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EDUCATION

PhD.	Sociology, 2014 University of California, Santa Barbara
M.A. (Magna Cum Laude)	Sociology, Spring 2006 University of Kansas
B.A.	Psychology and Sociology, 2004 Dana College

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2015-Present	Lecturer, Department of Sociology and Criminology, The Pennsylvania State University
2014-2015	Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Sonoma State University
2006-2007	Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology, Johnson County Community College
2006	Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology, Highland Community College

HONORS AND AWARDS

2013	Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara
2013	Sociology Department Research Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara
2012	Dean's Advancement Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara
2011	Outstanding Young Alumnus Award, Dana College Alumni and Friends Association
2011	Humanities and Social Science Research Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara
2011	Sociology Departmental Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara
2010-2011	Dean's Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara
2007	Outstanding Graduate Research Project, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Kansas
2004	Outstanding Senior Award for Achievements in Sociology, Dana College
2003	Second Place, Paper Competition, Nebraska Undergraduate Sociological Symposium, Doane College
2003	American Sociological Association Honors Program
2002	First Place, Paper Competition, Nebraska Undergraduate Sociological Symposium, University of Nebraska, Kearney

PUBLICATIONS

Nielsen, Erik Solevad (2016) *Smart Growth Entrepreneurs: Partners in Urban Sustainability*. NY: Palgrave MacMillan.

Nielsen, Erik Solevad. 2014. "Smart Growth Machines: The Ecological Modernization of Urban Political Economy," *Research in Urban Sociology: Sustainable Cities: Global Concerns/Urban Efforts*, 14: 169-190.

Nielsen, Erik. 2008. "Ethnic Boundaries and Conflict in Darfur: An Event Structure Hypothesis," *Ethnicities*, 8(4): 427-462.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS 2002-2015

- 2015 "Darfur, Genocide, and the Role of U.S. Foreign Policy in the 21st Century," Holocaust & Genocide Lecture Series, Sonoma State University
- 2014 "Smart Growth Machines and the Ecological Modernization of Political Economy on the West Coast," American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 "Sustainable Urban Development: Lessons from California and Oregon," Global Studies Conference, UC Santa Barbara
- 2013 "Smart Growth Machines and the Great Recession," Urban Affairs Association, San Francisco
- 2012 "Assembling Urban Sustainability: New Urbanism in California and Oregon," Society for the Social Study of Science, Copenhagen School of Business, Frederiksberg, Denmark
- 2012 "New Urbanism and Compact Housing on the California Coast: A Preliminary Comparison of Seven Cities," American Sociological Association, Denver, CO
- 2011 "Green Urbanism and the Growth Machine: Can Growth Get Smart?" American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV
- 2010 "The Political Economy of Sustainability in Portland and Santa Barbara" Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences, Portland, OR
- 2009 "Environmental Sociology and Violent Conflict: New Theoretical Possibilities," American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA
- 2008 "The Carrying Capacity of the Commons in Darfur: Preliminary Discussion of Ecology and Conflict." Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, OR
- 2006 "Ethnic Boundaries in Darfur: From Economic Fluidity to Militarized Rigidity." American Sociological Association annual meeting, Montreal, Canada
- 2005 "'Arabism' as Ethnic Mobilization in the Darfur region of the Sudan." American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005 "Ethnosexual Cleansing in Darfur." Midwest Sociological Society annual meeting, Minneapolis, MN
- 2003 "Power, Structure, and Postmodernism in Systems of Learning." Nebraska Undergraduate Sociological Symposium, Doane College, NE
- 2003 "The Power Elite and Global Hegemony Entering the Twenty First Century." American Sociological Association Honors Program, Atlanta, GA
- 2003 "Welfare Reform and the Structural Poverty of Single Mothers in the Inner City." Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL

2002

“Welfare Reform and the Structural Poverty of Single Mothers in the Inner City.”
Nebraska Undergraduate Sociological Symposium, University of Nebraska Kearney, NE

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Introduction to Sociology
Social Problems
Environmental Sociology

SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Introduction to Sociology
Sociological Theory
Globalization
Social Work and Social Welfare

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA

Introduction to Global and International Studies: Political and Socio-economic Processes
Introduction to Sociology
Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities
Urban Society

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sociology of Family

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

General Sociology

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS 2005-2012

SOC 185s “Social Class Theory”, SOC 134F “Future of Globalization”, SOC 134EC, “Earth in Crisis”, SOC 172 “Sociology of Crime”, SOC 1 “Introduction to Sociology”, SOC 134 “Green Parties and Green Movements” UCSB, ES 1 “Introduction to Environmental Studies” (2007, 2008, 2009) UCSB, SOC 146 “Environmental Sociology” UCSB, SOC 136 “Sociology of Development”, SOC 1 “Introduction to Sociology” UCSB, SOC 108F “Studying People: Ethnographic Methods” UCSB, SOC 104 “Elements of Sociology” KU, SOC 522 “American Racial and Ethnic Relations” KU, SOC 561 “Sociology of Deviance” KU, ES183 “Films of the Environment” UCSB,

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Summer 2012 Research Assistant
W.W. Norton & Company
I helped to update and revise the textbook: “Introduction to Sociology, 9th edition” by Anthony Giddens, Richard Appelbaum, Mitchell Duneier, and Deborah Carr.

Summer 2005 Research Assistant
Policy Research Institute, University of Kansas
I surveyed literature and collected data on women in the U.S. military—number of enlistments over time, pregnancy rates, policies, and media depictions

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-present	Affiliated with the World in Conversation, Center for Public Diplomacy http://worldinconversation.org
2015-present	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Sociology and Criminology, The Pennsylvania State University
2014-2015	Social Work Advisor, School of the Social Sciences, Sonoma State University
2014-2015	Study Abroad Advisor, Department of Sociology, Sonoma State University
2014-2016	Member of the Board of Directors, Namaqumaqua Educational Development Corporation (NEDC) http://www.fijieducation.org
2013-2015	Graduate Research Associate Broom Center for Demography, UC Santa Barbara http://www.broomcenter.ucsb.edu
2013	UCSB Research Mentorship Program A high school student conducted secondary source research and transcript coding under my supervision on transportation and urban sustainability.
2012	Research Assistant I worked on a project with the artist Fran Siegel using different kinds of maps and photographs of Santa Barbara. I conducted archival cartographic research and identified images to be used for the final project.
2009	Managing Editor The Journal of Environment and Development: A Review of International Policy I managed the correspondence with authors, peer reviewers, the internal staff, and SAGE publications. http://jed.sagepub.com/content/by/year
2008-2010	Staff Reviewer The Journal of Environment and Development: A Review of International Policy
2007- 2009	Research Assistant, Database Manager Chad Relief Foundation The Chad Relief Foundation provides assistance and promotes advocacy for refugees from the Central African Republic who are now located in southern Chad. I conducted research, gave presentations, participated in awareness campaigns, and created funding databases. http://www.chadrelief.org
2010- 2011	Geographic Information Systems (GIS) workshops, UC Santa Barbara Geography Department and Spatial Studies Center.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Pacific Sociological Association
Midwest Sociological Society
American Sociological Association
Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences
Urban Affairs Association
Society for the Social Study of Science

REFERENCES

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