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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Northwestern University	Sociology	2010
MA (Honors)	University of Kansas	Sociology	2002
BA	University of Kansas	Sociology	1999

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Grinnell College	Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology	2013-Current
Carnegie Mellon University (Qatar)	Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow	2010-2013
Northwestern University (Qatar)	Lecturer > Assistant Professor	2010-2013

PUBLICATIONS

Book

2014 Harkness, Geoff. *Chicago Hustle and Flow: Gangs, Gangsta Rap, and Social Class*. In production, University of Minnesota Press.

Refereed Journal Articles

Accepted Harkness, Geoff and Rana Khaled. "Modern Traditionalism: Consanguineous Marriage in Qatar." *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Accepted Harkness, Geoff. "Get on the Mic: Recording Studios as Symbolic Spaces in Hip-Hop Culture." *Journal of Popular Music Studies*.

2013 Harkness, Geoff. "Gangs and Gangsta Rap in Chicago: A Microscenes Perspective." *Poetics* 41(2): 151-176.

2012 Harkness, Geoff. "Spring Forward: Female Muslim Soccer Players in Iraqi Kurdistan." *Soccer and Society* 13(5-6): 720-738.

Reprinted in:
Sport in the Global Society series (forthcoming) London: Routledge.

2012 Harkness, Geoff. "Out of Bounds: Cultural Barriers to Female Sports Participation in Qatar." *The International Journal of the History of Sport* 29(15): 2162-2183.

2012 Harkness, Geoff. "True School: Situational Authenticity in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." *Cultural Sociology* 6(3): 283-298.

2012 Harkness, Geoff. "The Spirit of Rapitalism: Artistic Labor Practices in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." *Journal of Workplace Rights* 16(2): 251-270.

2011 Harkness, Geoff. "Backpackers and Gangstas: Chicago's White Rappers Strive For Authenticity." *American Behavioral Scientist* 55(1): 57-85.

2003 Warren C.; Barnes-Brus T.; Burgess H.; Wiebold-Lippisch L.; Hackney J.; **Harkness G**.; Kennedy V.; Dingwall R.; Rosenblatt P.; Ryen A.; Shuy R. 2003. "After the Interview." *Qualitative Sociology* 26(1): 93-110.

Reprinted in:
Data Collection (2010) Vogt, Paul W. (ed). New York: Sage Publications.

Book Chapters

In press Harkness, Geoff. "In the Zone: Female Athletes and Intercultural Contact in Iraq." In *Intercultural Communication with Arabs: Studies in Education, Professional, and Societal Contexts*. Raddawi, Rana (ed). New York: Springer.

In press Harkness, Geoff. "'Why Do They Get to Use the N-Word But I Can't?' The Politics of Language." Chapter 8 in *What White People Think They Know (and What Many People of Color Aren't Totally Clear on Either): Questioning Conventional Wisdom about Race in the U.S.* McClure, Stephanie and Harris, Cherise (eds). New York: Sage Publications.

In press Harkness, Geoff. "A Typology and Analysis of Hip-Hop Culture and Rap Music In Feature Films." In *The Cambridge Companion to Hip Hop*. Williams, Justin (ed). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Reviews and Other Writing

2013 Harkness, Geoff. Book review of "Banding Together: How Communities Create Genres in Popular Music." *Contemporary Sociology* 42(2): 254-255.

2011 Harkness, Geoff and Samira Islam. "Muslim Female Athletes and the Hijab." *Contexts* 10(4): 64-65.

2011 Harkness, Geoff. Book review of "The Sociology of Elite Distinction: From Theoretical to Comparative Perspectives." *Acta Sociologica* 4(54): 405-06.

2008 Harkness, Geoff. "Hip-Hop Culture and America's Most Taboo Word." *Contexts* 7(3): 38-42.

Reprinted in:
The Contexts Reader (2011) New York: W.W. Norton and Company.

Manuscripts Under Review

2013 Harkness, Geoff. "Semantic Boundaries: Ethno-Racial Variability, Social Class, and Rap's Most Controversial Term."

In Preparation

Harkness, Geoff. *Modern Traditionalism: Globalization and Culture in the Middle East*. Monograph in preparation.

Harkness, Geoff. "Qualitative Research in the Middle East: Challenges, Solutions, and Suggestions for Policy."

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2013 "Museums, The Nation, and the World" ($16,376) with Peggy Levitt.
Northwestern University in Qatar

2008 Graduate Research Grant ($3000)
Northwestern University

2006-2007 Helen O. Piros Dissertation and Research Fellowship ($25,000)
Northwestern University

2003-2006 University Fellowship
Northwestern University, Department of Sociology

INVITED TALKS AND PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

2013 "Globalization and Culture in the Middle East." University of Kansas. Oct. 17.

2013 "Female Athletic Participation in the Middle East: Findings from Qatar and Iraq." Qatar Olympics Museum Gallery Lectures Series. Doha, Qatar. May 22.

2012 "Digital Ethnography in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." Thimun Film Festival. Doha, Qatar. March 31.

CAMPUS TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

2012 "The People's Court: Globalization and Female Sports Culture in Iraq." Northwestern University. October 25.

2012 "Food For Thought." Northwestern University in Qatar. March 27.

2011 "The Dream Industry." Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar. January 31.

2008 "Can't Stop Death: Gangs and Gangsta Rap Culture in Chicago." Northwestern University. April 3.

2007 "True School: Situational Authenticity in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." Northwestern University. March 29.

2007 "Adventures in Visual Sociology." Northwestern University. February 19.

2006 "Chicago Hip Hop and the Cultural Divide." Northwestern University. May 25.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Papers Presented

2013 "In the Zone: Female Athletes and Intercultural Contact in Iraq." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13.

2013 "Gangs and Gangsta Rap in Chicago: A Microscenes Perspective." The Annual Conference of the International Association of Popular Music. Feb. 28-March 3.

2013 "Gang Membership, Violence, and Risk Management in an Urban Rap Music Scene." Risk and Uncertainty: Ontologies and Methods. University of Amsterdam. January 23-25.

2012 "Muslim Female Athletes in Qatar and Iraq: Cultural and Structural Barriers to Participation." The Annual Conference of the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport. November 10-12.

2012 "Gangbang Capital: Gang Membership as Cultural Capital in Chicago's Rap Music Scene." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 17-20.

2012 "The Dream Industry: The Business of Selling Fortune and Fame." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 17-20.

2012 "Spring Forward: Female Muslim Soccer Players in Iraqi Kurdistan." International Conference on Sport and Society. Cambridge University. July 23-25.

2012 "Salaam Dunk: A Comparative Ethnography of Female Athletes in two Middle-Eastern Countries." The 2012 Gulf Studies Conference. University of Exeter. July 16-20.

2011 "Hustle and Flow: Hip Hop Labor in the Dream Industry." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 20-23.

2011 "The Spirit of Rapitalism: Artistic Labor Practices in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." Annual International Conference of Sociology. Athens, Greece. May 9-12.

2008 "True School: Situational Authenticity in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. July 31-August 4.

2008 "True School: Situational Authenticity in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." The Annual Meeting of the International Association for the Study of Popular Music. April 25-27.

2008 "Hip Hop Culture and America's Most Taboo Word." The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 27-30.

2008 "Fringe Types: A Typology of Pawn Shops, Pawnbroker Working Styles, and Pawnbroking Customers." The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 27-30.

2008 "True School: Situational Authenticity in Chicago's Hip Hop Underground." The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 27-30.

2007 "The Real McCoy: Authentic Hip Hop Culture in Chicago." The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. April 4-7.

2006 "The Real McCoy: Authentic Hip Hop Culture in Chicago." The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 11-14.

2005 "White Skin, Black Authenticity." Lehman College Hip Hop Conference. Oct 21.

2005 "Backpackers & Gangstas: Chicago Rappers Search for an Authentic Identity." The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 31-April 3.

2005 "Backpackers and Gangstas: Chicago Hip-Hoppers Search for an Authentic Identity." The Chicago Ethnography Conference. February 25-26.

2004 "Targeting the Middle: Are Pawn Shops Aiming for a New Class of Clientele?"

The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 14-17.

Discussant

2013 Women in Sports, Music, and the Arts. (Presider) The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13.

2013 Hip Hop on the Border of a Sonic Breakdown. (Moderator) The Annual Conference of the International Association of Popular Music. Feb. 28-March 3.

2012 Reading Cultures, Media Cultures, Writing Cultures: What is the Relationship? Middle East-North Africa Writing Centers Alliance 2012 Conference. November 16-17.

2012 Anthropology Panel. (Chair) New Directions in Middle East and North African Studies Research Conference. September 11.

2011 Consensus Conference on Liberal Arts. Northwestern University in Qatar. November 13-17.

2009 Ethnographic Documentary Film Panel One.
Chicago Ethnography Conference. February 28-March 1.

2004 Issues in Classical and Contemporary Theory. (Presider)
The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 27-30.

DOCUMENTARY FILMS

2009 "I Am Hip-Hop." Chicago United Film Festival, Chicago, Illinois.

2002 "Pawn Shop." International Documentary Film Festival. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2012 Outstanding Teacher Award, Liberal Arts (nominated).
Northwestern University in Qatar

2010 Karpf Prize for advanced graduate students whose work contributes to promoting "peace, goodwill, tolerance and understanding among the peoples of the Earth." ($3000). Northwestern University

2008 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award
Outstanding Graduate Student Lecturer (Honorable Mention)

Northwestern University

2008 First Place, Graduate Student Paper Competition
Midwest Sociological Society

2003 Grand Prize, Distinguished Masters Thesis Award ($500)
Midwest Association of Graduate Schools

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2013-Current	Grinnell College	Assistant Professor
2010-2013	Northwestern University (Qatar)	Lecturer > Assistant Professor
2010-2013	Carnegie Mellon University (Qatar)	Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow
2009	North Central College	Instructor (Adjunct)
2008	Northwestern University	Instructor (Graduate)
2005-2006	Northeastern Illinois University	Instructor (Adjunct)
2002-2003	Maple Woods Community College	Instructor (Adjunct)
2004-2008	Northwestern University	Graduate Teaching Assistant
1999-2001	University of Kansas	Graduate Teaching Assistant

Courses as Instructor

Cinema and Society
Contemporary Sociological Theory
The Family
Family Violence and Sexual Abuse
Field Research in Sociology
Introduction to Sociology
Organizations
Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences
Sociology of Culture
Sociology of Hip Hop Culture
Sociology of Music
Sports in Society
Youth and Youth Culture
Youth Cultures in the Middle East

Courses as Graduate Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Sociology
The Mafia
Senior Research Seminar
Social Movements
Sociology of Gangs
Sociology of Sport

The Suburbs
Work and Occupations

Student Sociology Blog

www.qatarcultureclub.blogspot.com (2011-2013)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Reviewer *American Journal of Sociology*
Cultural Sociology
Ethnic and Racial Studies
Harvard University Press
The International Journal of the History of Sport
Journal of Popular Music Studies
Journal of Homosexuality
Oxford University Press
Poetics
Sage Publications
The Sociological Quarterly
Sociology Compass
Sport in Society

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Faculty Adviser for the Sociology Minor	Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar, 2011-2013
Programmic Technology Committee	Northwestern University in Qatar, 2013
Faculty Adviser for the Student Culture Club	Northwestern University in Qatar, 2012-2013
Undergraduate Affairs Committee	Northwestern University, Department of Sociology, 2007-2008
Graduate Admissions Committee	Northwestern University, Department of Sociology, 2006-2007
Graduate Coordinator	Ethnography Workshop, Northwestern University, 2005-2007

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association
European Sociological Association
International Sociological Association
International Association for the Study of Popular Music
Middle East Studies Association
Midwest Sociological Society
North American Society for the Sociology of Sport
Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honor Society

REFERENCES

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