlds: A Mircocosm of Complex Social Tie Interactions,” w/ Beth Dougherty, *Sociological Forum*. Revise and resubmit.

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

“Homeless Media Frames and the “Dangerous Other,”” w/ Steven Tuttle, revising and recoding data for upcoming publication.

Social Life, Decorum and Conflict in Virtual Play Worlds. Based on participant observation and interviews with game participants this analysis of social interactions in both a multiplayer first person shooter game (*Counter-Strike*) and a MMORPG (*World of Warcraft*) outlines the complexity of meanings involved in on-line play between players as well as the ways in which such digital entertainment both challenge and also reproduce the social relations of contemporary society. (Proposed book for MIT Press)

Expressive Play, Economy and Society. This manuscript argues for the resurrection of play from the established binaries, work/play, production/leisure, etc. Production is understood as a requirement for capital accumulation, with expressive play reduced to art and fantasy or leisure activities. Following Huizinga I argue that play is essential for human stability and growth and that its marginalization in contemporary society via production and sports produces stunted imaginations and colonized understandings of human possibilities. (Proposed book for Brill Press).

“Are you Actually a Girl or a Guy?: Gender Insults, Trashtalking, Curiosity and Policing in *World of Warcraft*.” David G. Embrick and Natalie Seefeldt, co-authors, *Ada: A Journal of Gender, New Media, and Technology*, Issue 2: Feminist Game Studies.

ACADEMIC PAPERS PRESENTED & PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

- 2018 Discussant on panel: Sociology of Consumption, 20th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, March 17.
- 2016 “The Emotional Work of Social Interactions in Digital Play: Negotiating Play Performances,” 3rd International Sociological Association Forum on Sociology, RC 36: Alienation and Research. Vienna, Austria, July 12.
- 2015 “Enlightened Fantasies: Rethinking Play and Work for the 21st Century.” Association for Humanist Sociology, October, Portland, Oregon.
- 2015 Organized panel and acted as Facilitator with David Embrick, Human Liberation: Beyond the Categories of Work, Play, and Fantasy, Association for Humanist Sociology, October, Portland, Oregon.
- 2015 Discussant on Panel: Creating Community, Creating Change. 17th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago, Illinois. March 14.
- 2014 “Ritual Insults, Play Expression and Social Bullying: The Case of Trash-Talking and Trolling in Digital Gaming.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, August.
- 2014 “Play as Expression Versus Policing and Civility: The Case of Trash-Talking in Digital Gaming.” 2nd Cfp: Cultural Studies and the Research of (Digital) Games, Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference, Tampere, Finland, July.
- 2013 “Computer Game Play, Decorum, Space and Social Order: Cooperation, Conflict, and Social Identity.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, August.
- 2013 Roundtable, “Negotiating Family Conflict, Social Identity and Solidarity in Digital Play Space.” David G. Embrick, co-author. American Sociological Association, New York, August.
- 2012 “Virtual Play Space, Power and Social Order: Negotiating Virtual Conflict, Cooperation and Social Identity.” Making Sense of: Play, Mansfield College, Oxford, England, July.

- 2012 “Intersections of Sociology and Cultural Studies Games Research: Negotiating Virtual Conflict, Cooperation and Social Identity,” David Embrick co-author. *9th International Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference*, Paris, France, July.
- 2012 Chair and organizer of panel, “Producing the Political/Social in Digital Play: Pleasure, Play and Electronic Fantasies,” *9th International Crossroads in Cultural Studies Conference*, Paris, France, July 2012
- 2011 Co-author and presenter on paper “Play over Pay: Material versus Social Motivators for Game Membership and Engagement,” Beth Dougherty (first author). *Association of Humanist Sociology*, Chicago, IL, October
- 2011 Chair and organizer of panel, Visions of Play, Pleasure and Technology in a Sustainable Post-Capitalist Society, *Association of Humanist Sociology*, Chicago, IL, October.
- 2011 Roundtable. “Virtual Gaming Worlds: A Microcosm of Complex Social Tie Interactions.” w/ Beth Dougherty, *American Sociological Association*, August, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 “Families, Friends and Gaming: The Interrelationship between on-line and off-line worlds in Personal Narratives,” w/ Beth Dougherty, *Cultures in Game/Worlds: A Workshop*, 9th Annual Cultural Studies Conference, *2011 Cultural Studies Association*, March 26, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 “Electronic Role Playing Games, Weak Groups, and Increased Sociability,” w/ Beth Dougherty. *Association for Humanist Sociology*. Santa Fe, New Mexico. October 12-16.
- 2010 Guest Presider and Chair, regular session. Sacrificing Neoliberalism to save Capitalism? Prospects and Opportunities in a Multi-Dimensional Global Crisis. *Midwest Sociological Society/Northcentral Sociological Association*. Chicago, IL. March 31
- 2009 “The Managed Hearthstone: Labor and Emotional Work in the Online Community of World of Warcraft,” w/Andras Lukacs and David Embrick. *First International Conference on Facets of Virtual Environments (FAVE)*. Berlin, Germany.
- 2009 Organizer and presider. Critical Sociology of Culture and Play. *American Sociological Association*, San Francisco, CA, August 9.
- 2008 “Sociological Pedagogy, Virtual Worlds and Modern Fantasy Border Work: Negotiating Gender, Age, and Work Conflicts in Digital Play.” *The Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Boston, MA, August 2.
- 2008 Discussant on Panel. Identity and Fantasy. *10th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference*, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, April 19.
- 2007 “Learning to Play: Game Entry, Male Peer Friendship Networks and FPS Digital Games,” *Gamers in Society, Play in Culture*. The Third Annual Game Studies Seminar, University of Tampere Game Research Lab, Tampere, Finland, April 17-18.

- 2006 “Killing Zombies, Terrorists, and Aliens: Video gaming and the pleasures and anxieties of symbolic violence.” *Midwest Sociological Society*, Omaha, Nebraska. April.
- 2004 “Homeless Activism, State Responses and Media Representation.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. San Francisco, California. August.
- 2004 Presider over panel session on Homelessness, *American Sociological Association Conference*, San Francisco, California. August.
- 2002 “Virtual Violence, Social Meaning, and Gender: Competition and Cooperation between FPS Game Players.” Co-authors: Paul Breidenbach and Eric Boria, Loyola University Chicago. *Challenge of Computer Games*, Department of Media and Audio-Visual Culture, University of Lodz, Poland. October.
- 2001 “Identity Formation and Policing in On-Line FPS Games: Cooperation, Competition, and Conflict in Virtual Combat.” Co-authors: Eric Boria, Paul Breidenbach, Loyola University Chicago. *American Sociological Association Conference*. Anaheim, California. August.
- 2001 Presider over session on, Homelessness, *American Sociological Association Conference*, Anaheim, California. August.
- 2001 “Shaping the Future City through Gentrification and Social Exclusion: Spatial Policing and Homeless Activist Responses in the San Francisco Bay.” Co-author: Anne Roschelle, SUNY, New Platz, NY. *American Sociological Association Conference*. Anaheim, California. August.
- 2001 “The Social Construction of On-Line Identities in FPS Games: Cooperation, Competition, and Conflict in Combat.” Co-authors: Eric Boria, Paul Breidenbach, Loyola University Chicago. *Conference on Game Cultures*, Watershed Media Centre, Bristol, England. June.
- 2000 “The Culture Industry, Urban Redevelopment and Social Exclusion: Spatial Policing and Homeless Activist Responses in the San Francisco Bay Area.” Co-Author, Anne Roschelle, *Cultural Change and Urban Contexts*, Manchester, England. September.
- 1999 “Regional Knowledge, Homeless Activism, and Social Networks: Problems in Strategies and Tactics in the San Francisco Bay Area.” Co-author, Anne Roschelle, *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Chicago, Illinois. August.
- 1998 Presider over session on, City Restructuring and Social Exclusion, *Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association Conference*, San Francisco, California. August.
- 1997 “Creating Work, Creating "Family": Homeless Place-making on Lower Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois.” W/ Paul Draus. August. *American Sociological Association*, Toronto, Canada.
- 1997 “Theorizing Urban Spaces: Spatial Representations and Social Imaginaries.” August. *American Sociological Association*, Toronto, Canada.
- 1997 Presider over Roundtable on Spatial Representation. August. *American Sociological*

Association, Toronto, Canada.

1996. "Wacker Work: Homeless Subsistence Strategies in the Informal Economy." Presented to the *Society for the Study of Social Problems* conference, New York City, New York.
- 1996 Developed and chaired a thematic session on Constructing Representations of Poverty and Homelessness. *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, New York City, NY. August. W/Francis Fox Piven, William DiFazio, Cynthia Bogard, David Wagner and Rob Rosenthal.
- 1996 Local Homeless Collective Mobilization and Globalization: Homeless Activism in Chicago, Illinois and San Jose, California. May. *International Conference on Globalization and Collective Action: Strategies and Prospects for Oppositional Politics*. (RC 47, International Sociological Association), University of California, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, California
- 1996 "Social Imagineries, Identities, and Social Space: Linking Castoriadis and Lefebvre." April, *Midwest Sociological Association*, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1995 "Teaching Social Justice, Teaching Poverty: Community Service, Homeless Research and Advocacy." Roundtable on Community Service and Undergraduate Education. August. *American Sociological Association*, Washington, D.C.
- 1995 "Homelessness versus the Poor: The Social Construction of Homelessness Within Academic Discourse." April. *Midwest Sociological Association*, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1994 Developed and chaired a session on Homeless Collective Empowerment at the 1994 *XIII World Congress of Sociology*, Bielefeld, Germany.
- 1994 "Marketing Urban Cultural Landscapes: the Intensification of Consumptive Pleasure and Productive Despair." *XIII World Congress of Sociology*, Bielefeld, Germany.
- 1994 "Homeless Collective Empowerment Strategies: San Jose, California vs. Chicago, Illinois." *XIII World Congress of Sociology*, Bielefeld, Germany. Co-Author, Michael Roberts.
- 1994 Developed and chaired a session on Homelessness at the *Midwest Sociological Association Conference*, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1994 "Tranquility City": Self-Organization, Protest and Collective Gains within a Chicago Homeless Encampment. *Midwest Sociological Association Conference*, St. Louis, Missouri. March.
- 1993 "Student and Homeless Collective Empowerment: Strategies for Change in an Urban Contested Landscape." August. *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Miami Beach, Florida.
- 1993 "Consumer Culture and Strategies for Resistance." Roundtable presentation. August. *American Sociological Association Conference*, Miami Beach, Florida.
- 1992 "The Homeless: Victims of Capital Fight Back!": Roundtable presentation. August. *American Sociological Association Conference*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

- 1992 “Marketing Culture, Urban Space and the Restructuring of Public Domains.” August. *Theory, Culture and Society International Conference*. Pennsylvania.
- 1990 “Small Dignities: Local Resistances, Dominant Strategies of Authority and the Homeless.” August. *American Sociological Association Conference*, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 “Power, Place and Space in the American Landscape.” May. *California American Studies Conference*, San Luis Obispo, California.
- 1985 “Marketing Culture, Simulations, and the Anesthetizations of Work and War.” April. *Popular Culture/American Culture Association Conference*, Louisville, KY.
- 1984 “Medical Resistance to Nuclear War as a Political Strategy.” 1984. *American Public Health Association Meeting*, Anaheim, California.
- 1984 “The Deliberate Design of Nondescript Architecture.” *Built Form and Culture Conference*, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.
- 1984 “Corporate Ideology and Mass Culture: Hyper-realism - Photography at the Service of Business.” *Annual Popular Culture/American Culture Association Conference*, Toronto, Canada.

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- 2015 Panel Presentation: The Video Game Violence Debate, *Chicago Video Game Law Summit*. John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois. March 27.
- 2015 Roundtable Discussant: Periodizing Postmodernism, or, Beginnings and Endings. *Modernism’s Legacies: (Post) Postmodernism*, Loyola University Chicago. April 11.
- 2012 Moderator of panel, The Ethics of Games and Virtual Worlds; featured panel discussion. *2nd Annual Symposium on Digital Ethics*, Center for Digital Ethics and Policy, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL, October.
- 2010 National Science Foundation workshop on the *Future of Research on Computer Games and Virtual Worlds* (CGVW) participant. University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA. September 23-24. – developed NSF position paper and presented research on contemporary findings on CGVW.
- 2010 Invited Discussant. Author Meets Critics: Hobos, Hustlers, and Backsliders: Homeless in San Francisco. *Midwest Sociological Society/North Central Sociological Association*. Chicago, IL. April 1.
- 2008 “Sociological Pedagogy and Virtual Play Realms.” *Singapore-MIT GAMBIT Game Lab*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, July 28.
- 2007 “Pleasures and Anxieties of Virtual Violence: Peer Friendship Networks, Gender, Digital Play.” *Seminar on Gender and Technology*, Gannon Center, Feminist Forum, Loyola University

Chicago, November 14.

- 2007 “FPS Games: Learning from Counter-Strike and the Pleasures of Virtual/Fantasy Warfare: Learning from Counter-Strike,” *Microsoft Corporation*, Redmond, Washington, July 17. 2 presentations.
- 2006 Commentator on book session, “Inequality, Poverty, and Neoliberal Governance: Activist Ethnography in the Homeless Sheltering Industry,” by Vincent Lyon-Callo. *Rethinking Marxism*, University of Mass., Amherst, Mass. October.
- 2000 “Context and Perceptions of Homeless Political Activism: Changing Strategies and Tactics in the San Francisco Bay Region, 1990-2000.” Presented to the *Department of Sociology, Sonoma State University*, Rohnert Park, California. October.
- 2000 Presider over session on, Media and Information Politics, *Fourth Bi-Annual Conference of the Radical Philosophy Association*, Chicago, IL. November.
- 1997 “New City Spaces, Social Exclusions, and Cultural Representations: Connecting Theory and Practice.” Oct. *Stadtentwicklung und Obdachlosigkeit in Berlin: Conference on City Restructuring and Homelessness*. Sponsored by the J.F. Kennedy Institute, Freie Universitaet Berlin. Berlin, Germany.
- 1997 “The Need for New Knowledge about Homelessness, Social Justice & Social Research.” May. Presentation given at Forum: Mapping New Directions: Social Research and Action to End Homelessness. *BAHP/Center for Critical Global Homelessness Studies (CCGHS)*, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California.
- 1994 Presented a lecture on “Homelessness and City Redevelopment in San Jose and Chicago.” *Obdachlosigkeit und Widerstand*, Berlin, Germany, July 26, 1994. Sponsored by the *Freie Universitat Berlin*.
- 1994 “Homelessness as a Social Problem.” Presentation to *The Social Science Department, National-Louis University*, Chicago, Illinois. May.
- 1994 “Homelessness and Social Policy.” Presentation given to *The Urban and Regional Studies Department, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay*, Green Bay, Wisconsin. April.
- 1993 Discussant in panel on Nationalism. *Midwest Sociological Association Conference*. Chicago, Illinois.
- 1991 “Contested Places, Marginalized Spaces and the Homeless: Strategies of Authority and Local Resistances.” *Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Loyola University*, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1989 “Marketing Culture: Spectacles to Simulations.” February. *American Marketing Association*, St. Petersburg, Florida.
- 1988 “Politics, Planning & Power vs. the Homeless.” April. Homelessness in Southern California, presented at the *West Coast Conference of the American Planning Association*.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

American Sociological Association
International Sociological Association
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction
Society for the Study of Social Problems
Midwest Sociological Society
Association for Humanist Sociology

PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND SERVICE:

Distinguished Journal Award, Marxist Section, *American Sociological Association*, 2014-2016.

Journal Awards Committee for Outstanding Marxist Sociology Journal Article, *American Sociological Association*, 2014-2015

Paul Sweezy Book Award Committee (Chair), Marxist Section, *American Sociological Association*, 2011 – 2012.

Book Award Committee and Executive Council, *Association for Humanist Sociology*, 2010 – 2012.

Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund Committee - *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. 2002 - 2005.
Chair, 2004.

Co-Editor - *City and Community*, Community and Urban Sociology Section, *American Sociological Association*. 1999 - 2006.

Social Action and Social Action Award Committee - *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. 2001-2006. Chair-Elect, 2004. Chair, 2005.

Marxist Sociology Section, American Sociological Association. Council Member 2001 - present. Section Officer 1998-99. Section Liaison Committee 1997. Nominations Committee 1995-97 and 2001 - 2002, 2008, Nominations Committee Chair 2002. Executive committee 2008-9.

Member of *Sociology of Culture* Section, *Race, Class and Gender* Section, *Marxist Sociology* Section and *Community and Urban Sociology* Section, *Social Theory* section, *American Sociological Association*. 1993-present.

Social Action Committee - *Midwest Sociological Society*. 1997-1999

Reviewed manuscript submissions for: *Social Science Quarterly*; *Social Problems*; *Urban Studies*; *American Behavioral Scientist*; *American Journal of Play*; *City & Community*; *Sociology Online*; *Symbolic Interaction*; *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*; *Sociological Forum*; *Media, War and Society*; *Humanity and Society*; and publishers: Routledge, St. Martin's Press, McGraw-Hill, and Roxbury.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Directors of Graduate Studies Conference, American Sociological Association, San Francisco, 2014.
Workshop, "Breaking Through the Barriers to Writing Proposals," Loyola University, October 2012.
Graduate School Diversity Institute Workshop, Loyola University, October 2012
Workshop on Diversity Hires, Loyola University, September 2011.
Workshop on Internal Review Board Procedures and Policies, Loyola University, May 2002.
Workshop in Applied Sociology, Survey Research and Web Television, November 2000.
Workshop on Grants Applications, Loyola University, April 1997.
Workshops on WEB Site Development, Loyola University, October and November 1997.
Workshop on Enhancing the Teaching Culture at Loyola University, Jan 1995.
Faculty Conversations About Teaching, Loyola University, November 1995.
Computer skills upgrade - 1994-95. Loyola University. Developed and managed an Internet gopher site for an international Homeless News Service. This involved learning how to edit, upload, download documents, and generally maintain the site established through the University of Colorado, Boulder. Working through Loyola's computer center I also set up electronic listservs for my students to increase class participation, November 1995.
Workshop in Applied Sociology, Loyola University, November 1995. Learned HyperRESEARCH as a tool for ethnographic analysis. These skills were applied to analyzing ethnographic data from my work among homeless men along Lower Wacker Drive in Chicago.

ACADEMIC ADVISING & COMMITTEE WORK:

University Senate, Loyola University Chicago, Fall 2015 – Fall 2017.

Academic Council, Loyola University Chicago, Fall 2006 to 2012. Also, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), Executive Council, Loyola University, Fall 2006 to 2010.

Alpha Kapa Delta - Advisor and organizer for the Dept. Of Sociology, Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, CA. 2004-2005. 35 students were initiated.

Alpha Kapa Delta - Advisor for the Dept. of Sociology, Loyola University Chicago 2006-2007.

Initiated meetings with representatives from Loyola's Departments of Communication, Computer Science, Sociology and Art to discuss creating a *New Media Working Group*. Spring 2004. Renewed in Fall of 2006.

Committee on Applied Sociology, Service Learning, and Sociological Internships. (Dept. of Sociology/Anthropology - Loyola University Chicago). 2001-2004

Loyola University Summer Stipend Review Committee. 2001- 2004.

Undergraduate Student Life Committee, Department of Sociology, Loyola University of Chicago. 1991-2004. 2005-present.

Loyola University Sociology Club Advisor. 1991-1993; 1997-2004. 2005-present.

Communications Committee (Dept. Of Sociology, Loyola University). Joint editor of Department

newsletter and Dept of Sociology WEB site coordinator. 1997-2000. 2005-present.

Loyola's Social Justice working group - assisted in drafting statements of Jesuit support for social justice in learning curriculum. 1998-99.

Loyola's Service Learning Committee. 1996-2000.

Sociology Department media project with Loyola University's Center for Instructional Design (LUCID), completed August 1996.

Loyola Faculty Mentorship Program - mentoring to African-American and Hispanic students. August 1996 to 1999.

Faculty Mentor to students at Mundelein College, Chicago, IL. 1995-96.

Sociology Department Internship Program, Loyola University. 1992-94. Director.

Loyola Students and Homeless Allied for Kollektive Empowerment (S.H.A.K.E.) Advisor. 1993-95.

Worked with Social Science Research Opportunities Program (SSROP) student interns in continuing research on homeless encampments in Chicago, IL. 1992-1993.

Sociology Department Advisor for the Watertown campus of Loyola University. 1991-1993.

Assisted in developing and conceptualizing Loyola University's Service Learning Program. 1991-92.

Advisor for the San Jose State University student organization South Bay Homeless Action Project (SHAP) and the Student Homeless Alliance (SHA). Students worked directly with local homeless encampments, organized a soup kitchen, media projects, speaking engagements for the displaced and other activities designed to empower the homeless. 1990-91.

Initiated the development of the first Sociology Community Service Award to be granted yearly by the Sociology Department, San Jose State University, San Jose, California. 1991.

GRADUATE STUDENT THESIS COMMITTEES (M.A. and Ph.D.)

Costas Spirou, Reba Chaisson, David Campbell, Loretta Brunious [Education], Denise Rose, Rupe Simms, Darrell Irwin, Annette Prosterman, Paul Draus, Ann Engels (Chair), Kelly Germond, Marco Tavani, Eric Boria, Shandra Niswander, Madeline Troche-Rodriguez, Emily Agustin, Kauthleen Kaufield, Deborah Rapuano, Patricia Maddox, Bhoomi Thakore, Rebecca West, Andras Lukacs, Kasey Henricks, William Byrnes, Patrick CoatarPeter, Francis Flynn, Steven Tuttle, Stephanie Jean-Baptiste.

COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK and NON-FACULTY APPOINTMENTS:

Homelessness and Social Justice. Conducted all-day workshop for the Lasallian Social Justice Institute, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga, CA. August 6, 2008.

Homelessness and Human Dignity. Conducted all-day workshop for the Lasallian Social Justice Institute, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga, CA. August 8, 2007.

Moving Beyond “Media Effects”: Towards a Sociology of Video Games. *ACCA Seminar Series*, Wheaton College, Illinois. October 2006.

A panelist on hate crimes in Northern California, *Hate Stops Here: Not in Our Town Northern California - When Hate Happens Here*. Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, California, April 8, 2005.

Conducted a *Media Literacy and Gender Stereotypes Workshop*. Santa Rosa High School, Santa Rosa, California, May 29-30, 2003.

Speaker on panel concerning digital gaming and art, for the *Feng Mengbo* exhibit at the Renaissance Society, art museum of the University of Chicago. I provided a sociology of culture perspective as well as a cultural studies point of view to the discussion. February 12, 2002.

Chaired and organized *Ad Hoc Teach-In Committee* that presented contrasting perspectives on the conflict in the Middle East and Central and South Asia, “Beyond September 11: Between Peace and War,” Loyola University Chicago. October 29, 2001.

Worked on the *Social Justice Working Group* with community activists and members of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, charged with developing a Bay Area city monitoring system using social indicators of homelessness, poverty and social justice and linking university, community activist groups and non-profit foundations together. The intent of the project was to establish base line indicators that would enable community groups to give a "report card" to their respective cities each year. We worked briefly with the San Francisco based group, *Urban Habitat* to develop this project. However, we were unable to secure adequate funding. This university-community collaboration project emerged out of results of the twin conferences mentioned below conducted by the Bay Area Homelessness Project at San Francisco State University. I also worked briefly with the *Sonoma County Social Indicators Project*, a collaboration between the community, the United Way and the Sonoma County Community Foundation. Fall 1999 - Spring 2000.

Assisted the *Bay Area Homelessness Program* (BAHP), San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California in developing a vision and program for ongoing research related to homelessness and social exclusion. Directed the work of Critical Global Homelessness Studies (CGHS), the research area of BAHP between 1996 and 2001. Two academic conferences were organized, May 1997 and November 1997 bridging the gap between the university and the community. Further research was conducted on San Francisco Bay Area homeless advocacy organizations and activists - Summer 1998 to 2001.

Presented a lecture at Loyola University Chicago’s, “Teach-In on Kosovo,” on Serbian and Albanian cultural mythologies and political nationalism, April 1999.

Presentation at the *Louisiana Institute on Housing and Homelessness*, Lafayette, Louisiana, “Welfare to Homelessness: Is this the right path?” December 10, 1998.

Presentation on homelessness to the *Taskforce on the Homeless*, Santa Rosa, California, August 1997. Advisor to *Lakefront SRO*, Chicago, Illinois on behalf of the *Center for Urban Research and Learning* (CURL), Loyola University on a project for designing integrated social and shelter services for homeless individuals and families. 1997.

Board member of the *Lawyers Committee for Better Housing*, Chicago, Illinois. 1991-present.

Assisted "Streetwise," Chicago's homeless newspaper with connecting to the Internet through the *Policy Research and Action Group* (PRAG). May, 1995.

Established a global *Homeless News Service* over the Internet through the Communications for Sustainable Future, Boulder, Colorado. The service was initially made available via gopher and WWW at csf.colorado.edu in Progressive Sociology/Homeless/Homeless News Service. 1995-97. The service links various homeless newspapers and news stories globally for public access. The *Real Change* Newspaper, a homeless street paper in Seattle, Washington assumed control of the site in 1997.

Presented to a community panel, *Violated Lives/Violent Art*, May 15, 1994, The Hot House, Chicago, Illinois. A panel discussion on art, violence and popular culture.

Advisor to the *Coalition for the Homeless* and Homeless on the Move for Equality (H.O.M.E.), People's Campaign for Jobs, Housing and Food, Chicago, Illinois. 1991-98.

Consulted with *Communities in Partnership* on developing a Homeless Needs Assessment for Decatur, Illinois. March 1994.

Evaluator for the *Local Government Commission, Inc.*, Sacramento, California. Worked with County/City officials, environmental activists, business executives, and minority community representatives to develop local environmental/housing policies. 1990.

Board Chairperson and Cofounder of the *Homeless Action Project*, a non-profit organization designed to empower the homeless. P.O. Box 924, Midway City, California. 1987-88.

Urban Housing Analyst - *Fair Housing Council of Orange County*, Santa Ana, California. Analyzed local city and county housing elements, zoning codes, and redevelopment policies with reference to affordable housing. Researched local homeless populations and State housing legislation. Established the *Homeless Action Project* with homeless persons living throughout Orange County, California. Worked with local community organizations on housing related issues. 1985-1988.

Board Co-Chairperson for the *Orange County Homeless Issues Task Force*, a coalition of city, county, and private agencies and individuals designed to eliminate homelessness in Orange County. 1987-88.

Member of Board of Directors of *Orange County Community Housing Corporation*. 1986. Santa Ana, California. A non-profit developer of low-income housing.

English Instructor - Centro de Idiomas Diversificadas, Mexico 13, D.F., Mexico and Children's Institute of Language, Alpes 444, Mexico 10, D.F., Mexico. 1980-81

COURSES TAUGHT:

(*Loyola University Chicago* – Undergraduate classes): Self and Society; Sociological Theory; Sociology of Play/Digital Gaming, Introduction to Sociology, Mass Media and Popular Culture, Chicago: Growth

of a Metropolis, Social Inequality, Social Problems, Sociology Internships, Social Movements of the 1960s and Beyond, Social Theory and Social Research, Urban Seminar.

(Loyola University Chicago – Graduate classes): Sociology of Play, Inequality and Society, Housing and Homelessness, Qualitative Methods, Sociological Perspectives II, Topics in Contemporary Society: Mass Media, Topics in Contemporary Society: Homelessness, Urban Sociology, Urban Seminar, Modern Social Theory

(Sonoma State University, Sociology): Systemic Sociological Theory, Socialization, Family Systems, Methods: Urban Sociology, Mass Communication Theory and Research

(San Francisco State University, Anthropology): Applied Anthropology: San Francisco Bay Region and Homelessness; *(San Francisco State University, Political Science):* Community Politics and Homeless Activism.

(San Jose State University, Sociology): Introduction to Sociology, Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory, Sociology of Popular Culture, Introduction to Statistics, Research Methods, Political Sociology, Modern Culture. *(San Jose State University, Social Work):* Community Concepts

(University of California, Berkeley, Sociology): Urban Sociology.

(University of California, Davis, Applied Behavioral Sciences): Social Inequality; People, Work and Technology.

(California State University, Fullerton, Sociology and Political Science): Social Stratification, Introduction to Political Science.

(California State University, Dominguez Hills, Political Science): Conflict: Violence and Nonviolence.

(Orange Coast Community College, Social Science): American Institutions.

(University of California, Irvine, School of Social Sciences) Courses: American Society and Politics, Abnormal Psychology, Introduction to Sociology, U.S. Foreign Policy, Introduction to Political Science, Child Psychology, Applied Behavioral Science, Psychological and Sociological Dimensions of Movies.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST