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Current Position

Associate Professor of Sociology & Director of the Community Leadership Program 2014-present

Department of Sociology, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI

- Director of the Community Leadership Program, \$1 million endowed program
- Advisor of 50 undergraduate sociology and community leadership majors and minors
- Manager of distribution of \$30,000 of community leadership scholarships yearly
- Co-leader of the Sociology Engaged Department Initiative Grant for Curriculum Revision
- Teaching urban, environmental, and cultural sociology
- Researching neoliberalism, urban sustainability, and subcultures

Director of the Ireland Study Abroad Semester Spring 2018

-Leading 17 students in Tully Cross, Ireland, Budget manager, Teaching “IR 310: Ireland, Sustainability and Environmental Justice”

Previous Positions

Assistant Professor of Sociology 2012-2014

Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Florida State College, Jacksonville, FL

- Taught urban, environmental, and cultural sociology
- Research on neoliberalism, urban sustainability, and subcultures

Instructor 2013 summer

Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

- Taught 125 student lecture course *Sex, Race, and Social Class*

Lecturer and Undergraduate Sociology Major Advisor 2002-2012

Department of Sociology, DePaul University, Chicago, IL

- Taught urban, environmental, and cultural sociology
- Research on neoliberalism, urban sustainability, and subcultures
- Advised 125 undergraduate sociology majors

Teaching Assistant and Lecturer 2005-2011

Urban Studies Program, University Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

- Taught urban, environmental, and cultural studies
- Research on urban sustainability and urban cultures

Instructor 2005-2008

Department of Sociology, Madison Area Technical College, Madison, WI

- Taught introductory sociology courses

Instructor 2005-2007

Department of Sociology, Blackhawk Technical College, Janesville, WI

- Taught introductory sociology courses
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Education

Ph.D., Urban Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, 2012

Preliminary exam topics: Urban Sustainability, Socio-Spatial Exclusion, Cities in Popular Culture

Dissertation: *The Popularization of Sustainable Urban Development: Chicago,*

Vancouver, and Marketing Environmental and Spatial Justice in an Era of Neoliberalism

Supervisor: Dr. Joe Austin

Master of Arts, Sociology, DePaul University, Chicago, IL, June 2002

MA thesis: *From Subcultures to Social Movements: Hardcore Punk and the Globalization of Anti-Capitalist Movement*

Supervisor: Dr. Richard Schaefer

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology Major, English Minor (Professional Writing Focus)

DePaul University, Chicago, IL, June 2001

Achievements: Dean's list; Alpha Kappa Delta (International Sociological Honor Society)

Certified Human Rights Trainer, Certified Grant Writer

Research Interests and Publications

Urban, Environmental, and Cultural Sociology

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Lorr, Michael. 2018. "Pure Michigan Beer? Tourism, Craft Breweries, and Sustainability" in *Craft Beverages and Tourism, Volume 2: Environmental, Societal, and Marketing Implications* edited by Carol Kline, Susan Slocum, Christina Cavaliere. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Hague, Euan, Michael Lorr, and Carolina Sternberg. 2017. "Introduction-Chicago: Neoliberal City" pgs. 1-13 in *Neoliberal Chicago* edited by Larry Bennett, Roberta Garner, and Euan Hague. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.
- Lorr, Michael. 2017. "Urban Sustainability and the Greening of Neoliberal Chicago" Chapter 4 pgs. 99-118 in *Neoliberal Chicago* edited by Euan Hague, Larry Bennett, and Roberta Garner. Urbana-Champaign: University of Illinois Press.
- Lorr, Michael. 2016. "Greening Lifestyles, Homes, and Urban Infrastructure in Chicago, IL, and Jacksonville, FL" in *The Greening of Everyday Life: Challenging Practices, Imagining Possibilities* edited by John Meyer and Jens Kersten. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Lorr, Michael. 2016. "Skateboarding as a Technology of the Collective: Kona Skate Park, Jacksonville, Florida, U.S.A." Chapter 10 pgs. 139-152 in *Skateboarding: Subculture, Sites, and Shifts* edited by Kara-Jane Lombard, Curtin University Australia. Routledge: London.
- Hancock, Black Hawk and Lorr, Michael. 2013. "More than Just a Soundtrack: Toward a Technology of the Collective in Hardcore Punk." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* June 42: 320-346.
- Lorr, Michael. 2012. "Defining Urban Sustainability in the Context of North American Cities." *Nature & Culture* Spring 7:1.
- Garner, Roberta; Bootcheck, Judith; Lorr, Michael; and Rauch, Kathryn. 2006. "The Adolescent Society Revisited: Cultures, Crowds, and Status Structures in Secondary Schools." *The Journal of Youth and Adolescence* 35:6 1023-1035.
- Lorr, Michael. 2005. "Skateboarding and the X-gamer phenomenon: A Case of Subcultural Cooptation." *Humanity and Society* 29:2 140-147.

Other Sociological Publications

- Lorr, Michael J. 2017. "Ask the Expert: Chapter 1: The Sociological Perspective - Everyday Applications." In *Sociological You: NextGen Introductory Sociology*. Thompson, Angela and Keith Whitworth. Fort Worth, TX: United Instructors and Textbook Authors Co-op. Retrieved Feb. 13, 2017 (http://sociologicalyou.com/ask_expert/michael/).
- Lorr, Michael. 2007. "On the Nature of Resistance: The Chicago Hardcore Punk Scene and Levels of Opposition to the Dominant Culture." *E.Polis: An Online Student Journal of Urban Studies*. 1:Spring. <http://www.uwm.edu/~jmh/ejournal.htm>
- Lorr, Michael. 2002. "In the Trenches: A Graduate Student's Perspective of Placement: What Will My 'End-Use' Be?" published in *The Proceedings* by the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools, Chicago, Illinois. Page 62-66.
- Lorr, Michael. 2001. "Skateboarding and 'the X-gamer phenomenon': Connections between Subcultures, Pop Culture Trends, and the loss of meaningful forms of Resistance." *The Broadview Guide to Writing 2/e*. <http://www.broadviewpress.com/writing/PdfFiles/Skateboarding.pdf>

Book Reviews

- Lorr, Michael. Expected 2018. *Routledge Handbook of Graffiti and Street Art*, edited by **Jeffrey Ian Ross**. London, England: Routledge, 2016. 491pp. \$225.00. hardcover. ISBN: 9781138792937. *The Social Science Journal*.
- Lorr, Michael. 2016. *Young Homeless People and Urban Space: Fixed in Mobility*, by **Emma Jackson**. New York, NY: Routledge, 2015. 157pp. \$145.00 cloth. ISBN: 978-0-415-72216-2. *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 45:5 614-615.
- Lorr, Michael. 2008. *Body & Soul: Notebooks of an Apprentice Boxer*, by **Loic Wacquant**. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006. 288pp. \$21.95 paperback. "Towards a Carnal Sociology, Towards a Carnal Urban Studies?" *E.Polis: An Online Student Journal of Urban Studies*. 2:Spring. <http://www.uwm.edu/~jmh/ejournal.htm>

Manuscripts in Progress

The Shape of Cities to Come book project.

Chicago Punk: Embodying Culture by Engaging Music book project.

Presentations at Professional Meetings

- Urban to Rural Sustainability Interchanges*. 2017 Interchanges: The Third Annual Transatlantic Conference on Education, Research, and Community Engagement, Tully Cross, Ireland.
- (Im)Pure Michigan: Craft Beer, Sustainability, and Water Pollution*. The 2016 annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL.
- Institutionalized Greenwashing? Valorizing Business in Grand Rapids, MI Sustainable Development*. Social Institutions and Sustainability Symposium 2015 Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.
- A Concise History of the CL Program at Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI*. 2015 Interchanges: The Inaugural Transatlantic Conference on Education, Research, and Community Engagement, Tully Cross, Ireland.
- Awkward: (Mis)Recognizing Your Position as a Researcher*. The 2015 annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Kansas City, MO.
- Hancock, Black Hawk and Lorr, Michael. *More Than Just a Soundtrack: Towards a Technology of the Collective in Hardcore Punk*. The 2014 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. Regular Session. Cultural Studies 1: Identity in Action: Music, Religion, and the Everyday. Session organizer Timothy J. Dowd.
- “Greening Homes and Everyday Lifestyles in an Age of Post-Democracy” chapter for the Rachel Carson Center’s *The Greening of Everyday Life* 2014 seminar at LMU Munich and book project edited by Jens Kersten, LMU Munich and John Meyer, Humboldt State University.
- The Incomplete Streets of Jacksonville*. The 2014 meeting of the International Planning History Society, University of Florida and Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida.
- Greening Jacksonville, FL: Is a Sustainable South Possible?* The 2013 annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, Illinois.
- Building “Green Homes” and Sustainable Neighborhoods in Chicago, Illinois and Vancouver, British Columbia*. The 2012 annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- The Social Construction of Sustainable Housing in Vancouver*. The 2010 Urban History Association’s 5th Biennial Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Producing and Consuming Housing Sustainability: Perceptions of Vancouver’s Sustainable Housing*. The 2010 annual Urban Studies Forum, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.
- Producing and Consuming Housing Sustainability: Perceptions of Chicago’s Sustainable Housing*. The 2009 annual meeting of the Illinois Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.
- The Social Construction of Sustainable Housing in Chicago*. The 2009 annual meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Chicago, IL.
- Urban Sustainability: A Spectrum and Analysis of Multiple Definitions*. The 2008 annual Urban Studies Forum, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.
- Colorblind Vacations: Tourism as a Practice of White Supremacy*. The 2007 annual Urban Studies Forum, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.
- Dave Chapelle’s Show: Developing an Anti-Racist Comedy?* The 2006 annual Urban Studies Forum, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.
- Being a Punk Rock Sell Out: The Autonomous Potential of Punk and Economic Logic Turned Upside Down*. The 2003 annual meeting of the Illinois Sociological Association, DePaul University, Chicago.
- Spatial Conflict and Cultural Divides: Soccer, Skateboarding, and Basketball in a YMCA*. The 2003 Fifth Annual Ethnography Conference, DePaul University, Chicago.
- From Subcultures to Social Movements: Hardcore Punk and the Globalization of Anti-Capitalist Movement*. The 2002 annual meeting of the Association for Humanist Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin.
- Warning Against the Apocalypse and Praising the Utopia: The Destruction-Creation-Destruction Function of Community in Social Theory*. The 2002 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association student roundtable session Chicago, Illinois.
- In the Trenches: A Graduate Student’s Perspective of Placement: What Will My “End-Use” Be?* The 2002 annual meeting of the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools, Chicago, Illinois.
- Hardcore Punk in Chicago: A Movement to End Sexist Oppression (or is it?)*. The 2002 Fourth Annual Ethnography Conference, Illinois Institute of Technology of Chicago.

Clique Structures and Images of the Popular Crowd: Findings from a multi-school Survey. The 2001 annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, St. Louis, Missouri.
High School: The War that is Waged in and Out of the Classroom. The 2001 Third Annual Ethnography Conference, Loyola University of Chicago.

Public Presentations

Invited speaker at Social Sciences Research Center National University Ireland Galway April 20, 2018 presentation title: "Cultivating Interchanges for Rural/Urban Ireland: Sustainable Development Goals & Social Justice."

Invited panelist/discussant to promote interdisciplinary dialogue at Aquinas College "Lightning Talks" March 17, 2016. Topic: "What are the connections between sociology and community leadership?"

Invited panelist to offer remarks on community engagement at Michigan Capital Area Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration November 13, 2015. Topic: "Education: Strategies for Developing Talent and Retention."

Invited speaker to offer remarks for a best practices in collaboration ESD forum via Skype for the UNRCE Saskatchewan, Canada May 6, 2015; Topic: "The challenges of organizing regional centers of expertise of education for sustainable development."

Invited panelist, Aquinas college campus sustainability events lunchtime discussion: "What is Sustainability?" Grand Rapids, MI February 27, 2015.

Professional development presentation addressing gender discrimination in the South and in higher education Jacksonville, FL April 24, 2014.

Interviewed by host Melissa Ross on *First Coast Connect*; WJCT community supported public radio Jacksonville, FL March 14, 2013; Topic: "Hardcore punk is more than just a soundtrack?"

Service to Field and Discipline

Midwest Sociological Society Publications Committee Member. 2014-2018.

AKD Sociological Honor Society Aquinas Sociology Department Chapter Representative 2015-present.

"Exploring Sustainability: From Farms, to Breweries, to Universities." Paper session presider/discussant. 2016. Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL.

"Reflecting on the field: Using Feminist Reflexivity to Create a Better Sociology." Paper session presider/discussant. 2015. Midwest Sociological Society, Kansas City, MO.

Peer review referee for *Qualitative Sociology* 2014-2015.

Peer review referee for *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 2014-2015.

Peer review referee for Wiley Blackwell *Introduction to Cities* Paulsen et. al. textbook. 2014.

"Cities and Neighborhoods Left Behind?" Paper session organizer/presider/discussant. 2014. Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE.

Peer review referee for *Nature & Culture* 2012-2013.

Co-editor of articles for *E-polis*, online UW-Milwaukee Urban Studies Program Journal 2006-2008.

Teaching Interests and Experience

Urban Studies, Culture and Media, Sustainability and Environmental Studies, Social Theory, Qualitative and Quantitative Methods, Community-Based Service-Learning Courses, Study Abroad Courses

2017-2018 CL 100: *Introduction to Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 SY 105: *Sociological Preparatory Course*, Aquinas College
 SY 291: *History of Sociological Thought*, Aquinas College
 IR 310 (SY/CL 209): *Ireland, Sustainability, and Environmental Justice (study abroad)*, Aquinas College in Tully Cross, Ireland
 SY/CL 396: *Practicum in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 SY 399: *Independent Project in Sociology*, Aquinas College
 Civic Engagement for Sustainability in Grand Rapids: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Aquinas College

- 2016-2017 CL 100: *Introduction to Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 SY 105: *Sociological Preparatory Course*, Aquinas College
 SY 208: *Media & Society*, Aquinas College
 SY 302: *Community Sociology*, Aquinas College
 SY/CL 396: *Practicum in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 CL 400: *Community Leadership Capstone Seminar*, Aquinas College
- 2015-2016 SY 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, Aquinas College
 CL 100: *Introduction to Community Leadership*, 2 sections, Aquinas College
 CL 201: *Leadership for Social Change Living Learning Community*, Aquinas College
 SY/CL 396: *Practicum in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 CL 398: *Readings in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 CL 399: *Independent Project in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 CL 400: *Community Leadership Capstone Seminar*, Aquinas College
- 2014-2015 SY 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, Aquinas College
 SY 302: *Community Sociology*, Aquinas College
 SY 397: *Field Experience in Sociology*, Aquinas College
 CL 100: *Introduction to Community Leadership*, 2 sections, Aquinas College
 CL 201: *Leadership for Social Change Living Learning Community*, Aquinas College
 SY/CL 396: *Practicum in Community Leadership*, Aquinas College
 CL 399: *Independent Project in Community Leadership*, 2 sections, Aquinas College
 CL 400: *Community Leadership Capstone Seminar*, 2 sections, Aquinas College
- 2013-2014 SYG 2000: *Introductory Sociology*, 5 sections, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
 SYG 2000: *Introductory Sociology*, 2 sections, **(Online Courses)**, FSCJ
 SYG 2010: *Social Problems*, 2 sections, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
 SYG 2430: *Marriage and Family*, 1 section, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
- 2012-2013 SYG 2013: *Sex, Race, and Social Class*, 1 section, University of North Florida
 SYG 2000: *Introductory Sociology*, 8 sections, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
 SYG 2010: *Social Problems*, 1 section, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
 SYG 2430: *Marriage and Family*, 2 sections, **(Community Service Learning)**, FSCJ
- 2011-2012 SOC 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, 2 sections, DePaul University
 LSP 112: *Green Chicago*, DePaul University
 SOC 232: *Global Cities*, DePaul University
 SOC 280: *Mass Media and Culture*, DePaul University
 SOC 331: *Sociological Theory*, DePaul University
- 2010-2011 SOC 331: *Sociological Theory*, DePaul University
 USP 360: *Global Cities*, **(Online Course)**, UW-Milwaukee
 SOC 390: *Environmental Sociology*, DePaul University
 LSP 112: *Green Chicago*, DePaul University
 USP 360: *Green Cities and Environmental Justice*, **(Online Course)**, UW-Milwaukee
 SOC 232: *Global Cities*, DePaul University
 SOC 280: *Mass Media and Culture*, DePaul University
- 2009-2010 USP 360: *Cities in Popular Culture*, **(Online Course)**, UW-Milwaukee
 LSP 112: *Green Chicago*, DePaul University
 SOC 452: *Modernity, Globalization, and Social Theories*, **(Graduate Seminar)**, DePaul University
 SOC 232: *Global Cities*, 2 sections, DePaul University
 USP 360: *Green Cities and Environmental Justice*, **(Online Course)**, UW-Milwaukee
- 2008-2009 SOC 232: *Global Cities*, DePaul University

- USP 360: *Cities in Popular Culture*, 2 sections, (**Online Course**), UW-Milwaukee
 SOC 423: *Research on Urban Cultures*, (**Graduate Seminar**), DePaul University
 LSP 111: *Prison and Education*, (**Community Service Learning**), DePaul University
- 2007-2008 USP 250: *Exploring the Urban Environment*, 2 sections, UW-Milwaukee
 LSP 112: *Prison and Education*, (**Community Service Learning**), DePaul University
 LSP 100: *Contemporary American Society*, Madison Area Technical College
- 2006-2007 USP 250: *Exploring the Urban Environment*, 2 sections, UW-Milwaukee
 LSP 111: *Prison and Education*, (**Community Service Learning**), DePaul University
- 2005-2006 USP 250: *Exploring the Urban Environment*, 2 sections, UW-Milwaukee
 LSP 112: *Prison and Education*, (**Community Service Learning**), DePaul University
- 2004-2005 LSP 100: *Contemporary American Society*, Madison Area Technical College
 SOC 105: *Social Problems*, Madison Area Technical College
 SOC 280: *Mass Media and Culture*, DePaul University
 LSP 112: *Prison and Education*, (**Community Service Learning**), DePaul University
 SOC 399: *Prison Tutoring as Liberation Sociology*, (**Independent Study**), DePaul University
 SOC 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, 2 sections, DePaul University and Blackhawk Technical College
 SOC 217: *The World of Work*, DePaul University
 SOC 203/LSP 200: *Racial and Ethnic Relations*, 2 sections, DePaul University
- 2003-2004 SOC 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, DePaul University
 SOC 217: *The World of Work*, 2 sections, DePaul University
 SOC 280: *Mass Media and Culture*, 2 sections, DePaul University
 SOC 399: *The Media and the Iraq War*, (**Independent Study**), DePaul University
 SOC 203/LSP 200: *Racial and Ethnic Relations*, DePaul University
 SOC 105: *Social Problems*, 3 sections, DePaul University
- 2002-2003 SOC 203: *Racial and Ethnic Relations*, DePaul University
 SOC 105: *Social Problems*, 5 sections, DePaul University
 SOC 217: *The World of Work*, DePaul University
- 2001-2002 Teaching Assistant to Dr. Roberta Garner, SOC 379: *Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences*, 3 sections, DePaul University

Awards

2017. Nominated for the Young Non-Profit Professionals Network of Grand Rapids Good-to-Great Leadership Award.
2015. Nominated by multiple students for the Aquinas College Outstanding Teaching Award.
2010. Graduate School Graduate Student Travel Award. University Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
2009. Urban Studies Dissertation Research Grant Award. University Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
2005. Chancellor's Graduate Student Award. University Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
- 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010. Nominated by Urban Studies Program for university-wide Graduate School Fellowship.
2002. *Earth First! as an INGO: Radical Environmentalism, Global Civil Society, and Governance (or the lack of?)*. Society for the Study of Social Problems Environment and Technology Division. **2nd place paper** Chicago, IL.
2001. *Resistance: the Chicago Hardcore Scene and Levels of Opposition to the Dominant Culture*. Illinois Sociological Association. **1st place paper** Rockford, IL.

College Service, Positions Held, Professional Association Memberships

Aquinas College Service/Leadership

Committee on Assessment 2017-present
Institutional Review Board Alternate 2017-present
Academic Master Planning Committee 2015-2017
Diversity Advisory Council 2015-present
Women's Studies Advisory Council 2015-present
Community Leadership Advisory Board, Chair 2014-present
Faculty sponsor/supervisor of the community leadership club 2014-present

Florida State College at Jacksonville Service/Leadership

Faculty Senator 2013-2014
Co-faculty sponsor/supervisor of the Soc/Anthro Student Club 2012-2014
Co-organizer of the monthly interdisciplinary dialogue series 2012-2014
Campus Representative to the executive committee for United Faculty of Florida 2013-2014

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Urban Studies Representative for the Milwaukee Graduate Assistants Association 2006-2007

Community Service/Leadership

Grand Rapids Mayoral/United Nations Education for Sustainable Development Regional Center of Expertise Representative 2015-present
Arbor Circle Ambassador's Circle 2015-present
West Michigan Environmental Action Council IDEAL advisory board 2015-present

Professional Associations

American Sociological Association
Midwest Sociological Association

References

Available upon request