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## Education

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- Ph.D. 2014 (expected) University of California, Irvine  
Sociology (*advanced to candidacy March 2012*)  
Dissertation: "Making Value, Crafting Price: Labor, Aesthetics, and Use in the Production and Pricing of Crafts"  
Field Exams: Sociology of Culture; Organizations, Occupations, & Labor  
Committee: Nina Bandelj (chair), Francesca Polletta, Judith Stepan-Norris, Julia Elyachar (Anthropology), & Keith Murphy (Anthropology)
- B.S. 2007 Northern Arizona University, *magna cum laude*  
Psychology & Applied Sociology, emphasis in Family Studies

## Research & Teaching Interests

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Economic Sociology	Art & Craft	Work & Labor
Occupations	Organizations	Culture

## Teaching Experience

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- ◆ Instructor
  - Laguna College of Art and Design (Spring 2013)
    - Project Green: Contemporary Issues in US Society: Nation in Crisis (Liberal Arts 217A)
  - California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Fall 2012)
    - Survey Research Methods: Fall 2012 (Sociology 444/444A)
- ◆ Teaching Assistant (at UC-Irvine)
  - People in Society (Social Science): Spring 2013
  - Computer-Based Research in the Social Sciences (Social Science): Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Winter 2011, Spring 2011, Summer 2011, Winter 2012
  - Introduction to Social Psychology (Sociology): Winter 2010
  - Introduction to Sociology (Sociology): Fall 2008, Winter 2009, Spring 2009
  - American Culture (Social Science): Winter 2008
  - Introduction to Human Memory (Cognitive Science): Fall 2007

## Research Positions

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- 2013-pres. Graduate Research Assistant for Mizuko Ito (UCI Humanities Research Institute) investigating mentoring and learning in online communities. Participated in research planning, data collection (observation, interviewing, and surveying), and coding.
- 2013-pres. Graduate Research Assistant for Nina Bandelj for various projects covering postsocialist transformations as well as family business. Additionally, performed data collection, coding, and analysis.

## Published Works

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- ◆ “Culture and Economy” invited for the *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*. (with Nina Bandelj)

## Works in Progress

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- ◆ “Getting Employed as an Artist: An Analysis of the Importance of Formal Arts Education.”
- ◆ “Intimacy/Economy in Family Business: ‘Nothing But’ and ‘Connected Lives’ Frames in Advice.” (with Nina Bandelj and Elizabeth Sowers)
- ◆ “‘As long as the fire marshal doesn’t come in, we’re fine’: Crowds and Consumption in Contemporary Craft Markets.”

## Presentations

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- ◆ 2013 “Intimacy/Economy in Family Business: ‘Nothing But’ and ‘Connected Lives’ Frames in Advice.” Will be presented at the American Sociological Association Meeting, New York City, NY. (with Nina Bandelj and Elizabeth Sowers)
- ◆ 2010 “Getting Employed as an Artist: An Analysis of the Importance of Formal Arts Education.” Presented at the American Sociological Association meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- ◆ 2009 “Chanology and Scientology: Protesting for the Lulz of It.” Presented at the American Sociological Association meeting, San Francisco, CA. (with B. Remy Cross, Kelly Ramsey, and James Stobaugh)
- ◆ 2009 (Presider) “Culture, Identity, and Society,” ASA Honors Program Roundtable Session, San Francisco, CA. (with Michelle M. Christian)

## Grants, Fellowships, & Honors

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- ◆ Associate Dean's Fellowship, University of California-Irvine (\$10,516) Winter 2013
- ◆ Center for Craft, Creativity & Design, UNC-Asheville (\$5,000) 2011-2013
- ◆ Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, UCLA (\$3,000) 2010-2011
- ◆ Social Science Merit Fellow, University of California-Irvine 2007-2012
- ◆ Outstanding Student in Sociology, Northern Arizona University 2007

## Service

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- ◆ Department
  - Sociology Graduate Student Association
    - Co-Chair, 2011-present
    - Graduate Committee, 2010-2011
    - Graduate Committee, 2009-2010
    - Faculty Representative, 2008-2009
    - Ad-hoc Committee, summer 2008
    - First-year Cohort Representative, 2007-2008
- ◆ Discipline
  - ASA Section on Labor and Labor Movements
    - Webmaster, 2011-present

## Professional Membership

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American Sociological Association  
Sections: Consumption; Culture; Economic Sociology; Labor and Labor Movements; and Organizations, Occupations, and Work

## References

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