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DEGREES:
Ph.D. (Sociology), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, 1986-89.
B.B.A. (Human Resources Management), Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL, 1979-81.
A.A. (Business Administration), Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, FL, 1977-79.

RESEARCH INTERESTS:
Ethnic economies; survivalist entrepreneurship; racial/ethnic inequality in an urban, historical context.

ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS:
Click article year for DOI link; click ‘Cited by’ for Google Scholar citations link


“Dispersed or Concentrated? Urban Distributions of Ethnic Retail Entrepreneurs: the Late Nineteenth-Century USA.” Journal of International Migration and Integration. Published online, March 2019.


Voted by the Editors of Urban Studies as the “Urban Studies Best Article for 2012.”


“A ‘Migration of Despair’: Unemployment, the Search for Work, and Migration to Farms during the Great Depression.” *Social Science Quarterly* 83 (2002):554-567. Cited by 24


REFEREED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS:


OTHER PUBLICATIONS:


CITATIONS:

Over 1,300 Google Scholar® citations; h-index = 20; i10-index = 32 (September 2, 2019)

BOOK REVIEWS:


**PRESENTATIONS:**

- Over 40 paper presentations since 1986 at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Eastern Sociological Society, Southern Demographic Association, Southern Sociological Society, etc. (list available).
Over 30 other presentations, including presentations at scholarly conferences as a session chair, discussant, presider, etc., and presentations to various academic or public audiences (list available).

EDITORIAL POSITIONS:

- Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Focus*, 2012-17.
- Member, Editorial Board (Associate Editor), *The Social Science Journal*, 2009-present.

*Nominated by the ASA Committee on Publications for the position of Editor of *American Sociological Review*, September 2014.

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS:

OVER 350 MANUSCRIPTS REVIEWED FOR THE FOLLOWING REFEREED JOURNALS SINCE 1988:

- *African Journal of Business Management*
- *American Journal of Sociology*
- *American Sociological Review*
- *City & Community*
- *Demography*
- *Ethnic and Racial Studies*
- *Geoforum*
- *Global Journal of History and Culture*
- *Historical Methods*
- *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*
- *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*
- *Journal of Community Practice*
- *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*
- *Journal of Geography and Regional Planning*
- *Journal of Human Resources*
- *Journal of International Migration and Integration*
- *Journal of Socio-Economics*
- *Journal of Urban Affairs*
- *Journal of Urban Design*
- *Korean Journal of Population and Development*
- *Melbourne Historical Journal*
- *OMNES: Journal of Migration and Society*
- *Population Research and Policy Review*
- *Qualitative Sociology*
- *Race and Social Problems*
- *Regional Studies*
- *Social Currents*
- *Social Forces*
- *Social Problems*
- *Social Science History*
- *Social Science Quarterly*
- *Social Science Research*
- *Sociological Focus*
- *Sociological Forum*
- *Sociological Inquiry*
- *Sociological Perspectives*
- *Sociological Spectrum*
- *Southeastern Geographer*
- *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior*
- *The American Journal of Economics and Sociology*
- *The Social Science Journal*
- *The Sociological Quarterly*
- *The Western Journal of Black Studies*
- *Urban Affairs Review*
- *Urban Geography*
- *Urban Studies*

OTHER REVIEWER SERVICE:

- External reviewer for a promotion case (full prof. /sociology), Wright State University, 2018.
- External reviewer for a promotion case (full prof. /sociology), University of North Texas, 2014.
- External reviewer for a promotion case (full prof. /sociology), Rochester Institute of Technology, 2013.
- External reviewer for a tenure/promotion case (assoc. prof. /sociology), Rochester Institute of Technology, 2008.
- External reviewer for a tenure/promotion case (assoc. prof. /business), University of Virginia, 2007.
- Reviewer of grant proposal for the National Science Foundation, 2006.
• Reviewer of grant proposal for the National Science Foundation, 2003.
• Reviewer of Racial and Ethnic Relations in America, by McLemore et al., for Allyn & Bacon, 2002.
• Reviewer of Cities and Urban Life, by Macionis and Parrillo, for Prentice Hall, 2002.
• External reviewer for a tenure/promotion case (assoc. prof. /sociology), Oklahoma State University, 1999.
• Reviewer of paper abstracts for the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, 1996.
• Reviewer of manuscript of The Urban World, by Palen, for McGraw-Hill, 1995.
• Reviewer of paper abstracts for the annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, 1994-95.
• Reviewer of chapters of Sociology, by Hebding and Glick, for McGraw-Hill, 1994.
• Reviewer of grant proposals for the National Science Foundation, 1993-94.
• Reviewer of grant proposal for the U.S.–Israel Binational Science Foundation, 1993.
• Reviewer of paper abstracts for the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, 1993.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND SUPPORT:

AWARDS, HONORS, AND SUPPORT, MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY:
• “Researcher of the Month,” College of Arts and Sciences, May, 2012.
• Clinton Wallace Dean’s Eminent Scholar Award (stipend of $5,000 per year for three years), College of Arts and Sciences, 2010-11.
• State Pride Award (one-time $2,500 bonus), 2010.
• Support for travel ($170), Academic Excellence Fund, College of Arts and Sciences, 1997.

OTHER AWARDS AND HONORS:
• “Urban Studies Best Article for 2012” Award, Editors of Urban Studies, April, 2013.
• Howard W. Odum Award (Outstanding Graduate Student), Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (co-winner with Edward M. Crenshaw), 1989.
• National Research Service Award Demography Traineeship, Carolina Population Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Supported by an NICHD grant [# 5 TH32 HD07168-10] to the Center), 1986-89.
• Member, Honors Student Program of the American Sociological Association, 1986.
• Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Sociology, University of Florida, 1983-86.
• Dean’s List and President’s Honors List, Florida Atlantic University, 1980-81.

OTHER RESEARCH SUPPORT:
• “Race, Social Mobility, and Contraceptive Sterilization.” Proposal supported by the Research Development Fund, SUNY Buffalo ($3,350), 1994-95.
• Support for travel to the annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Professional Development and Quality of Working Life Faculty Development Award, SUNY Buffalo ($181), 1994.
• “Racial Differences in Contraceptive Sterilization.” Proposal supported by the Research and Productive Scholarship Fund, University of South Carolina ($1,450), 1991.
• Departmental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Award, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of South Carolina, 1990 ($3,750). Supplemented in 1991 ($1,000) and 1992 ($1,500).
GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES, MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY:

- PH.D. STUDENT COMMITTEES (COMPLETED):
  Mahasin Owens-Sabir, awarded Ph.D. in sociology, 2005 (member, 2003-05).
  Stevie Watson, awarded Ph.D. in marketing, 2006 (member, 2000-06).
  Xuhui Zeng, awarded Ph.D. in sociology, 2011 (member, 2009-11).
  Jamie Boydstun, awarded Ph.D. in sociology, 2014 (member, 2010-14).
  Xuan Zhou, awarded Ph.D. in sociology, 2016 (chair, 2013-2016).

- M.S. STUDENT COMMITTEES (COMPLETED):
  Lei Chen, awarded M.S. in sociology, 2004 (member, 2003-04).
  Sharon Fuller, awarded M.S. in wildlife and fisheries, 2006 (member, 2003-06).
  Sheena Gardner, awarded M.S. in sociology, 2008 (member, 2006-08).

FACULTY SERVICE, MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY (since August 2012):

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY:
- Chair, promotion and tenure committee, 2013-14, 2019.
- Vice chair, promotion and tenure committee, 2014-15.
- Member, promotion and tenure committee, 1999-date.
- Graduate program coordinator, most of fall 2018.
- Member, sociology major committee, 2019-20
- Member, appeals committee, 2009-18.
- Alternate member, appeals committee, 2019-20
- Chair, appeals committee, 2016-17.
- Member, graduate admissions and support committee, 2015-17.
- Member, sociology undergraduate curriculum and policies committee, 2016-18.
- Chair, Ph.D. qualifying exam committee, 2014-16.
- Member, social demography faculty search committee, 2014.
- Member, department head search committee, 2014.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:
- Chair, College of Arts and Sciences committee on promotion and tenure, 2015-16, 2017-18.
- Member, College of Arts and Sciences committee on promotion and tenure, 2015-18.
- Faculty Senator, Robert Holland M.S.U. Faculty Senate, 2014-17.
- Member, committee on the General Liberal Arts major, 2011-15.
- Member, College of Arts and Sciences committee on courses and curricula, 2012-14.

OTHER M.S.U. FACULTY SERVICE:
- Lecturer, Bettersworth Leadership Lecture Series, 1998-date.
- Member, University graduate faculty (Level 1), 1996-date.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AS AN M.S.U. FACULTY MEMBER:
- Member, Speakers Bureau, Mississippi Humanities Council, 1996-date.
FACULTY POSITIONS, MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY:

Assistant to Full Professor, Department of Sociology, 1995-date.
Clinton Wallace Dean’s Eminent Scholar, College of Arts and Sciences, 2010-13.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS:

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, State University of New York at Buffalo, 1993-95.
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina, Columbia, 1989-93.
Graduate Student, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1986-89.
National Research Service Award Demography Trainee, Carolina Population Center, UNC, 1986-89.
Graduate Student and Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of Florida, 1983-86.