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Education

- 2006 Ph.D. in Sociology; Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
1998 M.A. in Sociology; Western Illinois University
1996 B.A. in Sociology; Illinois College

Professional Positions

- 2016- Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2011-2016 Associate Professor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2005-2011 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2004-05 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Southern Oregon University.

Publications

Books

- 2019 Foster, Gary S. and William E. Lovekamp. *Cemeteries and the Life of a Smoky Mountain Community: Cades Cove Under Foot*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- 2013 Thomas, Deborah S.K., Brenda D. Phillips, William E. Lovekamp & Alice Fothergill. *Social Vulnerability to Disasters*, 2nd edition, London: CRC Press.

Articles

- 2019 Soboroff, Shane D., William E. Lovekamp, and Robert B. Jenkot. Social Status and the Effects of Legal Concealed Firearms on College Campuses. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education* 30(3):376-388. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10511253.2018.1520270>
- 2018 Foster, Gary S. and William E. Lovekamp. "Identity Denied: Gravestones as Collectibles." *Association of Gravestone Studies Quarterly* 42(3):23-29.
- 2018 Haney, Timothy J. and William E. Lovekamp. On the Margins, No More: Teaching and Learning as a Core Concern of Disaster Scholarship. *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters* 36(3):208-219.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E., Shane D. Soboroff and Michael D. Gillespie. "Engaging Students in Survey Research Projects across Methods and Statistics Courses." *Teaching Sociology* 45(1):65-72.
- 2016 Foster, Gary S., William E. Lovekamp and Donald H. Holly, Jr. "The Old Kelley Cemetery: A Cold Case of Grave Concern." *Association of Gravestone Studies Quarterly* 40(2):3-9.
- 2016 Lovekamp, William E., Gary S. Foster and Steven M. Di Naso. "Protecting the Dead - Cemetery Preservation and Disaster Planning." *Natural Hazards Observer* 40(6):4-9.
- 2015 Foster, Gary S. & William E. Lovekamp. "Disasters and Cemeteries: A Clarion Call for Matters of Grave Urgency." *Association of Gravestone Studies Quarterly* 39(3):14-19.
- 2015 Foster, Gary S., William E. Lovekamp, Steven M. Di Naso & Grant Woods. "The Cast Iron Grave Cover: A Case of Mistaken Identity and Identity Found." *Markers* 31:52-67.

- 2013 Lovekamp, William E. & Joseph E. Trainor. "30 Years of Dissertation Trends in Disaster Studies." *HazNet* 5(1):11-14.
- 2011 Lovekamp, William E. & Sara K. McMahon. "I Have a Snickers Bar in the Trunk of My Car: Student Narratives of Disaster Risk, Fear, Preparedness, and Reflections on Union University." *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters* 29(2):132-148.
- 2008 Lovekamp, William E. & Michelle L. Tate. "College Student Disaster Preparedness." *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters* 26(2):70-90.

Special Journal Issue Editorship

- 2019 Haney, Timothy J. and William E. Lovekamp. Curricular Innovations in Hazards and Disaster Studies. Volume 37, Issue 1. *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters*. www.ijmed.org
- 2018 Haney, Timothy J. and William E. Lovekamp. Innovative Teaching Techniques and Practices in Hazards and Disaster Studies. Volume 36, Issue 3. *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters*. www.ijmed.org

Book Chapters

- 2019 Lovekamp, William E. "Foreword" pp. i-iii in *The Sociology of Disaster: Fictional Explorations of Human Experiences*, by Thomas E. Drabek. Routledge.
- 2013 Fordham, Maureen, William E. Lovekamp, Deborah S.K. Thomas and Brenda D. Phillips. "Understanding Social Vulnerability." pp. 1-29 in *Social Vulnerability to Disasters*, 2nd edition, edited by D. S. K. Thomas, B. D. Phillips, W. E. Lovekamp & A. Fothergill. London: CRC Press.
- 2013 Lovekamp, William E. & Sudha Arlikatti. "Social Change and Empowerment." pp. 447-472 in *Social Vulnerability to Disasters*, 2nd edition, edited by D. S. K. Thomas, B. D. Phillips, W. E. Lovekamp & A. Fothergill. London: CRC Press.
- 2010 Lovekamp, William E. "Promoting Empowerment: Social Change in Disasters." pp. 367-381 in *Social Vulnerability to Disasters*, edited by Brenda D. Phillips, Deborah Thomas, Alice Fothergill & Lynn Blinn-Pike. London: CRC Press.
- 2008 Lovekamp, William E. "Gender and Disaster: A Synthesis of Flood Research in Bangladesh." pp. 99-116 in *Women and Disasters: From Theory to Practice*, edited by Brenda D. Phillips & Betty Hearn Morrow. Philadelphia: Xlibris.

Book Reviews

- 2009 Lovekamp, William E. Review of *Response to Disaster: Fact versus Fiction and Its Perpetuation*. 3rd Edition, Henry W. Fischer, III. *International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters* 27(1):96-98.
- 2008 Lovekamp, William E. Review of *The Sociology of Katrina: Perspectives on a Modern Catastrophe* by David L. Brunson, David Overfelt, & J. Steven Picou. *Contemporary Sociology* 37(3):260-261.
- 2005 Lovekamp, William E. Review of *Heads Above Water* by Alice Fothergill. *American Journal of Sociology* 111(4):1259-1260.

Reports

- 2017 Lovekamp, William E., Gary S. Foster, and Steven Di Naso. "Inventory of Cades Cove Cemeteries." Investigator's Scientific Study Final Research Report #1. U.S. National Park Service, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, GRSM-01120.

- 2017 Lovekamp, William E. and Gary S. Foster. "A Sociological Reconstruction of Cades Cove Cemeteries." Investigator's Scientific Study Final Research Report #2. U.S. National Park Service, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, GRSM-01120.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E., Steven M. Di Naso, and Gary S. Foster. "Mapping Cades Cove Cemeteries." Investigator's Scientific Study Final Research Report #3. U.S. National Park Service, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, GRSM-01120.

Manuals

- 2013 Lovekamp, William E. Instructor's Manual and Test Bank for "Chapter 17: Social Change and Empowerment", *Social Vulnerability to Disasters*, 2nd edition, edited by D. S. K. Thomas, B. D. Phillips, W. E. Lovekamp & A. Fothergill. London: CRC Press.

Documentary Film

- 2017 Craig, Cameron Douglas and William E. Lovekamp, with Heaven Richey, producers. "Nature's Fury and the Human Spirit: The Charleston and Mattoon Tornado 26 May, 1917" Tempestas et Caelum Films.

Research Exhibits

- 2017 Lovekamp, William E., curator, "1917 Coles County Tornado", Booth Library North Narthex, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E., curator, "1917 Coles County Tornado", Coles County Historical Society Museum.

Presentations at Professional Meetings

- 2019 Lovekamp, William E. "Presidential Address". Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2019 Lovekamp, William E. "Using Documentary Film to Educate about Hazards and Disasters. Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2018 Lovekamp, William E. "Nature's Fury and the Human Spirit" documentary presentation. Illinois Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Millikin University.
- 2018 Lovekamp, William E. "Community and School-Based Applications of an Historic Disaster Event" International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology. Toronto, Canada.
- 2018 Soboroff, Shane D., William E. Lovekamp, and Robert B. Jenkot. "Social Status and the Effects of Legal Concealed Firearms on College Campuses" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2018 Lovekamp, William E. "Nature's Fury and the Human Spirit" documentary presentation and panel. Midwest Sociological Society's Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E. "Nature's Fury and the Human Spirit" documentary presentation. Illinois Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Millikin University.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E. "Inclusion and Empowerment in Disaster Risk Reduction" panelist. Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2017 Lovekamp, William E. and Gary S. Foster. "A Sociological Reconstruction of a Smoky Mountain Community through Its Cemeteries" Midwest Sociological Society's Annual Meeting. Milwaukee WI.

- 2016 Gillespie, Michael D., William E. Lovekamp and Shane D. Soboroff. "Demonstrating the Continuity of Research: The Design, Collection and Analysis of Student-Centered Survey Data across Methods and Statistics Courses" Midwest Sociological Society's Annual Meeting. Chicago IL.
- 2016 Foster, Gary S., William E. Lovekamp and Steven M. Di Naso. "Cades Cove Disclosed: An Empirical Reconstruction of Community via Its Cemeteries" Great Smoky Mountains National Park Science Colloquium. Gatlinburg, TN.
- 2014 Lovekamp, William E. "Disaster Sociology as Service to Community" Illinois Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2014 Lovekamp, William E., Gary S. Foster, Steven M. Di Naso and Vincent P. Gutowski. "Etched in Stone: Preservation of Cemeteries and Cultural Identity" International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology. Yokohama, Japan.
- 2013 Lovekamp, William E., Gary S. Foster, Steven M. Di Naso and Vincent P. Gutowski. "Cemetery Preservation as Disaster Preparedness" Natural Hazards Workshop IRCD Researchers Meeting, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2012 Poster Presentation, "Lovekamp, William E., Gary S. Foster, Steven M. Di Naso, Vincent P. Gutowski and Douglas R. McClintic. Historical Cemetery Preservation in Cades Cove, Tennessee: An Integrative Application of DGPS, GIS, and High Definition Scanning. Illinois GIS Association Fall Conference.
- 2012 Poster Presentation, "U.S. Gender and Disaster Resilience Alliance" Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2011 Lovekamp, William E. and Joseph E. Trainor. "Dissertation Trends in Contemporary Disaster Science" American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 Poster Presentation, "U.S. Gender and Disaster Resilience Alliance" Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2011 Lovekamp, William E. and Joseph E. Trainor. "Dissertation Trends in Contemporary (1980-Present) Disaster Science" FEMA 14th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Conference. Emmetsburg, MD.
- 2011 Eckert, Craig M, William E. Lovekamp, Jill K. Buchar and Rachel M. King. "Can a Community Assessment Survey Affect Public Policy? An Empirical Assessment" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.
- 2010 Lovekamp, William E. "The History and Growth of Disaster Research" International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology, Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 2010 Lovekamp, William E. "Dissertation Trends in Disaster Research" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 Lovekamp, William E., Robert B. Jenkot and S.J. Creek. "Campus Threats and Social Control: The Concealed Carry on Campus Movement" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2009 Poster Presentation (with Sudha Arlikatti, Niki Dash, Elaine Enarson & Kris Peterson), "Gender and Disaster Network" Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2009 Zaman, Katie, Kathryn B. Ward, William E. Lovekamp & Kristi Brownfield. "Women, Work & Flooding in Bangladesh" Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Madison, WI.

- 2009 Lovekamp, William E. and Robert B. Jenkot. "Campus Threats and Social Control: The Concealed Carry on Campus Movement" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Des Moines, IA.
- 2008 Lovekamp, William E. and Kathryn B. Ward. "Women Urban Workers & 2004 Floods in Dhaka, Bangladesh" American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA.
- 2008 Lovekamp, William E. and Sara K. McMahon. "Disaster Fear and Preparedness: Student Voices" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.
- 2007 Lovekamp, William E. and Michelle L. Tate. "College Student Disaster Preparedness." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2004 Lovekamp, William E. "Patterns of Preparedness and Response: A Comparison of the 1987 Whittier Narrows, 1989 Loma Prieta and 1994 Northridge Earthquakes." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Kansas City, MO.
- 2003 Lovekamp, William E. "Gender, Race, and Social Class Variations in Disaster Preparation in Earthquake Stricken Communities." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2002 Lovekamp, William E. "Gender and Disaster: A Synthesis of Flooding in Bangladesh." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2001 Lovekamp, William E. and John G. Boulahanis. "Herrin Italian Cultural Heritage Project." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.
- 2000 Lovekamp, William E. "Democratization of Golf: A Sociology of Culture Approach." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.

Activities at Professional Meetings

- 2017 Session Presider, "Constructed Cultures & Temporalities: Comparative Historical Perspectives" Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Milwaukee WI.
- 2017 Participant, Alpha Kappa Delta Teaching and Learning Workshop, Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Milwaukee WI.
- 2016 Participant, Alpha Kappa Delta Teaching and Learning Workshop, Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago IL.
- 2014 "Social Science in Real Life: Public and Applied Experiences and Challenges." Organizer and Presider, Illinois Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2014 Session Organizer, "Cultural Preservation, Memory, and Restoration in Disaster Contexts" International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology. Yokohama, Japan.
- 2014 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), "International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting" at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2013 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), "International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting" at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2013 MSS Connections Lunch Table Chair, Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

- 2012 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), “International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting” at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2011 Roundtable Presider, “Sociology of Knowledge I: History of Ideas and Trends” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), “International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting” at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2011 Session Organizer and Panelist, “Author Meets Critics: Lori Peek, Behind the Backlash: Muslim Americans after 9/11” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.
- 2010 Session Chair, “Vulnerabilities and Capacities among At-Risk Populations” International Sociological Association’s World Congress of Sociology, Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 2010 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), “International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting” at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2010 Session Co-organizer (with Lee Miller), “Disasters and Social Change.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2010 Session Organizer, “Professional Sociology Outside of the Academy: Beyond the Brick and Mortar.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2009 Meeting Co-Organizer (with Joseph Trainor), “International Research Committee on Disasters Researchers Meeting” at the Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2009 Session Co-Organizer (with Susanna Hoffman), Gender and Disasters Roundtable, Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2008 Session Moderator, “Quick Response Research-From Proposal to Possibilities.” Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2008 Session Co-Organizer (with Christine Bevc), “Bridging Communities: Hazards, Disasters and the Public.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.
- 2008 Session Co-Organizer (with Christine Bevc), “Hurricane Katrina: Two Years Later.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.
- 2008 Session Co-Organizer (with Christine Bevc), “Policy and Disaster Management.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.
- 2007 Session Moderator, “Vulnerability and Resilience: All Politics is Local.” Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2007 Session Co-Organizer (with Lori Peek), “Understanding Katrina: New Directions in Disaster Research & Policy.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2007 Session Co-Organizer (with Lori Peek), “Confronting Catastrophe: New Directions in Disaster Research & Policy.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2006 Session Organizer, “Teaching Research Methods.” Mid-South Sociological Association, Lafayette, LA.

- 2006 Session Co-Organizer (with Lori Peek), “Innovations in Disaster Theory, Research & Practice.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Omaha, NE.
- 2005 Session Organizer, “Sociology of Disasters 1.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN.
- 2005 Session Organizer, “Sociology of Disasters 2.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN.
- 2005 Session Discussant, “Alpha Kappa Delta.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN.
- 2004 Session Discussant, “Alpha Kappa Delta: A Resource for You and Your Students.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Kansas City, MO.
- 2003 Session Organizer, “Sociology of Disasters.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2002 Session Organizer, “Sociology of Disasters.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, WI.

Invited Lectures, Public Presentations & Workshops

- 2018 “Life Happens: Games and Simulations in Sociology” presentation. 39th Annual History and Social Studies Teachers Conference, Eastern Illinois University.
- 2017 “The 100th Anniversary of the 1917 Coles County Tornado.” Coles County Genealogical Society Quarterly Membership Meeting presentation.
- 2016 “Racialized Context of Disasters.” EIU Booth Library *For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights* exhibit and program series presentation.
- 2016 Invited presentation. “1917 Coles County Tornado: Effects and Recovery.” Coles County Historic 5 Mile House.
- 2015 Invited presentation. “Coles County and the 1917 Tornado.” Coles County Historic 5 Mile House.
- 2015 Invited presentation. “Dulcimers: Sweet and Sweeter.” Coles County Historic 5 Mile House.
- 2015 “Engaging with You: Elevate your Psychology & Sociology Courses” workshop. Cengage Learning Office, San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 “Academic Advising.” EIU Department of Sociology and Anthropology Brown Bag Workshop.
- 2014 “The Mountain Dulcimer.” EIU Academy of Lifelong Learning Workshop.
- 2014 Invited Presentation. “Vulnerability Issues in Disasters.” 6th Annual EIUnity Diversity Conference.
- 2012 Invited Presentation. “Gender and Disaster: A Cross-Cutting Overview.” Gender and Disaster Webinar Series. Sponsored by the U.S. Gender & Disaster Resilience Alliance and EPI Global.
- 2012 “Global Trends and Changes in Disasters.” EIU ScienceFest Mini Symposium on Global Change.
- 2011 Invited Lecture. “Gendered Disaster Response.” International Policy Conference. Millersville University.

- 2011 Panelist. "Earthquake, Tsunami and Nuclear Disaster in Japan and Beyond." Eastern Illinois University Asian Heritage Month panel.
- 2010 "Guns on Campus." (with Robert B. Jenkot), 2010 South Carolina Criminal Justice Training Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.
- 2010 Panelist. "The Faculty Job Search Retreat." University of Illinois, Urbana- Champaign Graduate College.
- 2010 "Campus Threats & Social Control: The Concealed Carry on Campus Movement." (with Robert B. Jenkot), Celebration of Inquiry Conference, Coastal Carolina University.
- 2010 Facilitator. "Student Voices: Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity." Eastern Illinois University Wholesome Professor Series Panel.
- 2008 Panelist. "Mentoring Undergraduate Research." Eastern Illinois University Faculty Development Wholesome Professor Series Panel.
- 2007 Panelist. "Disaster Planning and Response: What Can the Academy Bring to the Table." Southern Illinois University Center for Delta Studies Symposium.
- 2007 Panelist. "Teaching Critical Thinking in Undergraduate Research." Eastern Illinois University Faculty Development Wholesome Professor Series Panel.
- 2007 "Diversity of Disasters." Lewis & Clark Community College Diversity Series.
- 2006 Panelist. "9/11 Remembered: Experiences, Thoughts & Perspectives." Eastern Illinois University Panel Discussion.
- 2005 "Natural Disaster Risk and Reduction: Where Do We Go From Here?" Eastern Illinois University International Forum Seminar Series.
- 2005 Co-organizer & Panelist. "Hurricane Katrina: Racial/Ethnic, Social Class and Gendered Response and Recovery." Eastern Illinois University Panel Discussion.
- 2005 "Preparing for the Worst: A Sociology of Disasters." Southern Oregon University Social Science Lecture Series.
- 2005 "International Studies Forum on Natural Disasters." Panelist. Southern Oregon University.
- 2004 Participant & Rapporteur, "Changing Organizational Culture & Structure." Gender Equality & Disaster Risk Reduction Workshop, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 2004 Workshop on Job Talks & Interviews. Department of Sociology, Southern Illinois University.
- 2004 "Gender, Race, and Social Class Variations in Disaster Preparation in Earthquake Stricken Communities." SIUC Department of Sociology Colloquium Series.
- 2002 Invited Participant, Natural Hazards Workshop, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado-Boulder.
- 2000 "Herrin Italian Cultural Heritage Project." Office of Research Development and Administration, Project CONNECT Colloquium. Southern Illinois University.
- 1998 "Theoretical Trends in Collective Behavior and Collective Action throughout the 20th Century." Western Illinois University Department of Sociology Symposium.

Professional Service

- 2018-2022 President, International Research Committee on Sociology of Disasters (RC-39), International Sociological Association.
- 2018- SURGE (Minority Scholars from Under-Represented Groups in Engineering and the Social Sciences) Capacity in Disasters mentor.
- 2017-2019 Member, Nominations and Elections Committee, Midwest Sociological Society.
- 2016-2018 Program Coordinator, International Research Committee on Sociology of Disasters (RC-39), International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology, Toronto, Canada, 2018.
- 2016-2017 Panel Reviewer, Capacity Building Grants competition - Gulf Research Program of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.
- 2013-2018 Secretary/Treasurer, International Research Committee on Sociology of Disasters (RC-39), International Sociological Association.
- 2012-2013 Member, Program Committee, Midwest Sociological Society.
- 2010- Editorial Board Member, Sociopedia.isa, Journal of the International Sociological Association.
- 2009-2011 Co-Facilitator (with Elaine Enarson), U.S. Gender & Disaster Resilience Alliance.
- 2009-2012 Member, Prince Dissertation Award Committee, International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Disasters.
- 2009-2011 Chair, Prince Dissertation Award Committee, International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Disasters.
- 2010-2012 Chair, Sociological Practice Committee, Midwest Sociological Society.
- 2009-2012 Member, Sociological Practice Committee, Midwest Sociological Society.

University Service

- 2017- EIU Dual Credit Program Committee.
- 2018-2020 College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Graduate Student Investigator Award Selection Committee
- 2016-2018 College of Sciences Curriculum Committee
- 2014 EIU Conference on Undergraduate Research Workshop Faculty Representative
- 2013- GIScience Center Faculty Affiliate
- 2012-2013 Taskforce on Electronic & Online Learning Materials
- 2011-2013 Committee on Retention Efforts
- 2012-2015 EIU Big Brothers Big Sisters Registered Student Organization Advisor
- 2011, 2013 Rose Zeller Excellence in Geographic Research Award Committee.
- 2010-2013 College of Sciences Grade Appeal Committee
- 2006-2018 Faculty Fellows Program
- 2007, 2011-15 EIU Reads Program

- 2010 EIU Faculty Representative, National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Missoula, MT, April 15-17, 2010.
- 2009-2013 Continuing Education Advisory Council
- 2008-2011 Faculty Development Advisory Committee
- 2008-2011 Showcase of the Exploration & Inquiry of Undergraduates” (Showcase EIU) University Steering Committee
- 2008-2011 Showcase of the Exploration & Inquiry of Undergraduates” (Showcase EIU) College of Sciences representative
- 2008 Campus Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT) Committee
- 2007-2009 Environmental Health and Safety Committee
- 2007-2009 Faculty Representative, Illinois Delivery of Education Alliance-Homeland Security (IDEA-HS)
- 2006-2010 African American Studies Advisory Board
- 2007 EIU Faculty Representative, Council on Undergraduate Research Institute on Mentorship, Collaboration & Undergraduate Research in the Social Sciences & Humanities, 7/13-7/16, Carthage College, Kenosha, WI.
- 2007-2008 Prowl Civics and Citizenship Sub-committee
- 2006-2008 New Faculty Orientation Resource Person

Departmental Service

- 2020-2023 Departmental Personnel Committee (Chair 2021-22)
- 2019-20 Criminology Search Committee (Chair)
- 2019- Honors Reception Committee
- 2017-18 Criminology Search Committee
- 2016-2018 Departmental Personnel Committee (Chair 2017-18)
- 2016-2018 Curriculum Committee (Chair 2016-2018)
- 2016-2017 Ad Hoc Criminology Major Committee
- 2014- Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology International Honor Society Advisor
- 2014-2019 Honors Coordinator
- 2012-2015 Departmental Personnel Committee (Chair 2013-14)
- 2010-2012 Appeals Committee
- 2010-2019 Honors Committee
- 2009-2014 Curriculum Committee
- 2011-2012 Anthropology Search Committee
- 2009-2010 Sociology Search Committee
- 2009-2010 Undergraduate Departmental Honors Thesis Chair for Lisa Piasecki “Attitudes toward Unionization and Variations among Religious Denominations.”

- 2008-2010 Undergraduate Departmental Honors Thesis Chair for Stephanie Niemeyer
“Homophobia: How Gender & Locale Affect the Degree of Homophobic Attitudes.”
- 2007-2010 Technology Planning Committee
- 2007-2010 Undergraduate Research Committee
- 2005-2010 Human Subjects Committee
- 2005-2012 Scholarship Committee
- 2005-2010 Sociology-Anthropology Club Advisor

Community Service

- 2005- American Red Cross Advisory Council, Coles/Clark Counties, IL.
- 2005- American Red Cross Disaster Action Team Leader, Coles/Clark Counties, IL.
- 2005-2010 Co-chair, American Red Cross Disaster Action Team, Coles/Clark Counties, IL.
- 2007-2010 Board of Directors, HOPE of East-Central Illinois.
- 2007-2011 Children’s Advisory Committee, HOPE of East-Central Illinois.
- 2011-2017 Board of Directors, Mid-Illinois Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Awards

- 2018 EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service
- 2017 Coles County Historical Society Contribution Award
- 2016 Faculty Marshal at Fall Commencement Ceremony, EIU School of Continuing Education.
- 2016 EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service
- 2016 EIU Distinguished Honors Faculty Award
- 2014 EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service
- 2012 EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service
- 2010 President’s Service Award, International Research Committee on Disasters, International Sociological Association.
- 2010 EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service

Fellowships, Grants and Research Permits

- 2016 Alpha Kappa Delta Fellowship Recipient, Teaching and Learning Workshop, Midwest Sociological Society’s Annual Meeting, Chicago IL. (\$500)
- 2014 “Parker Pioneer Burial Ground Historic Preservation and Mapping Initiative.” EIU Faculty Development Partnership Grant (w/ Steven M. Di Naso; \$750)
- 2012 Lovekamp, William E. and Gary S. Foster. Cemetery and Gravestone Inventory of Cades Cove. United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Great Smoky Mountains National Park Study # GRSM-01120, Permit # GRSM-2012-SCI-1120. Start Date July 20, 2012 – End Date December 31, 2016.
- 2010 Early Research Support Grant Recipient, EIU. (\$350)
- 2009 Early Research Support Grant Recipient, EIU. (\$250)

- 2008 Early Research Support Grant Recipient, EIU. (\$300)
- 2007 Early Research Support Grant Recipient, EIU. (\$500)
- 2007 Principle Investigator, "Fear and Preparedness: Student Views." Council on Faculty Research Grant, EIU. (\$637.50)
- 2006 Early Research Support Grant Recipient, EIU. (\$500)
- 2000 "Herrin Italian Heritage Project." Grant funded by the Office of Research Development & Administration, SIU.

Disaster Related Certifications and Training

American Red Cross CPR (Adult, Child & Infant) certification, American Red Cross AED certification, American Red Cross First Aid certification, American Red Cross Emergency Response Vehicle Training, American Red Cross Damage Assessment Training, American Red Cross Mass Care Training, American Red Cross Shelter Operations Training.

Courses Taught

Introductory Sociology, Classical Theory, Community Studies, Current Issues in Sociology, Disasters, Gender, Popular Culture, Professional Seminar, Race & Ethnic Relations, Research Methods, Social Problems (Honors), Social Movements & Activism, Senior Seminar in Social Movements, Statistics.

Areas of Specialization

Sociology of Disaster, Collective Behavior & Social Movements, Gender, Race & Ethnicity

Professional Memberships (current and past)

Alpha Kappa Delta, American Sociological Association, Gender and Disaster Network, Illinois GIS Association, U.S. Gender and Disaster Resilience Alliance, Natural Hazard Mitigation Association, International Research Committee on Disasters, International Sociological Association, Mid-South Sociological Association, Midwest Sociological Society.

Manuscript Reviewer (current and past)

American Journal of Sociology; Australian Journal of Emergency Management; Biosecurity and Bioterrorism; British Journal of Sociology; Children, Youth and Environments; Disaster Prevention and Management; Disasters; Environmental Justice; Great Plains Quarterly; International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction; International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters; Journal of Homeland Security & Emergency Management; Journal of Disaster Studies; Natural Hazards; Natural Hazards Review, Policy and Management; Polity Books; Population and Environment; Risk Analysis; Routledge; Social Forces; Sociological Spectrum; Sociopedia.isa; Southeastern Geographer; Teaching Sociology; Qualitative Sociology.