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### CURRENT POSITION

2001- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Stanford University

*Affiliated with Programs in African and African American Studies, Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity and Urban Studies*

### EDUCATION

2001 Ph.D. Harvard University, Sociology  
1993 B.A. Villanova University, History and Sociology, *summa cum laude*

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Race and ethnicity, qualitative methods, urban sociology, inequality, public opinion.

### PUBLICATIONS

McDermott, Monica. Forthcoming. "Varieties of White Racial Identity," in *Doing Race: 21 Essays for the 21st Century*, Hazel Markus and Paula Moya, eds.

McDermott, Monica. 2006. *Working Class White: The Making and Unmaking of Race Relations*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Small, Mario and Monica McDermott. 2006. "The Presence of Organizational Resources in Poor Urban Neighborhoods: An Analysis of Average and Contextual Effects." *Social Forces* 84:1697-1724.

McDermott, Monica and Frank L. Samson. 2005. "White Racial and Ethnic Identity in the United States." *Annual Review of Sociology*. 31:245-261.

McDermott, Monica. 2002. "Trends in the Race and Ethnicity of Eminent Americans." *Sociological Forum* 17(1):137-160.

McDermott, Monica. 2001. "Class Structure and Racial Consciousness among Black Americans." *Critical Sociology* 27(1):1-28.

McDermott, Monica. 1994. "Race/Class Interactions in the Formation of Political Ideology." *The*

*Sociological Quarterly* 35(2):114-136.

### **Works in Progress**

*Unstable Hierarchies*, book manuscript based on year-long participant observation fieldwork in the Southeastern US assessing impact of recent immigration on black/white relations, attitudes, and daily life.

“Black Attitudes towards Hispanic Immigrants in South Carolina,” in preparation for a Russell Sage sponsored volume on Black/Latino relations, edited by Edward Telles and Mark Sawyer.

“Class and Race Context and Racial Attitudes,” in preparation for a special issue of the *Annals of Political and Social Science*, edited by Matthew Hunt and George Wilson.

### **Book Reviews**

*Who is White?* by George Yancey, 2003. In *American Journal of Sociology*, 2005.

*Honky*, by Dalton Conley, 2000. In *Contemporary Sociology*, 2002.

*The Time Bind: When Work becomes Home and Home becomes Work*, by Arlie Russell Hochschild, 1997. In *Political Science Quarterly*, 1998.

### **Other Publications**

“White or European Origin Population” and “White Population of the United States.” 2000. Pp. 365-370 in *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Census*, ed. Margo Anderson. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Invited Talks**

“Non-monotonic Class Patterns among Black Attitudes towards Hispanic Immigrants.” Black-Latino Relations Workshop, UCLA, February, 2009.

Author Meets Critics session for *Working Class White*, American Sociological Association Annual Meetings, Boston, MA, August, 2008.

“Race, Class and Immigration in the Southeastern United States.” Peace and Justice Center Lecture Series, Villanova University, April, 2008.

“Unstable Hierarchies: Race, Class and Immigration to the Southeastern United States” Sociology Department Colloquium Series, University of Arizona, March, 2007.

“The Impact of “Black” Immigration on Native-born Black and White Race Relations,” University of Wisconsin Institute for Poverty Research Summer Research Workshop, Madison, WI, 2005.

“The Impact of Recent Mexican Immigration on Native-born Black and White Racial Attitudes.” Humanities Center, Stanford University, May 5, 2005.

“Situational Contexts and the Expression of Anti-black Prejudice” Center for Urban Ethnography, University of California-Berkeley, April 19, 2005.

“Varieties of White Racial Identity” Sociology Department Colloquium Series, University of British Columbia, March, 2005.

“Are Poor Urban Neighborhoods Deprived of Organizational Resources?” University of Wisconsin Institute for Poverty Research Summer Research Workshop, Madison, WI, 2004 (with Mario Small).

“Varieties of White Racial Identity” Sociology Department Colloquium Series, University of California-Berkeley, February 17, 2005.

“Varieties of White Racial Identity in Urban America” Urban Studies Lecture Series, Stanford University, February 5, 2004.

“Varieties of White Racial Identity” Cultural and Social Anthropology Department Colloquium Series, Stanford University, January 12, 2004.

“Varieties of White Racial Identity” Research Institute for Comparative Studies of Race and Ethnicity Faculty Seminar Series, Stanford University, October 9, 2003.

“The Local and Situational Contexts of Prejudice,” Workshop on Community and Youth Development, Stanford University, October 22, 2002.

“Class in the Black Community”, Sociology Department Colloquium, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, 1997.

### **Conference Presentations**

Organizer and Discussant, “Racism and Anti-Racism,” American Sociological Association meetings, San Francisco, CA, August, 2009.

Author Meets Critics, *Becoming a Citizen* by Irene Bloemraad, California Sociological Association annual meetings, Berkeley, CA, November 17, 2007.

“New Sources of Data on Racial Attitudes,” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, Miami, May 12, 2005.

“Neighborhood and School Effect on Second Generation Outcomes,” Presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, April 1, 2005.

“Combining Ethnography and Survey Analysis in the Study of Racial Attitudes,” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Association of Public Opinion Research, Phoenix, AZ, 2004.

“Black Like Who? African and Haitian Immigrants and Urban American Conceptions of Race,”

- Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, 2003.
- “Race of Interviewer Effects in a Survey of Atlanta Whites,” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Association of Public Opinion Research, St. Petersburg Beach, FL, 2002.
- “Local Contexts and Racial Attitudes: A Tale of Two Cities”, Presented at a Thematic Session at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA, 2001.
- “Whiteness as Perceived Stigma: Identity Construction among Disadvantaged Whites”, Presented at a Special Session at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Washington, DC, 2000.
- “The Functions of Whiteness in a Mixed Race Urban Community”, Presented at the Harvard/Oxford/Stockholm Graduate Student Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, 2000.
- “White Racial Attitudes in Working Class Atlanta”, Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, 1999.
- “Ethnic and Racial Differences in Elite Composition”, Presented at the annual meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA, 1998.
- “Why Do Harvard Students Major in Sociology?” Presented at the annual meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA, 1998.
- “Class Structure and Racial Consciousness among Black Americans.” Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 1996.
- “The Role of Home Ownership in White Beliefs about Residential Segregation.” Presented at the annual meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA, 1995 (with Karyn Lacy).
- “Collective Protest and Long Cycles in the Capitalist World-System.” Presented at the Graduate Group in Marxist Studies Conference, March, Buffalo, NY, 1994.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### *Stanford University—Department of Sociology*

Graduate Race and Ethnicity  
Graduate Qualitative Methods  
Racial Identity  
Race and Class in Urban America  
Writing in the Major  
Sociological Theory  
Graduate Workshops on Race and Ethnic Relations, Ethnography  
Graduate Directed Readings on Whiteness Studies; Qualitative Methods; Gramsci;  
Survey Construction; White Poverty

### *Harvard University—Department of Sociology*

Sociological Theory  
Survey Research Methods

McDermott

Stratification  
U.S. Public Policy

## **ADVISING**

### *Ph.D. Dissertation Chair*

Laura Lopez-Sanders, Sociology

### *Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member--Completed*

Maya Beasley, Sociology, Asst. Prof., University of Connecticut

Cynthia Brandt, Sociology, Alumni Office, Stanford University

Christa Compton, Education, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Stanford University

Tahu Kukutai, Sociology, Researcher, New Zealand

Kelly Vaughn, Education, Asst. Prof., College of Notre Dame

### *Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member—Current*

Yan Li, Sociology

Ingrid Nelson, Education

Anthony Ocampo, Sociology, UCLA

Frank Samson, Sociology, Asst. Prof., University of Miami

Hilary Shaffer, Interdisciplinary Policy and Environmental Research

Alicia Simmons, Sociology

Lauren Stevenson, Education

Victor Thompson, Sociology

Sivan Zakai, Education

### *Undergraduate Honors Theses*

Carolyn Celio, Sociology

Diane Cheng, Sociology

Josh Constine, Sociology

LaTasha Crow, Sociology

Anne Kiehl Friedman, Sociology

Alexandra Goldman, Urban Studies

Dung Le, Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity

Sam Lofland, Sociology

Yang Lor, Sociology

Whitney Martin, Sociology

Chris Minaker, Sociology

Monica Miklas, Sociology

Karin Portlock, Sociology

Danny Putnam, Sociology

Jace Ricafrente, Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity

Michael Riemenschneider, Sociology

Ian Slattery, Ethics in Society

Theresa Zheng, Sociology

## **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2005 Hellman Faculty Fellow, Stanford University
- 2001 Candace Rogers Student Paper Award, Eastern Sociological Society, Honorable Mention
- 1998-99 Eliot Dissertation Fellowship, Harvard University
- 1996, 2000 Levenson Teaching Award Nominee, Harvard University
- 1996-2001 Multiple Certificates of Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center, Harvard University
- 1993-95, 97 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship
- 1992 Phi Beta Kappa (junior year)
- 1989-1993 National Merit Scholar
- 1989-1993 Presidential Scholarship (full tuition), Villanova University

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Faculty Mentor, Black Society of Sociology Students, 2007-  
Graduate Admissions Committee, 2006-2007.  
Computing Committee, Sociology, Stanford University. 2001-2004. Chair, 2002-2004.  
Methods Curriculum Committee, Sociology, Stanford University. 2004-2005.  
Graduate Studies Committee, Sociology, Stanford University. 2004-2005.  
Co-Organizer, How Do Identities Matter? Workshop, Humanities Center, Stanford University.  
2004-2005.  
Social Science Computing Committee, H&S, Stanford University. 2001-2003.  
Undergraduate Studies Committee, Sociology, Stanford University. 2001-2002; 2007-2008  
Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee, Research Institute for Comparative Studies in Race  
and Ethnicity, Stanford University. 2002.  
Senior Search Committee, Sociology, Stanford University. 2002-2003.  
Faculty Representative, ITSS Search Committee, Communications and Sociology, Stanford  
University. 2002.  
Faculty Mentor, Summer Research College, Stanford University. 2002.  
Visiting Fellows Selection Committee, Research Institute for Comparative Studies in Race and  
Ethnicity, Stanford University. 2003, 2004.  
Co-Organizer, Whiteness Studies Workshop, Stanford University. 2003.  
Hoefler Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Writing Selection Committee, Stanford  
University. 2003.  
Colloquium Committee Chair, Sociology, Stanford University. 2003-2004; 2008-2009.  
Junior Search Committee, Sociology and Center for Comparative Studies of Race and Ethnicity,

Stanford University. 2003.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

“Attitudes towards Immigrants in the Deep South During a Time of Economic Contraction,”  
UPS, Stanford University, 2009.

Consultant, “The New Second Generation in New York City: Follow-Up,” NICHD, 2004. PIs:  
John Mollenkopf, Mary Waters, Philip Kasinitz.

“The Impact of Mexican Immigration to the Southeastern United States on Whites’  
Conceptions of Race,” VPUE Faculty Grant, Stanford University, 2003.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Consulting Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*, 2008-

Advisory Editor, *Social Problems*, 2008-2009

Stanford University Press Faculty Advisory Board, 2006-

Council Member, Section on Community and Urban Sociology, ASA, 2008-

Program Committee for the Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, 2007-2008;  
Organized and presided over four sessions.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Selection Committee, 2007, 2008

Selection Committee for Racial and Ethnic Minorities Section (ASA) Paper Award, 2004.

Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Du Bois Review*,  
*Qualitative Sociology*, *Social Forces*, *Social Problems*, *Social Psychology Quarterly*, *Sociology  
Compass*

### *Organizational Memberships*

American Association of Public Opinion Research

American Sociological Association

California Sociological Association

Pacific Sociological Association

Population Association of America

Society for the Study of Social Problems

**REFERENCES**

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