Joel Stillerman

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EDUCATION

PhD New School for Social Research, Sociology, Historical Studies Minor, 1998

Dissertation: FROM SOLIDARITY TO SURVIVAL: Transformations in the Culture and Styles of Mobilization of Chilean Metalworkers under Democratic and Authoritarian Regimes, 1945-1995

Dissertation committee: William Roseberry (Chair), Charles Tilly, Diane Davis, Deborah Poole, Peter Winn

Recipient of the Albert Salomon Memorial Award in the Field of Sociology, New School for Social Research

MA New School for Social Research, Sociology, 1992

BA Bennington College, Philosophy, Political Science, 1986

EMPLOYMENT

Grand Valley State University

Professor of Sociology, 2015-Associate Professor of Sociology, 2006-2015 Director, Latin American Studies Program, 2006-2008 Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2002-2006

Universidad Diego Portales (Diego Portales University, Chile) Chair, Dept. of Sociology, 2009-2010 Associate Professor of Sociology, 2009-2010

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Instituto de Estudios Urbanos y Territoriales (Urban Studies Institute, Catholic University of Chile)

Visiting Professor, 2008-2009

University of Arizona

Assistant Professor, Latin American Studies, 2000-2002 Assistant Research Social Scientist, Latin American Studies, 1998-2000 Lecturer, Dept. of Sociology, 1999-2000

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Urban Sociology Comparative/Historical Sociology

Social Movements Latin America

Sociology of Consumption Inequalities

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Stillerman, Joel. 2015. *The Sociology of Consumption: A Global Approach.* London: Polity Books.

Cárdenas, Ana, Felipe Link, and **Joel Stillerman**, eds. (with equal responsibilities). 2012. ¿Qué significa el trabajo hoy?: Continuidad y cambio en una sociedad global. ("What Does Work Mean Today? Continuity and Change in a Global Society"). Santiago, Chile: Editorial Catalonia.

Peer reviewed journal articles

- Stillerman, Joel and Rodrigo Salcedo. 2012. "Transposing the Urban to the Mall: Routes, Relationships and Resistance in two Santiago, Chile Shopping Centers." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 41, 3: 309–336.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2010. "The Contested Spaces of Chile's Middle Classes." *Political Power and Social Theory* 21: 209-238.
- Stillerman, Joel and Rodrigo Salcedo. 2010. "Es mucho más que comprar...Discursos y prácticas espaciales cotidianas en malls de Santiago." ("It's much more than making purchases...Discourses and spatial practices in Santiago's malls." *Revista de Estudios Avanzados* 13: 79-103.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2006. "The Politics of Space and Culture in Santiago Chile's Street Markets." *Qualitative Sociology* 29, 4 (December): 507–530.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2006. "Private, Parochial, and Public Realms in Santiago, Chile's Retail Sector." *City & Community* 5, 3 (September): 293-317.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2004. "Gender, Class, and Generational Contexts for Consumption in Contemporary Chile." *Journal of Consumer Culture* 4, 1 (March): 51-78.

- Stillerman, Joel. 2003. "Space, Strategies and Alliances in Mobilization: The 1960 Metalworkers' and Coal Miners' Strikes in Chile." *Mobilization: An International Journal* 8, 1 (February): 65-85.
- Stillerman, Joel. 1998. "The Paradoxes of Power: The Unintended Consequences of Military Rule for Chilean Working-Class Mobilization." *Political Power and Social Theory* 12: 97-139.
- Stillerman, Joel. 1997. "'No estábamos preparados:' Trabajadores chilenos recuerdan la Unidad Popular." (" 'We Weren't Ready:' Chilean Workers Remember the Popular Unity Government") *Revista Alameda*, 1 (March-June): 59-66.

Special issues of journals

- Stillerman, Joel. 2005. "Continuidades, rupturas y coyunturas en la transformación de los obreros de MADECO, S.A., 1973-2003." ("Continuities, Ruptures, and Conjunctures in the Transformation of Workers at MADECO, S.A., 1973-2003") *Revista Política* 44 (otoño): 165-196.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2003. "Transnational Activist Networks and the Emergence of Labor Internationalism in the NAFTA Countries." *Social Science History* 27, 4 [Special Issue: *Labor Internationalism*] (Winter): 577-602.

Chapters

- Stillerman, Joel. 2012. "Chile's Forgotten Consumers: Poor Urban Families, Consumption Strategies, and the Moral Economy of Risk in Santiago." Pp. 67-80 in John Sinclair and Anna Pertierra, eds. *Consumer Culture in Latin America*. Houndmills, UK: Palgrave.
- Cárdenas, Ana, Felipe Link and **Joel Stillerman** (with equal responsibilities). 2012. "Introducción." ("Introduction"). Pp. 17-38 in: ¿Qué significa el trabajo hoy?: Continuidad y cambio en una sociedad global. ("What Does Work Mean Today? Continuity and Change in a Global Society"). Santiago, Chile: Editorial Catalonia.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2012. "Espacio, identidad y conflicto entre los obreros metalúrgicos de MADECO, S.A., 1945-2011." ("Space, Identity and Conflict among the Metalworkers of MADECO, S.A., 1945-2011"). Pp. 127-146 in: ¿Qué significa el trabajo hoy?: Continuidad y cambio en una sociedad global. ("What Does Work Mean Today? Continuity and Change in a Global Society"). Santiago, Chile: Editorial Catalonia.

- Stillerman. Joel. 2008. "Tradition, Adventure and Pleasure in Santiago, Chile's Informal Markets." Pp. 31-49 in *Lived Experiences of Public Consumption: Encounters with Value in Marketplaces on Five Continents*, edited by Daniel T. Cook. Houndmills, UK: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Stillerman, Joel and Catherine Sundt. 2007. "Embeddedness and Business Strategies among Santiago, Chile's Street and Flea Market Vendors." Pp. 180-200 in *Street Entrepreneurs: People, Place and Politics in Local and Global Perspective*, edited by J. Cross and A. Morales. London and New York: Routledge Press.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2004. "Disciplined Workers and Avid Consumers: Neoliberal Policy and the Transformation of Work and Identity among Chilean Metalworkers." Pp. 164-208 in *Victims of the Chilean Miracle: Workers and Neoliberalism in the Pinochet Era, 1973-2002*, edited by P. Winn. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.
- Stillerman, Joel and Edward J. Williams. 2001. "The Unionization of the Maquiladora Industry and the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation: Strategies Conceived and Frustrated." Pp. 147-172 in *Cooperation, Environment, and Sustainability in Border Regions*, edited by P. Ganster. San Diego, CA: San Diego State University Press Institute for Regional Studies of the Californias.

Edited collections

- Stillerman, Joel and Peter Winn, eds. 2006. Special Issue, Globalization and the Latin American Workplace. *International Labor and Working-Class History* 70 (Fall).
- Stillerman, Joel and Peter Winn. 2006. "Introduction: Globalization and the Latin American Workplace." *International Labor and Working-Class History* 70 (Fall): 1-10.
- Stillerman, Joel and Peter Winn, eds. 2007. Special Issue, New Studies/New Organizations; Labor Organization in Latin America and Beyond. *International Labor and Working-Class History* 72 (Fall).
- Stillerman, Joel and Peter Winn. 2007. "Introduction: New Studies/ New Organizations; Labor Organization in Latin America and Beyond." *International Labor and Working-Class History* 72 (Fall): 1-16.

Encyclopedia entries

Stillerman, Joel. 2015. "Flea markets." In *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Consumption and Consumer Studies*, edited by Daniel T. Cook and J. Michael Ryan. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

- Stillerman, Joel. 2013. "Labor Movement in Latin America." In *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia* of Social and Political Movements, edited by D.A. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans, and D. McAdam. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2011. "Consumer Culture in Latin America." In *Encyclopedia of Consumer Culture*, edited by D. Southerton. Thousand Oaks: Sage: 249-251.

Publications in professional newsletters/magazines

- Stillerman, Joel. 2009. "Latin American Studies and the Financial Crisis." *Latin American Studies Association Forum* XL, 2 and 3 (Spring/Summer): 11-12.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2005. "Social Dimensions of Shopping in Santiago, Chile." *Consumers, Commodities, and Consumption: A Newsletter of the Consumer Studies Research Network* 6, 2 (May) http://csrn.camden.rutgers.edu/newsletters/6-2/stillerman.html

Book reviews

- Stillerman, Joel. 2009. Review of Frederick F. Wherry, *Global Markets and Local Crafts: Thailand and Costa Rica Compared*. (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008) in *Journal of Consumer Culture* 9, 1: 148-150).
- Stillerman, Joel. 2004. Review of *Free Trade and Uneven Development: The North American Apparel Industry After NAFTA*, edited by Gary Gereffi, David Spener, and Jennifer Bair (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2002) in *Contemporary Sociology* 33, 5 (September): 550-551.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2003. Review of Satterthwaite, Ann. *Going Shopping: Consumer Choices and Community Consequences* (New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 2001), in *Urban Affairs Review* (January): 452-455.
- Stillerman, Joel. 2000. Review of Klubock, Thomas. Contested Communities: Class, Gender and Politics in Chile's El Teniente Copper Mine, 1904-1951 (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 1998) and Finn, Janet. Tracing the Veins: Of Copper, Culture and Community from Butte to Chuquicamata (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 1998) in International Labor and Working Class History (Fall): 342-344.
- Stillerman, Joel. 1999. Review of Joseph, Gilbert, et al., eds. *Close Encounters of Empire* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 1998) in *Arizona Journal of Hispanic Cultural Studies* 3 (1999): 286-287.

Teaching materials

Syllabus and exercises, "Consumer Culture and Society," in *Consumers and Consumption, Syllabi* and Instructional Resources for Teaching the Sociology of, edited by D.T. Cook, J.M. Ryan y M.A. Rich. (Washington, DC: American Sociological Association, 2006).

Works in progress

- Stillerman, Joel, Jennifer Parker, Rodrigo Salcedo and Zachary Richer. "Glocalizing Malls in the Global South: Shopping Centers, Cities, and Consumers in Chile, Turkey, and India" (in preparation).
- Stillerman, Joel. "The Middle Class Housing Search in Santiago, Chile: Assets, Trajectories, and Family Structures in Housing Choices" (revise and resubmit in *Latin American Research Review*).
- Stillerman, Joel. "Educar a niñas y niños de clase media en Santiago: Padres, colegios, saberes, y prácticas" ("Educating middle class children in Santiago: Parents, schools, knowledges and practices") [revised manuscript under review in *EURE* (Urban and Regional Studies)]
- Stillerman, Joel. "Opportunity, Threat and Chilean Metalworkers' Spatial Strategies, 1945-1995." (revised manuscript under review in *Latin American Politics and Society*).
- "Precarious Labor in Global Perspective" special issue of *International Labor and Working-class History (ILWCH)*, coedited with Chris Tilly (UCLA) and Sarah Mosoetsa (University of the Witswatersrand, South Africa) [in preparation].
- Stillerman, Joel. Book manuscript. *Conflict Zones: Space, Time and Protest among Chile's Metalworkers, 1945-2005* (in preparation).

This manuscript examines the trajectory of a factory-level union in Santiago, Chile during that country's tumultuous shift from democracy to dictatorship and back again. Based on over 100 oral history interviews, 18 months of participant observation, and extensive archival research, this study examines how the state, employers, and unions shaped the neighborhood setting and class experiences of workers in South America's largest copper manufacturing company. This setting became the crucible for a powerful metalworkers union prior to Chile's brutal 1973 military coup. Authoritarian rule, free market policies, and globalization then reshaped that setting to undermine the union and fragment workers' shared identities. This setting became the stage for workers' four strikes across three political regimes in which union members engaged in contention in and over space and place.

The volume builds upon McAdam, Tarrow, and Tilly's, *Dynamics of Contention* to show how the use of geographical and historical analysis can enrich the key mechanisms and processes of category formation, scale shift, and opportunity/threat spirals identified in this volume. The focus on space and temporality in shaping social protest will offer new theoretical tools for students of social movements. Additionally, the manuscript makes a unique contribution to the literature on Chilean and Latin American labor as the first to study Chilean workers' shifting experiences of democratic and authoritarian regimes. Unlike many national-scale analyses of globalization and unions, it takes a bottom-up view of workers' experiences of and responses to political terror, industrial restructuring, and a changing consumer culture and shows how these changes eroded class identities. The manuscript will be appropriate for upper level undergraduate and graduate courses and of interest to specialists in social movements, urban studies, Latin American studies, labor history, and globalization.

Book-length research project, Refinement, Rivalry, and Reciprocity: Competing Logics of Middle Class Consumption in Contemporary Chile (in preparation).

This qualitative study of 70 middle class families in two Santiago communities is the first systematic effort to assess Pierre Bourdieu's model of taste and social reproduction in Chile and Latin America. By examining middle class adults' choices regarding housing purchase and decoration as well as private schooling for their children, the study seeks to determine the extent to which Chile reflects Bourdieu's prediction that parental education and income, cultural capital, and occupation determine variations in taste across distinct class fractions. I also consider the contrasting hypotheses of Lamont and Halle that variations in taste do not originate in the economic positions of distinct class fractions.

I explore this hypothesis by contrasting parents across occupational groups in a mainstream and alternative private school in each of two Santiago communities. The first area, Ñuñoa, houses an established middle class high in cultural capital; while the second area, La Florida, includes groups who have recently experienced upward mobility. Through the use of semi-structured interviews, participant observation, and household inventories with the support of photographic images, I will determine whether variations in economic and cultural capital can be clearly linked to different patterns of taste and educational decisions. Research was conducted during the 2008-2009 academic year with the support of a sabbatical and Fulbright Fellowship, and I plan to submit a book proposal and chapters for review at a university press after completion of data analysis and write-up. The results will contribute to ongoing cross-national comparative research assessing Bourdieu's claims regarding the origins of taste in the contemporary world.

GRANTS/AWARDS

Extramural grants

- Fulbright-CIES Visiting Scholar grant, Santiago, Chile (2008): \$ 16,000 (declined to accept Fulbright-Hayes Award)
- U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hayes Faculty Research Abroad grant, Santiago, Chile (2008-2009): \$45,000
- Ford Foundation/Latin American Studies Association Special Projects Fund grant to organize a one-day, international mini-conference on "Labor and Globalization." (2003): \$8500

Contributor

- U.S. Dept. of Education Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies grant, Consortium of University of Arizona and Arizona State University (2000): \$ 180,000
- Rockefeller Foundation three year humanities fellowship on "Sex, Race, and Globalization," Institute for LGBT studies, University of Arizona (2001): \$ 250,000

Intramural Grants

Grand Valley State University

- Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence course release and research grant in aid (\$ 5912) (awarded in 2012 for 2013).
- Sabbatical (2008-2009).
- Intercultural Studies Faculty Development Grant for summer research in Chile (2007): \$ 1300.
- Office of Research and Development: Student Summer Scholar (S 3) Award (2006): \$ 2500 (\$ 3000 for student coauthor, Brad Fowler)

Student Summer Scholar (S 3) Award (2005): \$ 2500 (\$ 3000 for student coauthor, Catherine Sundt)

Summer research stipend (2004): \$ 5000

(with Padnos International Center) grants for summer research in Chile (2003): \$ 1500

University of Arizona

■ V.P. for Research Office Small Grant for summer research in Chile (1999): \$2500

University Fellowships and Awards

New School for Social Research

- Commencement Award: Albert Salomon Memorial Award in the Field of Sociology (1998)
- Elinor Goldmark Black Dissertation Fellowship for Advanced Studies in the Dynamics of Social Change (1993-1995)
- Janey Program on Latin America Travel Grant (1992, 1993, 1996)
- Prize Fellowship (1989-1992)

Bennington College

■ Merron Award for Excellence in Social Science Scholarship (1986)

TEACHING

Grand Valley State University

- SOCIOLOGY OF CONSUMPTION
- SOCIAL PROBLEMS
- SOCIOLOGY OF COMMUNITY
- URBAN SOCIOLOGY
- INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
- CAUSAL EXPLANATION IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

Honors Senior Project supervisor: Neil Hauk, Katherine Schulhoff

Student Summer Scholar research project supervisor: Catherine Sundt, Brad Fowler

Universidad Diego Portales

- SOCIAL CHANGE IN CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICA
- QUALITATIVE METHODS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES (graduate seminar)

BA thesis reader: Manuel Ojeda, Roberto Cantillan/Jorge Ramírez

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

MA thesis committee member: Daniela Rubio, Jeanette Henríquez

University of Arizona

- INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
- POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY
- INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES (graduate seminar)
- MODERN LATIN AMERICA: A SOCIAL SCIENCE PERSPECTIVE
- SOCIAL CHANGE IN CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICA (undergraduate/graduate)
- SOCIOLOGY OF WORK IN LATIN AMERICA (graduate seminar)

Dissertation committee member: Elizabeth Borland (Sociology); Hugo Zunino (Geography)

MA thesis committee member (Latin American Studies): Luis Jimenez, Sarah Sarzynski, Erin Olson (chair), Anthony Shenoda, Robert Alegre, Nazly Guzman.

Columbia University, Visiting Instructor, Summer, 1998

■ RACE AND ETHNIC RELATIONS

Drew University, Visiting Instructor, Spring, 1998

■ URBAN SOCIOLOGY

Eugene Lang College of the New School for Social Research, Visiting Instructor, 1992-1997

- RACE AND ETHNIC RELATIONS
- URBAN SOCIOLOGY
- POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY
- SOCIOLOGY OF WORK/LATIN AMERICA

Universidad de Santiago de Chile, Guest Lecturer, October-November, 1994 QUALITATIVE METHODS

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Space and Labor Protest in Chile, 1945-2005," presented at the Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 27-30, 2015.
- "Space, Opportunities and Labor Protest across Political Regimes: Chilean Metalworkers' Mobilization, 1945-2011," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 16-19, 2014, San Francisco.
- "State Spaces and Labor Protest: Chilean Metalworkers' Spatial Strategies across Political and Economic Regimes, 1945-2011," presented at the Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 22-24, 2013, Chicago.
- "Producing Space, Producing Protest: Chilean Metalworkers' Spatial Strategies Across Political and Economic Regimes, 1945-2011," presented at the North American Labor History Conference, October 24-26, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.
- "Glocalizing Malls in the Global South: Shopping Centers, Cities, and Consumers in Chile, Turkey, and India," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 10-13, 2013, New York City (with Jennifer Parker and Rodrigo Salcedo).
- "Educar a niñas y niños de clase media en Santiago: Padres, colegios, saberes, y prácticas" (Educating Middle Class Children in Chile: Parents, schools, knowledges, and practices), presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, May 29-June 1, 2013, Washington, DC.
- "Performing Middle Class and Teen Identities at the Mall: Evidence from Chile," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 17-21, 2012, Denver, CO (with Rodrigo Salcedo, Sofía Covarrubias, and Gail Phillips).
- "Ciudad y malls: continuidad y contiguidad" (The City and the Mall: Continuity and Contiguous Development."). presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, May 25-27, 2012, San Francisco, CA. (with Rodrigo Salcedo).
- "Middle Class Home-buying in Santiago, Chile: Assets, Households, and Urban Housing Markets," presented at the Michigan Sociological Association Annual Conference," Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI, October 29, 2011.
- "Middle Class and Teenage Identity Formation: Youth Discourses and Practices in a Santiago, Chile Mall," presented at the Consumer Studies Research Network miniconference, August 19, 2011, Las Vegas. (with Rodrigo Salcedo).

- "Buying a house in Chile: Assets, Households, and Urban Housing Markets," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 19-23, 2011, Las Vegas.
- "The Search for Middle Class Housing in Santiago: Mapping the Interactions between Taste, Family Resources, and Housing Markets," presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, October 7-10, 2010, Toronto and Conference on the Americas, Grand Valley State University, November, 4-6, 2010.
- "The Contested Spaces of Chile's Middle Classes," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 13-17, Atlanta, 2010.
- "Metalworkers' Identities Before, During, and After, Chile's Military Regime," presented at the Seminar, "What does Work Mean Today," Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile, June 15-16, 2010.
- "Cultural Capital, Taste, and Distinction in Santiago, Chile's Middle Class," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 8-11, 2009, San Francisco.
- "Conflict Zones: Space, Time and Protest among Chilean Metalworkers, 1945-2005,"
 Comparative Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association
 Miniconference, "Past and Present," University of California-Berkeley, August 12, 2009.
- "Chile's Forgotten Consumers: Poor Urban Families, Consumption Strategies, and the Moral Economy of Risk in Santiago," Ciencias, tecnologías y culturas. Diálogo entre las disciplinas del conocimiento. Mirando al futuro de América Latina y el Caribe (Sciences, Technologies and Cultures: Dialogues between the Disciplines, Looking Toward the Future in Latin America and the Caribbean, October 30-November 2, 2008, Universidad de Santiago de Chile, Santiago, Chile.
- "Space and the Dynamics of Contention among Chile's Metalworkers, 1945-2005," American Sociological Association Conference, August 10-14, 2007, New York City.
- "Contested Geographies: Space and Strikes among Chile's Metalworkers, 1945-2005," Latin American Studies Association Congress, Montréal, Canada September 5-8, 2007.
- "Cool Cities get Freezer Burn: A Critical Analysis of Richard Florida's Influence on Urban Policy," presented at the Michigan Sociological Association annual conference, Mt. Pleasant, MI, October 21, 2006. (coauthored with Brad Fowler)
- "Tradition, Adventure and Pleasure in Santiago, Chile's Informal Markets," presented at the 9th Conference of the Americas, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI, October 14, 2006.

- "Embeddedness an Business Strategies among Santiago, Chile's Street and Flea Market Vendors," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, August 2006. (coauthored with Catherine Sundt)
- "The Social Dimensions of Consumption in Santiago, Chile's Street Markets," presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico, March, 2006. (coauthored with Catherine Sundt)
- "Social Dimensions of Informal Commerce in Santiago, Chile," presented at the Michigan Sociological Association Annual Conference, Eastern Michigan University, October 22, 2005. (coauthored with Catherine Sundt)
- "Space, Time, and Everyday Life in the Reconstruction of Identities Among Chilean Metalworkers," presented at the mini-conference, "Labor and Globalization: The State of the Field and Setting a New Research Agenda," sponsored by the Labor Studies Section of the Latin American Studies Association, Las Vegas, October 2004.
- "Hegemony and Conflicts over Urban Space n Santiago, Chile's Farmers' Markets," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, August 2004.
- "Reflections on Chile's September 11th Coup, Thirty Years Later," presented at the Seventh Conference on the Americas, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI, October 2003.
- "Retailing, Sociability and Public Space in Santiago, Chile," presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Atlanta, GA, August, 2003.
- "Hegemonic Processes and Spatial Contention in Santiago, Chile's Farmers' Markets," presented at the Canadian Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology Conference, Halifax, Canada, May 2003.
- "The Decline or Endurance of Public Space? Social Interactions in Santiago's Diverse Retail Spaces," presented at the Latin American Studies Association conference, Dallas, TX, March, 2003.
- "Shopping and Changing Public Spaces in Santiago, Chile," presented at the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Conference, Chicago, IL, August, 2002.
- "Trade Blocs, International Institutions, and Transnational Social Protest: The NAFTA Labor Side Accords and Cross Border Activism," presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Chicago, IL, August, 2002.

- "Retail Capital, Households, and Class in Chile's Brave New Consumer Market," presented at the European Social Science History Conference, The Hague, Netherlands, February 2002.
- "Consumption and Working-Class Families in Contemporary Chile," presented at the Latin American Studies Association conference, Washington, DC, September 2001.
- "Media Seduction or Family Dynamics?: Gender, Class and Consumption in Contemporary Chile," presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Anaheim, CA, August, 2001.
- "Mass Society's Next Frontier?: Work, Family and Consumption in Contemporary Chilean Working-class Households," presented at the Social Science History Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, October, 2000.
- "Democratic Transitions and the Dilemmas for Labor: Elite and Grassroots Organizing Strategies in the Chilean Transition," presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Washington, DC, August, 2000.
- "Labor Internationalism and NAFTA: Theoretical, Historical and Practical Dilemmas," Presented at the Latin American Studies Association conference, Miami, FL, March, 2000. (with Brandon Blew).
- "Participation or Control? The Political Conditioning of Post-Fordist Restructuring in the Chilean Brass and Wire Industry," presented at the Annual Social Science History Conference, Fort Worth, TX. November, 1999.
- "Spatial Structures and Political Networks in the Making of Working-class Mobilization: The Chilean Brass and Wire Industry, 1945-1973," presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Chicago, August, 1999.
- "Beneath the Transition: Grassroots Challenges to National Labor Leaders in Contemporary Chile," Latin American Studies Association Conference, Chicago, September, 1998.
- "Lean Production With An Iron Fist: How Authoritarian Rule Affects Managerial Innovation in a Chilean Firm," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, August, 1998.
- "Militant Trade-Unionist or Happy Consumer?: The Ambiguities of Working-Class Identity in Post-Pinochet Chile," Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, Guadalajara, Mexico, April, 1997.
- "Striking Against the Odds: Worker Responses to State Terror and Managerial Innovation in a Chilean Union, 1978-1989," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, New York, August, 1996.

- "Dando la Pelea Hasta el Final": Metalworkers' Resistance in Authoritarian Chile, 1976-1989,"
 Thirteenth Annual Latin American Labor History Conference, Duke University,
 April, 1996.
- "When Factory Regimes Break Down: A Chilean Case Study of Consent and Conflict," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Washington, August, 1995.
- "El 'Día-D' en MADECO: La Huelga de 1960 -- Sus Causas, Consecuencias y Significado," (D-Day at MADECO: The 1960 Strike It's Causes, Consequences and Meaning)
 International Labor Office, Workshop on the Sociology of Work, Santiago, Chile, September, 1994.

PANEL DISCUSSANT

- "Expresiones de cambio cultural: mobilización y subjetividad," Latin American Studies Association Congress, May 27-30, 2015.
- "Nuevos Enfoques y Herramientas Metodológicas para los Estudios Laborales" ("New Areas of Focus and Methodological Tools for Labor Studies") Latin American Studies Association Congress, May 29-June 1, 2013).
- "Doctoral Workshop: Tastes, Brands, and Lifestyles," Global Consumption: Politics, Culture, Practice, sponsored by Section-in-Formation, Sociology of Consumers and Consumption, American Sociology Association, August 16, 2012, Denver, CO.
- "Clases medias: investigación empírica y perspectivas contemporáneas para el análisis de América Latina," (Middle Classes: Empirical Research and Contemporary Perspectives for the Analysis of Latin America"), Latin American Studies Association Congress, May 25-27, 2012, San Francisco, CA.
- "The New World (Re)Order: Ethnographic Insights on Economic Crisis in Latin America," Latin American Studies Association Congress, October 6-9, 2010, Toronto, CA.

PANEL ORGANIZER

"Consumption and Inequalities." Regular Session, Section on Consumers and Consumption, American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 10-13, 2013, New York City.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- "From the Street to the Shopping Mall: Class, Consumerism and Conflict in Santiago de Chile," University of Michigan Dearborn, December 3, 2012.
- "The Contested Spaces of Chile's Middle Classes," Global Urban Studies Program seminar, Michigan State University, November 26, 2012.
- "Transposing the Urban to the Mall: Routes, Relationships and Resistance in two Santiago Chile Shopping Centers," Latin American Studies Speaker Series, Grand Valley State University, March 29, 2012.
- "Educating Middle Class Children in Santiago, Chile: Parents, Children, Knowledges, Practices" Cultural Practices Workshop, Social Sciences and History College, Universidad Diego Portales, May 19, 2009.
- Roundtable presentation at seminar, "Cohesión e Integración Social en las Ciudades de Chile" ("Social Cohesion in Chilean Cities," Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, May 18, 2010.
- "Prácticas espaciales e identidades de usuarios de malls en Santiago: Etnografías en Plaza Vespucio y Florida Center." (Spatial Practices and Identities of Mall Visitors en Santiago: Ethnographies Conducted at Plaza Vespucio and Mall Florida Center"), presented at seminar, "sMALL Santiago, consumo y espacio público" (Santiago-Mall: Santiago, consumption and Public Space."), Goethe Institut, Santiago, Chile, November 26, 2009. (with Rodrigo Salcedo).
- "Middle classes and shopping malls," Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile, September 9, 2009.
- "Choosing schools in Ñuñoa and La Florida: Exploring Middle-class Identities in Chile," Urban Studies Institute, Catholic University of Chile, June 25, 2009.
- "Cultural Capital, Taste, and Distinction in Santiago, Chile's Middle Class," Institute for Social Science Research, Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago Chile, January 2009.
- "Space and Protest among Chile's Metalworkers, 1945-2005," Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program Fall Lecture Series, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI, September 19, 2007.
- Participant on author meets critics session, featuring Gonzalo Leiva, *Pioneros culturales y tecnológicos: Estados Unidos en el Corazon de Chile* (Cultural and Technological Pioneers: The United Status in the Heart of Chile), May 24, 2007, Centro Cultural Palacio la Moneda, Santiago, Chile.

"Retail and Public Space in Santiago, Chile," Institute of Humanistic Study, Universidad de Talca, Talca, Chile, June, 2007.

FIELD RESEARCH

July 2008-June 2010: Research on middle class consumption and inequality in Santiago, Chile; research on shopping mall consumers in a mixed income community in Santiago, Chile.

May-June, 2007: Research on consumption in family and group contexts, Santiago, Chile.

December, 2005-January, 2006: Research on street and flea markets in Santiago, Chile.

July, 2003: Research on retail settings and public space in Santiago, Chile.

July-August, 2001: Research on retail settings and public space in Santiago, Chile.

July, 1999: Research on contemporary patterns of consumption in Santiago, Chile.

October-November, 1996: Follow-up research in Santiago, Chile.

October, 1993-April, 1995: Dissertation fieldwork in Santiago, Chile.

June-July, 1992: Preliminary fieldwork in Santiago, Chile focused on the selection of a research site.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Grand Valley State University

Departmental Service

Sociology

- Personnel Committee, 2013, 2014-15
- Colloquium Committee, 2012-2013
- Writing Group, 2010-2013
- Junior faculty mentor, 2012-13
- Faculty Search Committee, 2005-2008; chair, 2011-2012

- Curriculum Committee, 2006-2008; chair 2010-2011
- Sociology Colloquium co-organizer, 2012-
- Committee on revision of standards for promotion and tenure, 2002-2003

Latin American Studies

- Assessment Committee, 2007-2008
- Faculty Search Committee, 2007-2008
- Executive Committee, 2006-2008
- Curriculum Committee, 2006-2008
- Author of Strategic and Assessment Plans, 2008
- Advisory Committee, 2002-

University service

- Faculty Salary and Budget Committee, 2014-
- Honors College Council, 2013-
- Area Studies Advisory Committee, 2011
- Brooks College for Interdisciplinary Studies, Search Committee for Area Studies Director, 2010
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, 2010-13
- General Education Theme Committee, 2006-
- Area Studies Coordinators' Committee, 2006-2008
- College of Interdisciplinary Studies (CoIS) Leadership Council, 2006-2008
- CoIS Curriculum Committee, 2006-2007
- Padnos International Center Faculty Development Grant Awards Committee, 2006-2008
- Participant, Curriculum Working Group on Latin America civilization courses, Honors College, 2005
- Co-organizer, Colloquium on Global Issues, 2005-2006

- Member, Mission, Vision, and Values Strategic Planning Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 2004-2005
- Member, University Task Force on Global Studies, 2004-
- Faculty Salary and Budget Committee, 2004-2006; 2014-
- University Academic Senate, 2003-2004;
- Program Coordinator, "Seventh Conference on the Americas," 2003

Universidad Diego Portales, 2009-2010

Departmental Service -- Sociology

- Curriculum Committee
- Executive committee
- Coauthor of new Sociology BA major curriculum (approved 2010; implemented 2011)

University Service

- Unit Heads Committee
- Admissions Committee
- Teaching and Learning Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Student Grievance Committee

University of Arizona, 1998-2002

Departmental Service – Latin American Studies

- Advised undergraduate students and participated in MA/PhD committees
- Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
- Community outreach and other program-related activities

University Service

■ Member, selection committee for first year fellows, Rockefeller Foundation Humanities grant on "Sex, Race, and Globalization."

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Sociological Association

- Founding Committee Member and Officer, American Sociological Association, Section on Consumers and Consumption (2010-2013)
- Chair, Publications Committee, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association (2010-2013); member, student paper award committee (2004)
- Council Member, American Sociological Association, Labor and Labor Movements Section (2003-2006); membership committee, nominations committee, student paper award committee (2007)

Latin American Studies Association

- Program Track Chair, Labor Studies and Class Relations, 2013 Congress
- Chair, Task Force on Labor Relations (2006-2008)
- Chair, Labor Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association (two 18-month terms: November, 2001-November 2004)

National Science Foundation (NSF)

■ Proposal reviewer for the Sociology program (2012)

Fulbright Commission, Chile

■ Member, review panels awarding scholarships to Chilean students for doctoral study in the U.S., Fulbright Commission, Santiago, Chile (2008)

National Fund for Science and Technology, Chile (FONDECYT)

■ Member, review panel for research proposals, National Science Foundation of Chile (2009, 2013)

External Tenure and Promotion Reviewer

Binghamton University (2009) and Illinois State University (2012)

Conferences organized

■ Program committee member, American Sociological Association Section on Consumers and Consumption, mini-conference, "From Farm to Table," August 15, 2014.

- Conference committee member, Consumer Studies Research Network, American Sociological Association mini-conference, "The Crisis and Contradictions of Capitalism," August 19, 2011; and "Global Consumption: Politics, Culture and Practice," August 16, 2012.
- Co-organizer, "What Does Work Mean Today?" Universidad Diego Portales, 2010. Two-day international conference explored the meanings of work in the Americas, including eighteen presenters from Chile, the United States, and Brazil. Conference supported by the International Labor Organization, Sub-regional Office for the Southern Cone of Latin America.
- Co-organizer, "Labor and Globalization in Latin America," Latin American Studies Association, 2004. One-day mini-conference focused on the effects of globalization on Latin America's working people, including 27 panelists from the U.S., Mexico, Guatemala, Argentina, Brazil, and Chile. Conference supported by the Ford Foundation and Latin American Studies association.
- Organizer, "Labor in the Americas," University of Arizona, 2001. Two-day conference featuring international speakers on Labor issues in the U.S. and Latin America

Journal manuscript reviewer

American Sociological Review, British Journal of Sociology, Theory & Society, Social Problems, Contexts, EURE, Mobilization, City & Community, Journal of Latin American Studies, Michigan Sociological Review, Sí Somos Americanos, Law and Society Review, Qualitative Sociology, Sociological Inquiry, International Labor and Working-class History, Political Power and Social Theory, Journal of Latin American Geography, Social Movement Studies, Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography, International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society, Labor Studies Journal

Book manuscript reviewer

Routledge, Polity

Professional Association Memberships

- American Sociological Association (Sections: Labor and Labor Movements, Community and Urban Sociology, Collective Behavior and Social Movements, Sociology of Culture, Consumers and Consumption
- Latin American Studies Association (Sections: Labor Studies, Southern Cone Studies).

RELATED EXPERIENCE

New School for Social Research, New York, NY

Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, September 1991-June, 1993

- Conducted an extensive review of secondary literature on class formation in Europe and Latin America.
- Reviewed Mexico City newspapers for the period 1933-1943 regarding middle class political activity.
- Coauthor, interim and final reports on research findings.

Community Emergency Shelter Organization, Chicago, IL

Community Organizer, July 1988-July 1989.

- Organized neighborhood groups in Latino communities with the goal of opening small, community-based shelters for homeless persons.
- Worked in coalition with other organizations on city/state-wide housing campaigns.
- Participated in fundraising/organizational activities.

Logan Square Neighborhood Association, Chicago, IL

Community Organizer, April 1987-July 1988.

- Designed materials, recruited staff, administered, and participated in a door-to-door fundraising canvass from May-August 1987, raising \$10,000 for the organization.
- Organized block clubs, giving residents local experience and then moving them on to community-wide issues, with the primary goals of developing community leaders and building the organization.

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