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EDUCATION

PhD Sociology, 2001, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Dissertation: Risky Lessons: Sexuality, Social Inequality, and School-Based Sex Education
MA Sociology, 1995, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Thesis: "There's No Need for Guilt": Normalization Strategies of the Parents of Gay Men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals
MA English, 1992, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
BA English (with honors), 1989, New York University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Acting Director, 2008 - present
San Francisco State University, Center for Research on Gender and Sexuality
Associate Professor, 2007 - present
San Francisco State University, Sociology
(affiliated with Human Sexuality and Criminal Justice Studies)
Research Associate, 2004 - present
San Francisco State University, Center for Research on Gender and Sexuality
Assistant Professor, 2001 - 2007
San Francisco State University, Sociology
(affiliated with Human Sexuality Studies)
Instructor, 2000
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Correctional Education
(Polk Youth Institution [for men] and NC Correctional Institution for Women)
Graduate Instructor, 1992 - 2000
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Sociology
(affiliated with Women's Studies and Cultural Studies)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Research Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

CSU/SFSU Mini-Grant Award Data Analysis: Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Young Adults' Lives; Fall 2007, \$5000
Support for data analysis in a comparative, international study of the intersections and repercussions of race, sexuality, and gender in the lives of young adults

Research Fellowships, Grants, and Awards, continued

Principal Investigator, University of California Universitywide AIDS Research Program IDEA Award, 2006-2008, \$123,736
Support for participatory action research project, "Jailed Women and HIV Education: A Collaborative Investigation"; collaborators include incarcerated women in San Francisco County Jail and HIV educators from the Forensic AIDS Project (San Francisco Department of Public Health)
Relations: Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Young Adults' Lives; 2005 - 2007, \$50,000
Co-investigator at San Francisco site of international comparative ethnography, "Relations among 'Race,' Sexuality and Gender in Different Local and National Contexts." Laura Moutinho, PhD, Principal Investigator (Instituto de Medicina Social/UERJ, Rio de Janeiro) (Ford Foundation)
SFSU Presidential Award for Professional Development of Probationary Faculty, Fall 2006
Support for completion of book manuscript, Risky Lessons: Social Inequality and Sex Education (Rutgers University Press)
Faculty Fellowship, SFSU Center for Health Disparities Research and Training, 2006
Support to secure funding for project, "Jailed Women and HIV/AIDS Education: A Collaborative Investigation"; mentor: Professor Michelle Fine (City University of New York Graduate Center)
CSU/SFSU Mini-Grant Award-Collaborative, Critical Research Training: A Model; Spring 2006, \$3270
Support for a collaborative project with SFSU students exploring critical pedagogy and research training
SFSU Vice-President's Assigned Time Program; Spring 2005, course release
Release time to support co-authorship of paper on instructional, research, and policy implications of schools relinquishing their roles as sources of young people's sexuality education and as gatekeepers for researchers interested in the sexual lives of U.S. youth
Wayne F. Placek Small Grant Award: Peer Sexuality Education and Same-Sex Attracted and Queer Youth; May 2004 - May 2005 (American Psychological Foundation), \$4996
Support for focus group study of same-sex attracted and queer peer sexuality educators
Demonstration Grant: Sexuality Education; June 2002 - May 2004, \$100,000
Innovative Training in Sexuality: Practitioner Education, Research and Policy. Gilbert Herdt, PhD, Principal Investigator (Ford Foundation/San Francisco State University)
Faculty Development Award for Mental Health Related Research; Spring 2002, \$4000
Project development award for study of sexuality education and sexual health in marginalized communities. Rafael Díaz, PhD, Principal Investigator (National Institutes of Mental Health/San Francisco State University)
Royster Society of Fellows Dissertation Fellowship, UNC Graduate School, 2000 - 2001
Woodrow Wilson-Johnson & Johnson Dissertation Grant in Women's Health, Spring 1999
Off-Campus Dissertation Research Fellowship, UNC Graduate School, Fall 1998
Social Science Research Council Sexuality Research Fellowship, 1997 - 1998

Research Fellowships, Grants, and Awards, continued

Jessie Ball duPont Fellowship in Early Adolescence, UNC Graduate School, 1997 - 1998
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Grant-in-Aid, 1996
Weiss Urban Livability Fellowship, UNC Center for Urban and Regional Studies, 1995 - 1996

Teaching Awards and Grants

Faculty Diversity Curriculum Development Award, SFSU College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Summer 2005
Teaching Assistant Technology Improvement Grant, UNC Graduate School, Spring 1999
Everett K. Wilson Outstanding Graduate Instructor, UNC Sociology, 1996
Rupert B. Vance Teaching Assistantship, UNC Sociology, 1994

Honors

Robert E. Bryan Public Service Award, UNC Carolina Center for Public Service, 2000
Howard W. Odum Award (to outstanding PhD candidate), UNC Sociology, 1999
Frank Porter Graham Graduate and Professional Honor Society, UNC, 1996
Associate Editorship, *Social Forces* (to outstanding M.A. candidate), UNC Sociology, 1995 - 1996
Herbert Blumer Award (student paper award; in recognition of M.A. thesis), Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, 1995

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Book

Fields, Jessica. Forthcoming (2008). *Risky Lessons: Sex Education and Social Inequality*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, Series in Childhood Studies.

Refereed Journal Articles

Fields, Jessica, Isela González, Kathleen Hentz, Margaret Rhee, and Catherine White. Forthcoming. "Learning From and With Incarcerated Women: Emerging Lessons from a Participatory Action Study of Sexuality Education." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*.

Fields, Jessica, and Celeste Hirschman. 2007. "Citizenship Lessons in Abstinence-Only Sexuality Education." *American Journal of Sexuality Education* 2(2):3-25.

Fields, Jessica, and Deborah L. Tolman. 2006. "Risky Business: Sexuality Education and Research in U.S. Schools." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 3(4):63-76.

Fields, Jessica. 2005. "Children Having Children: Race, Innocence, and Sexuality Education." *Social Problems* 52(4):549-71.

Fields, Jessica. 2004. "Same-Sex Marriage, Sodomy Laws, and the Sexual Lives of Young People." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 1(3):11-23.

Fields, Jessica. 2001. "Normal Queers: Straight Parents Respond to Their Children's 'Coming Out.'" *Symbolic Interaction* 24(2):165-87.

Book Chapters

Fields, Jessica. 2006. "Knowing Girls: Gender and Learning in School-Based Sexuality Education." Pp. 66-85 in *Sexual Inequalities: Social Justice and Positionality in Sexuality Research*, edited by Niels Teunis. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Fields, Jessica, Martha Copp, and Sherryl Kleinman. 2006. "Symbolic Interactionism, Inequality, and Emotions." Pp. 155-78 in *Handbook of the Sociology of Emotions*, edited by Jan E. Stets and Jonathan H. Turner. New York: Springer.

Encyclopedia Entries

Hirschman, Celeste, and Jessica Fields. Forthcoming. "Sex Education in U.S. High Schools." In *American High School: An Encyclopedia*, eds. Kathryn Borman, Spencer Cahill, and Bridget Cotner. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing.

Fields, Jessica, and Stephen Russell. 2005. "Queer Sexuality and Gender Activism." Pp. 512-14 in *Youth Activism: An International Encyclopedia*, eds. Lonnie R. Sherrod, Constance Flanagan, and Ron Kassimir. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing.

Invited Essays

RISE (Research on Inequality, Sexuality, and Education; Jessica Fields, Elena Flores, Valerie Francisco, Sandra Ramirez, Dana Rudie, and Elizabeth Truesdell). 2006. "Youth on Youth: Peer Educators in the Mission Talk about Sexuality, Risk Reduction, and Pregnancy Prevention." *American Sexuality*. Available at <http://nsrc.sfsu.edu/>

Translated into Spanish and reprinted as "De Joven a Joven" on sexliteracy.org. Available at <http://nsrc.sfsu.edu/>

Fields, Jessica. 2004. "A New Right, Old Wrongs." *American Sexuality: The Wedding Album*. 2(3). Available at <http://nsrc.sfsu.edu/>

Fields, Jessica, and Celeste Hirschman. 2003. "Citizenship Lessons: Sexuality Education in the United States." *American Sexuality: Special Issue on Abstinence-Only Policies and Sexuality*. 1(6). Available at <http://nsrc.sfsu.edu/>

Reprinted in *21st Century Sexualities: Contemporary Issues in Health, Education and Rights*, eds. Gilbert Herdt and Cymene Howe. New York: Routledge.

Article Manuscripts in Progress

Fields, Jessica, and Martha Copp. Sexuality Education for and by Youth: Tension and Transformation among Peers. Expected submission, December 2007.

Francisco, Valerie, Sandra Ramirez, Elizabeth Truesdell, and Jessica Fields. Students' Experiences of Critical Feminist Pedagogy. Expected submission, April 2008.

Refereed Instructional Materials

Fields, Jessica. 2002. "Alternative Syllabus and Formal Course Critique." *Critical Pedagogy in the Sociology Classroom*, edited by Peter Kaufman. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association. Reprinted in 2nd edition, 2006.

Refereed Instructional Materials, continued

Fields, Jessica. 2002. "Course Guidelines" and "Gender and Society" Syllabus." *The Sociology of Gender: Syllabi and Other Instructional Materials*, edited by Amy Blackstone and Betsy Lucal. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.

Fields, Jessica. 2002. "Reflecting on and Polishing Writing." *Writing in the Undergraduate Curriculum: A Guide for Teachers*, edited by Kay Stokes, Keith Roberts, and Marjory Kinney. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Refereed Conferences

González, Isela, Jessica Fields, and Cat White. 2007. "Sexuality Research for and with Incarcerated Women." *Critical Juncture: Innovative Solutions for Addressing the Impact of Youth and Adult Incarceration in Our Communities*. Centerforce Annual Summit, San Francisco.

Fields, Jessica. 2007. "All Natural: Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Sex Ed's Bodily Depictions." *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, New York.

Fields, Jessica, James Rouse Iniguez, Jorge Sánchez, and Elizabeth Truesdell. 2007. "Consuming Youth: Queer Youth Culture in the San Francisco." *Sixth Biennial Meetings of the International Association for the Study of Culture and Society: Dis/Organized Pleasures: Changing Bodies, Rights, and Cultures*; Lima, Peru.

Fields, Jessica, and Elena Flores. April 2006. "Teachers, Mentors, Learners, and Colleagues: Collaboration on a Faculty/Student Research Team." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, North Hollywood, CA.

Fields, Jessica. December 2005. "HIV and Sexuality Education By/For Youth: Training and Institutionalization." *American Public Health Association Annual Meetings*, Philadelphia, PA.

Fields, Jessica. April 2005. "Social Inequalities & Research Design: Critical Content in an Introductory Methods Course." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Portland, OR.

Fields, Jessica. August 2004. "Depicting Difference: Female Anatomies in Sexuality Education." *Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Annual Meetings*, San Francisco, CA.

Fields, Jessica. April 2004. "Lesbian and Gay Marriage & Families: Implications for Young People." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, San Francisco, CA.

Fields, Jessica, and Celeste Hirschman. November 2002. "The Risks of Heteronormativity in Sexuality Education." *Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Meetings*, Montreal, Quebec.

Fields, Jessica. August 2002. "Learning (Not) to Count: Students, Teachers, and the Evaded Sexuality Education Curriculum." *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Chicago, IL.

Fields, Jessica. April 2002. "Children-Having-Children: Race, Innocence, and Sexuality Education." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Fields, Jessica. January 2001. "A Just Citizenry: Sexuality, Race, and School-Based Sex Ed." *The Conference on Interdisciplinary Qualitative Studies*, Toronto, Ontario.

Refereed Conferences, continued

Fields, Jessica. August 1999. "You Don't Prepare a Person for War Without Giving Them Some Weapons": *The Battle for Knowledge in School-Based Sex Education*. *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Chicago, IL.

Kleinman, Sherry, and Jessica Fields. August 1998. "Toward a Feminist Symbolic Interaction." *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, San Francisco, CA.

Fields, Jessica. April 1998. "Sexual Civics: Gender, Pleasure, and Accountability in U.S. Sexuality Education." *British Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Fields, Jessica. August 1998. "Mediated Access: Studying Sexuality Education." *International Qualitative Research in Education Conference*, Athens, GA.

Fields, Jessica. August 1995. "Involving Respondents Actively in the Creation and Definition of Their Story: A Feminist Attempt at Method." *Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Annual Meetings*, Washington, DC.

Fields, Jessica. March 1995. "Changing Minds Just by Talking: Activist Parents of Adult Gay Men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals." *Southern Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Atlanta, GA.

Smalley, Barb, and Jessica Fields. November 1994. "Gender Logics: Who's a 'Womyn'?" *Association for Humanist Sociology Annual Meetings*, Raleigh, NC.

Fields, Jessica. 1994. "Actively Theorizing or Theoretically Active? Academic Theory, Activism, and AIDS." *Popular Culture Association Conference*, Chicago, IL.

Invited Talks and Workshops

Fields, Jessica. 2007. "Sexuality Education: Lessons in Citizenship and Dissent." *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, New York.

Fields, Jessica. March/April 2007. "Behind Closed Doors: Sex Ed in Practice." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Oakland, CA.

Fields, Jessica, and Isela Gonzalez. March/April 2007. "Jailed Women and HIV Education: A Collaborative Investigation." *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Oakland, CA.

Fields, Jessica. April 2006. "Memoranda of Understanding: Facilitating and Shaping Participation." *Building Partnerships: An Evaluation of Community-Based Participatory Research*, San Francisco State University.

Fields, Jessica. April 2006. "Gender Lessons in School-Based Sex Education." *Berea College Women's Studies Colloquium*, Berea, KY.

Fields, Jessica. March 2006. "The Pleasures and Dangers of Knowing: Girls in School-Based Sexuality Education." *Tenth Anniversary Conference, Woodrow Wilson-Johnson & Johnson Women's Health Fellows*, Washington, DC.

Fields, Jessica. November 2005. "Gender, Sexuality, and Hurricane Katrina." *Teach-In on Katrina: Rebuilding on a New Foundation of Justice*, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, San Francisco State University.

Fields, Jessica. October 2005. "Sexuality, Social Justice, and Social Crisis." *Social Justice and Social Change Lecture Series*, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, San Francisco State University.

Invited Talks and Workshops, continued

Clay, Andreana, and Jessica Fields. April 2004. "Representing Racial and Sexual Minorities in Qualitative Research." Career Opportunities in Research Program, San Francisco State University.

Fields, Jessica. August 2003. "Changes Ahead? The Lawrence v. Texas Decision and Sexuality Education." National Sexuality Resource Center Conference on Critical Issues in American Sexuality, Tiburon, CA.

Kaufman, Peter, and Jessica Fields. August 2003. "Teaching Workshop on Critical Pedagogy." Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.

Fields, Jessica. March 2003. "Ethics and Methods in Studying Sexuality and Young People." Career Opportunities in Research Program, San Francisco State University.

Fields, Jessica, and Celeste Hirschman. October 2002. "Sexuality Education, Health, and Justice." Social Science Research Council and SFSU Human Sexuality Studies Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Fields, Jessica. May 2002. "Learning (Not) to Count: Students, Teachers, and the Evaded Sexuality Education Curriculum." Bay Area Sexuality Research Seminar, San Francisco State University.

Fields, Jessica. October 2001. "A Redemptive Innocence? Race and Innocence in the Argument for Sex Education." Annual Conference on Social Theory, Politics, and the Arts, San Francisco, CA.

December 2007