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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Southern Methodist University

Associate Chair of Sociology, 2013- present

Associate Professor of Sociology, 2012 - present

Faculty Associate, Tower Center 2011 – present

Director Sociology Major, 2011 – 2013

Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2004 – 2012

Bates College

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Sociology, 2003-2004

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology. The Ohio State University, 2003.

M.A. Center for Slavic and East European Studies. The Ohio State University, 2000.

M.A. Sociology. The Ohio State University, 1997.

B.S. Sociology. Texas A&M University, 1994.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Sociology

Women's Representation in National Legislatures

Democratization in Eastern Europe

Economic Sociology

Attitudes towards Distributive Justice

Consumption and Consumerism

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Kunovich, Sheri. 2012. "Unexpected Winners: The Significance of an Open-List System on Women's Representation in Poland." *Politics & Gender* 8(2):153-177.

Kunovich, Sheri. 2012. "Voting Rates 1989 to 2007: Is There a Gender Gap in Poland?" *International Journal of Sociology* 42(1): 60-77.

Kunovich, Sheri and Amanda Wall. 2012. "Internet Autobiographies: Female Politicians Representations of Gender." *Research in Political Sociology* 20: 49-72.

- Kunovich, Robert M. and Sheri Kunovich. 2008. "Gender Dependence and Attitudes Toward the Household Distribution of Labor: A Comparative and Multilevel Analysis." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 49(6): 395-427.
- Kunovich, Sheri and Kazimierz M. Slomczynski. 2007. "Systems of Distribution and a Sense of Equity: A Multilevel Analysis of Meritocratic Attitudes in Post-Industrial Societies." *European Sociological Review* 23(5): 649-663.
- Paxton, Pamela, Sheri Kunovich, and Melanie Hughes. 2007. "Gender in Politics." *Annual Review of Sociology* 33: 263-284.
- Kunovich, Sheri and Pamela Paxton. 2005. "Pathways to Power: The Role of Political Parties in Women's National Political Representation." *American Journal of Sociology*, 111 (2): 505-552.
- Bronson, Denise, Sheri Kunovich, Krzysztof Frysztański. 2005. "The Impact of the Economic Transition in Poland on Vulnerable Populations." *Journal of Family and Economic Issues*, 26(2): 225-238.
- Paxton, Pamela and Sheri Kunovich. 2003. "Women's Political Representation: The Importance of Ideology." *Social Forces* 82(1): 87-114.
- Kunovich, Sheri. 2003. "The Representation of Polish and Czech Women in National Politics: Predicting Electoral List Position". *Comparative Politics* 35(3): 273-291.
- Locklear, Sheri. 1998. "Meritocratic Image of Success and Its Determinants: A Comparison of Poland and Hungary, 1987-88 and 1992." *International Journal of Sociology* 28(2): 65-90.
- Meyer, Katherine, Yousef Ali, and Sheri Locklear. 1998. "Political Participation of Men and Women in Postwar Kuwait." *Research in Political Sociology* 8: 57-80.
- Ali, Yousef, Katherine Meyer and Sheri Locklear. 1997. "Political Participation in Kuwait." *Journal of the Social Sciences* 25(4): 11-29.

Book Chapters

- Kunovich, Sheri. 2007. "Acquiring Debt During Economic Transition" Pp. 241-257 in *Continuity and Change In Social Life: Structural and Psychological Adjustment in Poland*, edited by Kazimierz M. Slomczynski and Sandra T. Marquart-Pyatt. Warsaw: IFiS Publishers.
- Kunovich, Sheri. 2002. "Class Differentiation of Household Expenditures". Pp. 93-108 in *Social Structure Changes and Linkages: The Advanced Phase of the Post-Communist Transition in Poland*, edited by Kazimierz M. Slomczynski. Warsaw: IFiS Publishers.
- Slomczynski, Kazimierz M., Tadeusz K. Krauze, Sheri Kunovich. 2002. "Flow of Persons Among Old and New Job Positions." Pp. 45-56 in *Social Structure Changes and Linkages: The Advanced Phase of the Post-Communist Transition in Poland*, edited by Kazimierz M. Slomczynski. Warsaw: IFiS Publishers.
- Kunovich, Sheri. 2000. "Explaining Decline in Approval of Welfare State Policies". Pp. 91-111 in *Social Patterns of Being Political: The Initial Phase of the Post-Communist Transition in Poland*, edited by Kazimierz M. Slomczynski. Warsaw: IFiS Publishers.

DATA

Kazimierz M. Slomczynski, Goldie Shabad, and Sheri Kunovich. 2010. Candidates in Polish Parliamentary Elections, POLCAN. [Computer File]. Polish Social Data Archive. Stawki 5/7, 00-183 Warsaw, Poland.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, SPONSORED RESEARCH

2010. Artinian Travel Award. Southern Political Science Association.

2009. Sam Taylor Fellowship. United Methodist General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

2009. Betty Maynard Research Assistantship. Southern Methodist University.

2008. Betty Maynard Research Assistantship. Southern Methodist University.

2004. Gerald J. Ford Early Career Research Fellowship. Southern Methodist University.

2002. Summer Methods Training Fellowship, Ohio State University Department of Sociology. Attended Longitudinal Research Institute at University of Virginia.

2001. Summer Publishing Fellowship, Ohio State University Department of Sociology.

1999. Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Title VI) recipient for summer 1999. Language of award: Polish. Awarded through Center for Slavic and East European Studies at Ohio State University.

1998. Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Title VI) recipient for the 1998-1999 academic year, Ohio State University Center for Slavic and East European Studies. Language of award: Polish.

HONORS

2013. Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor Award. Center for Teaching Excellence, Southern Methodist University.

2013. Margareta Deschner Teaching Award. Women and Gender Studies, Southern Methodist University.

2012. Associate Member of Cross-national Studies: Interdisciplinary Research and Training Program (CONSIRT). The CONSIRT program has been established by the Departments of Sociology and Political Science of The Ohio State University and the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, and the Graduate School of Social Research at the Polish Academy of Sciences.

2010. Golden Mustang Outstanding Faculty Award. Center for Teaching Excellence, Southern Methodist University.

INVITED TALKS

“Women in Electoral Politics: Focusing on Eastern Europe.” Presented at the conference, Winners and Losers in the Elections of Eastern Europe, at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw Poland, October 2013.

“Gender Gaps in Voting and Political Knowledge, Poland 1989 to 2007.” Presented at the conference, POLPAN 2014, at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw Poland, March 2014.

PRESENTATIONS

“Gender Gap in Political Knowledge Among Poles.” Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, New York, NY. August 2013.

“Modeling the Effects of Preferential Voting on Women’s Representation in Norway and Poland.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Meetings, Chicago IL. August 2013.

“Unexpected Winners: Women’s Inclusion in Parties on the Right in Poland.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Meetings, Washington DC. September 2010.

- “Credentials and Political Campaigns: Does Merit Really Matter?” Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, Atlanta, GA. August 2010.
- “Constructing Political Credentials: Differences in Male and Female Autobiographical Accounts.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meetings, Atlanta, GA. January 2010.
- “Representing Gender: Constructing a Feminine Identity in the House of Representatives.” Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, San Francisco, CA. August 2009.
- “Acquiring Debt during Economic Transition: The Case of Poland.” Presented at American Sociological Association Meetings, Montreal, Canada. August 2006.
- “Structural Inequality, Dependency, and Gender Attitudes: A Cross-national Analysis.” Presented at American Sociological Association Meetings, Philadelphia, PA. August 2005. (Robert M. Kunovich first author)
- “Racial and Ethnic Differences in Wealth and Intergenerational Transfers.” Presented at Gerontological Society of America Meetings, Washington D.C. November 2004.
- “Effect of Having Children on Wealth.” Presented at American Sociological Association Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia, August 2003.
- “Intergenerational Exchanges and Economic Security During Retirement.” Presented at Gerontological Society of America Meetings, Boston, Massachusetts November 2002.
- “Meritocratic Allocation and Meritocratic Attitudes.” Paper presented at International Sociological Association Meetings, RC 28 Research Group Montreal, Quebec Canada, July 1998 (with Kazimierz M. Slomczynski).
- “Would Women Win or Lose under a Strict Meritocracy? A Comparison of Income Distribution in Poland and the United States. Paper presented at the conference on Gender and Politics in Poland and the United States University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. May 7-10, 1998. (Kazimierz M. Slomczynski first author).
- “Postwar Kuwait: A Study of Citizen Participation.” Paper presented at American Sociological Association Meetings, Toronto, Ontario Canada, August 1997.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught At SMU

Introduction to Sociology
 Introduction to Markets and Culture
 Survey Research Methods
 Qualitative Research Methods
 Race, Class, and Gender Inequality
 Sociology of Gender
 Wealth and Consumption

Chair, Undergraduate Distinction Research

2014. Swarm, Rebecca. “Comparing Culinary and Dog Training Programs in Youth Rehabilitation Programs.” Funding through Engaged Learning Grant, Southern Methodist University.
2013. Stimpson, Christopher. “Serving Opportunity: The Behavioral, Attitudinal, and Practical Impact of Post-Release Culinary Rehabilitation Programs on Juvenile Offenders.”
2013. Riley, Jessica. “Presenting the New Republican Woman: House Elections 2008 and 2012.”
2013. Byrd, Margaret. “Women and Law: an in-depth analysis of women across the legal field.”
2012. Noel, Jessica. “Parent Knowledge and Support of University Health Center.”
2012. Cochrane, Caroline. “Student Satisfaction with University Health Center.”
2011. Masters, Logan. “Managing the Millennials: Recruiting Volunteers in the Health Industry.”
2011. Shulman, Madeline. “The Diffusion of Women’s PACS to the American States”

2010. Costigan, Adele. "Race, Gender, and Crime Policy in the Texas State Legislature."
2010. Coyle, Colleen. "Who's In and Who's Out? An In-depth Look at Sorority Rush"

SERVICE TO SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Associate Chair of Sociology: 2013 -
Director of Sociology Program: 2011- 2013
Curriculum Development Committee: 2004-2013
Faculty Search Committee: 2005, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2013
Faculty Advisor to Sociology Club: 2004-2011
Department Webmaster: 2008-2010

SERVICE TO POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Faculty Search Committee: 2010
Tower Center Fellow: 2011- present

SERVICE TO SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Student Activities

Engaged Learning Faculty Mentor: 2013 - present
Faculty Advisor to ELECT HER: 2013 - present
Faculty Advisor to Best Buddies: 2011-2012
Faculty Advisor to College Democrats: 2010-2011
Faculty Advisor to Democracy Matters Student Organization: 2007-2009

Center for Teaching Excellence

Center for Teaching Excellence, Altshuler Distinguished Professor, 2013-present
Center for Teaching Excellence, Symposium Co-organizer, Gender at the Lectern: 2012
Center for Teaching Excellence, Facilitator, Faculty Learning Community on Writing: 2012-2013

Dedman College Activities

Dean's Committee on Dedman Internships: 2013 – present
Health and Society Major Committee: 2013 - present
Undergraduate Research Assistantships Steering Group: 2013 - present
Women and Gender Studies Council: 2006 – present
International Studies Council: 2010 – 2013
Dean's Committee on Interdisciplinary Institute: 2011

University Wide Activities

University Curriculum Assessment Committee: 2012-present
President's Commission on the Status of Women: 2010-present
Prelude Faculty Presenter: 2013
University Hearing Boards: 2004-2008
University Judicial Task Force: 2008
University Health Center Advisory Board: 2008-2013
Women's Symposium Faculty Discussant: 2005-2011
AARO Conference Faculty Presenter: 2004, 2005, 2008, 2010, 2012

SERVICE TO DISCIPLINE

EDITORIAL BOARDS: Polish Sociological Review, ASK Research & Methods

REVIEWER FOR: American Political Science Review; American Journal of Sociology; Social Forces;
American Sociological Review; Gender and Society; International Journal of Comparative Sociology;

Politics and Gender; Journal of Women, Politics, and Society; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Comparative Politics, Political Behavior,

AFFILIATIONS:

American Sociological Association
American Political Science Association
Sociologists for Women in Society

REFERENCES

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