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EDUCATION

- December 2014 **Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA**
Dissertation: "Missing Pieces of the Autism Puzzle: Caregiver Narratives, Community Dynamics & Healthcare Empowerment."
Exam Areas: Medical Sociology & Social Inequality (Race, Class, Gender & Intersectionality)
- June 2008 **M.A. Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA**
Thesis: "The Nature-Social Divide: Organizational Framings of Asthma and the Implications for Environmental Health."
- May 2004 **B.A. Sociology *Magna cum laude*, Assumption College, Worcester, MA**
Concentration: Social Policy; Minors: Spanish and Anthropology

RESEARCH & TEACHING AREAS

Health/Illness & Mental Health, Gender, Family & Carework, Social Inequality, Globalization & Global Problems, Identity, and Social Theory.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Chiaraluce, Cara A. 2018. "Narratives on the Autism Journey: "Doing Family" & Reconfiguring the Caregiver Self." *Journal of Family Issues* 39 (10) 2883–2905.
- Chiaraluce, Cara A. 2015. "Becoming an Expert Autism Caregiver: Health Literacy & Community Catalysts." In J. Kronenfield (Ed.) *Research in the Sociology of Health Care* (33). Emerald Press.
- Chiaraluce, Cara A. 2014. "The Politics of Asthma: Disease Frameworks & Direct Action." In B. Steele (Ed.) *Issues and Controversies in Science and Politics*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Chiaraluce, Cara A. *Missing Pieces of the Autism Puzzle: Caregiver Narratives, Community Dynamics & Healthcare Empowerment*. Book manuscript currently under review.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- September 2021 – Present
Senior Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.
- September 2015 – 2021
Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.

Courses Designed & Taught: Sociology of Family, Principles of Sociology, Human Services (Community-based Learning Course), Cultures & Ideas I, Cultures & Ideas II, Race & Inequality, Globalization & Inequality, Kinship, Family & Culture, Social Problems in the U.S., and Internship/Field Experience in Sociology.

August 2014 – August 2015

Lecturer, Department of Sociology, California State University-Sacramento, Sacramento, CA.

Courses Designed & Taught: Social Inequality, Social Psychology.

January 2014 – June 2015

Adjunct Faculty, Department of Sociology, Yuba Community College District, Woodland, CA.

Courses Designed & Taught: Social Problems, Introduction to Sociology.

June 2011 – January 2015

Associate Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.

Courses Designed & Taught: Social Relationships, Sociology of Childhood, Self and Society.

January 2007 – June 2010

Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.

Course Sections Taught: Introduction to Sociology, Social Psychology, Social Stratification, Social Movements.

January 2004 – June 2004

Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Assumption College, Worcester, MA.

Course: Sociological Data Analysis: Quantitative Methods.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & TEACHING AWARDS

2018, 2019, 2020 **Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society Initiation Speaker Grant** (\$500 each year)

2017 **Penstemon 2.0 Sustainability Across the Curriculum, Faculty Curriculum Design Grant**, Santa Clara University, CA. Grant to design and add a sustainability component to my C&I course.

2015 **Penstemon 2.0 Sustainability Across the Curriculum, Faculty Curriculum Design Grant**, Santa Clara University, CA. Grant to design and add a sustainability component to my SOC 1 course.

2014 **Summer Dissertation Writing Grant**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.

2014 **Summer Travel Grant**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.

2013 **Graduate Research Fellowship**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.

2013 **Winner, Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award**, College of Letters & Science, Undergraduate Academic Senate, University of California, Davis (student nominated). Winner out of over 40 nominations for the entire College for excellence in teaching; this award is the only campus teaching award that is funded, nominated, and selected solely by undergraduate students.

2012-2013 **Cross-University of California Medical Humanities Fellowship**, UC Medical Humanities Research Consortium, University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine, CA. One of two

fellowships awarded within a Multi-Campus Research Program, which required monthly salon meetings with UC Davis School of Medicine professionals and UC Davis humanities faculty.

- 2012 **Small Research Grant**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.
- 2010 **White Family Research Award**, John Muir Institute for the Environment & the Environmental Justice Project, University of California, Davis, CA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS & PARTICIPATION AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2021 "Assisting Students with Post-Grad Preparation: Professionalization Tools & Assignments." Teaching and Learning Symposium, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August.
- 2019 Panel Chair, 46th Annual Western Departments of Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA.
- 2018 Panel Chair, 45th Annual Western Departments of Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, April 21.
- 2017 "'My Autism Mommy Work:' Community-based Carework and Embodied Health Social Movements." Section: *Collective Behavior and Social Movements*, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, QC, August 11-12.
- 2017 Panel Chair (2x), 44th Annual Western Departments of Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, April 29.
- 2016 Panel Chair (2x), 43rd Annual Western Departments of Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, April 23.
- 2014 "The Lifeworld Empowerment Toolkit: Healthcare Empowerment In-praxis." Section: *Health Care & Care Delivery*, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, August 16.
- 2014 "Narrating Out of the Chaos: Caregiver Narratives of Autism, Crisis and Transformation." Section: *Mental Health & Illness*, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, March 27-30.
- 2013 "Living with Uncertainty: The Use of Narrative in Psychiatric Health." Unauthorized Narratives and 'Other' Stories in Medicine: An Interdisciplinary Symposium in the Medical Humanities, University of California, Davis School of Medicine, Sacramento, CA.
- 2012 Panelist, "Environmental Politics and Theories of Justice" UC Davis Mellon Research Initiative "Environments & Societies: History, Literature, and Justice" Colloquium series.
- 2011 "Autism and the Environment: Patient Narratives from the Central Valley." White Family Research Award Public Symposium, John Muir Institute for the Environment & the Environmental Justice Project, University of California, Davis, CA.
- 2010 "Medicalization from Above and Below: A Case for Demedicalization in Environmental Health and Asthma Advocacy." Section: *The Growing Impact of Medicalization*, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Oakland, CA.

- 2009 “Empowerment for Whom? Contested Asthma Politics.” *Roundtable: Collective Behavior and Social Movements*, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- 2009 “The Nature-Social Divide: Organizational Framings of Asthma and the Implications for Environmental Health.” Section: *Politics of Health and Environmental Health*, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TEACHER TRAINING

- 2020 **Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) & American Sociological Association (ASA) Teaching & Learning Workshops.**
- 2020 “**Exploring Climate Migration in the Classroom**” **Workshop for Educators**, sponsored by the Pulitzer Center in combination with a new reporting project with *The New York Times Magazine* and ProPublica.
- 2019 **Invited Presentation & Panelist, “Partnering with Academic Technology,”** 2019 SCU New Faculty Orientation.
- 2017 **Invited Presentation & Panelist, “Technology & Pedagogy Workshop,”** 2017 SCU New Faculty Orientation.
- 2017 **Faculty Advisor Training & Summer Orientation**, Drahmman Academic Advising & Learning Resources Center, Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **Implicit Bias Training**, Office for Diversity and Inclusion, Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **Penstemon 2.0 Sustainability Across the Curriculum Project Faculty Workshop**, Center for Sustainability, Santa Clara University.
- 2016 **SAFE Space Training & Certification**, Office for Diversity & Inclusion & Office for Multicultural Learning, Santa Clara University.
- 2011 **Mentor Certificate**, Guardian Scholars for Former Foster Youth Training Program, University of California, Davis, CA.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- 2020 **AKD Student Paper Competition Faculty Sponsor**, Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society.
- 2019 – 2020 **Silicon Valley Sociological Review Student Journal Publication Faculty Reviewer & Mentor**, Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.
- 2019 - 2020 **Faculty Thesis Advisor, University Honors Program**, Santa Clara University, CA. Student: Amanda Eason. Thesis: “Achievement Pressures in Affluent Families.”
- 2018 – 2019 **Faculty Advisor, Sociology Club, Department of Sociology**, Santa Clara University.

- 2017- Present **Faculty Advisor, Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society, Department of Sociology,** Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **Summer Faculty Advisor to 16 New Undergraduate Students (all colleges & majors),**
- 2017 **Core Cultures & Ideas 1 Assessment Faculty Committee,** Office of Assessment, Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **Invited Guest Speaker in LEAD 101,** panel on “First-generation College Students and Vocation,” LEAD Scholars Program, Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **Invited Guest Speaker, panel on “Graduate School & Career Planning,”** Departments of Sociology and Anthropology, Santa Clara University.
- 2017 **AYAL Lecturer Hiring Search Committee,** Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.
- 2016 - 2017 **Faculty Mentor, University Honors Program,** Santa Clara University, CA. Student: Meghan Carlson, Thesis: “Depressive Disorders in Developed versus Developing Countries: Differences and similarities in mental health diagnosis, treatment and perceptions.”
- 2016 **AYAL Lecturer Hiring Search Committee,** Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.
- 2015 - 2018 **Senior Awards Review & Selection,** Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.
- 2015 - 2018 **Senior Banquet Event Organizer,** Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.
- 2015 **Faculty Sponsor, Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity Student Essay Competition,** Santa Clara University Student submission.
- 2011- 2014 **Mentor, Guardian Scholars Mentor Program for Former Foster Youth,** University of California, Davis, CA.
- 2010 - 2014 **Undergraduate Program Committee Member,** Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.
- 2008 – 2009 **Graduate Program Committee Member,** Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.
- 2007 – 2011 **Office Space Program Committee Member,** Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA.
- Editorial**
- 2020-2021 **Co-Editor:** *American Behavioral Scientist* Special Issue on COVID-19 “Viruses Going Viral,” in press 2021.
- 2019 – Present **Editorial Board Member:** *ESMC* Advisory Board

2015 - Present **Peer Reviewer:** *Journal of Family Issues*; *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*; *Journal of Applied Social Science*.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE ORGANIZER

2017 44th Annual Western Departments of Anthropology and Sociology Undergraduate Research Conference, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, April 29.

2013 Unauthorized Narratives and 'Other' Stories in Medicine: An Interdisciplinary Symposium in the Medical Humanities. Cross-UC Medical Humanities Consortium, UC Davis School of Medicine, Sacramento, CA, April 20.

2009 Motherhood and the State: Women, Surrogacy and (Trans) Nationalism in Israel and India. UC Davis Program in Jewish Studies, November 12.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

March 2018 – Present

Coordinator & Instructor, Internship & Field Experience Program, Department of Sociology, Santa Clara University, CA.

September 2009- June 2014

Program Coordinator, Jewish Studies Program, University of California, Davis, CA.

October 2006 – June 2007

Farm-to-School Program Coordinator, Community Alliance with Family Farmers, Davis, CA & Esparto, CA.

August 2004 – August 2006

Program Coordinator, Institute for Recruitment of Teachers, Phillips Academy, Andover, MA.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Sociological Association
- Pacific Sociological Association
- Cross-University of California Medical Humanities Research Consortium
- Alpha Kappa Delta: International Sociology Honor Society
- Sigma Delta Pi: International Spanish Honor Society