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Research Interests

Cultural Sociology, Gender, Sociology of Law, Political Sociology, Comparative Sociology, Health Policy, Qualitative Methods

Education

- 2000 PhD, Sociology, Princeton University
- 1999 PhD (highest honors), Sociology, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales
- 1997 MA (with Distinction), Sociology, Princeton University
- 1994 MA Social Science, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales
- 1992 BA (Departmental High Honors), College of Letters, Wesleyan University (CT)

Employment

- 2015- Professor, UCLA Department of Sociology
- 2009-2015 Associate Professor, UCLA Department of Sociology
- 2009-2014 Vice Chair of Undergraduate Education, UCLA Department of Sociology
- 2015- Research Associate, Center of Organizational Sociology (CSO, CNRS — Sciences Po)
- 2016- Partner Scholar, LabTop: Laboratoire Théories du Politique (CNRS, de l'université Paris 8 et de l'université Paris Ouest-Nanterre-La-Défense)
- June 2013 Visiting Professor, L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France
- June 2012 Visiting Professor, University of Paris 8
- July 2012 Visiting Scholar, Center of Organizational Sociology (CSO, CNRS — Sciences Po)
- 2000-2009 Assistant Professor, UCLA Department of Sociology
- 2008-2009 Fellow, Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University (CASBS)
- 2000-2002 Fellow, Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Program (Yale site)
- Spring 2000 Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Princeton University

Books

- Forthcoming Saguy, Abigail C. *Come Out, Come Out, Whoever You Are*. New York: Oxford University Press.

- 2013 Saguy, Abigail C. *What's Wrong with Fat?* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Honorable Mention. 2014. Association for Humanist Sociology Best Book Award.
- "Fascinating and illuminating," according to a review by Abigail Zuger, M.D., in the *New York Times* Health section, February 26, 2013.
- Reviewed in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, February 8, 2013
- Author Meets Critic Session. (invited). Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. August 16 2014. Critics: Steven Epstein, Jason Schnittkter, Ellen Granberg.
- Author Meets Critic Session. Annual Meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association. March 22, 2013. Critics: Shari Dworkin, Lynne Gerber, Laura Grindstaff, Sarah Quinn.
- Author Meets Critic Session. Annual Meetings of the Southern Sociological Society. April 25, 2013. Critics: Laura Carpenter, Joan Wolf, Andre Christie-Mizell.
- 2003 Saguy, Abigail C. *What is Sexual Harassment?: From Capitol Hill to the Sorbonne*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- One of ten books reviewed in a July 2012 review essay in *Contemporary Sociology* on some of "the most significant books in gender and work published in the past decade."
- Reviewed in *Contemporary Sociology*, *Critique Internationale*, *Gender & Society*, *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Journal of International Women's Studies*, *Social Forces*, *Sociological Forum*.
- Author's Meets Critic Session. Law and Society Association. June 3 2005, Critics: Michael McCann, Elizabeth Boyle, Vicki Schultz, and Robin Stryker.

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

- Forthcoming Saguy, Abigail C. "News Reporting on the 'Obesity Epidemic' and How It Worsens Weight-Based Discrimination" in *Handbook on Critical Obesity Studies*. Edited by Michael Gard, Darren Powell and José Tenorio, Routledge. Pp.
- In Press Saguy, Abigail C. "Combattre le harcèlement sexuel aux USA. Quand le droit et les règlements internes se heurtent aux mentalités." *Travail, Genre et Société*. November 2019.
- Henri Bergeron, Patrick Castell and Abigail C. Saguy. (order of authorship alphabetical, equal co-authorship). "A French Paradox? Toward an Explanation of Inconsistencies between Framing and Policies." *French Politics, Culture & Society*.
- 2019 Saguy, Abigail C. and Juliet A. Williams. "Reimagining Gender: *Gender Neutrality* in the News." *Signs*. 43:2, pp. 465-489.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "Representations of Fatness by Experts and the News Media and How This Shapes Attitudes" in *Handbook on Bodies and Embodiment*. Edited by Natalie Boero and Kate Mason, Oxford University Press. Pp.

- 2018 Abigail C. Saguy. "Europeanization or National Specificity? Legal Approaches to Sexual Harassment in France, 2002-2012." *Law & Society Review*. 52:1, pp. 140-171.
- Top 20 most downloaded article, 2017-2018, *Law & Society Review*.
- DiBennardo, Rebecca and Abigail C. Saguy. "Children of Queer Parents: Negotiating Identity, Stigma, and Community over the Lifespan." *Journal of International Women's Studies*. 19:6, pp. 290-304.
- 2017 Iturriaga, Nicole and Abigail C. Saguy. "Coming out as Polygamist: Stigma Resistance and Social Movement Spillover." *Social Problems*. 64:3, pp. 333-350. (lead article)
- 2016 Frederick, David, Abigail C. Saguy, and Kjerstin Gruys. "Health Messages in Cultural Context: How Social Understandings of Fatness Affect the Reception of Weight-Related Health Messages." *Social Science and Medicine*. 164, pp. 271-279.
- Frederick, David, Abigail C. Saguy, Gaganyjot Sandhu, and Traci Mann. "Effects of Competing News Media Frames of Weight on Antifat Stigma, Beliefs about Weight, and Support for Obesity-Related Policies." *International Journal of Obesity*. 40, pp. 543-549.
- Enriquez, Laura and Abigail C. Saguy. "Coming out of the shadows: Harnessing a cultural schema to advance the undocumented immigrant youth movement." *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*. 4:1, pp. 107-130.
- 2014 Stambolis-Ruhstorfer, Michael and Abigail C. Saguy. "How to Describe it? Why the Term 'Coming Out' Means Different Things in the U.S. and France." *Sociological Forum*. 29:4, pp. 808-829.
- Saguy, Abigail C., David Frederick, and Kjerstin Gruys. "Reporting Risk, Producing Prejudice: How News Reporting on Obesity Shapes Attitudes about Health Risk, Policy, and Prejudice." *Social Science and Medicine*. 111: June, 125-133.
- Denissen, Amy M. and Abigail C. Saguy, "Gendered Homophobia and the Contradictions of Workplace Discrimination for Women in the Building Trades." *Gender & Society*. 28:3, pp. 381-403.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail C. "Comment parler du harcèlement sexuel ? Une comparaison franco-américaine." *Travail et Genre dans le Monde : L'Etat de Savoirs*. Edited by Margaret Maruani. La Découverte, pp. 388-398.
- 2012 Saguy, Abigail C. "Les conceptions juridiques du harcèlement sexuel en France et aux Etats-Unis : Avant et après l'affaire DSK," *Travail, Genre et Sociétés*. 28, pp. 89-106.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "Why Fat is a Feminist Issue." *Sex Roles*. 68:9, pp. 600-607.
- 2011 Saguy, Abigail C. and Anna Ward. "Coming Out as Fat: Rethinking Stigma." *Social Psychology Quarterly*. March, 74:1, pp. 53-75.
- Saguy, Abigail C. and Paul Campos. "Medical and Scientific Debates over Obesity." *Handbook of the Social Science of Obesity*. Edited by John Cawley. Oxford University Press. March. Pp. 572-83.
- 2010 Saguy, Abigail C., Kjerstin Gruys and Shanna Gong. "Social Problem Construction and National Context: News Reporting on 'Overweight' and 'Obesity' in the U.S. and France." *Social Problems*, November, 57:4, pp. 586-610.

- Saguy, Abigail C. and Kjerstin Gruys. "Morality and Health: News Media Constructions of Overweight and Eating Disorders." May, *Social Problems*, 57:2, pp. 231-250.
- Reprinted in Peter Conrad and Valerie Leiter, eds. *The Sociology of Health and Illness* (9th Edition, 2013 AND 10th edition, 2018).
 - One of the top ten downloaded articles published in *Social Problems* in the past 5 years, as of September 2013.
 - Reprinted in Maxine Baca Zinn, Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, Michael A. Messner, and Amy M. Denissen, eds. *Gender Through the Prism of Difference*. (5th Edition, 2016)
- 2008 Saguy, Abigail C. and Rene Almeling. "Fat in the Fire? Science, the News Media, and the 'Obesity Epidemic.'" *Sociological Forum*. 23:1, pp. 53-83.
- Saguy, Abigail C. and Forrest Stuart. "Culture and Law: Beyond a Paradigm of Cause and Effect." *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 619:1, pp. 149-164.
- 2006 Saguy, Abigail C. "French Women Don't Get Fat? French News Reporting on Obesity." *Health at Every Size Journal*. 19:4, pp.219-234.
- Campos, Paul, Abigail Saguy, Paul Ernsberger, Eric Oliver, and Glen Gaesser. "The Epidemiology of Overweight and Obesity: Public Health Crisis or Moral Panic?" *International Journal of Epidemiology*. 35:1. pp. 55-60.
- Campos, Paul, Abigail Saguy, Paul Ernsberger, Eric Oliver, and Glen Gaesser. "Response: Lifestyle Not Weight Should be the Primary Target." *International Journal of Epidemiology*.
- 2005 Saguy, Abigail C. and Kevin W. Riley. "Weighing Both Sides: Morality, Mortality and Framing Contests over Obesity." *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*. 30:5, pp. 869-921.
- Benson, Rodney, and Abigail C. Saguy. (order of authorship alphabetical, equal co-authorship). "Constructing Social Problems in an Age of Globalization: A French-American Comparison." *American Sociological Review*. 70:2, pp. 233-259.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "What is Sexual Harassment? From Capitol Hill to the Sorbonne," *Thomas Jefferson Law Review*, 27:45, pp. 45-56.
- 2004 Schultz, Vicki, Gabrielle S. Friedman, Abigail C. Saguy, Tanya Hernandez, and David Yamada. "Global Perspectives on Workplace Harassment Law: Proceedings of the 2004 Annual Meeting, Association of American Law Schools Section on Labor Relations and Employment Law," *Employee Rights & Employment Policy Journal* 8, pp. 151-194.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "National Specificity in an Age of Globalization: Sexual Harassment Law in France." *Contemporary French and Francophone Studies*. 8:4, Fall, pp. 425-440.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "Cross-National Understandings of Sexual Harassment: The United States and France Compared." *Directions in Sexual Harassment Law*. Edited by Catharine MacKinnon and Reva Siegel. New Haven, CT: Yale Univ. Press, pp. 602-617.
- 2002 Saguy, Abigail C. "Sexual Harassment : The United States and France." *The Communication Review*. 5:2, pp. 109-141.

- Saguy, Abigail C. "International Crossways: Traffic in Sexual Harassment Policy." *European Journal of Women's Studies*. 9:3, pp. 249-267.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "Sex, Inequality, and Ethnography: Response to Erich Goode." *Qualitative Sociology*. 25:4, pp. 549-556.
- Saguy, Abigail C. "Dérives à la françaises." 2002. *Prochoix*. 21, pp. 100-105.
- 2001 Curran, Sara and Abigail C. Saguy. "Migration and Cultural Change: A Role for Gender and Social Networks?" *Journal of International Women's Studies*. 2:3, pp. 54-77.
Reprinted in *Migration and Development*, edited by Oliver Bakewell, August 2012.
- 2000 Saguy, Abigail C. "Employment Discrimination or Sexual Violence?: Defining Sexual Harassment in American and French Law." *Law & Society Review*. 34:4, pp. 1091-1128.
- Saguy, Abigail C. 2000. "Sexual Harassment in France and the United States: Activists and Public Figures Defend their Definitions." *Rethinking Comparative Cultural Sociology: Politics and Repertoires of Evaluation in France and the U.S*, Edited by Michèle Lamont and Laurent Thévenot. Cambridge University Press and Presses de la Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, pp. 56-93.
- 1999 Saguy, Abigail C. "Puritanism and Promiscuity? Sexual Attitudes in France and the United States." *Comparative Social Research*. 18, pp. 227-247.
- Book Reviews, Short Articles, and Blog Posts**
- 2019 Saguy, Abigail C., Juliet A. Williams, Robin Dembroff, Daniel Wodak. "Why We Should All use They/Them Pronouns...Eventually." *Scientific American*. May 30.
<https://blogs.scientificamerican.com/voices/we-should-all-use-they-them-pronouns-eventually/>
- Saguy, Abigail C. and Juliet A. Williams. "Why We Should All Use They/Them Pronouns." *Scientific American*. April 11. <https://www.scientificamerican.com/author/abigail-c-saguy-and-juliet-a-williams>
- Reprinted in *Jewish Journal's* "Best of the Web."
<https://jewishjournal.com/newsroom/culture/we-should-all-use-gender-neutral-pronouns/>
- 2018 Saguy, Abigail. Denouncing Denigration: #metoo and balancetonporc. *Books and Ideas*. February 27. ISSN: 2105-3030. <http://www.booksandideas.net/Denouncing-Denigration.html>
- Simultaneously translated by Igor Martinache as "La Fin de l'impunité: #metoo et #balancetonporc." <http://www.laviedesidees.fr/La-fin-de-l-impunite.html>
- 2016 Saguy, Abigail C. "Tips For Promoting a New Book." Promoting Sociological Research: A Toolkit. ASA Task Force on Social Media.
- Reprinted in *Footnotes*. 44:3, pp. 7, 17.
- 2015 Saguy, Abigail C. Review of *Not Tonight: Migraine and the Politics of Gender and Health*, by Joanna Kempner. *Social Forces*. March. doi: 10.1093/sf/sov086.
- 2014 Saguy, Abigail. "Letter from the Chair, Abigail Saguy." *Body & Embodiment Newsletter*. Spring. Pp. 1-3

- 2014 Saguy, Abigail. Review of *Insecurity, Inequality, and Obesity in Affluent Societies*, edited by Avner Offer, Rachel Pechey, and Stanley Ulijaszek. *Contemporary Sociology*. 43:2. Pp. 247-249.
- 2014 Saguy, Abigail. "We Have No Clue Why Childhood Obesity Rates Plummeted—Or Why They Rose in the First Place." *Zócalo*. March 13
- Republished as: Saguy, Abigail C. "No, Our Kids Aren't Getting Skinny: Column." *USA Today*. March 14.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail C. "Humiliating Fat People is Hazardous to Our Health." *Zócalo*. December 17.
- Republished as: Saguy, Abigail C. 2013. "Memo to Michelle: Fat Shaming is Not OK!" *Time*. December 17.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "A Closer, More Dispassionate Look at Obesity." Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Human Capital *Blog*. November 1.
- Among the ten most-read pieces (out of nearly 400) in 2013, having drawn 10,000 viewers by January 3 2014.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "Letter from the Chair, Abigail Saguy." *Body & Embodiment Newsletter*. November. Pp. 1-3.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. Review of *Killer Fat: Media, Medicine and Morals in the American "Obesity Epidemic."* by Natalie Boero. *American Journal of Sociology*. 119(1): 273-275.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "People Can Be Obese But Healthy." *U.S. News and World Report*. June 27.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "If Obesity Is a Disease, Why Are So Many Obese People Healthy?" *Time*. June 24.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail and Tamara Horwich. "Give weight-loss diets a rest." *OUPblog*. May 6.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "How 'Size Profiling' Harms Overweight Patients." *Washington Post*. January 25.
- 2013 Saguy, Abigail. "Why We Diet." *Los Angeles Times*. January 4.
- 2012 Saguy, Abigail. "Weight-Based Stigma and Bullying." *HuffPost*. November 14.
- 2011 Saguy, Abigail. Review of *Is Breast Best? Taking on the Breastfeeding Experts and the New High Stakes of Motherhood* by Joan B. Wolf. *American Journal of Sociology*. 117(2): 707-709.
- 2011 Saguy, Abigail. "Why a French sex scandal could only start in the U.S." *UCLAToday*. July 28. <http://today.ucla.edu/portal/ut/why-a-french-sex-scandal-could-211181.aspx>
- 2010 Saguy, Abigail. Review of *The Fat Studies Reader* edited by Esther Rothblum and Sondra Solovay. Forward by Marilyn Wann. 27:5. *Women's Review of Books*. 17-18.
- 2009 Saguy, Abigail. Review of *Fat Rights: Dilemmas of Difference and Personhood* by Anna Kirkland. *Contemporary Sociology*. 38. pp. 445-446.
- 2008 Saguy, Abigail. "Sociologizing and Parenting: A Response to the Gamsons." *The Forum Mailbag. Sociological Forum*. 23:1. pp. 167-168.

- Saguy, Abigail. Review of *Selling Women Short: Gender and Money on Wall Street* by Louise Marie Roth. *American Journal of Sociology*. 113:4. pp. 1195-1197.
- 2006 Saguy, Abigail. "In a Moral Panic over Obesity." *UCLA Today*. May 23. p. 7.
- Saguy, Abigail. "Are Americans Too Fat? Conversation with Stanton Glantz." *Contexts*. 5: 2 (Spring): 11-13.
- 2005 Saguy, Abigail C. "Institutions and Cultural Analysis." *Newsletter of the Sociology of Culture Section of the American Sociological Association*. 19:3, pp. 6-7.
- 2002 Saguy, Abigail C. "Making Citizens, Making Gender: The Importance of National Context." (Review Essay) *Sociological Forum*. 17:3, pp. 527-535.

Working Papers

Abigail C. Saguy, Juliet Williams, and Mallory Rees. "Reassessing Gender Neutrality." Under a Second Round of Review.

Henri Bergeron, Patrick Castell and Abigail C. Saguy. (order of authorship alphabetical, equal co-authorship). "When Frames Matter: A Longitudinal and Ecological Analysis of the Relationship between Ideas and Policy." RWJF in Health Policy Research Working Paper #53. <http://bit.ly/1gn133A>.

Selected Grants, Awards, and Honors

National Science Foundation. Law and Social Science and Sociology Programs. # 1734340. For "How difference matters in the development of legal doctrine" (with Juliet Williams) \$326,967. September 1 2017-August 31 2020.

UCLA Distinguished Teaching Award for Senate Faculty. 2017.

UCLA Academic Senate Council on Research. Faculty Grants Program.

Gender Neutrality in the News. \$7000. 2016-2017

Does This Article Make Me Look Fat? Effects of News Media Exposure on Attitudes about Health Risk, Policy, and Prejudice. \$7511. 2015-2016.

Exploiting Legal, Political and Cultural Opportunities for Social Change: French Sexual Harassment Law. \$5,000. 2014-2015.

Talking Back to Stigma: Legalized Inequality and Identity Politics. \$6667. 2013-2014

Coming Out: Reclaiming Stigma. \$4,000. 2012-2013.

Coming Out: Rethinking Stigma. \$10,000. 2011-2012.

The Effect of News Media Reporting on Weight-Based Stigma: An Interdisciplinary Mixed-Methods Approach. \$5000. 2010-2011.

French Women Don't Get Fat? U.S. and French Reporting on Body Weight, Eating, and Health. \$3000. 2006-2007.

Big Fat News: The 'Obesity Epidemic,' Morality, and Social Prejudice. \$3000. 2005-2006.

Debating the "Obesity Epidemic." \$1500. 2004-2005.

Obesity: The Making of a "Global Epidemic." \$2000. 2003-2004.

Fat, Health and Identity: Scientific and Popular Debates over the "Obesity Epidemic." \$3060. 2002-2003.

UCLA Center for American Politics & Public Policy (CAPPP) Faculty Fellowship:
 "What is Gender Neutrality?" (With Juliet Williams). \$5000. 2015-2016. Kenneth L. Sokoloff Fellow.

Coming out as... : Social Movement Spillover and Political Innovation. \$5000. 2012-2013.

Reporting on the "Obesity Epidemic": Media Representations of Medical Research. \$3000 and one course release. 2006-2007.

Honorable Mention. 2014 Association for Humanist Sociology Best Book Award for *What's Wrong with Fat?*

National Science Foundation. Doctoral Dissertation Research (Michael Stambolis). What is Homophobia? Defining Discrimination in France and the United States. # SES-1226663. August 1 2012-July 31 2013.

UCLA Center for the Study of Women Faculty Development Grant:
 Coming Out: Rethinking Stigma. \$5,000. 2011-2012.
 Body Weight: From Feminism to Public Health. \$2500. 2006-2007.

UCLA Center for the Study of Women Faculty Curator Grant. 2009-2010.

Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS), Stanford. Fellow. 2008-2009.

The Williams Institute Small Grant Program: Sexual Minority Tradeswomen Study (with Amy Denissen) \$2500. 2008-2009.

UCLA Center for Society and Genetics. Faculty Fellowship. \$10,000. 2007-2008

ASA/NSF Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline (FAD): Creating the "Obesity Epidemic": Science, Social Activism, and the Mass Media. \$7000. 2004-2006.

UCLA Academic Senate Faculty Development Award: Debating the "Obesity Epidemic": Science, Social Activism, and The Mass Media. One quarter sabbatical supplement. 2004-2005.

Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Program (Yale site). 2000-2002

Sally Hacker Award, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association, 2000, for "Sexual Harassment in France and the United States: Activists and Public Figures Defend their Definitions."

Council for European Studies. The Young Scholars Networking Grant. Spring 2000.

National Science Foundation. Doctoral Dissertation Research: Defining Sexual Harassment in France and the United States. NSF 98-2. \$3400. 1998-1999.

French Government. *Subvention pour le fonctionnement d'une cotutelle de thèse* (Dissertation Grant). 35,000 F (\$6364). 1998-1999.

Honorable Mention, SAPOR James W. Prothro Student Paper Competition, for "Puritanism and Promiscuity? Sexual Attitudes in France and the United States."

Finalist. American Sociological Association. Crime, Law & Deviance Section. Student Paper Competition. 1997. "Defining Sexual Harassment in France and the United States: Arguments of Activists and Public Figures"

Graduate Fellowship and Member. Princeton Society of Fellows of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. Princeton University. 1997-1998, 1998-1999.

Pre-Dissertation Fellowship. Council for European Studies. Columbia University. \$3000. 1996-1997.

Invited Papers and Lectures, Since 2003

“Gender Neutral Pronouns, Cultural Inclusion and Social Equality.” (with Juliet A. Williams). May 3, 2019. Workshop on “Law, Inequality, and the Politics of Moral Worth.” Weatherhead Center for International Affairs. Harvard University.

“Quels rapports au genre, le neutralité de genre révèle-t-elle?” October 18, 2018. Keynote Speaker. Colloque: Rapports ordinaires au genre.” Université de Rennes.

What is Gender Neutrality?” June 27, 2017. Departments of Sociology and Communications. Hebrew University.

“What’s Wrong with Fat?”

September 14, 2016. Clark Lecture. Department of Sociology. University of Kansas.

September 18, 2015. 3rd Annual International Weight Sigma Conference. “Institutionalised Weightism: How to Challenge Oppressive Systems?” Keynote Address. Reykjavik, Iceland.

February 27, 2015. Building Healthy Lifestyles Conference. “Obesity 2015: New Perspectives on ‘Waist’ Management.” Arizona State University.

July 8, 2014. École des Hautes Études en Santé Publique (School for Advanced Studies in Public Health), Rennes, France.

May 2, 2014. Sociology Department. University of California, Irvine.

April 7, 2014. Keynote Address. Rutgers Institute for Women’s Leadership. “The Body Mass Index: Myth or Reality? Health, Wellness and Self Esteem in Women”

February 24, 2014. Sociology Department. Princeton University.

October 25, 2013. Culture and Social Analysis Workshop. Department of Sociology. Harvard University.

September 19, 2013. Department of Sociology Colloquium. University of Virginia.

September 18, 2013. Department of Sociology Colloquium. University of Pennsylvania.

June 21, 2013. Centre de Sociologie des Organisations. Paris, France.

June 7, 2013. Centre Maurice Halbwachs. Paris, France.

June 4, 2013. L’Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales. Paris, France.

May 16, 2013. West Los Angeles VA Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds.

April 17, 2013. University of California Irvine. Student Life and Leadership.

April 13, 2013. UCLA BruinDay Lecture Series.

March 13, 2013. UCLA Spotlight Sociology Public Lecture Series.

“Coming Out of the Shadows: Structural and Cultural Opportunities for Undocumented Student Mobilization.” (With Laura Enriquez). February 21 2014. Center for Cultural Sociology. Yale University.

Is Focusing on Weight Hazardous to the Public’s Health?

October 24, 2013. William J. Bicknell Lectureship Panelist. Boston University School of Public Health.

“Coming Out as Fat: Reclaiming a Stigmatized Identity.”

September 28, 2012. University of Southern California Department of Sociology.

April 25 2011. UCLA Law School.

November 18 2010. UCLA Center for Society and Genetics

March 9 2009. Center for the Study of Law and Society Speaker Series. University of California, Berkeley.

“Luttes de cadrage et constitution de l’obésité en problème public.” 2012. University of Paris VII and LapToP/CRESPPA. June 25.

“Le harcèlement sexuel dans la loi et au sein des entreprises : une comparaison franco-américaine.”

June 20 2012, Centre Maurice Halbwachs. Paris, France.

June 7 2012, L’Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (GSPM-ISP-Labtop).

“A French Sex Scandal that Could Only Start in the U.S.” 2012. UCLA Center for European and Eurasian Studies Faculty Series. May 17.

“*Le coming out des gros : de l’idée à la négociation du stigmat*” (with Anna Ward)

October 8 2010, INRA, Ivry-sur-Seine

May 18 2010, Séminaire du pôle TAS, Université de Toulouse II – Le Mirail

May 20 2010, Séminaire sur l’histoire des pratiques corporelles, L’Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales

“Body Size and Moral Hierarchies: News Reports on Overweight and Eating Disorders.” 2009. Workshop at the Van Leer Institute entitled “Body, Moral Discourses and Society: Theoretical and Implemental Issues.” Jerusalem, Israel. January 9.

“Women Get Sicker, but Men Die Quicker: Genetic, Evolutionary, and Sociological Explanations for Gender Differences in Health.” 2008. UCLA Chancellor’s Associates Weekend Faculty Lecture. UCLA Conference Center. Lake Arrowhead. May 3.

“Weighing Risk, Assessing Blame: News Reporting on Obesity in the U.S. and France.” (With Kjerstin Elmen-Gruys and Shanna Gong). 2007. Siciliano Forum at the University of Utah. October 5.

“French Women Don’t Get Fat? News Reporting on Body Weight in the U.S. and France”

May 15 2007, Center for the Study of Women, UCLA

May 18 2007, Program in Comparative-Historical Social Science, Northwestern University

“Does This BMI Make Me Look Fat? Defining the Limits of ‘Normal’ Body Weight”

February 15 2007, Co-sponsored by the Law School and Sociology Department, University of Colorado, Boulder.

March 15 2007, Sociology Departmental Colloquium Series, University of California, Berkeley.

March 22 2007, Sociology Department, University of Texas, Austin.

April 4 2007, Sociology Department, University of California, Irvine.

May 17, 2007, Sociology Department Colloquium Series, Northwestern University.

“Sociology of Law,” State of the Discipline panel, Annual UCSD Culture Conference, May 13 2005, University of California, San Diego.

“Fat Attack: Scientific and Political Debates over Obesity.” (With Kevin Riley)

November 24 2003, Princeton University Sociology Department.

February 20 2004, Culture and Society Workshop, Sociology Department, University of California, San Diego.

April 22 2004, RAND Corporation Sociology and Demography Seminar (SDS) Series, Santa Monica.

“Sexual Harassment Law in France: A Product of Globalization?” August 2004. Invited Session of the Sociology of Law Section, “Law Between Globalization and National Institutions.” San Francisco, CA.

“What is Sexual Harassment? From Capitol Hill to the Sorbonne.”

November 25 2003, Institute of French Studies, New York University, NYC.

January 5, 2004, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Atlanta.

February 20, 2004, Thomas Jefferson School of Law Conference on Women and the Law, San Diego, CA.

April 11, 2005, Ecole Normale Supérieure (Paris).

Conference Presentations, Since 2008 only

“Gender Neutrality in the Courts.” Presented at the Sociology of Law Section panel, “Legal Resistance.” Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA). Philadelphia, PA. August 14, 2018.

“Coming Out as a Destigmatizing Strategy.” Presented at the Special Session, “Reducing Stigma: Broadening our Approaches to Interventions” (Sponsored by the National Institutes of Health). Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA). Philadelphia, PA. August 13, 2018.

Panelist in the workshop “Working with Journalists.” (Sponsored by the Public Engagement Advisory Committee). Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA). Philadelphia, PA. August 13, 2018.

“How the News Media Divide Feminists, Gay Rights Activists, and Transgender Rights Activists. Presented at the Thematic Session, “How the Media Shape Group Boundaries.” Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA). Montreal, Canada. August 15, 2017.

“Reimagining Gender: Gender Neutrality in the News. ASA Sociology of Law Mini Conference. Montreal, Canada. August 11 2017.

“Reevaluating Gender Neutrality” (with Juliet Williams). Organized and Presented on Roundtable on this topic. Annual Meetings of the Law & Society Association. Mexico City, Mexico. June 22 ,2017.

“What is Gender Neutrality?” (with Juliet Williams) American Sociology Association Annual Conference. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA). Seattle, WA. August 23, 2016.

“A Decade Behind? Legal and Corporate Approaches to Sexual Harassment in France Since 2002,” Law and Society Association Annual Conference. Seattle, WA. May 30, 2015.

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Selected Professional Activities and Membership in Academic Organizations

Chair-Elect, Chair, and Outgoing Chair, ASA Sex and Gender Section. 2017-2020. Elected Position

Member, ASA Publications Committee. 2017-2020. Elected Position.

Chair, ASA Publications Committee. 2018-2020.

UCLA Center for European and Russian Studies (CERS) Faculty Advisory Board. 2015-present.

Editorial Board, *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*. 2012-present.

Editorial Board, *Sociological Forum*, 2008-present.

Editorial Board, *Contemporary Sociology*. 2016-2017.

Editorial Board, *American Sociological Review*. 2013-2016.

UCLA Center for the Study of Women Advisory Committee (CSWAC). 2011-2017.

Nominations Committee. Sociologists for Women in Society. 2012-2015. Elected Position.

Chair-Elect, Chair, and Outgoing Chair, ASA Bodies and Embodiment Section. 2012-2015. Elected Position

Associate Editor, *Social Problems*. 2011-2014.

Editorial Board, *Fat Studies*. 2011-2014.

Excellence in Reporting of Social Issues Award Selection Committee, American Sociological Association, January 1 2008-December 31 2010. (Co-chair 2009-2010)

Fellowship Selection Committee, 2008-2009. Center for European Studies.

Council, ASA Sociology of Culture Section, 2007-2009. Elected Position.

Nomination Committee, ASA Sociology of Law Section, 2007-2008.

Best Article Prize Committee, ASA Section on Sociology of Culture Section, 2004-2005.

Program Committee, ASA Section on Sociology of Culture Section, 2003-2004.

Council, ASA Sociology of Law Section, 2002-2004. Elected Position.

Nominations Committee, ASA Section on Sociology of Culture Section, 2001-2002.

Best Article Committee, ASA Section on Sociology of Law Section, 2000-2001.

Program Committee, ASA Section on Sociology of Law Section, 1999-2000.

Consulting Editor, *Journal of the Theory of Social Behaviour*, 2006-2012.

Editorial Board, *Journal of International Women's Studies*, 2000- 2007.

Referee: *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Sociological Review*; *Canadian Medical Association Journal*, *Comparative Labor Law & Policy Journal*; *Critical Public Health*; *Cultural Sociology*; *Ethnography*; *European Journal of Women's Studies*; *Gender & Society*; *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*; *Journal of Gender Studies*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*; *Journal of International Women's Studies*; *Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour*; *Law and Social Inquiry*; *Milbank Quarterly*; The National Science Foundation; *Obesity*; *Obesity Reviews*; *Pediatrics*, *Political Research Quarterly*; *Public Health Nutrition*, *Qualitative Sociology*; Routledge, Rutgers University Press; *Signs*; *Social Forces*; *Social Movement Studies*; *Social Politics*; *Social Problems*; *Social Psychology Quarterly*; *Social Semiotics*, *Social Science and Medicine*; *Sociological Forum*; *Sociology Compass*; *Sociology of Health and Illness*; *Sociological Inquiry*; *Sociological Methodology*; *The Sociological Quarterly*; *Sociology of Sport Journal*; *Sociological Theory*; *Teaching Sociology*; *Theory, Culture, and Society*; *Studies in Law, Politics & Society*, *Theory and Society*; The University of Michigan Press, and Women's Studies in Communication.

Member: American Sociological Association (ASA); ASA Sections: Sex and Gender, Sociology of Law, Cultural Sociology, Social Mobilization, Political Sociology, and Work and Occupations; Law and Society Association; Sociologists for Women in Society; Council for European Studies; Pacific Sociological Association; Women's International Studies Europe; Society for the Study of Social Problems

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