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### EDUCATION

- 2005 Ph.D. with distinction in Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
*Dissertation: "Kin Support in Black and White: Structure, Culture, and Extended Family Ties."*
- 2001 M.A. in Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- 1996 B.A. *summa cum laude* in Sociology, State Academy of Management, Moscow, Russia

### PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2009 – Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Boston College
- 2005 – 2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Boston College
- 2004 – 2005 Visiting Instructor, Department of Sociology, Boston College
- 2002 – 2003 Senior Analyst, Division of Preventive and Behavioral Medicine, Department of Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School
- 2001 – 2003 Research Assistant, Donahue Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 2001 – 2003 Instructor, Department of Sociology and Division of Continuing Education, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1999 – 2000 Research Assistant, Gender and Care Work (PI: Naomi Gerstel), Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1998 Instructor, Division of Continuing Education, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1997 – 1998 Research Assistant, CQI Survey Project (PI: Douglas Anderton), Social and Demographic Research Institute (SADRI), University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1996 – 1997 Research Assistant, Corporate Use of Washington Lobbyists (PI: Gene Fisher), Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1996 – 2001 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 1995 – 1996 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Moscow State University, Russia

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

Collins, Amy L., Natalia Sarkisian, and Ellen Winner. 2009. "Flow and Happiness in Later Life: An Investigation into the Role of Daily and Weekly Flow Experiences." *Journal of Happiness Studies*, 10, 6 (December), 703-709.

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Gerstel, Naomi, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2006. "A Sociological Perspective on Families and Work: The Import of Gender, Class, and Race." Pp. 237-266 in Marcie P. Catsouphe, Ellen Kossek, and Steven Sweet (Eds.), *The Work and Family Handbook: Multi-disciplinary Perspectives, Methods, and Approaches*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

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## **REVISE AND RESUBMIT**

Oh, Seil, and Natalia Sarkisian. "Spiritual Individualism or Engaged Spirituality? Social Implications of Holistic Spirituality among Mind-Body-Spirit Practitioners." Revise and Resubmit from *Sociology of Religion*.

Calvo, Esteban, and Natalia Sarkisian. "Retirement and Well-being: Examining the Characteristics of Life Course Transitions." Revise and Resubmit from *American Sociological Review*.

Garrouette, Eva Marie, Natalia Sarkisian, and Sergey Karamnov. "Affective Interactions in Medical Visits: Ethnic Differences among American Indian Older Adults." Revised and Resubmitted to *Journal on Aging and Health*.

## **UNDER REVIEW**

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## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

Calvo, Rocio, and Natalia Sarkisian. "Something Old, Something New? Understanding Ethnic Differences in Adult Education among U.S. Immigrants." Article in preparation for submission to *Social Forces*.

Gerstel, Naomi, and Natalia Sarkisian. "Marriage and Social Connections: Building Block or Greedy Institution?" Article in preparation for submission to *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Sarkisian, Natalia, Naomi Gerstel, and Esteban Calvo. "Culture, Structure, or Emotions? Adult Children's Marriages and Intergenerational Ties in the United States and China." Article in preparation for submission to *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Sarkisian, Natalia. "Decomposing Similarities: Using Regression Decomposition to Understand the Lack of Group Differences." Article in preparation for submission to *Sociological Methodology*.

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Borchard, Therese J. 2007. "Brides and Grooms: Keep in Touch, Stay Involved." *The Colorado Catholic Herald*, June 14.

Kadison, Dan. 2007. "Change in the Wedder: Late Marriage a Plus." *The New York Post*, May 29.

- Vedantam, Shankar. 2007. "The Marriage Penalty." *The Washington Post*, May 28, p. A03.
- Choate, Terri. 2007. "Time to Think Seriously About Kids as Our Future." *Reno Gazette-Journal*, May 16.
- Wen, Patricia. 2007. "All in the Family May Not Be All You Expected." *Boston Globe*, May 3, pp. B1, B4.
- Jayson, Sharon. 2007. "Being Single Has Its Benefits." *USA Today*, April 11, p. 4D.
- O'Crowler, Peggy. 2007. "Two is the Loneliest Number?" *The Star Ledger* (Newark, New Jersey), January 23, p. 19.
- DePaulo, Bella, and Kay Trimberger. 2007. "Single Americans Are Hardly Flying Solo." *San Francisco Chronicle*, January 14, p. E-2.
- The Council on Contemporary Families. 2006. "Some Unconventional Wisdom About Marriage ... and a Call for 'Community Friendly Families'." *Ascribe Newswire*, December 28.
- Coontz, Stephanie. 2006. "How to Stay Married." *The Times* (London), November 30, p. 4.
- Corday, Karen, and Judi Casey. 2006. "The Elder Care Gender Gap." *The Network News: A Work/Family News Publication*, September, Volume 8 (9).

## **PAPER PRIZES**

- Oliver Cromwell Cox Article Award, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, American Sociological Association. "Street Men, Family Men: Race and Men's Extended Family Involvement." (Social Forces, December 2007). 2008.
- Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Article Award. Race, Gender, and Class Section, American Sociological Association. "Extended Family Integration Among Euro and Mexican Americans: Ethnicity, Gender, and Class." (Journal of Marriage and Family, February 2007, with Mariana Gerena and Naomi Gerstel.) 2008.
- Rosabeth Moss Kanter International Award for Research Excellence in Families and Work. Center for Families at Purdue University and the Boston College Center for Work & Family. "Explaining the Gender Gap in Help to Parents: The Importance of Employment." (Journal of Marriage and Family, May 2004, with Naomi Gerstel.) 2005.
- Honorable Mention, Rose Laub Coser Best Dissertation Proposal Award, Eastern Sociological Society. 2004.
- Christina Maria Riegos Distinguished Student Paper Award. Latino/a Sociology Section, American Sociological Association. "The Myths of Ethnic Fatherhood: Mexican American and Euro American Residential Father-Child Involvement" (with Rachel Muñoz). 2003.

Best Graduate Student Paper Award. Carework Network. “The Myths of Ethnic Fatherhood: Mexican American and Euro American Residential Father-Child Involvement” (with Rachel Muñoz). 2003.

Best Professional Paper Award. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. “Detecting Distinctions: Kinship, Class, and Culture among Latinos/as and Euro Americans” (with Mariana Gerena). 2002.

Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award. Family Section, American Sociological Association. “More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families.” 2001.

Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award. Race, Gender, Class Section, American Sociological Association. “More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families.” 2001.

Best Graduate Student Paper Award. Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems. “More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families.” 2001.

Best Academic Paper Award. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. “More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families.” 2000.

## **OTHER HONORS AND AWARDS**

Distinction, Ph.D. Dissertation. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 2005.

Distinction, Comprehensive Examination in the area of Sociology of the Family. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 2001.

Graduate Student Service Award. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. 2000.

Distinction, Comprehensive Examination in the area of Statistical Methodology. Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1999.

Membership in the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, University of Massachusetts chapter. 1998.

Silver Medal for Academic Achievement. Russian Ministry of Education. 1991.

## **GRANT INVOLVEMENT**

Co-Principal Investigator (with Marcie Pitt-Catsoupes), Research Grant (\$1,460,800) from the Sloan Foundation through the Center on Aging and Work: Workplace Flexibility, Boston College. Project title: “Generations of Talent: A Multinational Study of the Quality of Employment.” 2008-2011.

Research Methodology and Statistical Advisor, Research Grant from National Science Foundation (PIs: Goldsmith, Hetland, & Winner). Project title: “Can Visual Arts Learning Improve Geometric Reasoning? A Transfer Study.” 2008.

Principal Investigator, Summer-Fall Research Expense Grant (\$2000), Boston College. Project title: “Retirement and Well-Being: Examining the Characteristics of Life Course Transitions.” 2008.

Co-Principal Investigator (with John Williamson), Research Grant (\$27,000) from the Sloan Foundation through the Center on Aging and Work: Workplace Flexibility, Boston College. Project title: “Help Transfers within Extended Families and Older Workers’ Employment Opportunities.” 2006-2008.

Principal Investigator, Summer-Fall Research Expense Grant (\$2000), Boston College. Project title: “Culture, Structure, or Emotions? Adult Children’s Marriages and Intergenerational Ties in the United States and China.” 2007.

Al McClung Lee Travel Grants, Society for the Study of Social Problems. 2001, 2004.

Graduate School Travel Grants, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003.

## **FELLOWSHIPS**

Visiting Scholar Fellowship, Russell Sage Foundation. 2011-2012.

Faculty Fellowship, Boston College. Project title: “Nuclear and Extended Family Ties: Cooperation or Competition?” 2007-2008.

Junior Faculty Fellowship, College of Arts and Sciences, Boston College (\$51,000). 2005-2007.

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Fellowship (\$18,000). Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector program. 2003-2004.

Rose Fellowship (\$17,000). American Sociological Association and Russell Sage Foundation. 2001-2002.

Graduate School Fellowship (\$7,000). University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1998-1999.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2011 (Forthcoming). "Marriage and Social Ties in Russia." Society for the Study of Social Problems. Las Vegas, NV.
- Sweet, Stephen, Christina Matz-Costa, Natalia Sarkisian, and Marcie Pitt-Catsouphes. 2011. "The Ecological Contexts that Predict Work Embrace: Gender, Employment, Care Obligations, and Cultural Values." Community, Work and Family IV International Conference. Barcelona, Spain.
- Sweet, Stephen, Christina Matz-Costa, Natalia Sarkisian, and Marcie Pitt-Catsouphes. 2011. "The Embrace of Work over the Life Course: The Impact of Jobs, Organizations, and Cultural Contexts." Community, Work and Family IV International Conference: Actors, Structures and Theories, Tampere, Finland.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, Melissa Brown, and Marcie Pitt-Catsouphes. 2011. "The Effects of Work Commitment and Marital Status on Intergenerational Ties: A Cross-National Perspective." Community, Work and Family IV International Conference: Actors, Structures and Theories, Tampere, Finland.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2011. "Gender and the Tradeoff Model: Paid Work and Intergenerational Care among Older Adults." Population Association of America, Washington, DC.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, Naomi Gerstel, and Esteban Calvo. 2010. "Culture, Structure, or Emotions? Adult Children's Marriages and Intergenerational Ties in the United States and China." Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Calvo, Esteban, Christopher R. Tamborini, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2010. "Retirement Timing and Subjective Well-being: An Instrumental Variables Approach." Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Calvo, Esteban, Christopher R. Tamborini, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2010. "Retirement Timing and Subjective Well-Being." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- Oh, Seil, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2010. "Spiritual Individualism or Engaged Spirituality? Social Implications of Holistic Spirituality among Mind-Body-Spirit Practitioners." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- Garrouette, Eva Marie, Natalia Sarkisian, and Sergey Karamnov. 2010. "Ratings of Physicians' Affective Interactions: Differences among American Indian Older Adults with Varying Ethnic Characteristics." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- Calvo, Esteban, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2010. "Retirement and Well-being: Examining the Characteristics of Life Course Transitions." XVII World Congress of the International Sociological Association, Gothenburg, Sweden.

- Calvo, M. Rocio, Natalia Sarkisian, Mary C. Waters, and Terje A. Eikemo. 2010. "The Apple Does Fall Far from the Tree: The Welfare State and the Social Capital of Immigrants and Their Children." New Migrations, New Challenges: Trinity Immigration Initiative International Conference, Dublin, Ireland.
- Calvo, M. Rocio and Natalia Sarkisian. 2010. "Something Old or Something New? Understanding the Ethnic Differences in Adult Education among Immigrants in the United States." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2009. "Graduate Program in Sociology at Boston College." American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and John Williamson. 2008. "Exploring the Trade-Offs: Paid Work and Intergenerational Assistance among Blacks and Whites." Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.
- Calvo, Esteban, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2008. "Retirement and Well-being: Examining the Characteristics of Life Course Transitions." American Sociological Association, Boston, MA.
- Calvo, Rocio, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2008. "Ethnicity versus Structure: Determinants of Adult Post-Migration Enrollment in Education in the United States." International Migration, Integration and Social Cohesion (IMISCOE) Ph.D. Conference, Lisbon.
- Garrouette, Eva Marie, Natalia Sarkisian, Dedra Buchwald, Jack Goldberg and Jan Beals. 2008. "Dynamics of Medical Communication with American Indians: Relevance for Research in Health Disparities?" World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology, Budapest, Hungary.
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- Gerstel, Naomi, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "Marriage and Adult Children's Relationship to Their Parents." American Sociological Association, New York, NY.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2007. "Street Men, Family Men: Race and Men's Extended Family Involvement." IARR's New Scholars Workshop, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Garrouette, Eva, Natalia Sarkisian, Dedra Buchwald, Jack Goldberg and Jan Beals. 2007. "Satisfaction with Medical Care: Differences by Ethnic Identity among American Indian Older Adults." Second International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Granada, Spain.
- Garrouette, Eva, Natalia Sarkisian, Dedra Buchwald, Jack Goldberg and Jan Beals. 2006. "Perceptions of Communication Behaviors: Differences between Providers and American Indian Patients." Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.

- Sarkisian, Natalia, Mariana Gerena, and Naomi Gerstel. 2006. "Extended Family Integration among Latinos/as and Euro Americans: Ethnicity, Gender, and Class." American Sociological Association, Montréal, Canada.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2006. "Extended Family Ties among Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, and Whites: Superintegration or Disintegration?" Groves Conference "Families: Borders and Boundaries," Tucson, AZ.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and Naomi Gerstel. 2006. "Marriage as a "Greedy" Institution? Examining the Effects of Marriage on Extended Families and Communities." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.
- Meagher, Kathleen Burke, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2006. "Social Class and Contraception Use among Young Women." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and Mariana Gerena. 2005. "Extended Family Integration among Latinos/as and Euro Americans: Cultural and Structural Determinants of Ethnic Differences." American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Garrouette, Eva, Natalia Sarkisian, Lester Arguellos, Jack Goldberg, and Dedra Buchwald. 2005. "Ethnicity and Perceptions of Health Status among American Indian Older Adults and Their Healthcare Providers." American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "Advantages and Disadvantages of Kin Support for Black and White Women." American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and Mariana Gerena. 2004. "Extended Kin Care Among Latinos/as and Euro Americans: Exploring Culture and Structure in Care Work." Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and Naomi Gerstel. 2004. "The Nuclear Family as a Greedy Institution: Race, Gender and Caregiving to Parents." "Carework: Research, Theory, and Advocacy" conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "Assessing the Myth of Familial AWOL: Kin Support among Euro and African American Men." Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "What Goes Around and Why? Assessing Two Debates on African American Social Support." Eastern Sociological Society, New York, NY.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2003. "Teaching Social Problems in Sociology of the Family Courses." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Atlanta GA.
- Gerstel, Naomi, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2002. "Care Work and Employment: Explaining the Gender Gap in Caring for Parents." American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

- Muñoz, Rachel, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2002. "Caring 'Macho' Fathers?: A Comparison of Mexican American and Euro American Fathers' Carework." "Carework: Research, Theory, and Advocacy" conference, Loyola University, Chicago, IL.
- Gerena, Mariana, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2002. "Exploring Ethnic Variation: Carework, Class and Culture Among Latinos." "Carework: Research, Theory, and Advocacy" conference, Loyola University, Chicago, IL.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2002. "Street Men, Family Men: Examining Kin Support Among Euro and African American Men." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.
- Gerstel, Naomi, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2002. "The Gender Gap in Carework for Parents: The Role of Identity, Doing Gender, Jobs, and Marriage." "Persons, Processes, and Places: Research on Families, Workplaces, and Communities" conference, San Francisco CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2001. "More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Anaheim, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2001. "Less and Less Kin?: Evaluating the Changes in Kin Support in Euro and African American Families." American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA.
- Gerena, Mariana, Natalia Sarkisian, and Rachel Muñoz. 2001. "Detecting Distinctions: Kinship, Class, and Culture among Latinos/as and Euro Americans." American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA.
- Muñoz, Rachel, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2001. "'Macho' Fathers: Comparisons of Mexican American and Euro American Fatherhood." American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2000. "Beyond the Words and Pictures: Producing Gender Representation in Children's Literature." American Sociological Association, Washington, DC.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, Mariana Gerena, and Naomi Gerstel. 2000. "More or Less Kin: Addressing Debates on Care Work in African American Community." "Carework: Research, Theory, and Advocacy" conference, Washington D.C.
- Gerena, Mariana, Natalia Sarkisian, Rachel Muñoz, and Naomi Gerstel. 2000. "Detecting Distinctions: Latinas, Latinos, and Care Work." "Carework: Research, Theory, and Advocacy" conference, Washington D.C.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 1999. "Moving Beyond Counting Jacks: Gender Representation in Children's Literature and Its Producers." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.

## **INVITED TALKS**

- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2008. "Exams, Papers, and Projects: Creating Evaluation Tools and Grading Them." Teaching Workshop, Department of Sociology, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

- Calvo, Rocio, and Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "Culture versus Structure: Determinants of Adult Post-Migration Enrollment in Education in the United States." Harvard Migration and Immigrant Incorporation Workshop, Cambridge, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2007. "Grading." Teaching Seminar Luncheon, Connors Family Learning Center, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "The Color of Family Ties: Culture, Structure, and Kin Support." Department of Sociology, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.
- Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "The Color of Family Ties: Culture, Structure, and Kin Support." Department of Sociology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.
- Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "The Color of Family Ties: Culture, Structure, and Kin Support." Department of Sociology, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN.
- Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "The Color of Family Ties: Culture, Structure, and Kin Support." Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.
- Natalia Sarkisian. 2007. "The Color of Family Ties: Culture, Structure, and Kin Support." Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine, CA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and John Williamson. 2007. "Help Transfers within Extended Families and Older Workers' Employment." Center on Aging & Work, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2007. "The Structure of Kin Ties: Exploring the Social Forces Shaping Extended Family Integration." Junior Scholars in Conversation Series, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2006. "The Role of Research Interests and Accomplishments in the Job Search." Academic Job Searching Workshop, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2006. "Employment and Family Life among Women of Color in the Academy." "Women of Color Roundtable: Connecting with Cornell and Others." Cornell University, NY.
- Sarkisian, Natalia, and Naomi Gerstel. 2006. "Explaining the Gender Gap in Help to Parents: The Importance of Employment." Alliance for Work-Life Progress conference, Austin, TX.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2006. "Marriage as a 'Greedy' Institution." Sociology Department Seminar Series, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia and Naomi Gerstel. 2005. "Explaining the Gender Gap in Help to Parents: The Importance of Employment." Work and Family Roundtable Meeting, Boston College Center for Work and Family, Boston, MA.
- Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "Kin Support in Black and White: Culture, Structure, and Extended Families." Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.

Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "Kin Support in Black and White: Culture, Structure, and Extended Families." Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, CA.

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Sarkisian, Natalia. 2004. "Kin Support in Black and White: Culture, Structure, and Extended Families." Department of Sociology, Notre Dame University, South Bend, IN.

Sarkisian, Natalia. 2003. "Formal and Informal Philanthropy among Euro and African Americans." Dissertation workshop of the SSRC Program on Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector, Indiana University, and the Aspen Institute, Denver, CO.

Sarkisian, Natalia. 2003. "Research on Parenting." Student Colloquium Series Roundtable, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts. Amherst, MA.

Sarkisian, Natalia. 2003. "Authority and Difference in Teaching." Student Colloquium Series Roundtable, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts. Amherst, MA.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Graduate Courses Taught:**

- *Boston College*: Topics in Multivariate Statistics (Spring 2009, Fall 2006, Fall 2005, Fall 2004), Advanced Statistics (Fall 2007, Spring 2006, Spring 2005), Longitudinal Data Analysis (Spring 2011, Fall 2009, Spring 2007), Hierarchical Linear Modeling (Fall 2010), Dissertation Seminar (Spring 2009, Fall 2008, Spring 2008, Fall 2007, Spring 2007, Fall 2006)

### **Undergraduate Courses Taught:**

- *Boston College*: Marriage and the Family (Spring 2007, Spring 2005), Family and Work (Fall 2009)
- *University of Massachusetts Amherst*: Elementary Statistics (Spring 2003, Fall 1998), Data Collection and Analysis (Fall 2002), Sociology of the Family (Spring 2002, Summer 2001)

### **Teaching Assistantships:**

- *University of Massachusetts Amherst:* Drugs and Society (Spring 2001), Social Welfare (Fall 2000), Graduate Statistics for Social Sciences II (Fall 1999), Deviance and Social Order (Fall 1999), Race, Gender, and Social Class (Spring 1999), Data Collection and Analysis (Fall 1998), Elementary Statistics (Spring 1998), The Family (Fall 1997), Theory and Perspectives (Spring 1996), Social Problems (Fall 1996)
- *Moscow State University, Russia:* Methods of Data Analysis in Sociology II (Spring 1996), Methods of Data Analysis in Sociology I (Fall 1995)

### **Students Supervised (Boston College):**

- Dissertation Committees: Marissa Perez (Social Work, in progress), Dana Hollinshead (Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University, in progress), David Nnyanzi (Sociology, in progress), Christina Costa (Social Work, 2011), Seil Oh (Sociology, 2010), Masa Higo (Sociology, 2010), Rocio Calvo (Social Work, 2009), Jessica Johnson (Social Work, 2009), Esteban Calvo (Sociology, 2009), Kristen Drummey (Sociology, 2008), Selva Lewin-Bizan (Education, 2008), Tien Ung (Social Work, 2008), Javier Boyas (Social Work, 2007), Bethany Medeiros (Education, 2007), Michael Anastario (Sociology, 2007), Robert Levine (Sociology, 2007), Amy Love Collins (Psychology, 2006).
- Master's Committees: Margaret Willis (2009), Aideen Gleeson (2008), Esteban Calvo (2007), Kristen Drummey (2007), Darcy Schnack (2006), Rachael Kenney (2006), John Bell (2006), Michael Anastario (2004).
- Comprehensive Examination Committees: MJ Yeo (in progress), Margaret Willis (in progress), Eliz Storelli (2010), Kim Bachechi (2010), Seil Oh (2009, 2008), Esteban Calvo (2007), Michael Anastario (2007), Kristen Drummey (2005).
- Graduate Readings & Research courses: Amanda Freeman (Fall 2010), Douglas Schlichting (Spring 2010), Margaret Willis (Fall 2008), Nicholas Redel (Fall 2008), Nicole Malec Kenyon (Fall 2008), Esteban Calvo (Fall 2007, Fall 2006), Seil Oh (Fall 2007), Marissa Perez (Spring 2007), Michael Anastario (Spring 2007, Spring 2006, Fall 2005), Joyce Mandell (Fall 2006), Jessica Johnson (Fall 2006), Kristen Drummey (Spring 2006, Fall 2005).
- Undergraduate Readings & Research courses: Jeffrey Jozefski (Fall 2007, Spring 2007), Kathleen Meagher (Spring 2006, Fall 2005).
- Undergraduate Honors Thesis Mentorship: Catherine Duarte (Sociology, 2011), Cristina Hancock (Sociology, 2009).
- McNair Mentorship: Sarah Onori (Sociology, 2010), Alexandra Angrand (Sociology, 2005).

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

#### **National Service to the Discipline:**

- Treasurer, Eastern Sociological Society. 2011/12.
- Committee Member, Robin L. Williams Lecturer Award Committee, Eastern Sociological Society. 2010/11, 2011/12.
- Chair, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Book Award Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2007, 2011.
- Committee Member, Ad Hoc Article Award Committee, Family Section of the American Sociological Association. 2010.

- Committee Member, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Article Award Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2010.
- Session Chair for the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Society of America. 2010.
- Discussant for the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. 2003, 2004, 2010.
- Chair, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Article Award Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2005, 2009.
- Committee Member, Book Award Committee, Sex and Gender Section of the American Sociological Association. 2009.
- Presider for the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. 2004-2006, 2009.
- Chair, Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Sex and Gender Section of the American Sociological Association. 2008.
- Co-chair, Reception Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2008.
- Committee Member, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Book Award Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2003, 2008.
- Committee Member, Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Sex and Gender Section of the American Sociological Association. 2007.
- Committee Member, Program Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2007.
- Committee Member, Oliver Cromwell Cox Book Award Committee, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Section of the American Sociological Association. 2006.
- Session Organizer for the Annual Meetings of American Sociological Association. 2003-2006.
- Chair, Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Section on Race, Gender, and Class of the American Sociological Association. 2004.
- Council Member, Race, Gender, Class Section of American Sociological Association. 2002-2004.

#### **University Service:**

- Graduate Recruitment Director, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11.
- Social Sciences Representative at the Library Advisory Committee, Boston College. 2009/10, 2010/11.
- Faculty Technology Coordinator, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11.
- Participant in the Classroom Pilot Project for the apps.bc.edu server. 2009/10.
- Member of the Academic Technology Advisory Board (ATAB) Subcommittee on Portal, Boston College. 2009/10.
- Member of the Academic Technology Advisory Board (ATAB) Subcommittee on Folderwave, Boston College. 2009/10.
- Search Committee Member for the Aging and Life Course hire, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2008/09.
- Social Committee Chair, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2008/09.

- Fulbright Program Interviewer, Boston College. 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11.
- Graduate Studies Committee member, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2007/08.
- Faculty Coordinator of the Graduate Student Summer Research Group, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2006/07, 2007/08.
- Member of the Academic Technology Advisory Board (ATAB) Subcommittee on Arts & Sciences Technology Consultants, Boston College. 2007/08.
- Member of the Strategic Planning subcommittee, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11.
- Advisory & Planning Committee member, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08.
- Admissions Committee member, Department of Sociology, Boston College. 2005/06, 2006/07.
- Representative to the ScienceDirect Review Project, Boston College. 2005/06.
- Secretary/Treasurer of the Sociology Graduate Student Association, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 2002/03.
- Chair of the Sociology Graduate Student Association, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 2001/02.
- Graduate student representative on the Graduate Studies Policy Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1998/99, 1999/2000, 2001/02.
- Graduate student representative on the Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1996/97, 2000/01.
- Graduate student representative on the Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst. 1998/99.
- Class President, Department of Sociology, State Academy of Management, Moscow. 1992-1996.

**Peer Reviewer:**

- Journal articles: Journal of Marriage and Family, Social Forces, Social Problems, American Sociological Review, Gender and Society, Journal of Family Issues, American Journal of Sociology, Family Relations, Journal of Statistical Software, Ageing and Society
- Grants: National Science Foundation.
- Book proposals: Elsevier.