

KELLY C. SHARRON

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of Arizona, Gender & Women's Studies

Ph.D. 2019

Dissertation: "The Caring State: The Politics of Contradiction in Ferguson, Missouri"

Advisors: Drs. Miranda Joseph and Sallie Marston

University of Arizona, Gender & Women's Studies

M.A. 2014

Thesis: "Living in the Wake of Threat: Affective Communities and
Micropolitical Resistance"

University of Minnesota, Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies & Political Science

B.A. 2011

With honors, Summa cum laude

EMPLOYMENT

University of Kansas

Assistant Professor 2024- Present

Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Assistant Teaching Professor 2023- 2024

Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Sociology

Lecturer and Academic Program Associate 2022- 2023

Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Sociology

California State University, Long Beach

Lecturer 2018-2022

Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Sociology

Geography

University Honors Program

PUBLICATIONS

Textbook

Sharron, Kelly, Gupta H., Thomsen C., Weil, A. Eds. (2025) *Feminist Studies: An Introductory Reader*. Routledge.

Manuscripts

Sullivan, Nikki, Jarkowski, K., **Sharron, K.**, and Weil, A., *A Critical Introduction to Queer Theory Volume 2*. Edinburgh University Press. 2025.

Articles in Production

Sharron, Kelly. "The State's Use and Abuse of Care."

Sharron, Kelly and Weil, A. "Is it Subversive to be Sweet?: Chelsea Manning and DNA as Gendered Script."

Refereed Journal Articles

Sharron, Kelly. (2020). "Viral Capital and the Limits of Freedom." *TSQ: Transgender Studies Quarterly* 7, no. 4.

Sharron, Kelly., Freeman, K., & Weil, A. (2018). "Burn it Down: Abolition, Insurgent Political Praxis, and the Destruction of Decency." *Abolition: A Journal of Insurgent Politics* 1, no. 2.

Stevens, S., Andrade, R., Korchmaros, J., & **Sharron, K.** (2015). "Intergenerational Trauma Among Substance-Using Native American, Latina, and White Mothers Living in the Southwestern United States." *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*, 15(1), 6-24.

Invited Essays

Sharron, Kelly (forthcoming). "What is the State Without State Violence?: Exploring themes from the 13th." *Films for the Feminist Classroom* 12, no. 2.

Sharron, Kelly. (2023). "Probably Chelsea and the Unknown Shapes of DNA Phenotyping." *TSQ: Transgender Studies Quarterly* 10, no. 2.

Book Chapters

Sharron, Kelly. (forthcoming) "Women's Studies, Gender Studies: Institutional Approaches to Difference." *Women, "Failure" and Academia Post-2020*. Bloomsbury Press, Gender and Education Series.

Sharron, Kelly. (forthcoming) "A State of Contradictions." *Feminist Studies: Foundations, Conversations, Applications*. Routledge.

Sharron, Kelly, Thomsen, C., Weil, A. (forthcoming). "Feminist and Queer Parenting." *Queering Reproductive Justice*. University of California Press.

Sharron, Kelly, Freeman, K., & Weil, A. (2020). "Moving Through Flames: Toward an Insurgent Indecency." *Making Abolitionist Worlds: Proposals for a World on Fire*. Ed. Abolition Collective. Brooklyn: Common Notions.

Book Reviews

Sharron, Kelly. (2019). "Debilitation and Precarity: Debt and Care as Biopolitical Technologies."; as a part of the Roundtable Review: "The Right to Maim: Somatechnologies of Violence, Race, and Disability." *Somatechnics*, 9(2-3).

Sharron, Kelly & Weil, A. (2013). "Book Review: Somebody's Children." *The Feminist Wire*.

Public Scholarship & Teaching Materials

Sharron, Kelly. (2023). "[Trivia Time Podcast: Queering Reproductive Justice](#)."

Sharron, Kelly. (2023). "[Queering Reproductive Justice Escape Room](#)."

Sharron, Kelly. (2019). "What Was Once Queer." *Queering the Museum*. History Trust of South Australia.

GRANTS

Program and Research Grants

University of Kansas Research Intensive Course Grant	2023
CSULB Mini Grant and Summer Stipend	2022
Scholarly Intersections Grant, Authors Meets Readers: "Visibility Interrupted: Rural Queer Life and the Politics of Unbecoming" by Dr. Carly Thomsen, Middlebury College	2022
Scholarly Intersections Grant, "'How does it feel to be a problem?' The Problem of the Negro as a Problem for Gender."	2022
Queering Reproductive Justice,	2021
The Ron and Jessica Liebowitz Fund for Innovation	
Institute for LGBT Studies, University of Arizona, Mini-Grant	2015

Travel Grants

American Studies Association Solidarity Grant	2022
American Studies Association Travel Award	2017
Graduate and Professional Student Council Award	2017
Women's Studies Advocacy Council Travel Award	2017
American Studies Association Travel Award	2016
Cultural Studies Association Travel Award	2016
American Studies Association Travel Award	2015
Graduate and Professional Student Council Award	2015
Women's Studies Advocacy Council Travel Award	2013
National Women's Studies Association Travel Award	2013

AWARDS AND HONORS

Graduate College Fellowship	2016
PFLAG/Alliance Fund Scholarship	2015
Women's Plaza of Honor Fellowship	2014
Women's Plaza of Honor Fellowship	2013

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY/PARTICIPATION

Panels Organized

"In the Company of Radical Women Writers: Author Meets Readers," American Studies Association, 2023

"Previewing *Feminist Studies: Foundations, Conversations, Applications*," National Women's Studies Association, 2022

"Jumping Scales and Evading Capture: Transnational Feminism Against Capitalism and the State," National Women's Studies Association, 2021

"Embodied Debt: Time Poverty, Ecologies of Devastation, and Capital Accumulation," American Studies Association, 2019

"Creative Resistance: Visual Cultures as Political Cultures," American Studies Association, 2018

"Dwelling within Misery: Capital, Affect, and Social Movement(s)," American Studies Association, 2016

Papers Presented

"Representing Chelsea Manning: DNA Phenotyping and Biopolitical Techniques," International Trans Studies Conference, 2024

"Cruising Gayer Frontiers: Space and Social Reproduction," American Studies Association, 2022

"'Is it Subversive to be Sweet?': Chelsea Manning and DNA as Gendered Script," National Women's Studies Association, 2021

"Military Imperialism, 'Megacities,' and the Dissolution of Civilian Space: U.S. Army Training and Global Warfare," National Women's Studies Association, 2021

"Fully Automated Luxury Gay Space Communism," Constructing the New Social Compact: A Public Forum on Empowering the Post-Pandemic Working Class, Kalmanovitz Initiative for Labor and the Working Poor at Georgetown University, 2021

"*American Monument* and the Tension of Institutionalized Resistance," American Association of Geographers, 2019

"Ferguson-Informed Pedagogies and Campus Activism," National Women's Studies Association, 2018

"Remembering Ferguson Amidst Emergency: A Look at a Retrospective Account One Year Later," American Studies Association, 2018

"'The Post-Ferguson Effect': Teaching Against (and Alongside) Systemic Racism," American Studies Association, 2017

"The Implications and Enforcement of Race, Space, and Place in Ferguson, Missouri," American Association of Geographers, 2017

"Ferguson, Missouri: The legislation and enforcement of race, place, and home," American Studies Association, 2016

"Remembering Ferguson: A Look at Retrospective Accounts One Year Later," Cultural Studies Association, 2016

"Media Representations and Retrospectives of Ferguson," New Directions Graduate Conference, University of Arizona, 2016

"Policing Under Attack: Affective State Formations and Insidious Practices within Uprisings," American Studies Association, 2015

"Affects as Weapons: The Potentials for Psychical and Affective Resistance to State and Capitalist Modes of Power," Open Embodiments: Locating Somatechnics in Tucson, 2015

"Health, Opportunity, Mothering, and Family Loss Disparities Experienced by Substance Using Native American Women Living in Southwest United States," American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences, 2014

"Traumatic Excess: The Taboo of the Leaky Monster," National Women's Studies Association, 2013

Discussant and/or Moderator

"Teaching with a Textbook: A Pedagogical Workshop," National Women's Studies Association, 2024

"In the Company of Radical Women Writers: Author Meets Readers," American Studies Association, 2023

"Previewing *Feminist Studies: Foundations, Conversations, Applications*," National Women's Studies Association, 2022

"Abortion Justice Post-Roe: What We Can Do and How We Can Do It," National Women's Studies Association, 2022

"Visibility Interrupted: Rural Queer Life and the Politics of Unbecoming: Author Meets Readers," American Studies Association, 2022

"Embodied Debt: Time Poverty, Ecologies of Devastation, and Capital Accumulation," American Studies Association, 2019

"Theoretical Interventions," Open Embodiments: Locating Somatechnics in Tucson, 2015

CAMPUS OR DEPARTMENTAL TALKS

University of Kansas
Red Hot Research, 2023

California State University, Long Beach
Panelist, Reproductive Access, Rights, and Texas Abortion Law, 2021
"What is the State without State Violence," #ScholarStrike Teach-In, 2020

University of Arizona
"What is Queer Now?" Opening Remarks, Queer(ing) Arizona: A Graduate Student Conference, University of Arizona, 2016
Public Master's Defense, Gender and Women's Studies, University of Arizona, 2014
"Trauma as a Point of Departure and Encounter: Grief, Affect and Social Movements," Deep Dish Lecture Series, University of Arizona LGBT Institute, 2014

INVITED TALKS

"LGBTQ+ Care Advocacy: Then & Now," University of California Irvine School of Medicine, October 12, 2022.
Panelist, "Black Lives Matter: Policing and the Campus Community," Falcons Rising at Cerritos College, October 29, 2020.

INVITED WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

"Trivia Time Live: Feminist Trivia," trivia pedagogical event, Middlebury College, November 27, 2023.
"Trivia Time Live: Feminist Approaches to Labor," recorded podcast with students, November 2023.
"Production and Reproduction: Forests, Moss, and Fungi," co-facilitated workshop with Dr. Abraham Weil, part of the Gensler Symposium series, "Performing Feminist Joy," Middlebury College, May 14, 2023.
"Trivia Time Live: Queering Reproductive Justice," trivia pedagogical event, Middlebury College, May 15, 2023.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Kansas
Assistant Teaching Professor

Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Introduction to Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (2022-2024)
Feminism and Social Change (2022-2023)

Doing Feminist Research (2023-2024)

Sociology

Competing Perspectives on Crime and Deviance (2022-2024)

Gender and Society (2023-2024)

Self and Society (2022)

Thesis Mentorship and Independent Studies

Breanna Standley (Spring and Fall 2024)

Undergraduate Thesis Committees

Merial Salisbury (Spring 2024)

California State University, Long Beach

Lecturer

Women's Gender, and Sexuality Studies

Gender, Race, Sex, and the Body (2018-2022)

Feminist Theory (2018-2022)

Intersectionality (2021)

US Women and the Economy (2019-2020)

Designed and approved by CSULB, but not taught:

Feminist Politics of Abolition

University Honors Program

University Honors Program Seminar (2019-2022)

Sociology

Critical Criminology (2020-2021)

AIDS and Society (2020-2021)

Geography

Gender Place and Culture (2022)

Pedagogical Trainings (facilitator)

Making Online Classes Engaging for Everyone (KU Teaching Summit, 2024)

Pedagogical Trainings (attendee)

Course Design Institute (KU Center for Teaching Excellence, 2024)

Applying the Quality Matters Rubric (Quality Matters, 2021)

Quality Matters Peer Review (Quality Matters, 2021)

Hyflex and Hybrid Instructional Techniques (CSULB Faculty Center,

2021)

Quality Essentials 1 (CSULB Faculty Center, 2020)

Quality Essentials 2 (CSULB Faculty Center, 2020)

Champ Camp (CSULB Faculty Center, 2020)

Go Virtual Symposium (CSULB Faculty Center, 2020)

University of Arizona

Instructor of Record

Sex, Health, and AIDS (Winter 2017, Summer 2017, Summer 2016, Summer 2015)

Gender, Culture, and Capitalism (Fall 2017)

Women and Western Culture (Spring 2017, Winter 2015)

Sex, Gender, and Technology (Winter 2016)

Gender in a Transnational World (Fall 2016)

Teaching Assistant

What is Politics?, to Drs. Noam Chomsky and Marv Waterstone (Spring 2018)

Sex, Health, and AIDS, to Dr. William Simmons (Spring 2016, Spring 2015)

Feminist Interpretations of Health, to Dr. Adam Geary (Fall 2015)

Technology and Society, to Dr. Jennifer Croissant (Fall 2014)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Arizona

Research Assistant

Southwest Institute for Research on Women (2013-2014)

To Dr. Monica Casper (Fall 2012)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Quality Matters Peer Reviewer

Quality Matters (2021-present)

Conference Submission Reviewer

National Women's Studies Association (2020)

Journal Manuscript Reviewer

Online Journal of Rural Research & Policy (2024)

American Studies with American Studies International (2024)

Transgender Studies Quarterly (2019-present)

Awards Committee Reviewer

Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Awards (2015-2017)

DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Kansas

Sociology Undergraduate Studies Committee (2022-Present)

Alpha Kappa Delta/Undergraduate Sociology Association Faculty Advisor (2022-Present)

California State University, Long Beach

College of Liberal Arts Steering Committee (2021-2022)

Course Peer Reviewer (2021-2022)

Reviewer, University Honors Program and President's Scholarship (2020-2021)

Interdisciplinary Public Square (2020)

Panel Moderator, Fueling Feminist Futures Undergraduate Research Conference (2020)

Chair, University Honors Thesis Symposium (2019)

Facilitator, OUTober series (Fall 2019)

University of Arizona**Graduate Representative**

Gender and Women's Studies Curriculum Committee (2016-2017)

Gender and Women's Studies Graduate and Admissions Committee (2015)

Gender and Women's Studies Head Selection Committee (2015)

Gender and Women's Studies Faculty Committee (2012-2013)

Organizing Committee

Queer(ing) Arizona: A Graduate Student Conference (2016)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Geographers

American Studies Association

Association for Political Theorists

Cultural Studies Association

National Women's Studies Association

Women's Studies Advocacy Council