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Ph.D. American Studies, University of Minnesota, 2004
M.A. Liberal Studies, Hamline University, 1998
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#### ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Associate Dean, Grinnell College
Chair, Division of Social Studies, Grinnell College
Chair, Sociology Department, 2009-2010, 2012-present
HERS Leadership Institute Amherst, MA 2013-2014
Chair, Hate Crimes and Bias Motivated Incident Ad Hoc Committee
Chair, American Studies, 2014-2016

#### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Work and Occupations; Social Inequality (Race/Class/Gender); Sexuality; Theory; Aging and Life Course

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**BOOKS** 

Karla Erickson. 2013. *How We Die Now: Intimacy, Labor and Social Organization of Dying.* Philadelphia, PA: Temple University Press.

Karla Erickson. 2009. *The Hungry Cowboy: Service and Community in a Neighborhood Restaurant*. Jackson, MS: University Press of Mississippi.

Hokulani Aikau, Karla Erickson and Jennifer Pierce, eds. 2007. *Feminist Waves, Feminist Generations: Life Histories of a Movement*. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota Press.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Karla A. Erickson. 2016. "Knowing Death Well: Intimate and Contextual Death Competence Among End-of-Life Laborers." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*.

Karla A. Erickson. 2014. "Talk, Touch, and Plan: Lessons on How We Die." *Nursing Clio* April 22.

Karla A. Erickson. 2010. "Talk, Touch, and Intolerance: Race and Punishable Transgressions in an Overtly Sexualized Workplace." *Research in the Sociology of Work,* 20: 179-203.

Sharon R. Bird and Karla A. Erickson. 2010. "A Constructive Controversy Approach to 'Case Studies." *Teaching Sociology* 38 (2) 119-131.

Karla Erickson and Jennifer Pierce. 2005. "Farewell to the Organization Man: The Feminization of Loyalty in High-End and Low-End Service Jobs." *Ethnography*, Vol. 6, Issue 3: 283-313.

Karla Erickson. 2004. "To Invest or Detach? Coping Strategies and Workplace Culture in Service Work." *Symbolic Interaction*, Vol. 27, Issue 4: 549-572.

Karla Erickson. 2004. "Bodies at Work: The Dance of Service in American Restaurants." *Space and Culture*, Vol. 7 Issue 1: 76-89.

Hokulani K. Aikau, Karla Erickson, and Wendy Leo. 2003. "Three Women Writing/Riding Feminism's Third Wave." *Qualitative Sociology*, Vol. 26, No. 3: 397-425.

### REFEREED BOOK CHAPTERS

Karla Erickson. 2009. "Service, Smiles and Selves: Representations of Labor and the Sociology of Work." In *Cinematic Sociology*, edited by Kathy Feltey and Jean-Anne Sutherland, Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Karla Erickson and Jennifer Pierce. 2007. "Farewell to the Organization Man: The Feminization of Loyalty in High-End and Low-End Service Jobs." In *The Gendered Society*, edited by Michael Kimmel, Oxford: Oxford University Press: 339-363.

Karla Erickson. 2007. "Tight Spaces and Salsa-Stained Aprons: Bodies at Work in American Restaurants." In *Restaurants: The Book*, edited by David Sutton and David Berriss. Gordonsville, VA: Berg Publishers: 17-23.

### **ACADEMIC BLOGS & POPULAR PRESS**

Karla A. Erickson. April 20, 2016. "Changing Milestones: Millennials Navigating Relationships." Work in Progress Blog: short-form sociology on the economy, work and inequality.

Karla A. Erickson. February 29, 2016. "Dying Better, Even if It Means Sooner." U.S. News and World Report.

Karla A. Erickson. October 13, 2015. "Dying and Paid Care Work in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." Work in Progress Blog: short-form sociology on the economy, work and inequality.

Kenneth Wee and Karla A. Erickson. September 18, 2015. "Can Learning Be Anything Other Than Earning?: A case for liberal arts learning in the liberal arts context." Work in Progress Blog: short-form sociology on the economy, work and inequality.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS AND REVIEW ESSAYS**

Book Review, 2015. *Intimacies: A New World of Relational Life* by Alan Frank, Patricia Clough, and Steven Seidman in *Contemporary Sociology* 44: 510-511.

Review Essay. 2014. "Interviews Embedded in Social Worlds: A Review of *Interviewing for Qualitative Inquiry: A Relational Approach." Journal of Social Psychology*154: 1-2.

Book Review. 2013. Sex, Race and Class—The Perspective of Winning: A Selection of Writings 1952-2011 by Selma James in Contemporary Sociology 43: 376.

Book Review. 2012. *Catheters, Slurs and Pickup Lines: Professional Intimacy in Hospital Nursing* by Lisa Ruchti in *Social Forces* December 2012 91(2).

Book Review. 2012. The Caring Self: The Work Experiences of Home Care Aides. 41 (5): 677-678.

Book Review. 2011. Forced to Care: Coercion and Caregiving in America by Evelyn Nakano Glenn in Contemporary Sociology 40 (3): 309-310.

Book Review. 2010. *Intimate Labors: Cultures, Technologies, and the Politics of Care. Contemporary Sociology* 40(4): 437-438.

Book Review. 2010. Affective Inequality: Love, Care and Injustice by Kathleen Lynch, John Baker and Maureen Lyons in Contemporary Sociology 39 (5): 592-593.

Book Review. 2009. *Does Ethics Have a Chance in a World of Consumers* by Zygmunt Bauman in *International Review of Modern Sociology* 35 (1): 151-153.

Review Essay. 2008. "Historical Change, Technological Innovation and Continuities of Gender in Three Occupations" in *Work and Occupations*, Vol. 35, Issue 3: 358-368.

Book review. 2005. *The Commercialization of Intimate Life* by Arlie Russell Hochschild (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2005) in *Theory and Event*, Vol. 8, Issue 1.

Book review. 2005. Sexual Politics and Greedy Institutions: Union Women, Commitments and Conflicts in Public and in Private by Suzanne Franzway (Pluto Press, 2001) in Gender, Work and Organizations, Vol. 12, No. 2.

Book review. 2004. *Slacks and Trousers: Our Summer in a Bomber Factory* by Constance Bowman and Clara Marie Allen (Washington: Smithsonian Institute, 1999) in *H-Amstdy*, April 2004.

Book review. 2003. *Disciplining Feminism: From Social Activism to Academic Discourse* by Ellen Messer-Davidow (Durham: Duke University Press, 2002) in *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 31, Issue 6: 747.

#### PUBLISHED TEACHING MATERIALS

Karla Erickson. 2006. "Work in the 'New' Global Economy" Syllabus. *The Sociology of Gender and Work*, eds. Sharon Bird and Patti Giuffre (3rd edition): 42-51.

Karla Erickson. 2004. "Transformations in Labor: Work in the 'New' Economy" Syllabus. *The Sociology of Work and Occupations*. American Sociological Association.

Karla Erickson. 2004. "Workers and Consumers in the Global Economy" Syllabus. *The Sociology of Work and Occupations*. American Sociological Association.

Karla Erickson. 2004. "Americans at Work in Poetry Film and Non-Fiction" Syllabus. *The Sociology of Work and Occupations*. American Sociological Association.

#### **MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

Hill, Kim. 2014. "How We Die Subject of Alumna's Book." Illinois Wesleyan Website Jan 7.

Hill, Kim. 2014. "Better Choices for the End of Life." *Illinois Wesleyan University Magazine* 16-19.

Erickson, Karla. "Eight Lessons from the End of Life." *The Grinnell Magazine* 46:1, 12-15.

Erickson, Karla. "Talk of Iowa" with Charity Nebbe, October 24, 2013, Iowa Public Radio

"Live to 120? No thanks, many say in new survey" by Sharon Jayson, *USA Today*, August 6, 2013.

"Author Reveals Emotion, Drama in Service Jobs" by Mary Challender, *The Des Moines Register*, February 8, 2009: Section E, pg 1-2.

"Are Men Oppressed?" Interview with Erin Peterson '98 in *Grinnell Magazine* on upcoming social movements in the United States, June, 2005

"Reflections on the First Year" Interview with SEPC in *Sociology Department Newsletter*, May, 2005

"Blackboard Revolution: Feminist Scholarship Connects the Ivory Tower to the Tip Jar" by Asa Wilson, journalist for *The Minnesota Women's Press*, Vol. 19, No. 2, April 9-22, 2003: front page.

### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

2015-present	Associate Dean, Grinnell College
2015-present	Professor of Sociology, Grinnell College
2013-2015	Executive Council, Grinnell College
2013-2015	Chair, Social Studies Division, Grinnell College
2014-2015	Chair, American Studies, Grinnell College
2012-2015	Chair, Department of Sociology, Grinnell College
2010-2015	Associate Professor of Sociology, Grinnell College
2010-2011	Chair, Department of Sociology, Grinnell College

2004-2010	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Grinnell College Work in the "New" Economy Aging and Social Justice Introduction to Sociology Gender and Society Human Sexuality in the United States Transformations in Labor Contemporary Sociological Theory Stirring the Pot: Race, Class and Gender in Higher Education
2004	Faculty Supervisor, "Women and Welfare to Work", St. Olaf
2003-2004	Instructor, History Department, St. Olaf College Women in America American Whiteness
2001-2004	Instructor, Dept. of American Studies, University of Minnesota Workers and Consumers in the Global Economy Work Transformed: Women, Men and the Evolution of Labor Americans at Work in Poetry, Film and Non-Fiction
2002-2003	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing Conducted surveys and interviews and wrote report regarding the efficacy of a writing across the curriculum initiative
2002	Research Assistant, Dr. Jennifer Pierce, Director of Feminist Studies Grant writing, fundraising and strategic planning
2002	Research Assistant, Dr. Jennifer Pierce, Department of American Studies Literature review of feminist scholarship, draft of introduction for Feminist Waves, Feminist Generations
2002	Instructor, Honors College, University of Minnesota The American Dream: Myth and Reality at the Millennium
2000-2002	Mentor for New Instructors, Department of English
1999-2002	<b>Instructor</b> , Department of Composition, University of Minnesota <i>University Writing and Critical Reading: Emphasis on Cultural</i> <i>Diversity</i>

2000	<b>Research Assistant,</b> Dr. Cathy Choy, Department of A	merican
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Studies

Archival research on media representations of Filipino women in

mid-20<sup>th</sup> century U.S.

1998-1999 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dr. David Noble, Dept. of American

Studies, University of Minnesota Introduction to American Studies

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE - DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Posse Mentor, DC 11	2015-2016
Posse National Training	Summer 2015
Mellon Mays Mentor to 2 student fellows	2015-2017
Leader, "Teaching Race, Ethnicity, Class and Gender" Faculty to Faculty	Summer 2014
seminar	
HERS Leadership Institute, Amherst	2013-2014
Grinnell Prize Selection Committee	2012-2015
Diversity and Inclusion Council	2012-2014
Mellon Mays Mentor to 4 student fellows	2010-2014
Faculty Mentor to Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow	2012-2014
Faculty Mentor to an Early Career Faculty member outside my dept	2010-2013
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Bias-Motivated and Hate Crimes	2009-2011
Leader, "Teaching Race, Ethnicity, Class and Gender" Faculty to Faculty	Summer 2008
seminar	2007 2000
Founding Member, Cluster on Race, Ethnicity, Class and Gender	2007-2008
Queer Studies Cluster, participant	2007-2009
Faculty Advisor to the Stonewall Resource Center Board (LGBTQ)	2006-2009
ASA Sex and Gender Distinguished Article Award Committee	2006-2007
Gender, Women's Studies, and Sexuality Committee	2004-2013
Leader, Early Career Faculty	2004-2008

# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE - LEADERSHIP**

Senior Leadership Academy	2016-2018
Executive Council	2013-2015
Search Committee Chair, Tenure Track in Symbolic Interaction	2014-2015
Salary Subcommittee, Social Studies Representative	2013-2015
Search Committee Chair, Tenure Track in Theory	2013-2014
Search Committee Chair, Tenure Track in Methods	2013-2014
First Year Experience Consultant, Saint Mary's	2012-2013
Search Committee Chair, 2-year Replacement hire, Sociology Dept	2012-2013

Search Committee Chair, 1-year Replacement hire, Sociology Dept	2013-2013
Chair, Sociology Department	2010-2011
Search Committee Chair, Tenure Track, Sociology	2010-2011
Search Committee Chair, Mellon Post-doc, Sociology	Spring 2011
Search Committee Chair, Consortium for Faculty Diversity, Sociology	Spring 2011
Search Committee Chair, Replacement hire, Sociology	Spring 2011
Leader, Sociology Scholarship Workshop	2010-11, 2014-15
Scholarly Women's Achievement Groups (SWAG) Co-leader	2009-2011
The Midwest Sociologist, Editor	2007-2011
American Sociological Association Sex and Gender Committee	2007-2008

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE - COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Teaching and Learning Across Disciplines Task Force	2015-2017
Residential Learning Task Force	2015-2017
Dean's Budget Committee	2015-2017
Ombuds Office, Steering Committee	2012-2014
Academic Space Strategic Planning Committee	2012-2013
Search Committee, Gender, Women's and Sexuality Studies	2012-2013
Faculty Organizational Committee	2009-2010
Faculty Governance Group, FOC representative	2009-2010
Search Committee, Term Replacement, Sociology	Spring 2010
Search Committee, Tenure Track, Sociology	Fall 2009
Search Committee, Term Replacement, Sociology	Spring 2009
Search Committee, Mellon Post-doc, Sociology	Spring 2009
Search Committee, CSMP Scholar, Sociology	Spring 2009
Self-Study, Sociology	2008-2009
Search Committee, Term Replacement, Sociology	Spring 2008
Search Committee Chair, Term Replacement, Sociology	Spring 2008
Search Committee, Registrar	Spring 2008
Search Committee, Center for the Humanities Post-Doc	Spring 2008
Curriculum Committee	Elected, 2007-8
Search Committee, Gender and Women's Studies	Fall 2007
Institutional Review Board	2006-present
Exit Interviews with Graduating Seniors, Sociology	Spring 2008
Search Committee, Sociology	Fall 2006
Center for the Humanities Board	2006-2009
Subcommittee on Voting Rights	2006-2007
American Studies Ad Hoc Committee	2005-2006
Louise Noun Award Committee	2005-present
Grinnell Writer's Circle	2005-present
SAGE II Feminist Writing Group	2005-present
Scholarly Women Achievement Group	2004-2014

Advisor, Urban Studies	2004-2009
Search Committee, Gender and Women's Studies, Grinnell College	Spring 2005
Search Committee, Sociology, Grinnell College	Fall 2004
Introduction to Sociology Braintrust, Grinnell College	Fall 2004, Fall 2007
Member of Faculty Seminar, Feminist Scholarship Today	Fall 2004
American Studies Committee, Grinnell College	2004-2005
Steering Committee, Gender, Im/Migration and Global Change	June 2003
Conference, University of Minnesota	
TA Search Committee, Department of Composition	2002
Professional Development Committee, Dept. of Composition	2000-2002
Pedagogy Working Group	2000-2004
Feminist Studies Writing Group	2001-2004

# **SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

Grinnell Community Day Care and Preschool Board	2012-2015
Grinnell Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees	2010-2015
Grinnell Regional Medical Center Hospice Board, ex-officio	2012-2015
Quality Committee, GRMC	2010-2015
Ethics Committee, Mayflower Homes	2009-2016
Grinnell College Community Mini-Grant Board	2006-2008

# **INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES**

May 2016	Invited Lecture, "Introduction to Curriculum, Tutorial & Advising" Grinnell College
January 2016	Invited Lecture, "Making the Most of Longer Lives", Edgewater, Des Moines, IA
October 2015	Invited Lecture, "Living Longer, Dying Slower: Social Implications" Senior College, University of Iowa
Sept 2015	Keynote Lecture, "Whiteness in the Liberal Arts," DePauw University
Sept 2015	Invited Teaching Lecture, "Whiteness and Mentoring," DePauw University
Sept 2015	Invited Lecture, "Whiteness in the Era of #Black Lives Matter", DePauw University

July 2015	Discussion Leader, "Liberal Arts at Grinnell" Iowa Private Colleges Week
May 2015	Invited Lecture, "Looking Back to Look Forward: Lessons for the Class of 2015" Baccalaureate speech, Grinnell College
April 2015	Invited Lecture, "Living Longer, Dying Slower" Unity Point, Des Moines, IA
Sept 2014	Invited Lecture, "Aging and Social Justice" St. John's Church, Des Moines, IA
June 2014	Invited Lecture, "A Time to be Born and a Time to Die" Adult Community Exploration Series (ACES)
July 2014	Invited Lecture, "Making the Most of the Longevity Dividend: Visions and Plans" SE*ED Senior Education Course, Grinnell, IA
May 2014	Keynote Address, "The Longevity Dividend" Mayflower Circle of Givers Honorary Dinner, Grinnell, IA
April 2014	Presentation, "Are We Ready? Grinnell in the Global Economy" Student Presentation of MAP findings, Grinnell College
April 2014	Invited Lecture, "A Living Laboratory" Admitted Students and parents, Grinnell College
April 2014	Keynote Address, "Longer Lives, New Connections" Grinnell College celebration of <i>How We Die Now</i> hosted by David Cook- Martin
March 2014	Invited Lecture, "A Living Laboratory" Admitted Students and parents, Grinnell College
March 2014	Presentation, "Midcareer Love" HERS Leadership Institute, Amherst, MA
January 2014	Discussant, "How We Die Now readers respond" Discussion with book club of Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community
December 2013	Invited Lecture, "Lessons from the End of Life" Speech to Lions Club of Grinnell, IA
December 2013	Invited Lecture, "Lessons from End of Life Experts" Pioneer

# Bookstore, Grinnell, IA

December 2013	Invited Lecture, "Learning from Interdependency" Kiwanis Club of Grinnell, IA
November 2013	Discussant, "College UnBound: Toward the Future" Faculty and staff of Grinnell College
October 2013	Invited Lecture, "How We Die Now" SE*ED Senior Education Course, Grinnell, IA
October 2013	Invited Lecture, "The Rewards and Perils of Helping Others Age and Die" Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community
October 2013	Invited Lecture, "Living Longer, Dying Differently" Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community Board of Trustees
October 2013	Invited Lecture, "Collective Aging", Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community Residents
September 2013	Discussant, "College UnBound: Grinnell College in Context", Faculty and staff of Grinnell College
October 2012	Invited Lecture, "Winthrop House Conclusions and Questions," Board of Trustees, Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community
October 2012	Invited Presentation, "Winthrop House Findings", Independent Residents of Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community
September 2012	Invited Lecture, "Longer Lives: Benefits and Challenges" SE*ED Seniors Education Program, Drake Community Library
May 2012	Invited Presentation, "Work/Life Balance in the Academy", Mellon Mays Program, Grinnell College
April 2012	Invited Presentation, "Lessons from the Hungry Cowboy", Introduction to American Studies, Grinnell College
May 2011	Keynote Lecture, "Aging with Dignity: Community, Intimacy and Small Town Living", Mayflower Continuing Care Retirement Community

April 2011	Invited Lecture, "Ethnography and Storytelling", Introduction to American Studies, Grinnell College
October 2010	Invited Presentation, "Community and the Influence of Discipline", Faulconer Gallery, Grinnell College
September 2010	Invited Presentation, "Lessons from the End of Life" Senior Education Series, Drake Library
April 2010	Invited Presentation, "Aging and Community in a Midwestern Elder Care Facility", joint meeting of Grinnell Regional Medical Center and Mayflower Homes
April 2010	Invited lecture, "Ethnographic Research and Sociological Stories", Methods of Empirical Investigation course
February 2010	Invited lecture, "Material Influence of the Body", Bucksbaum Center for the Arts
February 2010	Invited presentation, "Surviving the Review Process", Early Career Faculty
November 2009	Invited lecture, "Work and Identity", Mitchellville Prison
November 2009 October 2009	Invited lecture, "Work and Identity", Mitchellville Prison Invited lecture, "Food and Sociability", Food and Society course,
October 2009	Invited lecture, "Food and Sociability", Food and Society course, Invited Speaker on sexuality and faith for Faith N' Action,
October 2009 October 2009	Invited lecture, "Food and Sociability", Food and Society course, Invited Speaker on sexuality and faith for Faith N' Action, Chaplain's Office Invited presentation, "Lessons from the End of Life" Work in
October 2009 October 2009 September 2009	Invited lecture, "Food and Sociability", Food and Society course,  Invited Speaker on sexuality and faith for Faith N' Action, Chaplain's Office  Invited presentation, "Lessons from the End of Life" Work in Progress lunch, Center for the Humanities  Invited presentation on qualitative methods to Student
October 2009 October 2009 September 2009 September 2009	Invited lecture, "Food and Sociability", Food and Society course,  Invited Speaker on sexuality and faith for Faith N' Action, Chaplain's Office  Invited presentation, "Lessons from the End of Life" Work in Progress lunch, Center for the Humanities  Invited presentation on qualitative methods to Student Educational Policy Committees engaged in faculty reviews  Invited presentation, "Becoming a Professor" to admitted

July 2009	Invited lecture, Adult Community Exploration Series (ACES) "Aging and Social Justice"
May 2009	Elected speaker, Baccalaureate speech, Class of 2009
March 2009	Invited lecture, "Ethnographic Research and Sociological Stories" University of Iowa
August 2008	Invited lecture, "Sexual Ethics", orientation for first year students, Grinnell College
May 2008	Invited lecture, "Emotions and the Marketplace: Feeling at Home at the Hungry Cowboy", Alumni College, Grinnell College
April 2008	Invited lecture "Heads, Hearts, Hands: Marx and the Meaning of Work" Newton Correctional Facility
April 2008	Invited speaker, Faculty Roundtable, "Interdisciplinarity"
March 2008	Guest lecture: "Interdisciplinary Knowledge" in Judy Hunter and Catherine Rod's Disciplinary Construction of Knowledge, Grinnell College
February 2008	Invited presentation on Getting Research Done in the Grinnell Context, Early Career Faculty Group, Grinnell College
November 2007	Invited author talk, "Feminist Epistemology" at University of Minnesota Bookstore
November 2007	Invited presentation on Post-Graduation Options in Sociology, Sociology Social, Grinnell College
October 2007	Guest lectures: "Gendered Labor" and "Race, Class and Gender in the Workplace" in Jennifer Dobe's Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies, Grinnell College
April 2007	Invited presentation on Best Practices in Academic Advising, Tutorial Planning Session, Grinnell College
March 2007	Invited presentation on Incorporating Library Research into the Tutorial, Tutorial Planning Session, Grinnell College
March 2007	Invited presentation on Mentoring as Practice, ACM Faces Chairs' Conference on Mentoring, Grinnell College

September 2006	Invited presentation on Teaching in the Liberal Arts, Preparing Future Faculty, Iowa State University
August 2006	Invited presentation on Designing Syllabi, New Faculty Orientation, Grinnell College
April 2006	Invited chair for 10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Africana Conference, Grinnell College
April 2006	Invited presentation on Choosing a Graduate Program, Sociology SEPC, Grinnell College
April 2006	Invited lecture "Sexual Harassment in Sexually Overt Work Cultures," Work in Progress Lunch, Grinnell College
November 2005	Invited presentation on Activism and Sociology, Sociology SEPC, Grinnell College
August 2005	Invited presentation on Hitting the Ground Running at Grinnell, New Faculty Orientation, Grinnell College
April 2005	Invited chair for student panel, 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Africana Conference, Grinnell College
November 2004	Invited lecture on "Whiteness and U.S. Racial Formations," Coalition of Anti-Racist Whites, Grinnell College
September 2004	Invited presentation on Whiteness Studies in Sociology as part of Whiteness Megaclass, Grinnell College
November 2003	Invited presentation on Pursuing the Ph.D. for student panel on graduate work in the social sciences, St. Olaf College
July 2003	Facilitated Global Labor Section of Gender, Im/Migration and Global Change Conference, University of Minnesota
January 2002	Invited lecture entitled "On Not Taking Feminism for Granted," $20^{th}$ Anniversary of the Center for Advanced Feminist Studies, University of Minnesota
December 2001	Invited presentation on The Uses of a Feminist Education, Minneapolis Athletic Club, sponsored by the Center for Advanced Feminist Studies, University of Minnesota

October 2001	Invited presentation on Preparing for Preliminary Exams, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota
September 2001	Invited presentation on Teaching Writing to Undergraduates, Department of English, University of Minnesota
March 2001	Invited lecture on "Passing Through the White Wall" as part of Diversity 102 Workshop, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Minnesota
October 2000	Invited presentation on Graduate School Survival Strategies, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota

# **WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES**

January 2016	Presenter, "Mid-Career Faculty: Preliminary Findings" Rumper Deans Pre-Conference of the AAC&U
September 2015	Participant, "Ethics in Practice: Building a Classroom and Campus Culture for Academic Integrity Conference, University of Northern Iowa
June 2014	Co-facilitated Race, Ethnicity, Class, and Gender Faculty-to- Faculty seminar with Lakesia Johnson
May 2014	Co-facilitated American Studies Re-Envisioned Faculty-to-Faculty Seminar with Sarah Purcell
April 2014	Addressing Implicit Bias Workshop
April 2014	Grinnell College Admissions, Discussion with High School Counselors
June 2013	Co-facilitated American Studies Faculty-to-Faculty Seminar with Sarah Purcell
June 2013	Co-facilitated Tutorial Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar with Erik Simpson

July 2012	Co-facilitated Tutorial Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar with Erik Simpson
June 2011	Co-facilitated Tutorial Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar with Erik Simpson
Fall 2010	Faculty-to-Faculty Seminar on the Middle East and Northern Africa, participant
June 2010	Co-facilitated Tutorial Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar with Erik Simpson
May 2010	Writing Portfolio Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
August 2009	Gender, Women's Studies, and Sexuality Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
June 2009	Tutorial Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
May 2009	Advising as Teaching Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
May 2008	Co-facilitated Race, Ethnicity, Class and Gender Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar with Dionne Bensonsmith
May 2007	Liberal Arts in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
September 2006	Pleasure, Center for the Humanities Faculty Seminar
May 2006	Advising and Mentoring Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
April 2006	Teagle Conference on Critical Thinking Assessment, Northfield, MN
February 2006	ACM Conference on Advising, Colorado Springs, CO
November 2005	Diversity as Practice with Coco Fusco, Center for the Humanities Faculty Seminar
May 2005	Teaching in the Liberal Arts, Faculty-to-Faculty Summer Seminar
December 2004	Future of American Studies at Grinnell

September 2004	Feminist Scholarship Today, Center for the Humanities Faculty Seminar
August 2004	Introduction to Blackboard, two day workshop, ITS, Grinnell College
August 2004	Introducing New Technologies into Teaching, 2 hour workshop, ITS, Grinnell College
September 2003	Participant in teaching workshop on evaluating student work, St. Olaf College
August 2003	Participant in workshop on teaching work, occupations and organizations, American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA
September 2001	Participant in teaching workshop on evaluating student writing, Department of English, University of Minnesota
September 2000	Participant in teaching workshop on creating constructive controversy in the classroom, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Minnesota
September 1999	Participant in teaching workshop on facilitating classroom discussions, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Minnesota

## HONORS, AWARDS AND GRANTS

## **Baylor Cherry Teaching Award**

Nominated 2013

## **Competitive Faculty Research Leave**

Grinnell College, January 2012-June 2012 (\$40,000)

# **Harris Faculty Fellowship**

Grinnell College, August 2008-August 2009 (\$75,000)

## **Post-Baccalaureate Fellowship**

Grinnell College, May 2008-December 2008, Madison Van Oort (\$15,000)

**Harold Leonard Memorial Film Fellowship**, Graduate School, University of Minnesota, September 2002-May 2003 (\$14,000)

**Graduate Research Partnership Fellowship**, Graduate School, University of Minnesota, May 2002-September 2002 (\$7,400)

**Summer Dissertation Writing Grant**, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, May 2002-September 2002 (\$2,500)

**Dissertation Research Grant**, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, Feb 25, 2002 (\$740)

**Dissertation Research Grant**, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, Oct 19, 2001 (\$390)

**Outstanding Teaching Assistant Honorarium**, Department of English and Composition, University of Minnesota, May 13, 2000 (\$200)

**Travel and Research Awards**, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 (\$2100, total)

#### SCHOLARLY WORKS IN PROGRESS

Karla A. Erickson. "Is this it? Midcareer Faculty Slumps and Insights" with Tamara Beauboeuf, Jan Thomas.

Karla A. Erickson. "Not Enough Money for Loving: Millennials and Intimacy in the Search for Work." Preparing for submission to *Ethnography*.

Karla A. Erickson. "Making People: Interaction Rituals and the Production of Community in a Midwestern Hospice." Preparing for submission to *Symbolic Interaction*.

### SELECTED RESEARCH CITATIONS

How We Die Now cited in M. Loe (2014) "Medical Ambivalence in Old Age." Technological Forecasting and Social Change.

How We Die Now reviewed in Journal of Women and Aging by Jennifer Davis-Berman 371-372.

How We Die Now reviewed in (2014) Ageing and Society October 34 (9): 1630-1631.

How We Die Now reviewed online for The Association for the Study of Death and Society (2014).

The Hungry Cowboy reviewed in (2012) Food and Foodways 20 (2):167-169.

The Hungry Cowboy reviewed in (2010) Gender and Society 24(5): 697-700.

The Hungry Cowboy reviewed in (2010) Contemporary Sociology 39 (2): 223-224.

The Hungry Cowboy reviewed in Sutton, David (2011) Gastronomica: The Journal of Food and Culture 11 (1): 108-109.

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American Studies Association, Toronto, ON, October 2015

Paper: Building Selves in Uncertain Times

American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August 2014

Paper: The Accumulations of Inequality: Elders and Eldercare in Hard Times

American Sociological Association, New York, NY, August 2013

Paper: Growing Old Together: The Rewards and Perils of Elder-Specific Living

American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV, August 2011

Paper: What Death Taught Us: Experts Navigate Mortality

International Conference for the Humanities, Granada, Spain, June 2011

Paper: Intimate Knowledge: The Truth about Nursing Homes

American Association of Law Schools, San Francisco, CA, January 2011

Paper: Whiteness and Mentoring

Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL, April 2010 Paper: *Intimate Acts: The Gifts of the Dying Body* 

American Studies Association, Washington, DC, November 2009

Paper: Belonging Toward Death: Interaction Rituals and the Production of Community in

a Midwestern Hospice Organization

American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August 2009

Paper: Crossing the Line: Punishable Transgressions in an Overtly Sexualized Work

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Paper: Using the Mentored Advanced Project (MAPS): Experiences from Professors at

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Commentator: Using Research to Connect Across the Life Course: Ethnography,

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Paper: Service to the Dying: The Social Organization of Dying

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Paper: Learned Novices: The Value of Collaborative, 'Basic' Research Instruction for

Students, Faculty and Librarians

Social Science History Association, Minneapolis, MN, November 2006

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American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec, August 2006

Invited Paper: Feminist Waves: Reflections on the Uneven Diffusion of Feminist Thought

in the Academy

American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA, August 2005 Paper: Making Trouble for the Binary in Feminist Theory

Mid America American Studies Association, Minneapolis, MN, April 2005

Paper: Making Trouble for the Binary between Second and Third Wave Feminism: Re-

conceptualizing 'Waves' and 'Generations'

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Paper: Making it Work: Adjusting Your Teaching Style to Suit Your Audience

American Studies Association, Atlanta, GA, November 2004

Paper: The Norm! Effect: Customers and the Work of Recognition in American

Restaurants

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Paper: Farewell to the Organization Man: Examining Worker Loyalty in Service Work

Gender, Work and Organization, Keele, England, June 2003

Paper: Pink Collars and Dirty Aprons: The Feminization of Loyalty in Service Work

Twelfth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Storrs, CT, June 2002

Paper: "Just a Waitress": Gendered Labor in the Service Sector

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Paper: Service with a Smile: Gendered Labor in the Service Sector

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Paper: More than Just a Waitress: Selling Service and Smiles in Neighborhood

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National Women's Studies Association, Minneapolis, MN, June 2001

Paper: The Unruly Space of Daytime TV: Talk Shows and the American Project of Helping

One's Self

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Conference, Hamilton, Ontario, May 2001

Paper: Insider Research and the Ethnographic Journey

Southern American Studies Association, Atlanta, GA, February 2001

Paper: What's Your Future? Anxiety, Imperialism and a Usable Future

Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Washington, DC, August 2000

Paper: "Just a Waitress": Emotional Labor and Server Subjectivity

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Paper: What's Your Movie?: Citizenship and Public Life in Post-Reality

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Paper: Gods of the Pigeonholes: Resistance to Convention in Women's Autobiography

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Presider, Regular Session: Feminist Thought

Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE, April 2006

Chair: Mapping Space, Voice and Resistance: Sexuality in the 21st Century

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Chair: Space and Culture

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