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EDUCATION

- In Progress Ph.D. in Sociology, The Ohio State University
Dissertation: "Race, Social Capital, and Inequality
(re)Production: The Case of Racially Diverse Religious
Organizations"
Co-Advisors: Korie L. Edwards & Vincent Roscigno
- 2013 M.A. in Sociology, The Ohio State University
- 2010 M.S. in Social Work, Abilene Christian University
- 2006 B.S. in Social Work and Jack Pope Fellows Minor in Public Service
Abilene Christian University

SCHOLARLY INTERESTS AND METHODOLOGICAL APPROACHES

Stratification & Inequality	Qualitative Methods
Race & Ethnicity	Social Network Analysis
Social Networks & Social Capital	Interviews & Focus Groups
Religion	Stochastic & Mixed Models

PUBLICATIONS & WORKING PROJECTS

Munn, Christopher W. 2017. "[The One Friend Rule: Race and Social Capital in an Interracial Network](#)." Social Problems. **Received Randy Hodson Memorial Award

DISSERTATION

My dissertation explores if and how diverse organizations reduce inequality in social capital. To this end, I draw from data collected by the Religious Leadership and Diversity Project – a comprehensive, multi-method study of leaders in diverse churches across the nation. In-depth analyses of the social and material capital of 121 leaders will provide insight into how leaders gain access to diverse social networks, why leaders develop diversity initiatives, and if those initiatives influence the diversity of member's networks. I aim to answer, in part, the big questions about how leaders resolve racial and ethnic inequalities in American organizations.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Munn, Christopher W. "False Positives, Social Capital and Race: How Resource Exchange Shapes Inequality in a Racially Diverse Network." Under Review at Social Networks.

Munn, Christopher W. and David Melamed. "Identifying Community Structures in Multi-Mode and Multi-Level Networks" Under Review at Socius.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Munn, Christopher W. and Robert Vandenberg. "Hegemonic Identities, Racial Diversity and Selective Charity."

Munn, Christopher W. and David Melamed. "Counterfeit Ties: Interracial Transitivity and Closure in Racially Diverse School Networks."

Munn, Christopher W. "Women of Color and Poor Whites: Power, Identity, and Intersectionality in Racially Diverse Organizations"

Munn, Christopher W. and Korie L. Edwards. "Collaborative Qualitative Research in the Cloud and On the Go."

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2016 Randy Hodson Paper Award. Ohio State Department of Sociology. Awarded annually to the best paper in the study of inequality, organizations, and work.

Summer Methods Training Award (\$1572). Ohio State Department of Sociology. Awarded annually to fund training in advanced statistical training.

Gallagher Student Travel Award (\$750). Association for Sociology of Religion.

2015 Summer Methods Training Award (\$1500). Ohio State Department of Sociology. Awarded annually to fund training in advanced statistical training.

Student Travel Award (\$350). Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

2014 Teaching Assistant Award. Ohio State Sociology Graduate Student Association. Annual student-nominated award for best Graduate Teaching Assistant.

Gallagher Student Travel Award (\$750). Association for Sociology of Religion.

- 2013 Student Travel Award (\$350). Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.
- 2011 Graduate School University Fellowship (\$17,680). The Ohio State University.
- 2010 Sammye Lale and Ruby Gary Unsung Servant Award (\$500). Abilene Christian University. University level, student-nominated award for service to undergraduates.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND ADVANCED TRAINING

- 2016 - Present Graduate research associate to Dr. David Melamed, OSU Department of Sociology. Work examines interracial transitivity using advanced statistical network models.
- 2017 Social networks and health research. Duke Social Networks and Health Workshop.
- 2014 - 2016 Project manager for Religious Leadership and Diversity Project. P.I., Dr. Korie Edwards. Multi-method study of leaders of multiracial religious organizations funded by the Lily Endowment (\$493,101).
- 2016 Social networks and health research. Duke Social Networks and Health Workshop.

Stochastic models in network analysis. University of Kentucky Links Center for Social Networks Summer Workshop.
- 2015 Intermediate social network analysis. University of Kentucky Links Center for Social Networks Summer Workshop.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2017 Independent Instructor for Urban Social Problems. OSU Department of Sociology. 35 Students. Course evaluation: 4.8/5 (university avg. 4.3).
- Summer 2016 Independent Instructor for Research Methods in Sociology . OSU Department of Sociology. 38 Students. Course evaluation: 4.9/5 (university avg. 4.3).
- Fall 2014 Lab Instructor for Social Statistics. OSU Department of Sociology. 59 Students. Course evaluation: 5/5 (university avg. 4.3).

***Awarded best TA in Sociology (student nomination).*

- Spring 2012 Recitation Leader for Introduction to Sociology . OSU Department of Sociology. Recitation Leader. 119 Students. Course evaluation: 4.8/5 (university avg. 4.1).
- Fall 2012 Recitation Leader for Introduction to Sociology (SOC 1101). OSU Department of Sociology. 115 Students.
- Fall 2010 Teaching Assistant for Research Writing (UNIV 421). Abilene Christian University. 27 students.
- Fall 2010 Co-Instructor (Co-taught with Dr. Jason Morris) for Basic Research Methods. Abilene Christian University. 27 students.
- Spring 2009 Teaching Assistant for Research Readings. Abilene Christian University. 25 students.
- Fall 2008 Teaching Assistant for Management and Funding of Nonprofit Organizations. 34 students.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Munn, Christopher W., (2016, October). Creative Financing: Selling Racial and Ethnic Diversity to Fund Religious Organizations. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Atlanta, GA.

Munn, Christopher W., (2016, August). The Power of Giving: Social Deficits in Interracial Resource Exchange. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA.

Munn, Christopher W., (2016, August). Religious Leadership, Race, and Social Capital. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the Association for the Sociology of Religion. Seattle, WA

Munn, Christopher W., (2016, August). Pimping the Nations: Selling Racial and Ethnic Diversity to Fund Religious Organizations. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Seattle, WA.

Munn, Christopher W., (2015, October) Technology in Research: on-the-Go and In-the-Cloud. Panel Presentation for the Religious Leadership and Diversity Project at the annual meeting for the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Newport Beach, CA.

Munn, Christopher W., (2015, August). The Power of Giving: Social Deficits in Interracial Resource Exchange. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the Association of Black Sociologists. Chicago, IL.

Munn, Christopher W., (2014, August). The One Friend Rule: Mobilizing Race as Social Capital in an Interracial Religious Network. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.

Munn, Christopher W., and R. Vandenberg (2014, August). Hegemonic Identities in an Interracial Network. Paper Presentation at the annual meeting for the Association for the Sociology of Religion. San Francisco, CA.

SERVICE

TO THE DEPARTMENT

- Graduate student recruitment activities at ASA and at Ohio State University.
- Cohort representative and service committee. Sociology Graduate Student Association. Ohio State University.

TO THE UNIVERSITY

- Research judge. Denman Undergraduate Research Forum.
- Student mentorship and graduate school preparation.
- Research judge and panelist. Summer Research Opportunity Program. Ohio State Department of Diversity and Inclusion.

TO THE PROFESSION

- Newsletter Editorial Staff & Website Committee. ASA Section on Inequality, Poverty and Mobility, American Sociological Association.
- Session Convener at multiple national conferences
- Occasional reviewer for Sociology Journals

TO THE BROADER COMMUNITY

- Research for leaders of diverse churches. Vineyard Columbus, Mosaix Cincinnati Network
- City of Abilene Consolidated Plan
- Abilene Independent School District Obesity Project
- Abilene City Survey of Attitudes of Community Services

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008 - 2011 Associate Director for the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program. Abilene Christian University

2006 - 2007 Research Associate for the Non-profit Management Center. Abilene Christian University.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Sociological Association.
 - Sections: Inequality, Poverty & Mobility; Religion: Economic Sociology; Race, Class & Gender; Racial and Ethnic Minorities
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
- Association for the Sociology of Religion
- Society for the Study of Social Problems