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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
ABD as of August 2017

Dissertation: Flying and Falling: Experiential Dimensions of Social Stratification in the Service Industry.
(Mustafa Emirbayer, advisor)

Preliminary examination areas: Ethnography (January 2016), Social Psychology and Microsociology (August 2017)
Ph.D. minor: Interdisciplinary Qualitative Methodology

M.S. (2016), Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Thesis: “A Server One Moment, a Customer the Next: The Fluid Boundaries of the New Service Economy”
Committee: Alice Goffman (advisor), Michael Bell, Erik Olin Wright

B.A. (2011), Sociology, German Studies, Macalester College
Honors Thesis: “Getting Educated’: Working Class and First-Generation Students and the Extra-Curriculum.”

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Class, Culture, Work, Consumption, Social Theory, Social Stratification, Ethnography, Qualitative Methodology, Emotions, Social Psychology and Microsociology

PUBLICATIONS

Manuscripts in Preparation

Laemmli, Taylor. “Workers and Their Foes: Precarity, Frustration, and Deflection in the Service Triad.”

Laemmli, Taylor. “Class Laundering: Work, Consumption, and Elite Perks in Nightlife.”

Laemmli, Taylor: “Class Position, Class Experience, and Class Mobility.”

Laemmli, Taylor N., Eric Grodsky, and Lyn Macgregor. "Places of Learning: First-Generation College Students' Experiences at Public Institutions, under review at *Social Problems*

Laemmli, Taylor N. "Fear Arroyos."

Laemmli, Taylor. "The Contradictory Ethnography of Frances Donovan: Lessons for Participant Observation in Unsettled Times."

Reports

Sims, J. Revel, Ian Aley, Lexa Dundore, Taylor Laemmli, Sheila Long, Emily Lutz, and Ruanda McFerren. 2016. "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.

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

"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." Work and Emotions 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 Society annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

"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

"A Champagne Lifestyle on a Beer Budget: Class Laundering in Las Vegas Nightlife," Macalester College. St. Paul, MN. November 2019.

"Class Laundering: Perks and the Lifestyle Wage," Qualitative Methods Brownbag, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Madison, WI. April 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.

Invited Talks

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

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Project Assistant. Under Eric Grodsky. May 2020-August 2020.

Research assistant. Under Alice Goffman. January 2018-2019.

Project Assistant, first-generation college student pathways. Under Eric Grodsky. May 2014-August 2015.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Teaching Fellow, University of Wisconsin Madison, Fall 2020

Graduate Research Fellow, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison

TEACHING

Lecturer

The Sociological Enterprise. Fall 2019, Spring 2020

Ethnography. Fall 2016.

Guest Lecturer, Macalester College. Class Cultures and Identities. September 2016.

Teaching Assistant

Methods of Sociological Inquiry. Fall 2017.

Survey of Sociology. Spring 2017.

Sociology of Marriage and Family. Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2019

SERVICE

Graduate Program Committee, UW-Madison Sociology. 2019-2020.

Ad Hoc Committee for the Preliminary Exam, Sociology Graduate Student Association. Fall 2017.

Peer Mentorship Program, Department of Sociology. Fall 2016.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association, Eastern Sociological Society

Wisconsin Collective for Ethnographic Research (WISCER)