

VITA

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Current Position: Emeritus Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology
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EDUCATION

Illinois Benedictine College, Lisle, Illinois
Major: Sociology
Degree: B.A., June, 1966

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana
Major: Sociology
Degree: M.A., June, 1969

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana
Major: Sociology
Degree: Ph.D., January, 1971

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Spring 1967, Research Assistant, Institute for Latin American Population Studies, University of Notre Dame, focus on process of social change in four South American countries.

1966-67, Research Assistant, collection and analysis of data on community power structure with particular emphasis on the Black community.

1967-68, Research Assistant, emphasis on preparation of manuscript for Man in Society, by S. D'Antonio et.al.

Spring 1968, preliminary analysis of data from survey in Black community with particular attention to membership in voluntary associations.

Summer 1968, Research Assistant, Social Psychology Laboratory, Indiana University, South Bend, focused on the analysis of personality variables and political choice.

1968-69, continued analysis of data on Black voluntary association membership as it relates to patterns of alienation.

1969-70, research and analysis of dissertation data.

1971, Grant from the National Science Foundation to attend a Summer Institute on Models of Urban Spatial Structure and Ecology, The Ohio State University.

1972-73, research on the use of computers in undergraduate education which lead to a C.O.S.I.P. proposal to N.S.F. which was approved but not funded.

1974-75, secondary analysis of data on attitudes toward abortion.

1978-79, evaluation of Hiram College's curriculum for teachers preparation in regard to the goals set by State of Ohio Department of Education.

1980-81, secondary analysis of N.O.R.C. data on sex-role attitudes.

1983-85, Demographic Trends and Attitude change.

1986-87, Occupational Prestige and Gender Roles.

1990-91, Social Networks and Religious Participation.

1992-93, Evaluation Hiram Summer Scholars Program.

1993-95, Using Computers for Undergraduate Education.

1999-2000, The Sociology of the New Urbanism

TEACHING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Fall 1968, Teaching Assistant and seminar discussion leader for Introductory Anthropology, University of Notre Dame.

1969-70, Instructor for Introductory Sociology, University of Notre Dame.

1972-74, Departmental representative to Hiram College Faculty Senate.

1975, Tenured, Hiram College.

1975-76, Acting Chairman, Department of Sociology, Hiram College.

1977-83, Chairman, Academic Review Committee, Hiram College.

1983, Visiting Associate Professor, John Cabot International College, Rome, Italy.

1970-86, Associate Professor of Sociology, Hiram College.

1987-present, Professor, Department of Sociology/Anthropology

1989-92, Chair, Department of Sociology/Anthropology

1995-98, Chair, Department of Sociology/Anthropology

2002-2010, Chair, Department of Sociology/Anthropology

2010 to present, Emeritus Professor of Sociology

AWARDS

Fall, 1966, Tuition Scholarship from the University of Notre Dame for the first semester of graduate studies.

Spring 1967, Research Assistantship, Institute for Latin American Population Research.

1967-68, Research Assistantship from the University of Notre Dame for the second year of graduate school.

1968-69, National Defense Education Fellowship (Title IV) for the third year of graduate studies.

1969-70, Teaching Assistantship from the University of Notre Dame.

1971, Grant from the Regional Council for International Education to attend a faculty institute on the Black Experience in Africa and the U.S.

1981, N.E.H., workshop on the use of regional material in the social sciences and humanities, Hiram College.

1982, N.S.F., workshop on the use of computers in undergraduate education, Hiram College.

1983, N.E.H., workshop for the development of a regional based demography course, Hiram College.

1992-93, Lilly Grant to develop a course on Latinos in U.S.

AREAS OF TEACHING INTEREST

Introductory
Urban Sociology and Human Ecology
Race and Ethnic relations
Social Stratification
Demography
Research Methods
Statistics

AREA OF CURRENT RESEARCH

Ethnic identification of Blacks and social participation.
Use of secondary analysis in undergraduate sociology programs.
Ideological supports of stratification in the U.S.
Demography and social change.
Uses of Technology in Undergraduate Education.

PUBLICATIONS

“Negroes and Voluntary Associations: An Open Question,” *Research Reports in the Social Sciences*, 1968, 2 (Spring).

“Voluntary Association and Anomie: A Test of the Meditation Hypothesis,” paper which received Honorable Mention (2nd place) in the 1969 Graduate Student Paper Competition of the Ohio Valley Sociological Society.

“Voluntary Associations and Anomie in a Negro Community,” Master’s Thesis, 1969, University of Notre Dame.

“Social Goals and Public Housing,” Paper presented at the Housing and Redevelopment Officials Convention, 1969, Notre Dame, Indiana.

With J. Coakley, R. Antonio, R. Fieno, “Graduate Education: A Rationale for Change,” paper presented at the 2nd Annual Indiana Sociological Meetings, 1969, Purdue University. Later published in *The Research Reports in the Social Sciences*, 1970, Special Issue.

“Correlates of Instrumental and Expressive Voluntary Association Membership in a Black Community,” Dissertation, 1971, University of Notre Dame.

“Religion, Ideal Family Size, and Attitudes Towards Abortion,” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, March, 1975.

“Rural Poverty,” book review for Contemporary Sociology, September 1975, Vol. 4 & 5.

“Husband’s and Wife’s Socio-Economic Status and Sex-role Attitudes,” paper presented at North Central Sociological Association, 1981, Cleveland, Ohio.

“Review of Ethnic Groups in American Life Series, “Mid-American Review of Sociology, Spring 1982, Vol. VII, #1.

“The State of Sociology,” book review Contemporary Sociology, January 1983, Vol. 12, #1.

“A Student Exercise on Physical and Social Distance,” paper presented at North Central Sociological Association, 1986 Toledo, Ohio.

PANELS AND DISCUSSION

Discussant, Issues in Stratification, 38th Annual Meeting, Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, Nebraska, 1974.

Chairperson, Research Session on Community, North Central Sociological Association, Columbus, Ohio, May 4-6, 1974.

Review Panel, National Science Foundation, Local Course Improvement Program, Washington, D.C., December, 1976.

Chairperson, Research Session on Social Stratification, North Central Sociological Association, Cincinnati, Ohio, May 18-20, 1978.

Discussant, Winning Papers: Undergraduate Competition, North Central Sociological Association, Dayton, Ohio, May 1-3, 1980.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Review of “Urban Sociology,” manuscript and “Urban Social Space” prospectus for W. C. Brown, 1976.

Referee for manuscript, Journal Scientific Study of Religion, 1977.

Review of “Race and Ethnic” prospectus for Allyn and Bacon, 1979.

Participant in N.S.F. Chautauga course on Exploratory Data Analysis and Robust Statistics, 1979-80.

Review of "Urban Ecology" manuscript for Addison-Wesley, 1980.

Participant in N.S.F. Chautaugua course on The Use of 1980 Census in Undergraduate Education, 1980-81.

Referee for Undergraduate Paper Awards, Midwest Sociological Association, 1980-81.

Referee for Scholarly Awards Committee, North Central Sociological Association, 1980-82.

Referee for Undergraduate Paper Awards, North Central Sociological Association, 1984-85.

East Central Consortium Workshop on role of Department Chair, 1989-90.

Review prospectus for Urban Sociology, Blackwell Publishers 2006