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**Education**

Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology, University of Kansas. *Anticipated Completion ~ December 2015*

*Dissertation Title:* “Grassroots Resistance to the Keystone XL Pipeline in Nebraska.”

Through the analysis of 528 testimonies from national interest public hearings, intensive fieldwork, and interviews with opposition activists, including farmers and ranchers, this dissertation project attempts to understand how KXL supporters and opponents have framed the pipeline debate in Nebraska and examines some of the challenges of mobilizing rural communities. I have completed all seven of my substantive chapters and will defend in December 2015.

M.S., Sociology, University of Texas at San Antonio ~ 2008

*Masters Thesis:* “Negative Dialectics and the Politics of Hope: Theodor Adorno, Ernst Bloch and the Return of the Object.”

B.A., Sociology, University of Texas at San Antonio ~ 2005

**Teaching and Research Interests**

*Environmental Sociology • Collective Behavior/Social Movements • Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory • Cultural Sociology • Qualitative Methods*

**Awards and Honors**

2014 ~ Dissertation Fellowship, Sociology Department, University of Kansas

2007 ~ Most Outstanding Graduate Student, College of Liberal & Fine Arts, University of Texas at San Antonio

2007 ~ Mexico Center Educational Research Fellowship, University of Texas at San Antonio

**Articles in Process**

“Framing the KXL Debate in Nebraska” (*tentative submission November 15<sup>th</sup>, Mobilization*)

“Climate Change Attitudes in Rural Nebraska” (*tentative submission December 15<sup>th</sup>, Nature Climate Change*)

**Journal Articles**

Ordner, James P. “Review of *The Great Financial Crisis: Causes and Consequences* by John Bellamy Foster and Fred Magdoff.” Part of a suite of reviews published under the collective title “Mapping the Great Recession.” *New Political Science*, Vol. 33 (4), 2011, pp. 577-601.

Acevedo, Gabriel A., James Ordner and Mariam Thompson. 2010. "Narrative Inversion as a Tactical Framing Device: The Ideological Origins of the Nation of Islam," *Narrative Inquiry*, Vol. 20, 124-152.

Craft, Rachel, and James P. Ordner. 2010. "Interview with Colin Jerolmack." *Social Thought & Research*, 17-36.

Halley, Jeffrey A., and James P. Ordner. 2009. "Charisme et icône: le cas d'Obama" in Florent Gaudez, ed. *Figures de l'Altérité. Comment peut-on être Socio-anthropologue aujourd'hui ? Autour de Jean-Olivier Majastre*. Paris, l'Harmattan.

### **Book Chapters**

Halley, Jeffrey A., and James P. Ordner. 2009. "Obama as Charismatic Icon," in Bianca Maria Pirani and Ivan Varga, eds. *Acting Bodies in Social Networking*, Vol. 1, *The Body as Social Icon*. Lanham, MD: University Press of America.

### **Papers Presented**

"Grassroots Resistance to the KXL Pipeline in Nebraska." Annual meeting, American Sociological Association. Chicago ~ August 2015.

"The Keystone XL Pipeline and At-Risk Communities in Nebraska." Annual meeting, Midwest Sociological Society. Omaha ~ March 2014

"Unlikely Resistance: The Keystone XL Pipeline and At-Risk Communities in the Midwest" Annual meeting, Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago ~ March 2013

"Organizational Frames and the Zapatista Resistance Movement." Annual meeting, Midwest Sociological Society. St. Louis ~ March 2011

"Identity, Space and the Latino Experience." Annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association. Albuquerque ~ March 2008

"Framing Strategies and the Rise of the Nation of Islam: A Qualitative Discourse Analysis." Annual meeting, Southwestern Social Science Association. San Antonio ~ March 2007

### **Teaching Experience** (*teaching portfolio with evaluations available upon request*)

- ❖ Instructor, University of Kansas (full instructional responsibilities)

SOC 104 Introductory Sociology ~ Summer 2011/Summer 2012

SOC 310 Research Methods ~ Fall 2103/Spring 2014/Fall 2015

SOC 330 American Society ~ Summer 2013

SOC 385 Environmental Sociology ~ Spring 2016

GTA/Social Problems ~ Spring 2012

GTA/Introductory Sociology ~ Fall/Spring 2009-2012

- ❖ Instructor, University of Texas at San Antonio (full instructional responsibilities)

Introductory Sociology ~ Fall 2008/Spring 2000

## **Graduate Teaching Assistant and Graduate Research Assistant Experience**

### ❖ KU Graduate Teaching Assistant Experience

GTA/Social Problems ~ Spring 2012

GTA/Introductory Sociology ~ Fall/Spring 2009-2012

(responsibilities included leading multiple discussion groups, student performance evaluation, test design and grade-keeping).

### ❖ UTSA Graduate Research Assistant Experience

GRA/United Way of Texas Parent-School Partnership Evaluation~ Spring 2008

(conducted and transcribed interviews)

GRA/United Farm Workers in South Texas ~ Fall 2008

(transcribed interviews)

GRA/Framing Strategy and the Rise of the Nation of Islam ~ Spring 2007

(co-authored article on Nation of Islam framing strategies for *Narrative Inquiry*)

## **Disciplinary, Department and University Service**

KU Sociology Graduate Student Association [SGSA] Treasurer ~ 2011-2012

Annual Meeting Committee. Midwest Sociological Society. St. Louis ~ 2011

UTSA Graduate Student Academic Coordinator ~ 2006-2008

UTSA Graduate Student Representative, College of Liberal and Fine Arts ~ 2007

Editor: UTSA Sociology Department Alumni Newsletter ~ 2006-2007

Social Organizer: Southwest Social Science Association. San Antonio ~ 2006

## **Membership to Professional Organizations**

American Sociological Association (Environment and Technology)

Midwest Sociological Society

### ❖ References

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