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Education

Tulane University In Process, ABD Currently
Doctorate of Philosophy, Sociology

Utah State University May 2, 2019
Masters of Science, Sociology

University of Nevada, Las Vegas May 13, 2017
Bachelor of Art, Sociology
Summa Cum Laude and Research and Creative Honors

Membership

Phi Kappa Phi 2017- Current

Society for the Study of Social Problems 2017 - Current

Deviant Behavior 2018 - Current

Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction 2018 - Current

McNair Scholars 2015 - 2017

Research Experience

Tulane University

Primary Investigator

The Moral Economy in Homeless Communities (In Process)

This ethnographic research is examining systems of reciprocity and exchange within a homeless community in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Supervisor: Stephen Ostertag, PhD.

Utah State University

Primary Investigator

Masters Thesis *Newspaper Representations of Homelessness: A Temporal Comparative Analysis (2019)*

This content analysis research looks at the claims-makers and frames used when discussing homelessness in the two major print newspapers in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Supervisor: Leon Anderson, PhD.

Utah State University

Primary Investigator

Dog Parks Are For Dogs; Pet-Oriented Interaction in a Public Setting (2017)

This participant observation study examines generic social processes in the setting of the local dog park. While there is significant research on dog facilitated interaction, this study demonstrates that in the setting of the dog park, interactions tend to take the form of person facilitated dog interactions.

Supervisor: Leon Anderson, PhD.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Student Investigator

Research and Creative Honors Thesis Program: *Homeless Communities: Las Vegas Strip* (2016)

A continuation of the below McNair project, using community surveys and participant observation this study focuses on peer groups and their importance to the homeless.

Supervisor: Kerie Francis, PhD.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Student Investigator

McNair Summer Research Institute: *Homeless Communities: Las Vegas Strip* (2015)

This study featured preliminary data focused on a homeless community on the Las Vegas Strip, specifically field observations regarding their relationships and means of income.

Supervisor: Kerie Francis, PhD.

Publications

Werman, S., (2022) Homelessness and the Moral Economy
In Revision.

Werman, S., (2017). Homeless Communities: Las Vegas Strip.
McNair Scholars Institute Journal.

Presentations

Werman, S., (August, 2022) Reciprocity and Exchange in Homelessness. Presented at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Los Angeles, CA.

Werman, S., (August, 2021). The Moral Economy in Homeless Communities. Presented at The 2021 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Digital Meeting.

Werman, S., (April 2019). Newspaper Representations of Homelessness: A Temporal Comparative Analysis. Poster presented at The 2019 Utah State University Student Research Symposium, Logan, UT.

Werman, S., (February 2019). Newspaper Representations of Homelessness: A Temporal Comparative Analysis. Poster presented at The 22nd Annual American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

Werman, S., (October 2016). Homeless Communities: Las Vegas Strip. Poster presented at The 2016 Annual University of Nevada, Las Vegas Undergraduate Research Fair, Las Vegas, NV.

Work Experience

Teaching Assistant

Tulane University

August 2019 - Current

New Orleans, LA

- Leading classes once per week
- Responding to student emails
- Grading assignments, quizzes and exams on Canvas
- Assisting in course design (rubrics, schedules, syllabi)

Courses include: Sociology of Race, Gender and Society, Criminology, Research Design, Modern Jewish History, Israel: Culture, Politics and History.

Research Assistant

Tulane University

August 2021 – Current

New Orleans, LA

- Conducting interviews
- Locating and organizing peer-reviewed research
- Discussing research with supervisor
- Sorting data

Teaching Assistant

Utah State University

August 2017 – August 2019

Logan, UT

- Grading assignments, quizzes and exams on Canvas
- Assisting in course design (rubrics, schedules, syllabi)
- Proctoring exams for undergraduate courses
- Gathering data for instructors
- Teaching undergraduates SPSS

Courses include: Sociology of Deviance, Intro to Sociology, Research Design, Quantitative Methods.

Orientation Leader

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

March, 2014 – July, 2016

Las Vegas, NV

- Leading new student orientation
- Giving campus tours
- Preparing presentations

Vendor

May, 2011 – April, 2013

Independent Contractor

Venice, CA

- Set up displays and handled cash payments
- Generated sales and interest for artist
- Built rapport with both local clients and tourists

Editor

October, 2011 – March, 2012

Freelance

Culver City, CA

- Assisted local author in editing a novel
- Met deadlines and worked within time constraints
- Edited novel for grammar and punctuation

Barista

Fall 2010

The Five Seventy Market

Boston, MA

- Created coffee drinks and juices
- Cashier responsibilities

Student Worker

September, 2008 – February, 2009

Office of Admissions – Bunker Hill Community College

Charlestown, MA

- Maintained student files
- Assisted in student registration
- Organized and alphabetized paperwork for student files
- Received phone calls and answered questions regarding admissions

Sailing Instructor

July 2003 – September 2010

Courageous Sailing Center

Charlestown, MA

- Instructed Sailing to youth, adults, and persons with disabilities.
- Performed general maintenance on boats
- Maintained CPR and First Aid certifications
- Sold club memberships to interested parties

Volunteer Experience

Society of Lightsaber Duelists, UNLV

Performed Lightsaber Duels for Charity

- Make-A-Wish Foundation
- Opportunity Village
- Discovery Children's Museum

Serving Hope

- Serving food and providing clothing to the homeless

DASH UNLV

- Creating lunches and serving them to the homeless

Noah's Animal House

- Walking dogs staying at a domestic violence shelter