

Kody Steffy

Curriculum Vitae

Center for Integrative Studies in Social Science
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016- **Michigan State University**, Assistant Professor of Integrative Studies

EDUCATION

2016 Ph.D., Sociology
Indiana University
Dissertation: *Employment, Morality, and Millennial Variations on the American Dream*

2011 *Preparing Future Faculty Certificate*
Indiana University

2009 M.A., Sociology
Indiana University

2007 B.A., Sociology, valedictorian, *summa cum laude*
Saint Vincent College

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Social Inequality, Privilege, & Diversity
Work, Labor, & Underemployment
Young Adulthood
Religion & Culture
Documentary Photography of the Refugee Experience

PUBLICATIONS

2013. Kody Steffy. "Religious Orthodoxy and the American Worker." *Sociology of Religion* 74(1):1-29 (lead article).

2013. Sarah Hatteberg and Kody Steffy. "Increasing Reading Compliance of Undergraduates: An Evaluation of Methods." *Teaching Sociology* 41(4):346-352. (equal authorship)

2013. Kody Steffy. "Digging for Mutual Cooperation." *Contexts* 12(1). Publicly available at: www.contexts.org/articles/digging-for-mutual-cooperation.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

"Willful vs. Woeful Underemployment: The Classed Experiences of Overqualified College Graduates."
Current **Revise and Resubmit** status.

“The Privilege of Devotion: Social Class, Meaning of Work, and Life Projects among Underemployed College Graduates.” (editing stage); submission expected November 2016.

“Individualism and Commitment in the Working Lives of Young, Underemployed Americans.” (editing stage); submission expected January 2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Michigan State University, Center for Integrative Studies

- 2017 Capstone in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science: Modern Work (1 section; 23 students *anticipated*)
- 2016-2017 Society & the Individual: Power & Society (5 sections; 1,000 students *anticipated*)
- 2016 Society & the Individual: The Social Science of Millennials (Online; 1 section, 52 students)

Instructor, Indiana University Department of Sociology

- 2015 Introduction to Sociology (1 section, 67 students)
- 2013 Introduction to Sociology (1 section, 64 students)
- 2010 Social Problems and Policies (1 section, 55 students)
- 2010 Introduction to Sociology (1 section, 66 students)
- 2009 Introduction to Sociology (1 sections, 68 students)

Associate Instructor, Indiana University Department of Sociology

- 2012 Social Status, Consumption, and Happiness
- 2011 Social Support from Similar Others

Online Curriculum Developer, Indiana University School of Continuing Studies

- 2010 Introductory Sociology: Online

Teaching Assistant, Indiana University Department of Sociology

- 2009 Law and Society
- 2008 Media and Society
- 2008 Moral Controversy in American Politics
- 2007 Medicine in America

Honors Thesis Advisor, Indiana University Sociology Honors Program (2008)

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2015 Travel Grant, Indiana University. (Award to cover costs of presenting at the annual meetings of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*.)
- 2014 Grant-in-Aid of Doctoral Research Award, Indiana University. (Competitive award to support dissertation research.)
- 2012 Advanced Departmental Fellowship, Indiana University. (Competitive award to support independent research during Fall 2012.)
- 2011 Advanced Departmental Fellowship, Indiana University. (Competitive award to support independent research during Fall 2011.)
- 2007 Valedictorian, Saint Vincent College.
- 2007 Maria Leonard Senior Book Award, Saint Vincent College. (Awarded to graduating member of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society with highest cumulative GPA.)

- 2006 A.J. Palumbo Research Grant, Saint Vincent College. (Competitive award to support research project on refugees in Portland, Maine.)
- 2006 Salt Photography Scholarship, Salt Institute for Documentary Studies. (Award for winning essay competition.)
- 2006 A.J. Palumbo Research Grant, Saint Vincent College. (Competitive award to support data collection and analysis on independent research project.)

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2015. "Underemployment and Social Class among Recent College Graduates." Annual Meetings of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago, IL.
- 2015. "God or Government? Evangelicals, Economic Security, and the Welfare State, 1956-1980." 8th Biennial Symposium on Religion and Public Life, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI. (presented by co-author Brian Steensland)
- 2012. "Sanctifying the Free Market: Evangelicals, Capitalism, and Cultural Power." Culture and Social Analysis Workshop, Harvard University, Boston, MA. (presented by coauthor Brian Steensland)
- 2012. "Why do Ideas Cluster Together? The Case of Evangelicals and Capitalism in the United States." Contested Culture: Culture and Morality in the Social Sciences Conference, Umeå Universitet, Umeå, Sweden. (presented by coauthor Brian Steensland)
- 2009. "Cosmology or Creed? How Religion Influences Motivation and Decision-Making in the Workplace." Annual Meetings of the North Central Sociological Association, Dearborn, MI.
- 2007. "Do We Really Just Need to Bowl More?" Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2013-2014 Research Manager, CoStar Group (Washington, DC)
- 2012 Co-Investigator and Interview Supervisor, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Sociological Research Practicum (P.I.: Arthur Alderson)
- 2011 Co-Investigator and Interview Supervisor, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Sociological Research Practicum (P.I.: Peggy Thoits)
- 2008 Research Assistant, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Sociological Research Practicum (P.I.: Patricia McManus)

SERVICE

- 2014 Panelist on *PhD Minors*, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Pro-seminar for second-year graduate students.
- 2011-2012 Discussant, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Politics, Economy, and Culture Workshop.
- 2011 Faculty Search Committee, Indiana University Department of Sociology.

- 2010 Panelist on *Race in the Classroom*, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Racial and Ethnic Relations Committee, Preparing Future Faculty Program.
- 2010 Undergraduate Affairs Committee, Indiana University Department of Sociology.
- 2010 First-year graduate student mentor, Indiana University Department of Sociology.
- 2010 Presider, Paper Session on Political Culture, Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- 2009 Panelist on *Conference Presentations*, Indiana University Department of Sociology, Pro-seminar for First-year graduate students.