“THE WORLD(S) OF ETHNOGRAPHY: CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES AND SOCIAL JUSTICE”

A CONFERENCE FOR GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH
HOSTED BY THE SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO
MARCH 14TH, 2015
Welcome,
The Department of Sociology at Loyola University is pleased to announce the 17th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference. This annual graduate student conference is hosted on a rotating basis by one of several Chicago-area Sociology departments, including DePaul University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Loyola University, Northern Illinois University, Northwestern University, University of Notre Dame, the University of Chicago, and University of Illinois at Chicago. The conference provides an opportunity for graduate students to share their ethnographic scholarship with one another and get feedback from faculty and other graduate students based in the Chicago area and beyond. This year’s conference will be held at Loyola University in Chicago, IL on March 14th, 2015.

Enjoy the conference.
Sincerely,

The 2015 Chicago Ethnography Conference Planning Committee

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Patricia Ticineto Clough is professor of Sociology and Women’s Studies at the Graduate Center and Queens College of the City University of New York. Among her publications is Autoaffection: Unconscious Thought in the Age of Teletechnology and editor of The Affective Turn: Theorizing the Social, (2007), co-editor of Beyond Biopolitics: Essays on the Governance of Life and Death (2011) and Intimacies, A New World of Relational Life (2013). Forthcoming is The End(s) of Measure: A Sociological Aesthetic about her work on big data and ethnographies in Corona, Queens NY where she grew up. Clough also is a practicing psychoanalyst in her third year of training.

Matthew W. Hughey, PhD is Associate Professor of Sociology and Affiliate Faculty in both the Africana Studies Institute and the American Studies Program at the University of Connecticut. He is the author of seven books, including the award winning ethnography, White Bound: Nationalists, Antiracists, and the Shared Meanings of Race (Stanford University Press, 2012). Professor Hughey was recently awarded the American Sociological Association’s Distinguished Early Career Award by the Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities.

Mary Jo Neitz is a professor of Women’s and Gender Studies at the University of Missouri in Columbia. She is a graduate of the University of Chicago. She is the author of Culture: Sociological Perspectives (with John Hall). She has done ethnographic work in several religious settings including Charismatic Catholics in Chicago suburbs, Witches in Colorado and Goddess Women in Wisconsin, and congregations in post-rural communities in Missouri. She has also written about feminist methodologies.
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### SESSIONS 1—4: 8:45AM - 10:15AM

**Session 1: Social Movements and Community Action**  
Mundelein 606

**“The Role of Cultural Matching in Micro-Mobilization”**  
Daniel Escher, *University of Notre Dame*

**“Rethinking Strategic Action through Civic Projects”**  
Amy Jonason, *University of Notre Dame*

**“Understanding the Situational Processes of Meaning-Making During Bystander-Activist Engagement”**  
Justin Van Ness, *University of Notre Dame*

DISCUSSANT: Kyle Woolley, *Loyola University Chicago*

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**Health, Illness, and Prevention**  
Sponsored by the School of Social Work  
Mundelein 520

**“An Ethnographic Study of Mental Health and Social Justice of Post Godhra Riot Victims”**  
Aswathy Viswambharan, *IIT Kanpur/ Indiana University*

**“Money, Morals, and Condom Use: A Comparison of Gay and Straight Adult Film Production”**  
David Schieber, *University of California, Los Angeles*

DISCUSSANT: Melissa M. Gesbeck, *Loyola University Chicago*
Session 3: International Migration and Experiences
Mundelein 616

“Formal Systems and Informal Assistance: Kachin Refugee Resettlement and Incorporation in Los Angeles”
Pei Palmgren, University of California, Los Angeles

Bradley Zopf, University of Illinois at Chicago

DISCUSSANT: Abu Bakarr Bah, Northern Illinois University

Session 4: Spotlight on Collaborative Qualitative Research
Sponsored by the Center for Urban Research and Learning at Loyola University Chicago
Mundelein 204

“Academic Resilience in Mexican American High School Students From Single Mother Households”
Daisy Tletenchi, Jennifer Juarez, Oscar Parada, and Carolina Calvillo, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: An Examination of Undocumented Mexican Female Factory Workers in Chicago”
Carolina Vázquez, Sheila Rueda, Lizbeth Mondragon and Emily Ruehs, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Struggles and Barriers of Undocumented Street Vendors: An Analysis of Chicago’s Street Vending Network”
Evelyn Sanchez, Maria Juarez, Samantha Almanza, and Max Cuddy, University of Illinois at Chicago

“LGBTQ Minority High School Athletes in Chicago: LGBTQ Student Athlete Experiences and Teammate Perceptions”
Emmanuel Navarro, Brandom Villa, and William Scarborough, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Fear and Resistance to College: Behavioral Factors in Mexican American Students Withdrawal from College”
Pamla Limon, Samuel Solano, Erick Hernandez, and Carolina Calvillo, University of Illinois at Chicago

DISCUSSANT: Brian Kelly, Loyola University Chicago
Session 5: Housing and Urban Inequality
Sponsored by the History Department
Mundelein 506

“In Segregated Integration: Racial Diversity in Neighborhood Spaces”
Gina Spitz, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*

“The Politics and Practice of 'Doing Nothing': Accounting for Default in Los Angeles Eviction Cases”
Kyle Nelson, *University of California, Los Angeles*

“Chicago Housing: Organizing Strategies Used to Gain Public Support for Public and Subsidized Housing Reform”
Cam Williams, *Loyola University Chicago*

DISCUSSANT: Kathleen Maas Weigert, *Loyola University Chicago*

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Session 6: Economics and Politics in a Changing World
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“In the Footsteps of Economic Anthropology. Trade As a Socio-Cultural Phenomenon in Post-Soviet Armenia”
Khoren Henrik Grigoryan, *Yerevan State University*

“Pacification of Rio’s Favelas and the 'Pacification of the Pacifying Police:' The Importance of Mediation in Community Policing”
Stefanie Israel, *University of Notre Dame*

Vontrese Deeds Pamphile, *Northwestern University*

“Solving the Denomination Problem: Liquidity, Relational Work and the Social Embeddedness of Small Money”
Dustin Stoltz, *University of Notre Dame*

“Market Development Agents, Inter-Industrial Networks, and the Creation of New Markets”
David Lubin, *University of Chicago*

DISCUSSANT: Paul-Brian McInerney, *University of Illinois at Chicago*
Session 7: Creating Community, Creating Change  
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“Sport as a Development Tool for Transformational Social Change: Constructing Theories of Change”
Leoni Baker, Loughborough University

“Mobile Home Parks: Neighborhoods of Stigma and Inequalities”
Katie Founds, University of Kentucky

“'Battered Boot Leather & Real Country Soul': Honky Tonk Night & the Case for 'Creative Consumption'”
Alessandra Lembo, University of Chicago

“Performing Reform: The Dual Function of 'Good Citizen' Narratives in Faith Based Community Organizing for Felon Rights”
Quintin Williams, Loyola University Chicago

DISCUSSANT: Talmadge Wright, Loyola University Chicago

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Session 8: Issues in Education and Schooling  
Sponsored by the School of Education  
Mundelein 406

”Belonging and Membership: Latina/o Students’ Interruption of Alienating Schooling”
Karina Chavarria, University of California, Los Angeles

“Traversing Space, Transforming Place: Mobilizing for Educational Change in the City of Brotherly Love”
Shana Riddick, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“Community as a Campus: Community-Driven Educational Transformation”
Ivis Garcia, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Making Model Citizens: Public School Police Academies as Strategies of State Governance”
Mai Thai, Indiana University - Bloomington

DISCUSSANT: May George, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Session 9: Gender
Sponsored by the Department of Women's Studies and Gender Studies
Mundelein 514

“Seasonal Masculinities: Being Men at the Intersection of the Environment and State Regulations”
Braden Leap, University of Missouri

“The Invisibility of Feeding Labor: The Case of the School Lunch Lady”
Ashley Vancil-Leap, University of Missouri

“The Semiotics of Vampires: an Intersectional Analysis of Gender, Sexuality and a Cultural Icon”
Angus O'Hara, DePaul University

“I’m a Farmer. And I’m Gay’: Gender Misrecognition at a Madison Farmers’ Market”
Jaclyn Wypler, University of Wisconsin – Madison

DISCUSSANT: Judy Wittner, Loyola University Chicago

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: 12:30PM - 02:00PM

“Ethnographers Listen”
Mary Jo Neitz, University of Missouri

SESSIONS 10-14: 02:15PM - 03:45PM

Session 10: Encountering Urban Poverty
Sponsored by the Center for Urban Research and Learning at Loyola University Chicago
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"Childcare Queens: Neoliberal Fantasy"
Anika Jones, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

“Becoming Homeless: Anticipation, Failure, and Identity Formation in a Suburban Chicago Shelter”
Melissa Osborne, University of Chicago

"Do They Choose to be Homeless?: Stories of Homeless People in Manila, the Philippines"
Boonlert Visetpricha, University of Wisconsin–Madison

DISCUSSANT: Christine George, CURL, Loyola University Chicago
Session 11: The Social Meets the Natural World
Mundelein 520

“Building, Dwelling, and the Politics of Circumvention: Sustainable and Off-Grid Housing”
Ryan Alan Sporer, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Special Needs Animals and Those Who Care for Them: Symbolic Interactionism, Identity, and Empathy”
Nathan Katz, Northern Illinois University

“Feeding Community through Urban Agriculture: Community Gardening and the Garden Market in Chicago”
Ellen Kang, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Working with Bacteria: the Human Body, Objects, and the Sterilized Network in a Food-Science Laboratory”
Tsai-Yen Han, Rutgers University

Session 12: Religious Identities and Embodiment
Mundelein 514

“Not Everyone Can Feel the Spirit: Towards a Sensory Sociology of Religious Experience.”
Beth Dougherty, Loyola University Chicago

“Hare Krishna Ontology: A Critical Analysis of 'Ruptures,' Materiality and their Effects on Devotees.”
Barkha Kagliwal, New School of Social Research

“Not Really Bourdieuian 'Habitus' but the Power of Training the Body: Practices of the Followers of Fakir Lalon Shah in Contemporary Bangladesh”
Mohammad Mozumder, University of Pittsburgh

DISCUSSANT: Rhys Williams, Loyola University Chicago
Session 13: Race, Ethnicity, Identity
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“Navigating Black and Gay: Collective Identity Making in a Youth Community Health Organization”
Terrell Winder, University of California, Los Angeles

“Negotiated Frenchness: Belonging and Identity in The French Suburbs”
Damian J. Peoples, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Writing (Precarious) Lives: Distance, Documentation, and Ethnographic Complicity in Northern Uganda”
Matthew Sebastian, Duke University

DISCUSSANT: Ayana Karanja, Loyola University Chicago

Session 14: Work, Occupations, and Labor Practices
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"The Importance of Countervailing Role Pressure and Reflective Engagement for Implementing Army Mental Health Reform"
Julia DiBenigno, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

“Life on Glass: the Fabrication and Translation of the Audience Commodity”
Michael Siciliano, University of California, Los Angeles

"Precarious Entertainment: Play, Flexibility, and Autonomy in a Los Angeles Restaurant." 
Eli Wilson, University of California, Los Angeles

DISCUSSANT: Judson G. Everitt, Loyola University Chicago

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: 04:00PM - 5:00PM

"Tales of sound and fury, signifying nothing, anything, or something? Contemporary Ethnography and the Place of Race and Racism"
Matthew W. Hughey, University of Connecticut

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: 05:15PM - 06:15PM

"From Ethnography to Performance: Toward a Post-Sociological Aesthetic"
Patricia Ticineto Clough, City University of New York

All conference attendees are cordially invited to join us in the Palm Court for a reception