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Education

- 2015 PhD Candidate, Sociology, University of Washington (expected completion 2016)
Major exam: Theory (*with distinction*)
Minor exam: Social Statistics, Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences
- Dissertation: “The Meanings of New Money: Social Constructions of Value in the Rise of Digital Currencies”
Dissertation Committee: Edgar Kiser (chair), Katherine Stovel, Ross Matsueda, Sarah Quinn, and Christopher Adolph (Political Science)
- 2011 MA, Sociology, University of Washington
Thesis: “Evolving *Homo Sociologicus*”
Thesis Committee: Edgar Kiser (chair), Katherine Stovel
- 2005 BA, Physics and Sociology, University of Texas, Austin
Minor: Mathematics
Honor’s Thesis: “Habermas and *Adbusters*: a Newer Social Movement Organization”

Areas of Interest

Cultural Sociology, Economic Sociology, Theory, Philosophy of Social Science, Complex Systems, Automated Content Analysis, Computational Sociology, Statistical Methodologies

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

- 2013, 2014 Participant in the Santa Fe Institute’s Graduate Workshop in Computational Social Science
- 2013, 2014 Graduate Student Research Presentation and Training Grant, Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington
- 2012 Award for “Excellence as a Teaching Assistant,” Department of Sociology, University of Washington
- 2010 Participant in the Santa Fe Institute’s Complex Systems Summer School
- 2008 Clarence and Elissa Schrag Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Washington
- 2005 Special Honors in Sociology, University of Texas
- 2001-2005 Member of Dean’s Scholars, UT’s Natural Sciences Honors Program

Published Articles

Lynette Shaw. (in press). "Mechanics and dynamics of social construction: Modeling the emergence of culture from individual mental representation." *Poetics*.

Katherine Stovel and Lynette Shaw. 2012. "Brokerage." *Annual Review of Sociology* 38:7.1-7.20

Manuscripts in Preparation

Lynette Shaw, Nina Lyn Cesare, and Michael Hughes Esposito. "From Meaning to Behavior: the Associative Structure of Mental Representation and the Patterning of Social Life" (In progress)

Lynette Shaw. "Revelation as Revolution: Conscious Availability and the Stability (and Instability) of Social Orders," (In progress)

Presentations and Posters

"From Meaning to Behavior: the Associative Structure of Mental Representation, the Patterning of Social Life, and Cultural Analysis" Presentation, Theory Section Session, American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 2015. (Planned)

"Revelation as Revolution: Conscious Availability and the Stability (and Instability) of Social Orders," Presentation, Sociology of Culture Section Session, American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 2015. (Planned)

"Mechanics and Dynamics of Social Construction: Mental Representation and the Emergence of Cultural Processes," Presentation, *International Network of Analytical Sociology* conference, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, June 2015.

"Mechanics and Dynamics of Social Construction," Presentation, *Being There: Phenomenology and Social Structure* conference, The New School for Social Research, New York, April 2014.

"From Meaning to Behavior: the Associative Structure of Mental Representation and the Patterning of Social Life" Poster. *Data Science Poster and Networking Session*, eScience Institute, University of Washington, Seattle, February 2014.

"The Role of the Physical in Processes of Social Construction," Presentation, Santa Fe Institute's Graduate Workshop in Computational Social Science, Santa Fe, June 2013.

"Evolving *Homo Sociologicus*: Toward a Cognitive-Cultural Microfoundation for General Social Theory." Presentation, Sociology of Culture Regular Session, American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, August 2011.

"Evolving *Homo Sociologicus*." Presentation, Theory Session, Pacific Sociological Association, Seattle March 2011.

Research Experience

Research Assistant for Sarah Quinn, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Washington, Winter 2014 – present

- Assisting with historical research, data collection and management, and team management in project focused on the creation of a new database of U.S. Federal Credit programs activities between 1918 to present day (funded by grant from the Institute for New Economic Thinking)

Research Assistant for Katherine Stovel, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Washington, 2011- 2012

- Assisted with comprehensive review of the social network concept of “brokerage” in classical and contemporary sociological literatures

Research Assistant for Eric Smith, Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, 2010

- Assisted with development of an agent-based model of the emergence of inequality in small-scale societies

Teaching Experience

Graduate

Teaching Assistant for graduate-level social statistics methods sequence - *Applied Social Statistics I* (Fall 2013), *Applied Social Statistics II* (Winter 2014), *Methodology: Quantitative Techniques in Sociology* (Spring 2014)

Undergraduate

Instructor for *Sociological Theory* (Summer 2011), *Logic of Sociological Inquiry* (Summer 2013, 2014)

Teaching Assistant for *Sociological Theory* (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Winter 2012), *Social Change* (Winter 2010), *Logic of Sociological Inquiry* (Fall 2012, Winter 2013)

Service and Activities

Organizer for departmental seminar in the Sociology of Culture, Organizations, Politics, and Economics (SCOPE Seminar), 2011 – 2013

Content Manager for Department of Sociology Website, Spring 2012 – Summer 2012

Graduate Representative to Faculty Meetings, 2010