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EDUCATION

BA in Economics University of Economics, Budapest 1978

PhD in Sociology Columbia University, New York 1994

EMPLOYMENT

Research Associate, Institute of Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1978-1980

Foreign language editor, Academic Publishing House, Budapest
1980-1983

Instructor, Department of Economics, Barnard College, 1984

Lecturer, Department of Sociology, UCLA, Los Angeles, 1996-1998

Adjunct assistant professor, Department of Sociology, UCLA, Los Angeles, 1999-2006

Academic Administrator, Department of Sociology, UCLA, Los Angeles, 2006-

COURSES TAUGHT

Self and Society (upper-division lecture course)
Sociology of the Family (upper division lecture course)
Sociology of Gender (upper-division lecture course)
Economy and Society (upper-division lecture course)
Ideals of Love in Historical Perspective (upper-division seminar)
Money and Emotions (upper-division seminar)
Honors Thesis Seminar

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

"The Best or None!" Spinsterhood in Nineteenth-Century New England", *The Journal of Social History*, 33: 4 (June 2000):935-957.

"Written All Over With Money:" Earning, Spending, and Emotion in the Alcott Family, *Journal of Historical Sociology*, 16:2 (June 2003):209-236.

"Surrogate Losses: Understandings of Pregnancy Loss and Assisted Reproduction among Surrogate Mothers," *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, 24: 2 (June 2010):240-262.

"The Romance of Surrogacy," *Sociological Forum*, 27: 4 (December 2012):913-936.

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"We Are All Carrying Someone Else's Child:" Relatedness and Relationships in Third-Party Reproduction." *American Anthropologist*, 118:1 (March 2016): 24-36.

"Surrogate Non-Motherhood: Israeli and US Surrogates Speak About Kinship and Parenthood," With Elly Teman. *Anthropology & Medicine*, July 2018. DOI:10.1080/13648470.2017.1401825

"Ethnographic Fieldwork Online: Studying a Surrogacy Support Forum", SAGE Research Methods Cases, 2018. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781526449757>

"Reshaping Relatedness? The Case of US Surrogacy", with Corinna Sabrina Guerzoni. *Antropologia*, 6: 2 (October 2019):83-100.

"Surrogates All Make that Choice to Help": Surrogacy in the Neoliberal Reproductive Market. *Italian Sociological Review*, 10:3 (Sept. 2020):537-559.

"Surrogacy as a Family Project: How Surrogates Articulate Familial Identity and Belonging", with Elly Teman, *Journal of Family Issues*, 42:6 (2021): 1143-1165

"Individual Responsibility or Trust in the State: A Comparison of Surrogates' Legal Consciousness", with Elly Teman, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 63:5-6 (2022): 265-284

Book

The Online World of Surrogacy, Berghahn Books, September 2016.

Online essays

“Misconceptions about altruism and choice in U.S. Surrogacy,” December 15, 2015
<https://opendemocracy.net/beyondslavery/zsuzsa-berend/misconceptions-about-altruism-and-choice-in-us-surrogacy>

“The morality of contract surrogacy - U.S. surrogates’ perspectives”, February 18, 2016
<http://www.ingenere.it/en/articles/the-morality-of-contract-surrogacy-us-surrogates-perspectives>

“Researching surrogacy online: the challenges and opportunities of digital ethnography”, May 6, 2016
<https://www.opendemocracy.net/beyondslavery/zsuzsa-berend/researching-surrogacy-online-challenges-and-opportunities-of-digital-eth>

Book reviews

“Birthing a Mother: The Surrogate Body and the Pregnant Self”, by Elly Teman, University of California Press, 2010.” *American Anthropologist*, 113:1 (March 2011):187-188.

“Sex Cells: The Medical Market for Eggs and Sperm”, by Rene Almeling University of California Press. 2011.” *Social Forces* 2014.

“Brown Bodies, White Babies: The Politics of Cross-Racial Surrogacy. By Laura Harrison. New York: New York University Press, 2016. *American Journal of Sociology*.123: 2 (September 2017).

“Fear, wonder, and science in the new age of reproductive biotechnology.” By Scott Gilbert and Clara Pinto-Correia. New York: Columbia University Press, 2017. *Feminism & Psychology*, 2018. DOI: 0959353518778715.

“Two families helping each other: Children’s books and surrogates’ discussions about surrogacy”, *Reproductive Biomedicine & Society*, October 2018.
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Chapters in edited volume

Article on Spinsterhood in *The Encyclopedia of Love in World Religions*. Edited by Yudit Kornberg Greenberg, ABC-Clio, Inc. Santa Barbara, California 2008, Vol. 2, pp. 596-599

“Surrogate Losses: Surrogate Mothers, Pregnancy Loss, and Assisted Reproduction.” In *Understanding Reproductive Loss: International perspectives on life, death and fertility*. Edited by Sarah Earle, Carol Komaromy and Linda Layne
Ashgate Publishing Company, Burlington, VT, 2012, pp. 93-104.

“The Emotion Work of a “Labor of Love””: surrogacy arrangements in the US. An ethnographic account.” In *Handbook of Gestational Surrogacy: International Clinical Practice & Policy Issues*. ed. E. Scott Sill. Cambridge University Press, November 2016.

“I’m not the mother of this baby!”: the rules of surrogacy according to Israeli and US surrogates”, with Elly Teman. In *Cambridge Handbook for the Anthropology of Kinship*, ed. Sandra Bamford. Cambridge University Press, 2019

“Unsustainable surrogacy practices: what we can learn from a comparative assessment”, with Elly Teman. In *Sustainable Birth in Disruptive Times*. Edited by Kim Gutschow, Robbie Davis-Floyd, and Betty-Ann Daviss. Springer, 2021.

Presentations

Surrogate Losses: Surrogate Mothers Stories of Failed Conceptions, Pregnancy Loss, and Assisted Reproductive Technology, Mini-conference on reproduction, ESS, New York, February 25, 2012

Surrogacy Contracts and the “Gift of Life, PSA, San Diego, March 23, 2012

The Romance of Surrogacy, Mini-conference on reproduction, ESS, Boston, March 22, 2013

The Online World of Surrogacy, Yale University, Urban Ethnography Workshop, November 6, 2015.

The Rhetoric of Choice in Surrogates’ Online Communications. ESS, Philadelphia, February 23-26, 2017.

“*We are all carrying someone else’s child*”: a comparison of American and Israeli surrogacy (with Elly Teman). AAA, Washington, DC, November 28 – December 3, 2017.

DNA and desire in US surrogacy. AAA, San Jose, CA. November 15-18, 2018.

Emotional narratives and emotional mobilization on an online surrogacy forum. ESS, Boston, March 14-17, 2019.

US surrogates and international IPs: expectations and collective meanings, with Corinna Sabrina Guerzoni, IUAES Yucatan Congress, November 9-13, 2021.