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EDUCATION

- 1999-present Ph.D. in Sociology, Columbia University (anticipated April 2006)
 Dissertation: *The Boundaries of Conflict: narrative, violence, and displacement on the Italo-Yugoslav frontier*
 (Committee: Peter Bearman (Chair), Harrison White, Francesca Polletta)
- 1995-1997 Master of International Affairs in Economic and Political Development/Eastern European Studies, SIPA, Columbia University
- 1987 BA in English, Susquehanna University

FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS

- 2005 Reinhard Bendix Award for Best Graduate Student Paper, ASA Section on Comparative/Historical Sociology, "Narrative networks and the dynamics of ethnic conflict and conciliation"
- 2005 UN Memorial Scholarship, ASA Section on Peace, War and Social Conflict
- 2004 Inkeles Prize, annual award for excellence within doctoral program, Department of Sociology, Columbia University
- 2004-2005 Dwight D. Eisenhower/Clifford Roberts Dissertation Fellowship, Eisenhower Institute for World Affairs
- 2004 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Summer Travel Award, (Poreč, Croatia)
- 2003-present Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy Graduate Fellow
- 2003 Columbia University Center for Conflict Resolution Studies Summer Travel Award (Trieste, Italy)
- 2003, 2004 PepsiCo Fellowship for Field Research Spring Travel Award (Trieste, Italy and Poreč, Croatia)
- 2002 American Council for Learned Societies Summer Language Fellowship (Tempe, AZ)
- 2001-2004 Harriman Institute Junior Fellowship
- 2001 Smith-Richardson Summer Fellowship on War and Peace (Trieste, Italy and Pazin, Croatia)
- 2000 PepsiCo Fellowship for Summer Field Research (Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- 1999-2001 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Italian
- 1997 Republic of Cyprus Fellowship for Study of Institutions (Nicosia, Cyprus)
- 1995 Pew Charitable Trust Fellowship on Ethnic Conflict Resolution (Zagreb, Croatia)

PUBLICATIONS

“After the fighting: women’s rights and post-war governance by international actors.” Forthcoming in *Critical Half* 3(2).

Under review

“Narrative networks and the dynamics of ethnic conflict and conciliation” (*American Journal of Sociology*)

“Institution-building after conflict: emergent confidence or interpersonal trust?” (*Qualitative Sociology*)

“Erasing the Past: the impact of state policies and social relations on memories of violence in Yugoslavia” (edited volume *Agnology: The Cultural Production of Ignorance*)

“UN peacekeepers and the trafficking of women in conflict zones” (edited volume *History of Sexual Violence in Conflict Zones*)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2005 “Narrative networks and the dynamics of ethnic conflict and conciliation,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2004 “Conflicting Narratives and the Production of Silence,” Society for Comparative Research Graduate Student Retreat, San Diego, CA.
- 2003 “The development of narrative differences in Istria 1945-1995,” Contentious Politics and the Economic Opportunity Structure: Mediterranean Perspective. Rithemno, Crete.
- 2002 “Reconsidering Strong and Weak Ties: Observations on trust and social capital from Bosnia and Herzegovina,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2001 “‘It was always a very tolerant region’: Conflicting memories of violence in former-Yugoslavia,” Oral History Association Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Civil Society in Eastern Europe before 1989”
- “Women in War: changes in the perception of violence against women during conflict”
- “Erasing Women in Trieste: the loss of Istrian women’s accounts of victimization”

OTHER PROFESSIONAL WRITING

- *Evaluation of Municipal Governance in Bosnia*. OSCE Mission to Bosnia. Sept 2000.
- *Designing and Managing Projects: handbook for NGO project development and implementation*. UMCOR. July 1997.
- *Human Rights Weekly Report*. OSCE Mission to Bosnia. April 1998-Sept 1998; Aug 1996-March 1997.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (ACADEMIC)

- Fall 2005 Instructor, *Sociological Imagination*, Department of Sociology, Columbia University.
- 2004-2005 Program Assistant, Center for the Historical Social Sciences, Institute for Social and Economic Policy and Research, Columbia University.
- 2003 Research Assistant, Oral History project on reactions toward September 11 and religious values. Project led by Prof. David Sikkink, University of Notre Dame.
- 2002 Graduate Representative, Graduate Student Advisory Council, Columbia University.
- 2001-2004 Co-founder and Organizer, Historical Dynamics Workshop, Institute for Social and Economic Policy and Research, Columbia University.

SELECT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (NON-ACADEMIC)

Sept 1998-Sept 1999 *Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe's Mission to Bosnia*

Governance Department Director ▪ Designed and implemented governance program aimed at improving transparency, accountability and professionalism among local governments in Bosnia and Herzegovina ▪ managed budget of approximately \$1,000,000 per annum ▪ projects included assistance to municipal governments to improve budgeting and finance practices related to capital improvements, with a secondary focus on consensus-building and community participation ▪ developed and implemented Women in Governance project to foster women's coalition building across the Balkans and strengthen the role of women in all political levels in Bosnia.

April 1998-Sept 1998 *Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe's Mission to Bosnia*

Aug 1996-March 1997 *Senior Human Rights Officer* ▪ Authored the only publicly available human rights reports in Bosnia, including the *Human Rights Weekly Report* ▪ represented Human Rights Office at high-level meetings, including an address to the Secretary General of the United Nations in Geneva, briefings at the Office of the High Representative, and senior staff meetings within OSCE ▪ monitored elections and uncovered wide-spread manipulation of voters in Republika Srpska.

Sept 1993-Jan 1995 *USAID Eastern European Office of Urban Programs, Washington, D.C.*

Program Assistant ▪ Assisted in management of USAID Local Government programs in Czech Republic and Romania ▪ participated in developing, negotiating and implementing \$20 million loan and technical assistance program for development of a market-oriented municipal infrastructure finance system in the Czech Republic ▪ developed indicators to determine impact of projects in Eastern Europe and coordinated collection of data in the field.

Consultancies

Nov 2001

Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe's Mission to Bosnia

May-Sept 2000

Conducted impact and implementation evaluations of OSCE's local governance program in 20 Bosnian municipalities.

Oct 1997-April 1998 *United Nations Development Fund for Women. New York, NY*

Advised Eastern European and Asia/Pacific program managers on proposals submitted by NGOs for funding from the Trust Fund for the Elimination of Violence Against Women ▪ assisted local NGOs on project design, proposal writing and identification of evaluation criteria for improved project management ▪ evaluated existing projects for progress made toward implementing the Platform of Action and other mandates of the 4th World Conference on Women.

April 1997-July 1997 *UMCOR. New York, NY*

Managed Refugees Office's global assistance program, comprising more than 40 income-generating projects for refugees and displaced persons in 20 countries ▪ created management reference guide for global assistance program ▪ defined project review criteria for incoming projects ▪ conducted impact assessments of past and current projects.

Jan -April 1996

Church Avenue Merchants' Block Association. Brooklyn, NY

Lead a team in formulating and conducting a survey of Bosnian and Haitian refugees in New York to determine suitability for microenterprise development ▪ researched resettlement of Bosnian refugees in the US, including US foreign and domestic policy impacts, voluntary agency services.

RESEARCH AREAS

Political Sociology, Comparative/Historical Sociology, Conflict and Violence, Gender, Narrative, Social Network Analysis

TEACHING INTERESTS

Political Sociology, Social Theory, Comparative/Historical Sociology, Culture, Gender, Qualitative Methods, Social Conflict

LANGUAGES

Italian conversant on most topics without difficulty, reading, writing
Serbo-Croatian conversant on topics of research interest and daily needs
French reading

REFERENCES

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