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EDUCATION

PhD Sociology, University of Chicago, 1989

MA Sociology, Indiana University, 1982

AB Sociology, Indiana University, 1979, with high distinction, Phi Beta Kappa

EMPLOYMENT

2005 to present *Professor of Sociology, University of California-Irvine (UCI)*

2000-2005 *Professor of Sociology, New York University (NYU)*

1995-2000 *Associate Professor of Sociology, NYU*

1989-1995 *Assistant Professor of Sociology, NYU*

BOOKS

Edwin Amenta, Kate Nash, and Alan Scott, eds. **The New Blackwell Companion to Political Sociology**. Malden, MA: Blackwell. Forthcoming, 2012.

Edwin Amenta, **Professor Baseball: Searching for Redemption and the Perfect Lineup on the Softball Diamonds of Central Park** (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2007).

Edwin Amenta, **When Movements Matter: The Townsend Plan and the Rise of Social Security** (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2006).

Edwin Amenta, **Bold Relief: Institutional Politics and the Origins of Modern American Social Policy** (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1998).

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Edwin Amenta, "Historical Institutionalism." Chapter 12 in **The New Blackwell Companion to Political Sociology**, eds. Edwin Amenta, Kate Nash, and Alan Scott, forthcoming.

Edwin Amenta and Drew Halfmann, "Opportunity Knocks: The Trouble with Political Opportunity and What You Can Do about It." Chapter x in Jeff Goodwin and James M. Jasper, eds. **Contention in Context**. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Press, forthcoming.

Edwin Amenta, "Political Mediation Models." **The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Political and Social Movements**, eds. David A. Snow, Donatella della Porta, Bert Klandermans, and Doug McAdam. Malden, MA: Blackwell, forthcoming.

Edwin Amenta and Neal Caren, "Political Consequences of Social Movements." **The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Political and Social Movements**, eds. David A. Snow, Donatella della Porta, Bert Klandermans, and Doug McAdam. Malden, MA: Blackwell, forthcoming.

Edwin Amenta and Natasha Miric, "Sports Fandom." Chapter 21 in the **Blackwell Companion to Sport**, eds. David L. Andrews and Ben Carrington, forthcoming.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Edwin Amenta and Alexander Hicks, "Research Methods." Chapter 7 in **The Oxford Handbook of the Welfare State**, eds. Herbert Obinger, Christopher Pierson, Francis G. Castles, and Stephan Leibfried. New York: Oxford University Press, 2010.
- Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, Elizabeth Chiarello, and Yang Su, "The Political Consequences of Social Movements." *Annual Review of Sociology* (2010): chapter 14.
- Edwin Amenta and Kelly M. Ramsey, "Institutional Theory." Chapter 2 in **The Handbook of Politics: State and Civil Society in Global Perspective**, eds. Kevin T. Leicht and J. Craig Jenkins. New York: Springer, 2010.
- Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, Sheera Joy Olasky, and James E. Stobaugh, "All the Movements Fit to Print: Who, What, When, Where, and Why SMOs Appeared in the *New York Times* in the Twentieth Century." *American Sociological Review* 74 (2009): 636-56.
- Edwin Amenta, "Making the Most of An Historical Case Study: Configuration, Sequencing, and Casing and the U.S. Old-Age Pension Movement." Chapter 20 in **The SAGE Handbook of Case-Based Methods**, eds. David Byrne and Charles C. Ragin. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2009.
- Edwin Amenta, "Softball and the Social Scientist." *Contexts* 6 (2007) 2: 38-43.
- Edwin Amenta and Neal Caren, "The Political Consequences of Social Movements." In **The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology**, ed. George Ritzer. Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2006.
- Edwin Amenta, "The Social Security Debate: Now and Then." *Contexts* 5 (2006) 3: 18-22.
- Edwin Amenta, "Political Contexts, Strategies, and Challenger Mobilization: The Impact of the Townsend Plan." Chapter 2 in **Routing the Opposition: Social Movements, Public Policy, and Democracy**, eds. Helen Ingram, Valerie Jenness, and David S. Meyer. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2005.
- Edwin Amenta, "State-Centered and Political Institutional Theories in Political Sociology: Retrospect and Prospect." Chapter 4 in the **Handbook of Political Sociology**, eds. Robert Alford, Alexander Hicks, Thomas Janoski, and Mildred A. Schwartz. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and Sheera Joy Olasky, "Age for Leisure? Political Mediation and the Impact of the Pension Movement on Old-Age Policy." *American Sociological Review* 70 (2005): 516-38.
(Reprinted in **Social Movements: Readings on Their Emergence, Mobilization, and Dynamics**, ed. Doug McAdam and David A. Snow. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.)
- Edwin Amenta and Neal Caren, "The Legislative, Organizational, and Beneficiary Consequences of State-Oriented Challengers." Chapter 20 in **The Blackwell Companion to Social Movements**, eds. David A. Snow, Sarah A. Soule, and Hanspeter Kriesi. Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2004.
- Edwin Amenta, "What We Know about the Development of Social Policy: Comparative and Historical Research in Comparative and Historical Perspective." Chapter 3 in **Comparative and Historical Analysis**, eds. Dietrich Rueschemeyer and James Mahoney. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2003.
- Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, Tina Fetner, and Michael P. Young, "Challengers and States: Toward a Political Sociology of Social Movements." *Research in Political Sociology* 10 (2002): 47-83.
- Edwin Amenta and Drew Halfmann, "Who Voted with Hopkins? Institutional Politics and the WPA." *Journal of Policy History* 13 (2001): 251-87.
- Edwin Amenta, Chris Bonastia, and Neal Caren, "U.S. Social Policy in Comparative and Historical Perspective: Concepts, Images, Arguments, and Research Strategies." *Annual Review of Sociology* 27 (2001): 213-34.
- Francesca Polletta and Edwin Amenta, "Second that Emotion? Lessons from Once- Novel Concepts in Social Movements." "Conclusion" to **Passionate Politics: Emotions and Social Movements**, eds. Jeff Goodwin, James M. Jasper, Francesca Polletta. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2001.
- Edwin Amenta and Drew Halfmann, "Wage Wars: Institutional Politics, the WPA, and the Struggle for U.S. Social Policy." *American Sociological Review* 65 (2000): 506-28.
- Edwin Amenta and Michael P. Young, "Democratic States and Social Movements: Theoretical Arguments and Hypotheses." *Social Problems* 57 (1999): 153-68.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Edwin Amenta, Drew Halfmann, and Michael P. Young, "The Strategies and Contexts of Social Protest: Political Mediation and the Impact of the Townsend Movement in California." *Mobilization* 4 (1999): 1-24.

Edwin Amenta and Michael P. Young, "Making an Impact: The Conceptual and Methodological Implications of the Collective Benefits Criterion." Chapter 2 in **How Movements Matter: Theoretical and Comparative Studies on the Consequences of Social Movements**, eds., Marco Giugni, Doug McAdam, and Charles Tilly. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota Press, 1999.

Edwin Amenta, Ellen Benoit, Chris Bonastia, Nancy K. Cauthen, and Drew Halfmann, "Bring Back the WPA: Work, Relief, and the Origins of American Social Policy in Welfare Reform." *Studies in American Political Development* 12 (1998): 1-56.

Nancy K. Cauthen and Edwin Amenta, "Not For Widows Only: Institutional Politics and the Formative Years of Aid to Dependent Children." *American Sociological Review* 60 (1996): 427-448.

Edwin Amenta and Jane D. Poulsen, "Social Politics in Context: The Institutional Politics Theory and State-Level U.S. Social Spending Policies at the End of the New Deal." *Social Forces* 75 (1996): 33-60.

Edwin Amenta and Jane D. Poulsen, "Where to Begin: A Survey of Five Approaches to Selecting Independent Measures For Qualitative Comparative Analysis." *Sociological Methods and Research* 23 (1994): 21-52.

Edwin Amenta, Kathleen Dunleavy, and Mary Bernstein, "Stolen Thunder? Huey Long's Share Our Wealth, Political Mediation, and the Second New Deal." *American Sociological Review* 59 (1994): 678-702.
(Reprinted in **Social Movements: Readings on Their Emergence, Mobilization, and Dynamics**, ed. Doug McAdam and David A. Snow. Los Angeles: Roxbury Press, 1996; **The Social Movements Reader: Cases and Concepts**, eds. James M. Jasper and Jeff Goodwin. Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2003.)

Edwin Amenta, "The State of the Art in Welfare State Research on Social Spending Efforts in Capitalist Democracies since 1960." *American Journal of Sociology* 99 (1993): 750-63.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Edwin Amenta, Bruce G. Carruthers, and Yvonne Zylan, "A Hero For the Aged? The Townsend Movement, the Political Mediation Model, and U.S. Old-Age Policy, 1934-1950." *American Journal of Sociology* 98 (1992): 308-39.
(Reprinted in **Social Movements: Critiques, Concepts, Case Studies**, ed. Stanford M. Lyman. New York: New York University Press, 1995.)
- Edwin Amenta and Yvonne Zylan, "It Happened Here: Political Opportunity, the New Institutionalism, and the Townsend Movement." *American Sociological Review* 56 (1991): 250-65.
- Edwin Amenta, "Making the Most of a Case Study: Theories of the Welfare State and the American Experience." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 32 (1991): 172-94.
(Reprinted in **Issues and Alternatives in Comparative Social Research**, ed. Charles C. Ragin. Leiden: Brill, 1991.)
- Edwin Amenta and Sunita Parikh, "Capitalists Did Not Want the Social Security Act: A Critique of the 'Capitalist Dominance' Thesis." *American Sociological Review* 56 (1991): 124-9.
- Edwin Amenta and Theda Skocpol, "Taking Exception: Explaining the Distinctiveness of American Public Policies in the Last Century." **The Comparative History of Public Policy**, ed. Francis G. Castles. New York: Oxford University Press, 1989, chapter 8.
- Edwin Amenta and Bruce G. Carruthers, "The Formative Years of U.S. Social Spending: Theories of the Welfare State and the American States During the Great Depression." *American Sociological Review* 53 (1988): 661-78.
- Edwin Amenta and Theda Skocpol, "Redefining the New Deal: World War II and Public Social Provision in the United States." **The Politics of Social Policy in the United States**, eds. Margaret Weir, Ann Shola Orloff, and Theda Skocpol. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1988, chapter 2.
(Reprinted in **Social Policies in the United States: Future Possibilities in Historical Perspective**, ed. Theda Skocpol. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1994.)
- Edwin Amenta, Elisabeth S. Clemens, Jefren Olsen, Sunita Parikh, and Theda Skocpol, "The Political Origins of Unemployment Insurance in Five American States." *Studies in American Political Development* 2 (1987): 137-82.
- Edwin Amenta, "Compromising Possessions: Orwell's Literary, Political, and Analytical Purposes in **Nineteen Eighty-Four**." *Politics and Society* 15 (1986-87): 157-88.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Theda Skocpol and Edwin Amenta, "States and Social Policies." *Annual Review of Sociology* 12 (1986): 131-57.

Theda Skocpol and Edwin Amenta, "Did Capitalists Shape Social Security?" *American Sociological Review* 50 (1985): 572-5.

WORK UNDER REVIEW OR IN PROGRESS

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and James E. Stobaugh, "Political Reform: Explaining the Historical Trajectories of Newspaper Coverage of U.S. SMO Families in the 20th Century." Conference paper, submitted for review.

Edwin Amenta, Beth Gharrity Gardner, Amber C. Tierney, and Anaid Yerena, "Standing for Reform: Explaining the Newspaper Coverage of SMOs and the Townsend Plan." Conference paper, to be submitted for review, 2011.

Thomas Elliott, Neal Caren, and Edwin Amenta, "Policy Influence on Social Movements: the LGBT Movement and Five National Newspapers, 1969-2000." Conference paper, to be submitted for review, 2011.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2010-11: "Strengthening Qualitative Research Through Methodological Innovation and Integration: Understanding Social Movement Organizations and Media Coverage." *National Science Foundation (NSF)* (SES-1023863), \$83,171.

2008-10: "Strengthening Qualitative Research Through Methodological Innovation and Integration: A New Approach to Understanding Social Movement Organizations." *National Science Foundation (NSF)* (SES-0752571), \$151,737.

2008: Elected Member of the Sociological Research Association.

2006: ASA Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, Best Article of 2005, for "Age for Leisure?"

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2003: Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement." *NSF* [Neal Caren's dissertation proposal], \$7500.
- 2002-03: Voted "Professor of the Year" by the NYU Department of Sociology's Graduate Student Association (GSA).
- 2000-01: "Visiting Scholar." Russell Sage Foundation. "Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement." *NSF* (SES-0000257) [Chris Bonastia's dissertation proposal], \$7435. "The Contentious Politics of U.S. Abortion Policy" [Drew Halfmann's dissertation proposal]. *The Commonwealth Fund*, \$20,000.
- 2000: "Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement." *NSF* (SES-9900849), [Drew Halfmann's dissertation proposal], \$7479.
- 1999-2000: Voted "Professor of the Year" by the NYU Department of Sociology's Graduate Student Association (GSA).
- 1999: ASA Section on Political Sociology, Distinguished Publication Award (Best Book), Co-Winner, for **Bold Relief**.
ASA Distinguished Publication Award, Finalist, for **Bold Relief**.
Choice: An Outstanding Academic Book for 1998, for **Bold Relief**.
- 1998: SSHA President's Book Award, Honorable Mention, for **Bold Relief**.
- 1997-98: "Theories of the Welfare State and the Formative Years of U.S. Social Policy." *NSF* (SBR-9709618), \$162,931.
- 1996-97: "Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement." *NSF* (SBR-9623937), [Mary Bernstein's dissertation proposal], \$7484.
- 1994-95: "Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement." *NSF* (SES-9300782) [Yvonne Zylan's dissertation proposal], \$5000.
- 1993: "Young Investigator"--Honorable Mention. *NSF*.
- 1992-94: "The Townsend Movement and Populist Movements of the Depression Era: Causes and Consequences." *NSF* (SES-9210663), \$85,047.
- 1990: *National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)*, Summer Stipend (FT-333667), \$3500.
- University of Chicago, *Susan Colver Rosenberger Award*, for constructive and original research in sociology (given every three years), \$800.

JOURNALISM AND SHORT PIECES

Edwin Amenta, "Saved by Softball." *Chronicle of Higher Education*, August 13, 2007.

Edwin Amenta, "Fantasy League." *University of Chicago Magazine*, Spring 2007.

Edwin Amenta, "Can Mass. health plan go national?" *Boston Globe*, April 8, 2006.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and Sheera Joy Olasky, "Just the Facts: Newspaper Coverage of Social Movement Organizations in the 20th century." *Contexts* 4 (2005) 3: 48-49.

Edwin Amenta, "Roosevelt in Reverse?" *Contexts* 4 (2005) 2: 29-30.

Edwin Amenta, "Social Security blanket needs only patches." *Boston Sunday Globe*, April 22, 1998, D1.

Edwin Amenta, "Remember? FDR made welfare work." *Boston Sunday Globe*, September 15, 1996, D5.

Edwin Amenta, "Welfare's State: The issue of public assistance hasn't changed much in 60 years." *Boston Sunday Globe*, February 19, 1995, pp. 81, 83.

BOOK REVIEWS

Kevin Phillips, **American Theocracy: The Perils and Politics of Radical Religion, Oil, and Borrowed Money in the 21st Century** (New York: Penguin, 2007). *Contexts* (2007) Fall: 64-65

Charles Peters, **Five Days in Philadelphia: 1940, Wendell Willkie, and the Political Convention That Freed FDR to Win World War II** (New York: Public Affairs, 2005). *Political Science Quarterly* (2007).

Kenneth T. Andrews, **Freedom Is a Constant Struggle: The Mississippi Civil Rights Movement and Its Legacy** (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2004). *Social Forces* 84 (2006): 1846-47.

Marco Giugni, **Social Protest and Policy Change: Ecology, Antinuclear, and Peace Movements in Comparative Historical Perspective** (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2004). *Mobilization* 10 (2005): 183-84.

Anya Bernstein, **The Moderation Dilemma: Legislative Coalitions and the Politics of Family and Medical Leave** (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2001). *Contemporary Sociology* 32 (2002): 225-26.

BOOK REVIEWS

Charles C. Ragin, **Fuzzy Set Social Science** (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000). *Sociological Methods and Research* 30 (2001): 289-91.

Alexander Hicks, **Social Democracy and Welfare Capitalism: A Century of Income Security Politics** (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1999). *Contemporary Sociology* 29 (2001): 384-5.

Julian E. Zelizer, **Taxing America: Wilbur D. Mills, Congress, and the State, 1945-1975** (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1998). *Journal of American History* 88 (2001): 273-74.

Christopher Howard, **The Hidden Welfare State: Tax Expenditures and Social Policy in the United States** (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1997). *American Journal of Sociology* 105 (1999): 948-50.

W. Elliot Brownlee, **Federal Taxation in America: A Short History** and W. Elliot Brownlee, ed. **Funding the Modern American State, 1941-1995: The Rise and Fall of the Era of Easy Finance** (New York: Woodrow Wilson Center Press and Cambridge University Press, 1996). *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 28 (1998): 846-47.

David Plotke, **Building a Democratic Political Order: Reshaping American Liberalism in the 1930s and 1940s** (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1996). *Political Science Quarterly* 112 (1997): 355-56.

Bartholomew H. Sparrow, **From the Outside In: World War II and the American State** (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1996). *American Political Science Review* 91 (1997): 469-70.

Michael Kazin, **The Populist Persuasion: An American History** (New York: Basic Books, 1995). *Contemporary Sociology* 24 (1996): 759-60.

Jill Quadagno, **The Color of Welfare: How Racism Undermined the War on Poverty** (Oxford University Press, 1994). *Social Forces* 75 (1996): 371-72.

Desmond King, **Actively Seeking Work? The Politics of Unemployment and Welfare Policy in the United States and Great Britain** (University of Chicago Press, 1995). *American Journal of Sociology* 101 (1996): 1763-5.

Sven Steinmo, **Taxation and Democracy: Swedish, British, and American Approaches to Financing the Modern State** (Yale University Press, 1993). *Contemporary Sociology* 23 (1995): 216-17.

BOOK REVIEWS

Dennis Chong, **Collective Action and the Civil Rights Movement** (University of Chicago Press, 1992). *American Journal of Sociology* 98 (1992): 393-95.

Jerald Hage, Robert Hanneman, and Edward T. Gargan, **State Responsiveness and State Activism** (Unwin and Hyman, 1990). *American Journal of Sociology* 96 (1991): 1557-9.

Peter A. Hall, ed. **The Political Power of Economic Ideas: Keynesianism Across Nations** (Princeton University, 1989). *Contemporary Sociology* 19 (1990): 849-51.

Rhonda F. Levine, **Class Struggle and the New Deal: Industrial Labor, Industrial Capital, and the State** (University of Kansas Press, 1988). *American Journal of Sociology* 95 (1989): 503-505.

Michael A. Bernstein, **The Great Depression: Delayed Recovery and Economic Change in America** (Cambridge University Press, 1987). *American Journal of Sociology* 94 (1988): 671-73.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, AND LECTURES

*Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and James E. Stobaugh (2010), "Political Reform: Explaining the Historical Trajectories of Newspaper Coverage of U.S. SMO Families in the 20th Century." University of Geneva, Department of Political Science; Northwestern University, Department of Sociology.

*Edwin Amenta (2010), "Studying the Political Consequences of U.S. Social Movements across the 20th century." MOVEOUT conference, University of Geneva.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and James E. Stobaugh (2009), "The First Big Test of Social Movement Theories: Explaining the Newspaper Coverage of U.S. SMOs in the 20th Century." Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), San Francisco.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and James E. Stobaugh (2008), "Political Reform: A Partial Theory and the Coverage of U.S. SMOs in the 20th Century." Annual meeting of the ASA, Boston.

*Edwin Amenta (2008), "Limited Engagement Only: Collaboration between Political Sociologists and Political Scientists." Annual Meeting of the ASA, Boston.

Edwin Amenta (2007), "The Player Fan: A Sporting Approach to Leisure and Life."
Annual meeting of the ASA, New York.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and James Stobaugh (2007), "Political Reform: A Partial Theory and the Coverage of U.S. SMOs in the 20th Century." Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland.

*Edwin Amenta (2007), "When Movements Matter: The Townsend Plan and the Rise of Social Security." University of Arizona, University of Texas, Indiana University, Departments of Sociology.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and Sheera Joy Olasky (2006), "Complete Coverage: A New Approach to Social Movements." Annual meeting of ASA, Montreal.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and Sheera Joy Olasky (2005), "America's Most Publicized SMOs: A New Approach to Social Movements." Annual meeting of the ASA, Philadelphia.

Edwin Amenta, Neal Caren, and Sheera Joy Olasky (2004). "Age for Leisure? Political Mediation and the Impact of the Pension Movement on Old-Age Policy." Annual meeting of the ASA, Anaheim.

*Edwin Amenta (2003), "When Movements Matter: U.S. Old Age Pension Movements and Social Security." University of California-Irvine, University of California-San Diego, Departments of Sociology.

Edwin Amenta and Neal Caren (2003). "The Impact of the Old-Age Pension Movement on Key Votes and State-Level Assistance Programs." Annual meeting of the ASA, Atlanta.

*Edwin Amenta (2002). "The Townsend Plan and U.S. Old-Age Policy." Yale University, Columbia University, Departments of Political Science.

*Edwin Amenta (2002). Panelist, Author Meets Critics: Evelyne Huber and John D. Stephens, **Development and Crisis of the Welfare State**. Annual meeting of the ASA, Chicago.

*Edwin Amenta (2002). "Political Contexts, Strategies, and Challenger Mobilization: The Impact of the Townsend Plan." Conference on "Social Movements, Public Policy, and Democracy," University of California, Irvine.

*Edwin Amenta (2001). "The Townsend Plan and U.S. Old-Age Policy." Rutgers University, Department of Sociology, December.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

Edwin Amenta (2001), "What We Know about Social Policy: Comparative and Historical Research in Comparative and Historical Perspective." Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), San Francisco.

*Edwin Amenta (2001), "State-Centered and Political Institutional Theories in Political Sociology: Retrospect and Prospect." Conference on "Theoretical Challenges in Political Sociology," CUNY Graduate Center, May.

*Edwin Amenta (2000), "What We Know about Social Policy: Comparative and Historical Research in Comparative and Historical Perspective." Conference on Comparative/ Historical Analysis. Harvard University, November.

Edwin Amenta (2000), "The Townsend Plan's Image Problem: Understanding the Consequences of Social Movements." Annual meeting of the ASA, Washington, D.C.

*Edwin Amenta (2000), "What We Know about Social Policy: Comparative and Historical Research at the Crossroads." Conference on Comparative/ Historical Analysis. Brown University, April.

*Edwin Amenta (1999), "America's First Welfare Reform: The WPA and the Struggle for U.S. Social Policy." Departments of Sociology: Harvard University, CUNY Graduate Center, November.

*Edwin Amenta (1998), **Bold Relief: Institutional Politics and the Origins of Modern American Social Policy.** Author meets critics (Profs. John Skrentny, organizer, Frank Dobbin, Sven Steinmo, Bartholomew Sparrow). Annual meeting of the Social Science History Association (SSHA), Chicago.

Edwin Amenta and Drew Halfmann (1998), "Institutional Politics and WPA Wages: State-Level Analyses." Annual meeting of the ASA, San Francisco.

*Edwin Amenta (1998), "Explaining America's First Welfare Reform: The WPA and U.S. Social Policy." Northwestern University, Department of Sociology, May.

Edwin Amenta (1997), "At Odds: The Impact of New Deal Social Policy on Class and Gender Inequality." Annual meeting of the ASA, Toronto.

Edwin Amenta and Drew T. Halfmann (1997), "Institutional Politics and the WPA: Voting Analyses." Annual meeting of the ASA, Toronto.

*Edwin Amenta (1997), "Institutional Politics and the Origins of U.S. Social Policy."
University of Pennsylvania, Department of Sociology, March.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

Edwin Amenta, Ellen Benoit, Chris Bonastia, Nancy K. Cauthen, and Drew T. Halfmann (1996), "The Works Progress Administration and the Origins of Welfare Reform: Work and Relief in New Deal Social Policy." Annual meeting of the SSHA, New Orleans.

Edwin Amenta, Ellen Benoit, Chris Bonastia, Nancy K. Cauthen, and Drew T. Halfmann (1996), "The Works Progress Administration and Welfare Reform: Lessons From the Forgotten Program at the Center of New Deal Social Policy." Annual meeting of the ASA, New York.

*Edwin Amenta (1996), "Bold Relief: Institutional Politics and the Origins of the American Social Security/Welfare State." University of Arizona, Department of Sociology, March.

*Edwin Amenta (1995), "Bold Relief: Institutional Politics and the Origins of U.S. Public Social Provision." Rutgers University, Department of Sociology, November.

Edwin Amenta (1995), "The American State and Social Mobilization in Comparative and Historical Perspective: Evidence From Three Challengers in the New Deal Era." Annual meeting of the APSA, Chicago.

*Edwin Amenta (1995), "The Benefits of Comparative Methods in Historical Study: Some Examples from Research." Annual meeting of the ASA, Washington.

*Edwin Amenta and Michael P. Young (1995), "Why Scholars of Social Movements Need to Focus on the State: The U.S. State and Social Mobilization in Comparative and Historical Perspective." Annual meeting of the ASA, Washington, DC.

*Edwin Amenta (1994), "Bold Relief: Institutional Politics and the Creation of the Modern American Welfare State, 1929-1950." Princeton University, Department of Sociology, November.

Edwin Amenta, Michael P. Young, and Robin Tamarelli (1994), "The Old Folks at Home: Political Mediation and the Impact of the Townsend Movement in California." Annual meeting of the ASA, Los Angeles.

Edwin Amenta and Nancy K. Cauthen (1994), "Dependent Development: Explaining the Creation of Aid to Dependent Children." Annual meeting of the ASA, Los Angeles.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

Edwin Amenta, Michael P. Young, and Robin Tamarelli (1994), "The Consequences of the Townsend Movement in California: Explaining the Impact of Social Protest Organizations." Annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society (ESS), Baltimore.

Edwin Amenta and Nancy K. Cauthen (1993), "Easy as ADC: Explaining the Transformation of Mothers' Pensions into Aid to Dependent Children." Annual meeting of the SSHA, Baltimore.

Edwin Amenta and Michael P. Young (1993), "The Townsend Movement in California: An Examination of Social Movement Theories." Annual meeting of the APSA, Washington, DC.

Edwin Amenta (1993), "Five Ways to Begin QCA: A Comparison of Qualitative Comparative Analysis and Inferential Statistical Methods." Annual meeting of the ASA, Miami.

Edwin Amenta, Kathleen Dunleavy, and Mary Bernstein (1993), "Stolen Thunder? Huey Long's Share Our Wealth, Political Mediation, and the Social Politics of Preemption." Annual meeting of the ASA, Miami.

Edwin Amenta and Jane D. Poulsen (1993), "Social Democracy in America: A Critique, Reformulation, and Reexamination with Evidence on U.S. Public Social Provision, 1930-1950." Annual meeting of the ESS, Boston.

Edwin Amenta and Mary Bernstein (1992), "The Politics of Opposition: U.S. Business and Public Policy in the 1930s and 1940s." Annual meeting of the SSHA, Chicago.

Edwin Amenta, Kathleen Dunleavy, and Mary Bernstein (1992), "Social Movements and Social Change Huey Long's Share Our Wealth, Political Mediation, and the Social Politics of Preemption." Annual meeting of the APSA, Chicago.

Edwin Amenta and Jane D. Poulsen (1992), "Social Democracy in America? Examining the Influence of Organized Labor on U.S. Public Social Provision, 1929-1950." Annual meeting of the ASA, Pittsburgh.

Edwin Amenta (1991), "Huey Long's Share Our Wealth and the Second New Deal." Annual meeting of the SSHA, New Orleans.

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, LECTURES

*Edwin Amenta (1991), "Theories of Social Protest Movements and Neo-Populism in the Great Depression." Department of Political Science, Columbia University, October.

Edwin Amenta and Kathleen Dunleavy (1991), "All the King's Menace: Huey Long's Share Our Wealth and Neo-Populism in the Depression." Annual meeting of the ASA, Cincinnati.

Edwin Amenta (1990), "Establishing States' Rights: Fiscal Politics in the American States, 1929-1940." Annual meeting of the APSA, San Francisco.

Edwin Amenta and Yvonne Zylan (1990), "Political Opportunity and the Rise and Fall of the Townsend Movement." Annual meeting of the ASA, Washington, D.C.

Edwin Amenta and Bruce G. Carruthers (1990), "State-Building Without War: American State-Level Taxation During the Great Depression." Annual meeting of the ASA, Washington, D.C.

Edwin Amenta (1990), "The Impact of War on the Welfare State: America and Britain in the 1930s and 1940s." Annual meeting of the MPSA, Chicago.

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