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### **EDUCATION:**

- 2014 (expected) **Ph.D., Sociology. University of California, Irvine, CA**  
Dissertation: "'Send My Message' versus 'Make Me News': The Mass-Mediated Construction of Legitimacy for Social Movement Organizations"  
Committee: Francesca Polletta (Chair), Edwin Amenta (Co-Chair), Evan Schofer (Co-Chair)  
Field Exams: *Political Sociology (Honors) and Sociology of Culture*
- 2008-10 **M.A. Sociology. University of California, Irvine, CA**
- 2004 **B.A. Magna Cum Laude, New York University, NY**  
Sociology (*Honors*) and Africana Studies; Minor: History

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

Political Sociology, Social Movements and Civil Society, Sociology of Culture, Media and the Public Sphere, Inequality, Social Technologies

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

- Forthcoming Polletta, Francesca and Gardner, Beth Gharrity. "Culture and Social Movements" entry for *Emerging Trends in the Social and Behavioral Sciences*.
- In Press Polletta, Francesca; Chen, Bobby; **Gardner, Beth Gharrity**; and Motes, Alice. "Is the Web Creating New Reasons to Protest?" *Advances in Social Movement Theory*, edited by Bert Klandermans, Jacquelin Steklenburg, and Conny Roggeband. University of Minnesota Press.
- 2012 **Gardner, Beth Gharrity**. 'Social Media' entry in D. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans, D. McAdam (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*. Oxford, UK: Wiley/Blackwell.
- 2012 Amenta, Edwin; **Gardner, Beth Gharrity**; Tierney, Amber Celina; Yerana, Amber; and Elliot, Thomas Alan. "A Story-Centered Approach to the Newspaper Coverage of High-Profile SMOs." *Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change*. Vol. 33. [apresented at ASA annual conference 2011]
- 2011 Polletta, Francesca; Chen, Bobby; **Gardner, Beth Gharrity**; and Motes, Alice.

"The Sociology of Storytelling" *Annual Review of Sociology*.

2007 Gardner, Deborah, Wakefield, Mary, and **Gardner, Beth**. 2007. "Contemporary Issues in Government" *Policy and Politics in Nursing and Health Care* 5<sup>th</sup> Ed., edited by Diana Mason, Judith Leavitt, and Mary Chaffee. Saunders.

#### **WORKING PAPERS & RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:**

Polletta, Francesca and Gardner, Beth Gharrity. "Narratives in Movements" for the Oxford Handbook of Social Movements.

Neuber, Michael; Gardner, Beth Gharrity; and Snow, David A. "Newspaper Images in the Construction of Activism: The Pictorial Framing of Occupy Wall Street."

Gardner, Beth Gharrity, Ferree, Myra Marx; and Evans, Erin. "The Guise of Neutrality: Journalists' Role in Framing the Abortion Debate." [to be presented at 2013 Media Sociology Pre-Conference of ASA]

Kerrissey, Jasmine; Schofer, Evan; and Gardner, Beth Gharrity. "World Society, International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs), and Political Participation."

Gardner, Beth Gharrity and Schofer, Evan and "Civic Associations and Protest: A Cross-National Comparison" [Presented at 2012 ASA annual conference]

Schofer, Evan and Gardner, Beth Gharrity. "Voluntary Associations and Economic Inequality." [Presented at 2011 ASA annual conference roundtable]

Gardner, Beth Gharrity. "Follow the Leader? The Influence of the Civil Rights Movement on the Coverage of the Feminist, Antiwar, and Supremacist Movements, 1957 – 1997." [Presented at 2012 ASA annual conference]

Mason, Diana; Gardner, Beth Gharrity, and Barabra Glickstein. "Using the Power of Media to Influence Health Policy" *Policy and Politics in Nursing and Health Care* 7<sup>th</sup> Ed., edited by Diana Mason, Freida Outlaw, Deborah Gardner, and Eileen O'Grady. Saunders. [2015 publication]

#### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS:**

2011: Reviewer for *Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change*

2011-present: Reviewer for *Mobilization*

2010-present: Associate Editor, CSD Research Paper Series

2009-10: Co-founder of Law, Technology and Society Reading Group

2008-present: Member, American Sociology Association

2004-present: Member, Phi Beta Kappa

### **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

2009-present: Peltason Fellow, Center for the Study of Democracy  
2013: Brython-Davis Fellowship, Graduate Division, UCI  
2012: Sociology Department Summer Fellowship, Department of Sociology, UCI  
2012: Associate Dean's Fellowship, Fall 2012, Graduate Division, UCI  
2012: Seed Grant for Research Assistant Position, Center for the Study of Democracy  
2011: Fellowship to Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences  
2011: Seed Grant for Research Assistant Position, Center for the Study of Democracy  
2010: Sociology Department Summer Fellowship, Department of Sociology, UCI  
2010: Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council  
2010: Seed Grant for Research Assistant Position, Center for the Study of Democracy  
2008-09: Democracy Affiliate Award, Center for the Study of Democracy  
2008: Social Science Merit Fellowship, School of Social Sciences  
2004: Best Honors Thesis in Sociology, New York University, Department of Sociology

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

**Department of Sociology; University of California, Irvine**  
Irvine, CA

2012-present      Research Assistant to Professor David Snow  
Collaboration in examining images of movement organizations in the media.

2010-present      Graduate Student Research Assistant to Professor Evan Schofer  
Collaboration on research linking civic association and inequality. Data collection on civic associations cross nationally and analysis including time series and cross-national panel regression.

2008-present      Graduate Student Research Assistant for Professor Francesca Polletta  
Various projects on political talk, including research for an *Annual Review* article, a Gender Deliberation Project, and a chapter on new digital technologies and social movements.

2010-2012      Graduate Student Research Assistant for Professor Edwin Amenta  
Data collection, coding development, and analyses of the media coverage of nationally-oriented social movement and political advocacy organizations in the United States over the twentieth century.

2007-08      **Policy Research Associates Inc., MacArthur MHC Study**  
San Francisco, CA  
Research Interviewer for Mental Health Court Study

2006-08      **Exploratorium Museum, Research and Evaluation Department.**  
San Francisco, CA

Research Assistant on multiple projects including NSF-funded GIVE Project.

2004

**Center for Advanced Social Science Research**

New York, NY

Research Assistant to Professor Dalton Conley

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

*Graduate Student Teaching Assistant*

Department of Sociology; University of California, Irvine

Sociological Theory, Transition to Adulthood, International Sociology, Race and Ethnicity, US Foreign Policy I