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EDUCATION

- 2000 *Ph.D.*, Sociology, University of Washington Seattle. Dissertation: *Doing the Dirty Work: Emotion Work, Professionalism, & Sexuality in a Customer Service Economy*. 2000.
- 1995 Certificate in *Video Documentary Production*, University of Washington Seattle.
- 1993 *M.A.*, Sociology, University of Washington Seattle.
- 1989 *B.A.*, Sociology, Global Studies & Religion minors, Pacific Lutheran University.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2010- Associate Professor, Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences, UW Bothell
- 2011 Visiting Professor, Social and Behavioral Sciences, UC San Francisco.
- 2009- Adjunct Professor, Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies, UW Seattle.
- 2004- Associate Faculty. Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, UW Seattle.
- 2002-2010 Assistant Professor, Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences, UW Bothell.
- 1997-2001 Lecturer, Seattle University.
- 1996-1997 Instructor, Seattle Central Community College.

TEACHING & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Carcerality; Deathways; Feminist Theories; Necropolitics; Social Inequalities; Popular Culture; Scandinavia Studies; Sexual Politics; Sexuality Education; Sex Work & Human Trafficking; Social Policy.

PUBLICATIONS

Book in progress

Sexuality: The Basics (Routledge).

Articles in progress

(IN PRESS) “No One Cites Obituaries: Extricating from Sticky Grief.”
Journal of Autoethnography.

“Slaves, Supermen & Serpents: How Biblical Tropes fuel Carceral Anti-Trafficking Policies.”

Co-Editor, journal special section

- 2016 **Lerum, K., & Brents, B.** (Eds.). (2016). Special section on sex work and human trafficking. *Sociological Perspectives*, 59, 17-90.

Peer reviewed articles

- 2021 **Lerum, K.** Teaching Death Rituals during States of Emergency: Centering Death Positivity, Decolonization, Grief, & Ritual. *Journal of Curriculum and Pedagogy*. DOI: 10.1080/15505170.2021.1964114
- 2016 **Lerum, K., & Brents, B.** (2016). Sociological Perspectives on Sex Work and Human Trafficking. *Sociological Perspectives*, 59, 17-26.
- 2016 **Lerum, K., & Dworkin, S.** (2016). The power of (but not in?) Sexual Configurations Theory. (Invited commentary). *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 45(3), 495-499.
- 2016 Dworkin, S., **Lerum, K., & Zakaras, J.** (2015). Sexuality in the Global South: 50 years of published research in the *Journal of Sex Research* – inclusions, omissions, and future possibilities. *Journal of Sex Research* 53 (9) 1059-1064.
- 2015 **Lerum, K., & Dworkin, S.** (2015). Sexual agency is not a problem of neoliberalism: Feminism, sexual justice, & the carceral turn. *Sex Roles*, 3(7-8), 319-331. (Feminist Forum invited essay).
- 2015 **Lerum, K.** (2015). A FemmeNist ManiPedifesto. *Cultural Studies ↔ Critical Methodologies*, 15, 156-162.
- 2014 **Lerum, K.** (2014, Winter). Human Wrongs vs. Human Rights. *Contexts*. (Invited essay for forum on human trafficking).
- 2012 **Lerum, K., McCurtis, K, Saunders, P., and Wahab, S.** (2012). Using Human Rights to hold the US Accountable for its Anti-Sex-Trafficking Agenda: The Universal Periodic Review & New Directions for US Policy. *Anti-Trafficking Review*, 1, 80-103.
- 2011 Wahab, S., Baker, L., Smith, J. Cooper, K., & **Lerum, K.** (2011). Exotic Dance Research: A Review of the Literature from 1970 to 2008. *Sexuality & Culture*, 15(1), 56-79.
- 2009 **Lerum, K., & Dworkin, S.** (2009). ‘Bad Girls Rule’: An Interdisciplinary Feminist Commentary on the APA Task Force on the Sexualization of Girls. *Journal of Sex Research*, 46(4).
- 2009 **Lerum, K., & Dworkin, S.** (2009). Toward an Interdisciplinary Dialogue on Youth, Sexualization, and Health. *Journal of Sex Research*, 46(4). (Invited response to commentaries on “Bad Girls Rule.”)
- 2005 Gillespie, D, Dolsak, N, Kochis, B, Krabill, R, **Lerum, K,** Peterson, A, & Thomas, E. (2005). Research Circles: Supporting the Scholarship of Junior Faculty. *Innovative Higher Education*, 30(3).
- 2004 **Lerum, K.** (2004). Sexuality, Power, and Camaraderie in Service Work. *Gender & Society*, 18(6), 756-776.

- 2001 **Lerum, K.** (2001). Subjects of Desire: Academic Armor, Intimate Ethnography, & the Production of Critical Knowledge. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 7(4), 466-483. (Special issue on Critical Ethnography).
- 1998 **Lerum, K.** (1998). 12-Step Feminism Makes Sex Workers Sick: How the State and the Recovery Movement Turn Radical Women into 'Useless Citizens.' *Sexuality & Culture*, 2, 7-36. (Special issue on Sex Work and Sex Workers).

Contributions to edited volumes

- 2016 **Lerum, K.** (2016). Sex Work and Criminalization. In A. Goldberg (Ed.), *The Sage Encyclopedia of LGBTQ Studies*. (pp. 1018-1020). Sage.
- 2013 **Lerum, K.** (2013). Sexuality. In V. Smith (Ed.), *Sociology of Work: An Encyclopedia* (v. 2, pp. 773-776). Sage.
- 2012 **Lerum, K.** (2012). What's Love Got to Do with It?: Life Lessons from Multiracial Feminism. In C. Gonzalez, A. Harris, G. Gutierrez y Muhs, & Y. Flores-Niemann (Eds.), *Presumed Incompetent: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women in Academia* (pp. 266-276). University of Utah Press.
- 2012 **Lerum, K.** (2012). My Trojan Dress. In M. Kort & A. Bilger (Eds.), *Here Come the Brides: Reflections on Lesbian Love and Marriage* (pp. 59-71). Seal Press.
- 2009 **Lerum, K.** (2009). Sexuality and Reproduction. In J. O'Brien (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Gender and Society* (v. 2). Sage.
- 2008 Parker, S. Hornby, A., & **Lerum, K.** (2008). Zines: Librarians and Faculty Engaging Students in Creative Scholarship. In D. Cook & R. Sittler (Eds.), *Practical Pedagogy for Library Instructors: 17 Innovative Strategies to Improve Student Learning*. American Library Association.
- 2001 **Lerum, K.** (2001). 'Precarious Situations' in a Strip Club: Exotic Dancers and the Problem of Reality Maintenance. In P. Kollock & J. O'Brien (Eds.), *The Production of Reality: Essays and Readings in Social Psychology* (3rd ed., pp. 279-287). Pine Forge Press.
REPRINTED (4th ed., 2006).
REPRINTED (6th ed., 2016).

Interview

- 2019 **Lerum, K.** (2019). Interview with Kari Lerum. In M. Stompler, D. Baunach, E. Burgess, W. Simonds, & E. Windsor (Eds.), *Sex Matters: The Sexuality & Society Reader* (5th ed., pp. 653-656). W.W. Norton & Co.

Reviews

- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011). Review of *Intimate Labors: Cultures, Technologies, and the Politics of Care*, edited by E. Boris & R. Parrenas. *International Review of Modern Sociology*, 150-153.

- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011). Review of *Strip Club: Gender, Power, and Sex Work*, by K. Price-Glynn. *American Journal of Sociology*, 117(1), 345-347.
- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011). Review of *The State of Sex: Tourism, Sex, and Sin in the New American Heartland*, by B. Brents, C. Jackson, & K. Hausbeck. *Gender & Society*, 25, 524-526.
- 2007 **Lerum, K.** (2007). Review of *Regulating Sex: The Politics of Intimacy & Identity*, edited by E. Bernstein & L. Schaffner. *Contemporary Sociology*, 36(6), 559-561.
- 2004 **Lerum, K.** (2004). "Defining the Emotional Contours of Exotic Dance. A Review of *G-Strings and Sympathy: Strip Club Regulars and Male Desire* by Frank, K. and *Bare: On Women, Sex, and Power*, by E. Eaves. *Sexuality & Culture* 8(1).
- 2000 **Lerum, K.** (2000). Review of *Communicating Gender*, by S. Romaine. *Contemporary Sociology*, 29(3), 506-507.
- 1998 **Lerum, K.** (1998). Review of *A Glossary of Feminist Theory*, by Andermahr, S., Lovell, T., and Wolkowitz, C. *Contemporary Sociology*, 27(5), 543-544.

Web-based articles

Ms. Magazine

- 2021 **Lerum, K.** (2021, Nov. 24). [The White Lotus: Lessons on Black Lives Matter, Reparations, and Queer Liberation. Ms. Magazine.](#)
- 2015 **Lerum, K.** (2015, April 10). [Trafficking Policy should focus on Empowerment, not Coercion. Ms. Magazine.](#)
- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011, June 24). [Feminist burlesque, in theory and practice. Ms. Magazine.](#)
- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011, March 15). [For sex workers, recommendation #86 will go down in history. Ms. Magazine.](#)
- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011, March 3). [Thanks to Uruguay, U.S. sex workers' human rights get federal attention. Ms. Magazine.](#)
- 2010 **Lerum, K.** (2010, Dec. 17). [Terrorism against sex workers: It's time to take a stand. Ms Magazine.](#)
- 2010 **Lerum, K.** (2010, Dec. 2). [Burlesque Is So Gay. And That's A Good Thing. Ms Magazine](#)

Rewire News Group (formerly Rh Reality Check)

- 2011 **Lerum, K.** (2011, March 22). [Toward a human rights approach to sex work policy. Rh Reality Check.](#) Republished on [Alternet](#) and Rewire.

Sexuality & Society (Sample publications)

- 2016 **Lerum, K.** (2016, May 21). [Uproar over Kenny Harvard's stripper joke misses larger issue: Condescending & harmful anti-trafficking laws.](#)

[Sexuality & Society.](#)

- 2015 **Lerum, K.** (2015, Oct. 12). [Fury Road's righteous sexual politics: Starring White feminism & good White men.](#) *Sexuality & Society.*
- 2015 **Lerum, K.**(2015, March 8). [How popular 'sex trafficking' stories like Abduction of Eden justify bad policy and hurt sex workers.](#) *Sexuality & Society.*

The Conversation

- 2016 **Lerum, K.** (2016, May 30). [Should prostitution be decriminalized?](#) *The Conversation* (Republished on Alternet, Disinformation, PBS Point Taken, The Raw Story, & UPI)
- 2015 **Lerum, K.** (2015, Sept. 3). [Scientists score one over celebrities in battle to decriminalize sex work.](#) *The Conversation.*

The Feminist Wire

- 2015 **Lerum, K.** (2015, May 26). [Cisgender FemmeNist Reflections on Trans* Justice: Moving from Adoration to Action.](#) *The Feminist Wire.*

Trivia: Voices of Feminism

- 2012 **Lerum, K.** [Circus.](#) *Trivia: Voices of Feminism, issue 13.*

Grey literature & White Papers

- 2020 Executive Committee, Seattle LGBTQ Commission. 31 May 2020. "LGBTQ Commission Statement – Murder of George Floyd."
- 2019 **Lerum, K. & Koyama, E.** Impact of anti-prostitution & anti-trafficking policies on individuals in the sex trade. A survey of sex workers in Seattle/King County by the Coalition for Rights & Safety for people in the sex trade.
- 2013 **Sex work and trafficking workgroup** (2013). Sex work and trafficking position paper. Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities ASA Sexualities Section. (written predominately by B. Brents and K. Lerum).
- 2013 **Lerum, K,** Walsh, C., Berger, D, Dowling, S. Griffey, T. & Crane, J. (2013). Statement of concern on adding criminal history questions to admissions applications. (Presented to a meeting with the Provost, administrators, faculty, students, and community members).
- 2012 **Lerum, K.** (2012). Introducing Mediations. *Contexts* 11, 1.
- 2011 **Lerum, K,** P. Saunders, D. Barlin, S. Wahab, & J. Swift. (2011, Feb.). Reducing Violence Against Sex Workers: What are the Policy Options? (Policy brief delivered to US State Dept., Feb. 2011).
- 2003 **Lerum, K.** (2003). Using Census data to teach about Poverty and Inequality. Published in the "Innovations in Teaching" column of *Network News*, the newsletter of Sociologists for Women in Society.

Grants & Fellowships

- 2020 Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, UW Seattle (Washington State Labor Research grant). (3,000) “Assessing the impact of anti-trafficking legislation on transgender sex workers.”
- 2017-2018 Global Innovation Fund. UW Seattle. (\$1,000). For travel to Oslo, Norway to develop new research and teaching collaborations.
- 2011 Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, UW Seattle (Washington State Labor Research grant). For “Assessing the social context of transgender sex workers: Toward a human rights approach.” (\$7,000).
- 2011 Pride Foundation, Research support for “Assessing the social context of transgender sex workers: Toward a human rights approach.” (\$3,000).
- 2009-2010 Platforms for Public Scholarship Fellow. Simpson Center for the Humanities, UW Seattle.
- 2009 Teaching & Scholarship Enhancement award, UW Bothell. To support summer research on Sexuality Education (\$9,000).

Awards

- 2000 First place graduate paper, *Social Problems Theory Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems*. For “Subjects of Desire: Academic Armor, Intimate Ethnography, & the Production of Critical Knowledge.”
- 1999 First place graduate paper, *Culture Section, American Sociological Association*, for “12-Step Feminism Makes Sex Workers Sick: How the State and the Recovery Movement Turn Radical Women into ‘Useless Citizens’.”

Press Coverage

Web/Print

- 2021 Story about my Girls on Film class. [“Films for a Feminist Future.”](#) UWB website. July 9, 2021.
- 2021 Story about my sex work research and activism. [“Rights, not Rescue.”](#) UWB website. Jan 20, 2021.
- 2020 Headline story about my Death Rituals class. (Headline for one week on UWB website): [“Death, Dying, & Pedagogy.”](#) Aug. 13, 2020
- 2019 Quoted in [“Local burlesque troupe dances for charity and empowerment.”](#) *Muncie Star Press*. March 7, 2019.
- 2016 Tweet quoted in responses to Alice Goffman’s book, [On the Run](#). *New York Times Magazine*. Jan. 31, 2016.
- 2013 Quoted in [“Intimacy on the Web, with a Crowd.”](#) *The New York Times*. Sept. 21, 2013.
- 2012 *Insight Magazine*. Featured in [UW Bothell's newsletter for Alumni and Friends "Faculty spotlight." Pp. 8-9](#). Autumn 2012.

2012 Quoted on the film, “Miss Representations.” UW Husky Herald. Nov. 9, 2012.

Television

2016 *King 5 News*. Interviewed for [“Forum on hate speech vs. free speech at UW Bothell.”](#) Nov. 17, 2016.

Radio

2011 KPLU (NPR affiliate). Interviewed for [Privacy & social media](#) July 17, 2011.

2010 KBCS public radio. Interviewed for [Bullying and Harassment.](#) Nov. 17, 2010.

2009 KUOW (NPR affiliate). Interviewed for What is the Future of Adult Entertainment in Seattle? [July 23, 2009.](#)

PRESENTATIONS

Refereed Conferences

2019 “How sex worker coalitions are responding to SESTA/FOSTA.” NWSA conference, San Francisco, CA. Nov. 2019.

2019 “Who run the world?” Mapping global feminisms through music.” NWSA conference, San Francisco, CA. Nov. 2019.

2018 “How sex worker coalitions are working for better policy.” 2018 ASA Sexualities Preconference – Sexualities, Race and Empire: Resistance in an Uncertain Time. Philadelphia, Aug. (paper accepted but not delivered due to study abroad travel).

2016 “Slaves, Supermen & Serpents: How Biblical & Hollywood Tropes fuel Carceral Anti-Trafficking Policies.” American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA, Aug. 2016.

2015 “Building communities of (im)possibility: transgender sex workers & structural (re)humanization.” Sexual Cultures 2: Academic meets Activism. University of Sunderland, London campus, UK. April 2015.

2013 “Ending the Demand for What?: Human wrongs and rights in anti-trafficking campaigns.” Pacific Sociological association, Reno, NV, March 2013.

2013 “Hollywood stripper stories: Can films about exotic dancers be feminist?” 2013 Innovation Forum: Engaging Design. University of Washington, Bothell. Feb. 2013.

2012 “Assessing the Social Context of Transgender Sex Workers: Toward a Human Rights Policy Approach.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Denver, CO, Aug. 2012.

2012 “Reframing Trafficking.” American Sociological Association mini-conference, “Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities.” Denver,

CO, Aug. 2012.

- 2012** “Stripper Stories in Film: Visions of Exotic Dancers from 1938-2010.” Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA, March 2012.
- 2011** "From Punishment & Salvation to Human Rights: Sex Workers and the United Nations take on the US State Dept.” Pacific Sociology Association, Seattle, WA, March 2011.
- 2010** “Is it still a ‘special evil’?: Anti-trafficking discourse, sex worker activism, & the Obama administration.” Pacific Sociology Association, Oakland, CA, April 2010.
- 2009** “Collaborating across sexual-political lines.” Northwest Eco/Community Psychology conference, University of Washington, Bothell, Oct.
- 2009** “Assessing the effectiveness of state, national, and international Anti-Trafficking Legislation.” Hypatia 25th Anniversary Conference, University of Washington, Seattle. Oct. 2009.
- 2009** “Transitions to Freedom: connections between prison research and activism.” Pacific Sociological Association. San Diego, CA. April 2009.
- 2009** “Sex scenes in the Classroom” (panel on “prickly pedagogical issues”). American Association of Colleges & Universities. Seattle, WA. Jan. 2009.
- 2007** “Teaching Community Collaborative Research as Competency and Pedagogy.” Northwest Eco/Community Psychology conference, University of Washington, Bothell, Oct. 2007.
- 2007** “The Promise of Post-Modern Sex Education,” Policy Studies Research Colloquium, University of Washington, Bothell, April 2007.
- 2007** “The Promise of Post-Modern Sex Education.” Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, April 2007.
- 2006** “Sex Workers and AIDS activists: A cross national evaluation of HIV/AIDS intervention programs.” PSA, Hollywood, CA, April 2006.
- 2004** “Envisioning Family: Photo-Analysis in Undergraduate Family Projects.” International Visual Sociology Association, San Fran, CA. Aug. 2003.
- 2003** “Sexuality, Camaraderie, & Power in Service Work.” American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA. August 2003.
- 2003** “Teaching as an Activist Act.” Sociologists for Women in Society, Wilmington, NC, February 2003.
- 2001** “Service Workers ‘Acting Professional’: Implications for a Theory of Professions.” American Sociological Ass., Anaheim, CA., Aug 2001.
- 2001** “Symbolic Interactions at Work.” Pacific Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, April 2001.
- 2000** "Paid Attention: How Contemporary Service Work has Created new forms of Intimate Communication." Pacific Sociological Association, San

Francisco, April 2000.

- 1997 Doing the Dirty Work: Child Care, Housecleaning, Food Service, & Sex Work." Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, April 1997.
- 1997 "Subjects of Desire." Pacific Sociological Ass., San Diego, April 1997.
- 1997 "Hey Sweetie: Intimate Communication in the Service Industry." Interdisciplinary conference, U. of British Columbia, March 1997.
- 1996 Video presentation: "Boundary Mavericks," a video ethnography about sex work. Pacific Sociological Association, Seattle, April 1996.

Invited Conferences & Colloquia

- 2020 Moderator/organizer of "Sex Work policy Activism: Centering Trans and BIPOC Leadership." Featuring Emi Koyama and Tobi-Hill Meyer. [Labor in times of crisis: UW Bothell Colloquia Series](#). Nov. 18, 2020.
- 2020 Labor in the 21st century colloquium series. University of Washington Bothell. "Sex trafficking policies and their aftermath." With Emi Koyama. May 26, 2020.
- 2017 "*Competing Men's Discourses on Sex Work and Human Trafficking.*" Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Canada, Aug. 2017, 2017.
- 2016 Cultural analysis of sex work discourse. GWSS colloquium series. UW Seattle Oct. 2016.
- 2016 IAS colloquium series (theme: GenderVentions). "Why the U.S. still needs sex slaves: Homeland Security, Amnesty International, & the struggle for decriminalization." UW Bothell, March 2016.
- 2015 Research in Progress series (theme: Diversity). "Why Transwomen of color should be at the center of movements for social justice." UW Bothell, Feb. 2015.
- 2014 Gender & Information panel. I School, UW Seattle. May 2014.
- 2014 Pacific Sociological Association. Invited panelist for session on Race and Sexuality. Portland, OR, March 2014.
- 2013 Clarkson University. Invited speaker for regional Gender and Sexuality Studies conference. Pottsdam, NY. Oct. 25-26, 2013.
- 2013 American Sociological Association. Invited panelist for session on childhood and commodification. New York, NY. Aug. 2013.
- 2013 University of Washington, Bothell. Research in Action Seminar. "Ending the Demand for What?" March 2013.
- 2013 University of California, San Francisco. Guest lecture in Feminist Theory. "Continuums and contexts of 'sexualization' and 'objectification'." Feb. 21, 2013.
- 2013 The Evergreen College. "Remodeling the Garden of Eden: Human

- Wrongs & Rights in Anti-trafficking campaigns.” Feb. 19, 2013.
- 2013** Invited speaker for a one-day conference entitled "[From Prosecution to Empowerment: Fighting Trafficking and Promoting the Rights of Migrants.](#)" University of Southern California, LA, CA, Feb. 2, 2013.
- 2012** University of California, San Francisco. Social and Behavioral Sciences Colloquia. “Studying transgender sex workers from a human rights framework.” May 8, 2012.
- 2012** Pacific Sociological Association. “Writing for Contexts.” San Diego, CA. March 2012.
- 2012** University of Michigan, Dept. of Sociology, Gender & Sexuality Workshop. March 14, 2012.
- 2012** University of Michigan, Invited panel on Sexual Health (jointly sponsored by the Psychology and Women Studies departments). March 14, 2012.
- 2012** Panel: “Approaching Public scholarship from Diverse Disciplines.” Simpson Center for the Humanities, UW Seattle, Feb. 17, 2012.
- 2012** Cal-Poly Pomona. Invited speaker for Symposium on “The Paradox of Social Justice.” Feb. 9, 2012.
- 2011** Using Human Rights to hold the US Accountable for its Anti-Sex-Trafficking Agenda: The Universal Periodic Review & New Directions for US Policy." Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences Research Colloquium, UW Bothell. Oct. 4, 2011.
- 2011** UW Seattle, School of Law. Invited panel on Sex Work. “Introducing Human Rights to the Anti-Trafficking Agenda: The Universal Periodic Review & New Directions for US Policy.” May 9, 2011.
- 2011** University of California, San Francisco. Social and Behavioral Sciences Colloquia. “Can Sex Workers have Rights in the context of 'sex slaves' and the 'sexualization of girls'?" Feb. 24, 2011.
- 2011** University of California, San Francisco, Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health. "Introducing Human Rights to the Anti-Sex-Trafficking Agenda: Sex Worker Activists and the United Nations take on the US State Dept." Feb. 16, 2011.
- 2011** University of California, San Francisco, Guest lecture, Health Policy class. "Sex Workers as Human Rights Activists: A discussion of Recent Activism at the UN and US State Department." Feb. 10, 2011.
- 2010** Plenary Speaker for the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality – Western Region). “*How the ‘Sexualization of Girls’ Discourse Ignores Sexual Health & Justice.*” Palm Springs, CA, April 10, 2010.
- 2009** Invited panelist: “Author meets critic: responding to Jessica Fields’ book, *Risky Lesson: Sex Education and Social Inequality.*” Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA, April 2009.

- 2006** *Professionalization and Public Scholarship*” Workshop and Roundtable Organized by Graduate Students from the *U.W. Institute on the Public Humanities*, Seattle, Washington, April 2006.
- 2006** “*Visual ethnography, Visual documentation, Community collaboration.* Anthropology colloquium, UW Seattle, January 2006.
- 2005** “*Theorizing differences between Sexual Camaraderie & Sexual Harassment: Implications for Policy Makers.*” Policy Studies Research Colloquium, UW Bothell, April 2005.

Invited community presentations

- 2019** Featured speaker for National Coming Out Day, Antioch University, Seattle, WA, Oct. 11, 2019.
- 2016** Panelist on Presidential Politics, GWSS launch party, UW Bothell, Oct. 26, 2016.
- 2016** Discussant for social justice film festival screenings of “Middle Sexes” and “She’s Beautiful when she’s angry.” UW Seattle Allen Auditorium, Feb. 23, 2016 & March 26, 2016.
- 2015** Panelist for “*And Discuss?! ...Sex Work.*” Edmunds Theater, Edmunds, WA. Dec. 6, 2015.
- 2015** Panelist on “Feminism & Mad Max, Fury Road.” *GeekGirlCon.* Seattle, WA. Oct. 12, 2015.
- 2013** Speaker/facilitator for “Dine and Dialogue;” Sexuality and LGTBQ communities, UW Bothell (Sponsored by Diversity Programmers and Office of Student Life).May 2013.
- 2013** Speaker/facilitator for Women’s History month “Dine and Dialogue,” UW Bothell. (Sponsored by Diversity Programmers and Office of Student Life.). March 2013.
- 2012** Discussant for panel on *Miss Representation* (2011 documentary; dir. J.S. Newsom). UW Bothell. Organized by Diversity Programmers, Campus Activities Board, Campus Events Board. Oct. 2012.
- 2012** International Women’s Day rally speaker, Westlake Center, Seattle. March 10, 2012.
- 2012** Presentation on sex work and human trafficking. Northshore Rotary Club. Kenmore, WA. March 2012.
- 2012** Panel speaker for “Rights vs. Rescue: Sex worker rights, harm reduction, and the law.” Seattle Public Library, Capitol Hill Branch, March 3, 2012.
- 2010** Workshop for *Girls Rock! Seattle* summer camp. Title: *Body & Identity Portraits: Women in the Music Industry.*” With Faith Simonelli. July 29-30, 2010.
- 2010** Salon Presentation for HIV/AIDS Program, Public Health-Seattle & King County. Title: “*Male Sex Workers: Toward a Sexual Health and Sexual*

Rights Approach.” July 29, 2010.

Conference & Event Organizing

- 2019** Co-sponsor/organizer, [“Rescue hurts: real life consequences of SPD raids and how to actually support migrant sex workers.”](#) Seattle City Hall, Aug. 8, 2019.
- 2018** Co-organizer, Queer and Trans POC sex worker perspectives panel..Co-sponsored by Seattle LGBTQ commission, Seattle DisAbilities Commission, and Seattle Sex Worker Outreach Program. Seattle City Hall, Dec. 4, 2018.
- 2016** Co-organizer, International Women’s Day Mini-conference. Northwest Film Forum, March 5, 2016.
- 2016** Organizer & Moderator, Policing Women, Generating Justice panel. Int’l Women’s Day mini- conference, Northwest Film Forum. March 5, 2016.
- 2013** Co-organizer and facilitator: “Beyond the Carceral State: Queer, Feminist, Anti-Racist Critiques and Interventions.” Mini-Conference at UW Bothell, May 14, 2013.
- 2009** Co-organizer, Sexual Assault Awareness Week (in collaboration with students, Office of Student Affairs, and Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Information Services).
- 2008** Primary organizer, Sexual Health & Education Fair (in collaboration with students, the IAS Dept., UWB Gay-Straight Alliance, and UWB Office of Student Affairs).

Conference Session Organizer

- 2020** Book Salon featuring Elizabeth Bernstein’s *Brokered Subjects: Sex, Trafficking, and the Politics of Freedom*. (cancelled due to COVID-19).
- 2019** [From Hyper-surveillance to abandonment: Sex/uality outlaws respond.](#) National Women’s Studies Association conference, San Francisco, CA. Nov. 2019.
- 2013** Sexualities session organizer for the Pacific Sociological Association meetings, Reno, NV. (organized multiple sessions). March 2013.
- 2012** [Body Rights and Human Rights.](#) Society for the Study of Social Problems, Denver, CO, Aug. 2012.
- 2012** [Reframing “Sexualization”: Why critical sexualities researchers should intervene in the ‘Sexualization of Girls’ discourse.](#) American Sociological Association mini-conference, “Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities.” Denver, CO, Aug. 2012.
- 2011** [Bodies, Sexuality, and Social Justice in Sport.](#) North American Society for the Sociology of Sport. Minneapolis, Nov. 2011.
- 2011** [Sex work, Violence, and Policy: Toward a Human Rights Approach.](#) University of Washington, Seattle, March 3, 2011.

- 2011** Workshop/panel for transgender sex workers. Gender Odyssey conference, Seattle, Aug. 6, 2011.
- 2009** Feminist Science, Sexual Health, and Transnational Policies. Hypatia 25th Anniversary Conference, University of Washington, Seattle. Oct. 2009.
- 2003** Visual Sociology. American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 2003.
- 2001** Theorizing Global Activism. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Anaheim, CA. August 2001.
- 2000** Sexuality and Culture. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Wash. D.C. August 2000.
- 2000** The Commercial Sex Industry. Society for the Study of Social Problems, D.C. August 2000.
- 1999** Embodied Sociology: Commentaries on Radical Participant Observation. Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, Oregon, April 1999.
- 1999** Embodied Sociology: Commentaries on Radical Participant Observation. Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, Oregon, April 1999.
- 1998** Social Tongues: Language & Boundaries. Pacific Sociological Association, San Francisco, April 1998.

Conference Discussant/Moderator/Presider

- 2014** Presider for panel on Troubling Homonormativity: Thinking LGBT Intersectionality. American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August 2014.
- 2012** Moderator for panel on Cross-Cultural Poetics, National Convergence on Poetics conference, UW Bothell, September 2012.
- 2012** Moderator and Discussant for dissertation panel, American Sociological Association mini-conference, “Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities.” Denver, CO, August 2012.
- 2008** Discussant for a roundtable topic of sexuality in academia. Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, OR, April 2008.
- 2003** Discussant for panel on Sociology of Sexuality. American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 2003.
- 2003** Discussant for Thinking Sex in Transnational Times, Workshop on Helen Leung’s. “Queer self writing in Hong Kong.” Simpson center for the Humanities, University of Washington, Seattle. May.
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