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Curriculum vitae
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Education

- 2014 **Ph. D.** in Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
Advisors: Arnout van de Rijt, Michael Schwartz, Ian Roxborough, Patrick Grim
Thesis: “Why Wiki Works: Peer Production and Making Knowledge the Wiki Way”
- 2008 **M.A.** in Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
- 2004 **M.A.** in Sociology, *University of Nevada, Las Vegas*
Advisors: David Dickens, Andrea Fontana, Donald Carns
Thesis: “Balanced Biosocial Theory for the Social Sciences”
- 2001 **B.A.** in Sociology and Arts & Humanities, *Magna Cum Laude*, *Florida Atlantic University*

Appointments and employment

- 2014-16 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology, *SUNY Geneseo*
Courses: Statistics for Social Research (2014-16), Sociological Research (2014-16), Applied Multivariate Statistics (2016)
- 2008-14 **Instructor**, Department of Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
Courses: Media and Society (2012-13), Sociology of Technology (2010-11), Research Methods (2010), Statistical Methods (2009), Introduction to Sociology (2008-09)
- 2009-13 **Teaching Fellow**, School of Journalism, *Stony Brook University*
- 2012-13 **Study Coordinator**, Innovative Instruction Technology Grant, *Stony Brook University*
Principal Investigators: Arnout van de Rijt and Lori Scarlatos
Topic: “Enviropedia” Collaborative Online Learning Environment
- 2006-07 **Research Assistant**, Department of Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
Supervisor: John Shandra, *Topic:* Environmental Non-governmental Organizations
- 2005-07 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
Courses: Contemporary Theory (*graduate*), Multivariate Statistics (*graduate*), War and the Military, Gender and Work

Research and teaching

Topics	Inequalities in health, technology, and environment; global political economy; technology and media; research methods; quantitative methodology and statistics
Courses	Media & Society; Sociology of Technology; Statistics for Social Science; Sociological Research Methods; Multivariate Statistics; Introduction to Sociology; News Literacy
Training	Multivariate Regression, Social Network Analysis, Categorical Data Analysis (<i>Stony Brook University</i>); Event History Analysis, Longitudinal Analysis (<i>Statistical Horizons</i>); Stata, R, UCINET, SPSS (<i>Software</i>)

Publications

- 2016* Carolyn Coburn, Holly Reed, **Michael Restivo**, and John M. Shandra. "The World Bank, Organized Hypocrisy, and Women's Health: A Cross-National Analysis of Maternal Mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa." *Sociological Forum*. doi:10.1111/socf.12320
- 2016* Gary Maynard, **Michael Restivo**, and Eric J. Shircliff. "Health International Non-governmental Organizations, Democracy, and Tuberculosis Mortality in Developing Nations: A Longitudinal Analysis." *Sociological Spectrum* 36(5):303-320.
- 2015* Jamie M. Sommer, John M. Shandra, **Michael Restivo**, and Carolyn Coburn. "Water, Sanitation, and Health in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Cross-National Analysis of Maternal and Neo-Natal Mortality." *Human Ecology Review* 22(1):129-52.
- 2015* Carolyn Coburn, **Michael Restivo**, and John M. Shandra. "The African Development Bank and Infant Mortality: A Cross-National Analysis of Structural Adjustment and Investment Lending from 1990 to 2006." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 56(3-4):275-96.
- 2015* Carolyn Coburn, **Michael Restivo**, and John M. Shandra. "The World Bank and Child Mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Cross-National Analysis of Structural Adjustment and Health Lending." *Sociology of Development* 1(3):348-373. doi: 10.1525/sod.2015.1.3.348
- 2015* Hyang-Gi Song, **Michael Restivo**, Arnout van de Rijdt, Lori Scarlatos, David Tonjes, and Alexander Orlov. "The Hidden Gender Effect in Online Group Work: An Experimental Study of Team Performance under Anonymity." *Computers in Human Behavior* 50:274-282.
- 2015* Carolyn Coburn, **Michael Restivo**, and John M. Shandra. "The African Development Bank and Women's Health: A Cross-National Analysis of Structural Adjustment and Maternal Mortality." *Social Science Research* 51:307-21
- 2014 Arnout van de Rijdt, Soong Moon Kang, **Michael Restivo**, and Akshay Patil. "Field Experiments of Success-Breeds-Success Dynamics." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science* 111(19):6934-6939. doi:10.1073/pnas.1316836111
- 2014 **Michael Restivo** and Arnout van de Rijdt. "No Praise without Effort: Experimental Evidence on Peer-to-Peer Rewards in Wikipedia." *Information, Communication & Society* 17(4):451-462
- 2012 **Michael Restivo** and Arnout van de Rijdt. "Experimental Study of Informal Rewards in Peer Production." *PLoS ONE* 7(3): e34358. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0034358

* Published while employed at SUNY Geneseo

- 2012 Afife-Idil Akin, Carlos Encina, **Michael Restivo**, Michael Schwartz, and Juhi Tyagi (equal authorship). "Old Wine in a New Cask? Protest Cycles in the Age of the New Social Media." *The Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations* XII(1):89-103
- 2012 Gary M. Maynard, Eric J. Shircliff, and **Michael Restivo**. "IMF Structural Adjustment, Public Health Spending, and Tuberculosis: A Longitudinal Analysis of Prevalence Rates in Developing Nations." *International Journal of Sociology* 42(2):5-27. doi:10.2753/IJS0020-7659420201
- 2011 John M. Shandra, **Michael Restivo**, Eric J. Shircliff, and Bruce London. "Do Commercial Debt-for-Nature Swaps Matter for Forests? A Cross-National Test of World Polity Theory." *Sociological Forum* 26(2):381-410
- 2010 John M. Shandra, Thomas K. Rudel, **Michael Restivo**, and Bruce London. "Nongovernmental Organizations and Protected Land Area: A Cross-National Analysis." *International Journal of Sociology* 40(2):85-99
- 2008 John M. Shandra, **Michael Restivo**, and Bruce London. "Non-Governmental Organizations and Deforestation: Reconsidering the Cross-National Evidence." *International Review of Modern Sociology* 34(1):109-132

Grants, fellowships, and awards

- 2016* Geneseo Presidential Summer Faculty Fellowship, *SUNY Geneseo*, \$3,500
Title and topic: "Relating community-level gender and racial inequalities to risk of HIV acquisition in the U.S."
- 2015* Faculty sponsor to Katherine Zaslavsky, Geneseo Foundation Undergraduate Summer Fellowship, *SUNY Geneseo*, \$500
- 2015* CITASA Paper Award: "Stellar Seven 2015"
Paper: "Field Experiments of Success-Breeds-Success Dynamics" (With Arnout van de Rijt, Soong Moon Kang, and Akshay Patil.)
- 2014 1st Annual Michael Schwartz Award for Excellence in Sociology, Department of Sociology, *Stony Brook University*
- 2013 Dissertation Improvement Grant, *National Science Foundation*, \$5,781
Title: "Group Diversity and Knowledge Production"
- 2013 President's Award for Excellence in Teaching (Graduate Student), *Stony Brook University*
- 2012 Judith Tanur Dissertation Fellowship, *Stony Brook University*, \$3,000
- 2011 Hanan Selvin Award for Best Quantitative Paper, *Stony Brook University*
Title: "Does Bureaucracy Pose an Obstacle to Online Volunteering?"
- 2009-13 News Literacy Fellowship, Center for News Literacy, *School of Journalism, Stony Brook University*, \$15,000/year

Non-refereed publications

Josh Murray, **Michael Restivo**, and Arnout van de Rijt. (2011) "Structural Holes." George Barnett (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Social Networking* (2):827-829, Sage.

John M. Shandra and **Michael Restivo**. (2010) "Environmental Change in a Global Perspective: A Collection of Cross-National Analyses." *International Journal of Sociology* 40(2):3-6.

Presentations and invited talks

"The World Bank, Reproductive Health Lending, and Organized Hypocrisy: A Cross National Analysis of Maternal Mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa." (With Carolyn Coburn, Holly Reed, and John Shandra.) Presented at "Development in Question," 5th Annual *Conference of the Development Section of the American Sociological Association*, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 2016.

"There's a Stat for That: Reflections on Teaching Advanced Statistics across the Curriculum." (With Yusuf Bilgic and Christine Merrilees.) Presented at *SUNY Geneseo ASSESStivus*, 2016.

"The World Bank, Reproductive Health, and Maternal Mortality: A Cross-National Analysis of Sub-Saharan Africa." (With Carolyn Coburn and John Shandra.) Presented at the 110th *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, Chicago, IL, 2015.

"The African Development Bank and Infant Mortality: A Cross-National Analysis of Structural Adjustment and Health Lending." (With Carolyn Coburn and John Shandra.) Presented at the 84th *Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, New York, NY, 2015.

"The African Development Bank and Women's Health: A Cross-National Analysis of Maternal Mortality." (With Carolyn Coburn and John Shandra.) Presented at the 109th *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, San Francisco, CA, 2014.

"Success Breeds Success: Evidence from Field Experiments." (With Arnout van de Rijt, Soong Moon Kang, and Akshay Patil.) Presented at the 109th *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, San Francisco, CA, 2014.

"Why Contribute to Public Goods? Experimental Evidence from Wikipedia." Invited lecture to *Provost's Graduate Student Lecture Series*, Stony Brook University, December 10, 2013.

"No Praise without Effort: Experimental Evidence on the Matthew Effect in Wikipedia." (With Arnout van de Rijt.) Presented at the 108th *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, New York, NY, 2013.

"Wikipedia's Gender Gap and Its Effects on Peer Produced Knowledge." Presented at the 83rd *Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, Boston, MA, 2013.

"Reducing Tuberculosis Mortality: A Cross-National Examination of International Nongovernmental Organizations in Poor Nations." (With Eric J. Shircliff and Gary Maynard). Presented at the 83rd *Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, Boston, MA, 2013.

"Why Contribute to Public Goods? Experimental Evidence from Wikipedia." Invited talk to *Department of Sociology*, State University of New York at Fredonia, December 14, 2012.

"Experimental Study of Informal Rewards in Peer Production." (With Arnout van de Rijt.) Presented at the *Workshop on Information in Networks*, New York University Stern School of Business, New York, NY, 2012.

"Limits to Cumulative Advantage: Experimental Evidence from Wikipedia." (With Arnout van de Rijt.) Presented at the 5th *Japan-North America Mathematical Sociology Conference*, Denver, CO, 2012.

"Experimental Study of Informal Rewards in Peer Production." (With Arnout van de Rijt.) Presented at the 107th *Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, Denver, CO, 2012.

"Prospects and Opportunities for Open (-Sourcing) Public Universities." Presented at the 82nd *Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, New York, NY, 2012.

“Debt, Structural Adjustment, and Global Health Co-epidemics in Developing Nations.” (With Gary Maynard and Eric J. Shircliff.) Presented at 82nd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, 2012.

“Does Bureaucracy Pose an Obstacle to Volunteering for Online Organizations?” Presented at the 106th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV, 2011.

“Prospects and Opportunities for Open (-Sourcing) Public Universities.” (With Jay Emerson.) Presented at the *Defining the Future of Higher Education Conference*, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, 2011.

“Why They Stop: A Quantitative Analysis of Discontinuation Trends Among Wiki Contributors.” Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA, 2011.

“Group Diversity and Task Performance in Peer Production.” Presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA, 2011.

“A Quantitative Approach To Identifying Propaganda in Peer-Produced Knowledge.” Presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA, 2010.

“Debt-For-Nature Swaps and Deforestation: Do They Matter?” (With John M. Shandra.) Presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA, 2010.

“Distributed Cognition and the Emerging Peer-Production Model.” Presented at the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 2009.

“Knowledge, Experts, and Wikipedia: An Analysis of the Social Structure of an Encyclopedia with 50,000 Authors.” Presented at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY, 2008.

Professional service and memberships

Occasional reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*; *Social Problems*; *Teaching Sociology*; *International Journal of Sociology*; *Qualitative Sociology*; *Information, Communication & Society (iCS)*; *Sociological Forum*; *Sociological Spectrum*

Member of American Sociological Association, 2005-present

Section memberships: Communication, Information Technologies, and Media Sociology (CITAMS); Science, Knowledge and Technology (SKAT); Environment and Technology; Political Economy of the World-System (PEWS)

Member of Eastern Sociological Society, 2005-13, 2014-present

SUNY Geneseo

Program Review Committee, Department of Sociology, 2016-17

Graduate Affairs Committee, College Senate, 2016-17

College Senate, 2016-17

Curriculum Committee, Department of Sociology, 2015-17

Statistical Analysis Learning Community, 2014-17

Mathematics Core Committee, 2014-16

Stony Brook University

Grant Workshop, Department of Sociology, 2013

Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, 2013, 2010

Organizer, Paper Workshop, Department of Sociology, 2011-12

President, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, 2011-12

Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, 2009-11

University Senator, Graduate Student Organization, 2008-10

Library Committee, Department of Sociology, 2008-09

Undergraduate Committee, Department of Sociology, 2005-07

Graduate Student Organization, 2005-14
Graduate Student Forum, 2006-14

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Graduate Student Representative to the Faculty, Department of Sociology, 2004
Organizer, Graduate Student Conference, "Issues in Pedagogy and Epistemology," 2003

Students

- 2016 Jonathan Campbell, Ian Thomas, and Gabrielle Juers
Title: Humans and Air Pollution: An Evaluation of Three Sociological Theories, Using the STIRPAT Model (Presented at Great Day 2016)
- 2016 Tashira Hargrove, Audrey Howard, Beth Ohman, Susanna Rohe, and Katherine Zaslavsky
Title: A Contemporary Critique of Past Statistical Methodology of Reproductive Health Issues in the Developing World (Presented at Great Day 2016)
- 2016 Ellie Mertens, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2017*
Internship and directed study topic: "Worker Justice Center"
- 2015 Sarah Yo, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2017*
Internship and directed study topic: "Volunteer retention among post-collegiate students"
- 2015 Audrey Howard, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2016*
Directed study topic: "Unintended Consequences: An Analysis of the School-to-Prison Pipeline" (Presented at Great Day 2015)
Accepted offer to M.S. program in Urban Childhood Education at Canisius College
- 2015 Katherine Zaslavsky, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2017*
Directed study topic: "The Terrorist Narrative: How American Media Report the Arab-Israeli Conflict"
Winner of the 2015 Geneseo Foundation Undergraduate Summer Fellowship (\$3,000)
Winner of the 2016 Frank Vafier Ambassador in Leadership (\$5,000)
- 2015 Jessica Kim, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2015*
Accepted offer to Ph. D. program in Sociology at Stony Brook University
- 2015 Nika Norvila, *SUNY Geneseo, Class of 2015*
Accepted offer to M. Sc. program in Sociology at University of Amsterdam