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Education

- 2018– University of Kansas
Department of Sociology (PhD program) Lawrence, KS
- 2018 University of Kansas
M. A. Sociology. Lawrence, KS
- 2014 Whitworth University.
B.A. English, Studio Art. Spokane, WA. Summa Cum Laude.

Publications

- 2018 "Selling Seeds, Selling Communities: Re-Seeing Agronomy and Conventional Agricultural Seed Development and Exchange in Rural Kansas and Missouri." Thesis. University of Kansas. Lawrence, KS. 2018 (Embargoed until 2019)
- 2017 "Vital Seeds: An assemblage approach to seed production and ownership" *Environmental Justice in the Anthropocene Symposium*. Colorado State University. Ft. Collins, CO. Conference Paper. <https://hdl.handle.net/10217/183728>

Presentations

- 2018 "Thinking With Seeds and Seed Dealers: Exploring the Techno-Political Relations of Big-Ag Seed Sales in Rural Kansas & Missouri" *International Sociological Association World Congress*. Toronto, Canada.
- 2018 "The Distributed Farmer: (Re)Thinking Ownership, Autonomy, and Decision-Making in Precision Agriculture" *Midwestern Sociological Society*. Minneapolis, MN.
- 2017 "Vital Seeds: An assemblage approach to seed production and ownership" *Environmental Justice in the Anthropocene Symposium*. Colorado State University. Fort Collins, CO.

Awards and Honors

- 2018 Carrol D. Clark Award (\$500)
- 2018 Sociology Departmental Scholarship (\$1200)
- 2018 Graduate Studies Research Support Award (\$750)
- 2018 Morris C Pratt Award [for travel] (\$500)
- 2017-18 University Graduate Fellowship (\$31000)

2017-18 Warriner Fellowship In Sociology (\$2261)

Research Experience

2018– Graduate Research Assistant, Digital Inequalities in The Heartland (NSF Award Number: 1742815)—Institute for Policy and Social Research & Department of Sociology, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS

Pedagogical Experience

2018 Intern Researcher Mentor, Haskell Environmental Research Studies (HERS) Institute, Haskell Indian Nations University, Lawrence, KS.

2017 Instructor of Record, EVRN 171: Understanding Kansas Landscapes—Department of Environmental Studies, University of Kansas *Lawrence, KS.*

2016-17 Graduate Teaching Assistant, ANTH160/360: Varieties of the Human Experience Department of Anthropology, University of Kansas Lawrence, KS.

Professional Memberships

International Sociological Association, Food and Agriculture Research Committee (RC40).

Midwestern Sociological Society.