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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. with distinction, Sociology, Yale University, 2018  
M.A., Sociology, Yale University, 2015  
B.A., Sociology, Magna Cum Laude, Yale University, 2011

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Yale University. Faculty Fellow at the Yale Center for Cultural Sociology. 2019-present.

Princeton University. Research Associate at the Dignity and Debt Network. 2018-present.

State University of New York, at Purchase. Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology and Latin American Studies. 2019-present.

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Cultural Sociology, Economic Sociology, Global and Transnational Sociology, Childhood, Theory, Qualitative Methods, Latin America

## PUBLICATIONS

### Refereed journal articles

2020. "The Priceless Child Talks Back: How Working Children Respond to Global Norms Against Child Labor." *Childhood* 27.1:63-77.

2019. "Toward a Hermeneutic Model of Cultural Globalization: Four Lessons from Translation Studies." *Sociological Theory* 37.2:142-161.

2018. "The Universal King? Memory, Globalization, and Martin Luther King, Jr." *Sociological Inquiry* 88.1: 79-105.

2015. "The Moral Glocalization of Sport: Local Meanings of Football in Chota Valley, Ecuador." *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*. 52.1: 82-96.

2013. "The Glocalization of Time and Space: Soccer and Meaning in Chota Valley, Ecuador." *International Sociology* 28.4: 373-390.

2011. "'El eclipse' de Augusto Monterroso y las implicaciones éticas de la brevedad." *Latin American Literary Review* 39.78: 61-72.

### **Books**

*Too Young to Work? Why Children Defend Child Labor.*

Revisions being undertaken at request of Princeton University Press editor, who has asked for a formal submission in the Fall.

### **Book chapters**

2018. "Is Civil Society Dangerous for Democracy? New Directions for Civil Sphere Theory in Latin America." Pp. 231-239 in *The Civil Sphere in Latin America*. Edited by Jeffrey C. Alexander and Carlo Tognato. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### **Articles under review**

"How the Complexity of Innovations Affects Transnational Diffusion." Article with Tamara Kay.

"Debt Collection and Relational Damages: The Case of Student Loans." Article with Frederick Wherry, Parijat Chakrabarti, and Katie Donnelly.

### **Articles in preparation**

"Rejecting Global Diffusion? Child Labor Standards, Children's Rights, and the Latin American Movement of Working Children and Adolescents."

### **Citations**

I have 37 citations to single authored work listed on Google Scholar (self-citations excluded).

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

2018. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Dissertation Prize, to a distinguished sociology dissertation that contributes to public policy or the public interest. Yale University

2014-2017. Theodore Cuyler Fellowship Fund, Yale University

2013-2017. Junior Fellowship, Center for Cultural Sociology, Yale University

2011. Mildred Priest Frank Prize for Best Senior Thesis in Sociology, Yale University

### **INVITED TALKS**

2020. Kooxda, Spain. Online Event "¿Y después qué?"

“Nuevos hábitos y comportamientos. ¿Va a cambiar la forma de relacionarnos y consumir?”

2019. MIT Political Economy Lab. MIT-NYU Morals and Markets Workshop.  
“Child Labor and Recognition Gaps in the Global South: Or, How Working Children Find Dignity in Child Labor.”

2019. Columbia University. Center for Wealth and Inequality.  
“The Fair Gap: Individual and Relational Damages in Consumer Finance.” With Frederick Wherry.

2018. Princeton University. Dignity and Debt Network Inaugural Roundtable.  
“From Health Journals to Consumer Complaints: Combining Computational Text Analysis and Qualitative Approaches.” With Parijat Chakrabarti and Gabriela Oseguera Serra.

2016. University of Alicante, Spain. 2016 Sociology Day Panel.  
“La sociología cultural en Estados Unidos.”

## **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

2019. American Sociological Association Sociology of Development Conference. South Bend, Indiana.  
“How the Complexity of Innovations Affects Global Diffusion.” With Tamara Kay.

2019. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, New York. Globalization and Transnational Sociology Regular Session: Theoretical Perspectives.  
“Complex versus Simple Innovations: How Different Kinds of Innovations Diffuse.” With Tamara Kay.

2019. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, New York. Economic Sociology Regular Session: Theoretical Perspectives.  
“Hidden Costs of Debt Collection: The Case of Student Loans.” With Frederick Wherry, Parijat Chakrabarti, and Katie Donnelly.

2018. Social Science History Association Annual Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona. Section on the Sociology of Culture. The Morality of Self-Understanding.  
“The Moralities of Child Labor: Working Children, Child Labor Laws, and the Globalization of Moral Norms.”

2017. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada. Section on Sociology of Children and Youth. Children in the Globalizing World.  
“The Priceless Child Talks Back: Or, How Working Children in Bolivia and Ecuador Defend their ‘Right to Work.’”

2015. Yale Center for Cultural Sociology Spring Conference. New Haven, Connecticut.  
“Opening the Black Box of Cultural Globalization: Four Lessons from Translation Theory.”

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2019-2020. Visiting Assistant Professor, Purchase College, SUNY. Student rating 4.7/5  
Research Methods  
Junior Seminar

### Culture and Collective Memory: Latin America

Supervised 6 students on senior projects. Typically, these are 25-60 pages long. Topics range from music education to cancel culture to code-switching among young, queer, South Asian immigrants in the United States. Student methods include interviews, ethnography, descriptive statistics, and content analysis.

2014-2017. Teaching Fellow, Yale University. Student rating 4.8/5

Methods of Inquiry

Norms and Deviance

Sociology of Markets

Sociology of Sport

Senior Essay and Colloquium for Intensive Majors

2015. Writing Fellow, Yale College Writing Center, Yale University

## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

Webmaster of the ASA Economic Sociology Section.

Served on the 2020 Peterson Graduate Student Paper Award Committee for the ASA Culture Section.

Organized the Economic Sociology Roundtables for the 2020 ASA Economic Sociology Section.

Have reviewed articles and books for *Qualitative Sociology*, *Sociological Inquiry*, *International Sociology*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*, *International Journal of Cultural Policy*, and *Sport in Society*.

Helped coordinate the Dignity and Debt Network 2019 Inaugural Roundtable at Princeton University.

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Part of the board of Latin American and Caribbean Studies at Purchase College.

Served on the Sociology Department's admissions committee at Yale University in 2015.

Translated workshop materials and a journal article from English to Spanish for an Economic Sociology conference in Buenos Aires.

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native), Spanish (native), and French (good)

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

2018-present. Latin American Studies Association

2015-present. American Sociological Association

Sociology of Culture

Economic Sociology

Altruism, Morality, and Social Solidarity  
Global and Transnational Sociology  
Theory  
Children and Youth

2015-present. International Sociological Association  
Sociology of Communication, Knowledge and Culture  
Sociological Theory  
Human Rights and Global Justice

## REFERENCES

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