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BUSINESS:

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PRESENT POSITION:

Senior Lecturer in the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology, Utah State University, 2010-present

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Sociology
Southern Illinois University at Carbondale 2003
Dissertation: "Fear of Crime in the City: A Multivariate Analysis of Perceptions of Community Safety in Twelve U.S. Cities"

M.A., Sociology
Southern Illinois University at Carbondale 1991

B.A., Sociology
Fort Hays State University (Hays, KS) 1989

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Lecturer in the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology, Utah State University, 2004-2010.

Term Lecturer, Utah State University, Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology, Fall 1995-2004. Taught numerous courses in criminal justice, law and society, criminology, juvenile delinquency, introductory sociology, research methods, social statistics, social psychology, social problems, and college survival and study skills. Supervised 4 Inter Disciplinary Studies Senior Papers.

Instructor, Fort Hays State University, Department of Sociology and Social Work through the Virtual College, Summer 1995-2004. Taught video-based courses in sociology of gender and cross-cultural perspectives of childhood.

Consultant, “Planned Approach to Healthier Schools (PATHS),” Project Funded by the Health in Education Initiative: Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2002. Assisted in the collection and statistical analysis of data and trained student interns in data collection, analysis, and presentation techniques.

Assistant Professor, Fort Hays State University, Department of Sociology and Social Work, 1994-1995. Taught courses in introductory sociology, research methods, introduction to criminal justice, criminology, juvenile delinquency, and death and dying. Advised students interested in careers in administration of justice.

Research Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, School of Social Work, Spring 1993-Summer 1994. Assisted Director by helping instruct MSW research methods and theory courses, providing statistical analysis of data, and assisted with BSW and MSW program accreditation process.

Research Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Center for Rural Health and Social Service Development, Winter 1994. Assisted with a need assessment regarding the demand for rural allied health professionals in southern Illinois.

Teaching Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Department of Sociology, Fall 1992. Taught an introductory statistics course. Responsible for text selection, development of syllabus, instruction, and grading.

Research Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Department of Sociology, Summer 1992. Assisted Dr. Best with his instruction of NEH seminar participants and with statistical analysis of survey data.

Teaching Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Department of Sociology, Spring 1992. Taught a social problems course. Responsible for text selection, development of syllabus, instruction, and grading.

Research Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Department of Sociology, Summer 1991. Assisted Dr. Ernie Alix with research for his introduction to sociology text.

Teaching Assistant, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Department of Sociology, 1990-1991. Assisted Dr. Shalin and Mr. Patterson with their undergraduate introductory sociology and marriage and the family courses by delivering lectures, grading, and keeping student records.

Supplemental Instruction Leader, Fort Hays State University, Department of Sociology, 1988-1989. Organized and held group study sessions. Tutored students and assisted in the creation of exams.

PUBLICATIONS:

Leiker, Jason J. 2005. "The Culture of Fear: Crime, Fear, and Social Solidarity." Pp. 105-114 in Sociological Inquiry, edited by K.M. Mahmoudi and B.W. Parlin. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.

Leiker, Jason J., Diane E. Taub, and Julie Gast. 1995. "The Stigma of AIDS: Persons with AIDS and Social Distance." Deviant Behavior 16(4):333-351.

GRANTS

Co-Principal Investigator, Improving Preparation, Access, & Communities Together (ImPACT), \$10,000 two year grant, College Access Challenge in partnership with Utah System of Higher Education and Utah Campus Compact. Spring 2009-Spring 2011.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

"The Impact of Knowledge, Attitudes, and Peer Influence on Adolescent Energy Drink Consumption." American Public Health Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco, CA: October 2012. J. Gast, A. Ward, and J. Leiker.

"Masculine Gender Scripts and Aging: A Focus Group Study." American Public Health Association Annual Meetings, Washington, DC: October 2011. J. Gast, T. Peak, and J. Leiker.

"An 'Introduction' to Service Learning: Service Learning in Introductory Sociology." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO: March 2011. J. Leiker and J. Gast.

“Learning by Losing (or Maybe Winning): Playing the Commons Game to Understand Environmental Health in a Large Enrollment Course.” Joint Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society and North Central Sociological Society, Chicago, IL: April 2010. J. Leiker and J. Gast.

“Introducing Service Learning: A Description & Evaluation of a Service Learning Component in a Large Enrollment Introductory Course.” Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA: April 2009. J. Leiker and J. Gast.

“When Size Matters: Service Learning in a Large Enrollment Introductory Course.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO: March 2008. J. Leiker and J. Gast.

“The Tragedy of the Commons Game: An Exercise in Environmental Health.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL: April 2007. J. Leiker and J. Gast.

“The Impact of Criminal Victimization on Fear of Crime in Utah.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA: November 2006. J. Leiker.

“Stop that Lecture: Three Fun Activities for Large Enrollment Sociology Courses.” Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, Hollywood, CA: April 2006. J. Leiker.

“The Impact of Criminal Victimization on Fear of Crime: A Multivariate Analysis of Perceptions of Community Safety in 12 U.S. Cities.” American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN: November 2004. J. Leiker.

“Planned Approach to Healthier Schools: Results from a School Based Intervention.” American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA: November, 2003. J. Gast, M. Lounsbery, J. Leiker.

“Opening Eyes: Pros and Cons of Implementing and Evaluating a Service-Learning Project in a Large Introductory Sociology Course.” Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA: March, 2001. R. Briggs and J. Leiker.

“The Relationship Among Body Dissatisfaction, Self-Esteem, and Social Support in Undergraduate Men and Women.” American Association for Health Education/ American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, Ohio: March 2001. S. Hodson, J. Gast, and J. Leiker.

“University Students Sources of Health Information: Implications for Consumer Health Education.” American Association for Health Education/American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts: 1999. J. Gast, J. Leiker, and C. Hanson.

“The Role of Social Support in Drug and Alcohol Use and Depression in a University Sample.” American Association for Health Education/American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Annual Meeting, Reno, Nevada: 1998. J. Gast, J. Leiker, and C. Hanson.

“University Students Attitudes and Use of Alternative Health Practitioners and Products.” American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana: 1997. J. Gast, C. Hanson, and J. Leiker

"Youth Drinking and Smoking Behavior: A Comparison Between Two Vocational Schools in Former East and West Germany," American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 1994: K. Klein, J. Gast, D.O. Ritzel, P.D. Sarvela, R.J. McDermott, and J. Leiker.

"The Stigma of AIDS: PWAs and Social Distance," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, St Louis, MO: 1994, J. Leiker and D. Taub.

"The Devil Went Down to California: Perceptions of Satanism as a Social Problem," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, St Louis, MO: 1994, J. Leiker and D. Hamann.

"Validation of the CDC's Youth Risk Behavior Survey Tobacco Questions Using Marlowe-Crowne's Social Desirability Scale," American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA: 1993, J. Gast, P.D. Sarvela, R.J. McDermott, T. Caravella, and J. Leiker.

"Medication and Substance Issues and the Elderly," Second Annual Winter Meeting: Strategies and Concepts for Successful Aging Throughout the Lifespan sponsored by the University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany: 1993, J. Leiker and J. Gast.

"Taking Us Seriously: Tobacco Advertising and Women," Reframing Women's Health: Multidisciplinary Research and Practice sponsored by the University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL: 1992, J. Leiker and J. Gast.

"Dying Deviant: AIDS and Social Distance," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Des Moines, IA: 1991, J. Leiker.

AWARDS:

College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences Lecturer of the Year (Co-recipient), Utah State University, 2009.

Award of Merit in Distance Education and Technology Enhanced Instruction, Utah System of Higher Education, 2009.

SSWA Nominee, HASS Lecturer of Year, 2008.

Nominee, USU Retention First-Year Experience Committee Faculty Service Award, 2006.

Utah State University Greek Council/PSI Sigma Phi Faculty of the Year, 2002-2003.

Utah Campus Compact Service Award for Utah State University, 2001.

ACADEMIC SERVICE:

Advisor, USU Law and Society Area Studies Certificate, Fall 2008-present.

Program Co-Director/Co-Principal Investigator, College-High School Aggie Mentorship Program (CHAMP), Summer 2009-Spring 2011.

Director, Undergraduate Teaching Fellow (UTF) Program, Sociology, Summer 2009-present.

Member, Sociology Undergraduate Committee, Fall 2008-present.

Guest Lecturer, USU "Roads" Scholar Tour, Fall 2008.

Faculty Co-Advisor, Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) USU Chapter, 2004-2009.

Member, USU First Year Experience Early Alert Task Force, 2006-2008.

Chair, Faculty Work Group of USU First Year Experience Early Alert Task Force, 2006-2008.

Faculty Advisor, Inter-Disciplinary Studies, 8 Senior Thesis, USU, 2000-2010.

Search Committee Member, Criminology Position, USU, Fall 2005.

Panel Member, USU Connections Faculty Panel, Fall 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008.

Ph.D. Student Representative, Departmental Meetings, Sociology Department, SIUC, 1993-94.

President, SIU Sociology Club. Sociology Department, SIUC, 1991-1992.

COURSES TAUGHT:

Utah State University

Introduction to Sociology
Social Problems
Introduction to Criminal Justice
Criminal Law and Justice
Law and Society
Criminology
Juvenile Delinquency
Social Deviance
Social Statistics
Research Methods
Social Psychology
Social Policy and Minority Groups
Connections: College Study and Survival Skills

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

Social Problems
Social Statistics

Fort Hays State University

Introductory Sociology
Research Methods
Introduction to Criminal Justice
Juvenile Delinquency
Criminology
Death and Dying
Cross-Cultural Perspectives of Childhood*
Women and Social Action*
Schools and Society*
*Courses taught through FHSU Virtual College