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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of California Davis, Sociology, 2022
Examination Fields: Gender and Sexualities, Work and Occupations
Outsourced Exclusion: The Reproduction of Gender and Sexual Inequality in the Contemporary US Military (Vicki Smith, Chair)
- M.A. Texas State University, Sociology, 2013
B.A. University of Iowa, English, 2006

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2022 – 2023 Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis
2022 - Lecturer, Department of Sociology, California State University-Sacramento

RESEARCH AREAS

Theory • Social Psychology/Symbolic Interactionism • Gender & Sexualities • Mental Health
Qualitative Methods • Work and Occupations

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Outsourced Exclusion: Reproducing Gender & Sexual Inequality in the US Military (Articles and Book Proposal in Preparation)
- Narratives/Discourses of Inclusion in Media Portrayals of LGBTQ Military Inclusion
- Meaning-making and Identities: Neoliberal Narratives of Psychological Distress and Suffering

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters and Encyclopedia Entries

- 2020 Patti Giuffre and Courtney Caviness. "Sexualities, Employment, and Discrimination." Pp. 242-257 in *Companion to Sexuality Studies*, edited by Nancy Naples. New York: Wiley Blackwell.

- 2017 Giuffre, Patti and Courtney Caviness. "Gendered Organizations." Pp. 796-798 in *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Psychology and Gender*, edited by Kevin L. Nadal. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
- 2016 Caviness, Courtney, Patti Giuffre, and Maria Wasley. "They Don't Get It: The Promise and Problem of Using Student Resistance as a Pedagogical Tool." Pp. 175-183 in *Teaching Gender and Sex in Contemporary America*, edited by RYanne Pilgeram and Kristin Haltinner. Springer Press.
- 2016 Giuffre, Patti and Courtney Caviness. "Desexualization." in *Encyclopedia of Gender and Sexuality Studies*, edited by Nancy Naples: Wiley-Blackwell.

Book Review

- 2019 Caviness, Courtney and Patti Giuffre. Review of *Other, Please Specify: Queer Methods in Sociology*, edited by D'Lane Compton, Tey Meadow, and Kristen Schilt. *Teaching Sociology* 47(2): 163-165.

PUBLICATIONS IN PREPARATION

Caviness, Courtney. "Meaning-Making and Narratives of Inclusion in the U.S. Military" (Journal Article)

Caviness, Courtney. "Outsourced Exclusion: Interactional Discourses of LGBTQ Military Incorporation" (Journal Article)

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

External Awards

- 2015 Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship, Alternate and Honorable Mention
- 2015 UC Santa Barbara, UC Student Veterans' Summer Writing Workshop Fellowship
- 2015 Equality Research Center, Equality Knowledge Project, Eastern Michigan University, Research Grant

Internal Awards, UC Davis

- 2022 Dean's Summer Dissertation Research Award
- 2019, 2017 Department of Sociology Research Fellowship (Spring 2019, Fall 2017)
- 2018 Feminist Research Institute, Summer Research Fellowship
- 2018, 2017 Institute for Social Sciences, Summer Research Grant
- 2016-2018 Department of Sociology, Travel Grant (4 times)
- 2014-2018 Department of Sociology, Research Grant (5 times)
- 2017 Women's Resources and Resource Center Summer Research Award
- 2016 Eva Schicke Memorial Scholarship, Women's Research Center
- 2014 Institute for Governmental Affairs, Spring Small Grant for Research

Internal Awards, Texas State University

- 2014 Texas State University, Department of Sociology, Outstanding Graduate Student in Sociology
- 2013, 2012 Travel Grant
- 2013 Outstanding Women's Studies Scholar Award, Women and Gender Research Collaborative of the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies
- 2012 Geoff Wood Memorial Scholarship, Department of Sociology
- 2012 Liberal Arts Merrick Scholarship, Department of Sociology

INVITED TALKS

- 2022 Guest Speaker, Nancy Naples, Women & Gender Studies Course, University of Connecticut.
- 2016 "LGBTQ Military Identities and Organizational Inequalities After Don't Ask Don't Tell" *Equality Knowledge Project Speaker Series*, Eastern Michigan University.
- 2015 Invited Critic, Author Meets Critics Session on *School's Out: Gay and Lesbian Teachers in the Classroom* by Catherine Connell. Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 "Outsourced Exclusion?: LGBTQ Military Members Blurring the Boundaries of Inclusion, Agency, and Exploitation" *The Roots and Branches of Interpretive Sociology: Cultural, Pragmatist, and Psychosocial Approaches*, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 "Outsourced Exclusion?: LGBTQ Military Members Blurring the Boundaries of Inclusion, Agency, and Exploitation" *Sexualities, Race, & Empire: Resistance in an Uncertain Time*, ASA Section on Sexualities Preconference, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 "A Feminist Critique of the IRB as a Technology of Power in Researching LGBTQ Military Identities" Sexualities Panel, *Pacific Sociological Association Meeting*, Portland, OR.
- 2016 "An Auto-ethnographic Critique of the IRB as a Technology of Power in Researching LGBTQ Identities" Sex & Gender Section Roundtable, *American Sociological Association Meeting*, Seattle, WA.
- 2015 "'It Was Better Than Them Laughing at Me for Being Fat and White': Stand-up Comics, Gender, Accountability, and Constraint" *Power & Inequalities Workshop*, Department of Sociology, University of California Davis.
- 2013 "Performing Laughs, Performing Gender: The Use of Humor in Constructing Identities Among Stand-up Comics." *Sociologists for Women in Society Summer Meeting*, New York, NY.

2012 “It’s a Funny Thing, Gender: The Use of Humor in the Construction of Gender Identities by Mainstream Stand-up Comedians.” *Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities Student Research Conference*, California State University – Los Angeles, CA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis

First-Year Research Seminar: Analyzing Narratives of LGBTQ Military Inclusion, 2023
Self & Society (Social Psychology, Lower Division), 2023
Social Relationships, 2023
Social Interaction (Social Psychology, Upper Division), 2022, 2023

Lecturer, California State University – Sacramento

Social Inequalities, 2022, 2023

Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis

Social Interaction (Social Psychology, Upper Division) 2019
Self & Society (Social Psychology, Lower Division), 2021
Social Relationships, 2021
Sociology of Gender, 2020, 2019, 2017, 2016
Sociology of Work, 2020
Introduction to Sociological Research Methods, 2019
Sociological Theory, 2018

Teaching Assistant, University of California Davis

Introduction to Sociology
Introduction to Sociological Research Methods
Sociology of Culture
Sociology of Popular Culture
Sociology of Gender
Sociology of Labor & Employment
Social Interaction
Global & Social Change
Immigration & Opportunity
Self & Society
Work & Employment

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021 - 2022 Graduate Student Researcher, Women’s Resource and Research Center, UC Davis

2019 - 2020 Graduate Mentorship Associate
Guardian Scholar’s Program for UC Davis Former Foster Youth, Office of Educational Opportunity, UC Davis

- 2019 - 2019 Lab Manager and Graduate Research Assistant for Suad Joseph
Suad Joseph Social Science Lab, UC Davis
- 2018 - 2018 Graduate Research Assistant for Vicki Smith, Dept. of Sociology, UC Davis
- 2016 - 2017 NSF-funded Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Sara Giordano, Dept. of Gender
and Women's Studies, UC Davis

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2022 Panelist, Grad Masterclass: Blueprint to Pursuing Your Graduate
Education, Transfer & Reentry Center, UC Davis
- 2022 Panelist, Thriving in Graduate School, Graduate Studies, UC Davis
- 2021 Mentor, UC Davis FirstGen Undergraduate Mentorship Pilot Program
- 2019 – 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Sociologists for Women & Society
Feminist Mentorship Award Committee
- 2018 – 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Diversity and Inclusion Committee,
Sociology Department, UC Davis
- 2018 – 2019 Mentor to former foster youth undergraduates, Guardian Scholars
Program, UC Davis
- 2018 – 2019 Graduate Peer Mentor, Department of Sociology, UC Davis
- 2017 Presider, Sexualities Panel, *Pacific Sociological Association Meeting*,
Portland, OR
- 2017 – 2018 Graduate Program Committee Graduate Student Liaison, UC Davis
- 2015 – 2018 Editorial Associate and reviewer for *Theory and Society*
- 2016 Undocu-Ally Program for Educators: Campus Allies for Undocumented
Students
- 2015 – 2017 Mentor, Graduate Academic Achievement and Advocacy Program, UC
Davis
- 2015 – 2016 Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Admissions Committee,
Department of Sociology, UC Davis
- 2014 Discussant, *Power & Inequalities Workshop*, Department of Sociology, UC
Davis
- 2014 – present Ad hoc reviewer *Gender & Society*, *Work & Occupations*, *Journal of
Homosexuality*, and *Journal of Research on Women and Gender*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association (Sections: Sex & Gender; Sexualities; Organizations,
Occupations, & Work; Theory)
Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS)
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction
American Sociological Association LGBTQ Caucus
Pacific Sociological Association