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Research Interests

Ethnography, sociology of health and illness, science and technology, the body, death and dying, interpretive theories, qualitative research methods.

Employment

2005 Professor of Sociology, UCLA

2002 Associate Professor of Sociology, Brandeis University

1998 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Brandeis University

1995 Lecturer of Sociology, Brandeis University

Education

1995 PhD in Sociology, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

1991 Master of Arts in Sociology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

1990 "Licentiaat Sociologie" (B.A.) Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. (Magna cum Laude).

Awards

Sociology of Health and Illness book award, British Sociology Association for *Postmortem*, 2007.

Eliot Freidson book award for best book published in the past two years from the Medical Sociology section of the American Sociological Association for *Postmortem*, 2006.

Robert K. Merton Professional award for best book published in past three years from the Science, Knowledge, and Society section of the American Sociological Association for *The Gold Standard*, 2005.

Finalist Sociology of Health and Illness book award, British Sociology Association, for *Sudden Death and the Myth of CPR*, 2002.

Finalist C. W. Mills award, for *Sudden Death and the Myth of CPR*, 2000.

Sally Hacker-Nicholas Mullins Student Paper award, American Sociological Association July 1995.

Graduate Student Paper Competition award, University of Illinois, May 1995.

List of Teachers ranked as excellent by their students, Spring 1992.

Award for outstanding academic achievement in Sociology. American Sociological Association, May 1991.

Fellowships

ESRC-SSRC visiting fellowship, 2008-2009

Center for Society and Genetics, faculty fellow, 2006-2007

Robert Wood Johnson Health and Society Fellowship, Harvard University, 2003-2005

Bernstein fellowship, Fall 2000.

Smithsonian Postdoctoral Fellowship, summer 1995.

Geisert Dissertation Fellowship, 1994-1995.

Dissertation Improvement Award, LAS College, 1994.

NSF fellowship Summer workshop in "Field Work Methods," Athens, Georgia. May-June 1993.

Graduate Student Fellowship from the Program for the Study of Cultural Values and Ethics, 1993-1994.

Grants

NSF grant 2008-2010: Consequential Conversations: Methodological Integration of Conversation Analysis and Ethnography (Co-PI: John Heritage, \$200,000)

UCLA Senate faculty grant 2006, 2007

Robert Wood Johnson research grant, 2004

Brandeis Mazer faculty research grant, May 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2002, and 2003.

Publications

Books

2006 Stefan Timmermans, *Postmortem: How Medical Examiners Explain Suspicious Deaths*. University of Chicago Press: Chicago.

2003 Stefan Timmermans and Marc Berg, *The Gold Standard: The Challenge of Evidence-Based Medicine and Standardization in Health Care*. Temple University Press: Philadelphia, PA.

Shortened version of Chapter 4 reprinted as "From Autonomy to Accountability:

Clinical Practice Guidelines and Professional Power” in special issue of *Perspectives in Biology and Medicine*, 2005, Robyn Bluhm and Kirstin Borgerson (eds.)

- 2002 Stefan Timmermans and Jonathan Gabe (editors) *Partners in Health, Partners in Crime*. Special Issue of *Sociology of Health and Illness* and book published by Blackwell Publishing.
- 1999 Stefan Timmermans, *Sudden Death and the Myth of CPR*. Temple University Press: Philadelphia, PA.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2009 Stefan Timmermans and Tara McKay, "Clinical Trials as Treatment Option: Bioethics and Health Care Disparities in Substance Dependency" *Social Science and Medicine*

Stefan Timmermans and Rene Almeling, "Objectification, Standardization, and Commodification: A Conceptual Readjustment and Research Agenda" *Social Science and Medicine*

Grudzen Corita, Timmermans Stefan, Koenig William, Torres Jacque, Hoffman Jerome R., Lorenz Karl, Asch Steven M. "Paramedic and EMT Views on Opportunities and Challenges When Forgoing and Halting Resuscitation in the Field." *Academic Emergency Medicine*.

Iddo Tavory and Stefan Timmermans, "Two Cases of Ethnography: Grounded Theory and the Extended Case Method" *Ethnography*

- 2008 Stefan Timmermans, "Oh Look, There is a Doctor After All: About the Resilience of Medical Professions" *Social Science and Medicine*, Vol. 67 (10), pp. 1481-1491.

Stefan Timmermans and Steven Haas, "Towards a Sociology of Disease" *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 30 (5), pp. 659-676.

Stefan Timmermans, "Professions and Their Work: Do Market Shelters Protect Professional Interests?" *Work and Occupations*, Vol. 35 (2), pp. 164-188.

Betina Freidin and Stefan Timmermans, "Complimentary and Alternative Medicine for Children's Asthma: Satisfaction, Care Provider Responsiveness, and Networks of Care." *Qualitative Health Research*, Vol. 18 (1), pp. 43-55.

- 2007 Stefan Timmermans and Betina Freidin, "Caretaking as Articulation Work: The Effects of Taking up Responsibility for a Child with Asthma on Labor Force Participation," *Social Science and Medicine*, Vol. 65 (7), pp. 1351-1364.

- Stefan Timmermans, "Why Modest Geographic Effects for Asthma? Pharmaceutical Treatment as Neutralizing Mechanism." *Health*, Vol. 11 (4), pp. 431-454.
- 2006 Stefan Timmermans, "Science, Politics, Forensics," *Contexts*, Winter issue, Vol. 6 (1), pp. 45-50.
- 2005 Stefan Timmermans, "Suicide Determination and the Professional Authority of Medical Examiners," *American Sociological Review*, Vol. 70 (April), 311-333.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Death Brokering: Constructing Culturally Appropriate Deaths," *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 27 (7), 993-1013.
- Stefan Timmermans and Aaron Mauck, "The Promises and Pitfalls of Evidence-Based Medicine," *Health Affairs*, Vol. 24 (1), 18-28.
- 2004 Stefan Timmermans and Emily Kolker, "Clinical Practice Guidelines and the Reconfiguration of Medical Knowledge," *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, Vol. 45, Suppl., pp. 177-193.
- 2003 Stefan Timmermans, "A Black Technician and Blue-Babies," *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 33 (2), 197-229.
- Stefan Timmermans and Marc Berg, "The Practice of Medical Technology," *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 25 (silver anniversary issue), 97-114.
- 2002 Stefan Timmermans, "Cause of Death vs. Gift of Life: Maintaining Jurisdiction in Death Investigation," *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 24 (5), 550-574.
- Stefan Timmermans and Jonathan Gabe, "Introduction: Connecting Criminology and Sociology of Health and Illness," *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 24 (5), 501-516.
- 2001 Stefan Timmermans and Alison Angell, "Evidence-Based Medicine, Clinical Uncertainty, and Learning to Doctor," *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, Vol. 42 (4), pp. 342-359.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Hearts too Good to Die: Claude S. Beck's Contributions to Life-Saving." *Journal of Historical Sociology*, Vol. 14 (1), pp. 108-131.
- 2000 Stefan Timmermans and Valerie Leiter, "The Redemption of Thalidomide: Standardizing the Risk of Birth Defects." *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 30 (1), pp. 41-72.
- Reprinted in *Risk and Innovation in Medical Technology*, 2004. Edited by Thomas Schlich and Ulrich Troehler, Routledge, pp. 262-282.
- Marc Berg and Stefan Timmermans, "Orders and their Others: On the Constitution of Universalities in Medical Work." *Configurations*, Vol. 8 (1), pp. 31-61.
- 1999 Stefan Timmermans, "When Death isn't Dead: Implicit Social Rationing during Resuscitative Efforts." *Sociological Inquiry*, Vol. 69 (1), pp. 51-75.

- Stefan Timmermans, "Closed-Chest Cardiac Massage: The Emergence of a Discovery Trajectory." *Science, Technology, and Human Values*, Vol 24. (2), pp. 213-240.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Mutual Tuning of Multiple Trajectories," *Symbolic Interaction*, Vol. 21 (4), pp. 425-440.
- 1998 Stefan Timmermans, "Social Death as a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy: David Sudnow's 'Passing On' Revisited." *The Sociological Quarterly*, Vol 39 (3), pp. 453-472.
- Reprinted in *Organising Bodies: Institutions, Policy and Work*. 2000. Edited by Linda McKie and Nick Watson, Macmillan Press, pp. 132-140.
- Reprinted in *Sociology of Health and Illness: Critical Perspectives* (Sixth and Seventh edition). 2001-2004. Edited by Peter Conrad, St. Martin's, pp. 331-346.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Resuscitation Technology in the Emergency Department: Towards a Dignified Death." *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 20 (2), pp. 144-167.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Debating Universality: The Case of Closed-Chest Cardiac Massage." *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*, Vol. 18 (5), pp. 107-136.
- 1997 Stefan Timmermans, "High Touch in High Tech: The Presence of Relatives and Friends during Resuscitative Efforts." *Scholarly Inquiry for Nursing Practice*, Vol. 11 (2), pp. 152-167.
- Stefan Timmermans and Marc Berg, "Standardization in Action: Achieving Local Universality through Medical Protocols." *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 27 (2), pp. 273-305.
- Reprinted in *Qualitative Health Research*, 2008, Robert Dingwall (Ed.), SAGE Publications, London.
- 1996 Stefan Timmermans, "Saving Lives or Saving Multiple Identities? The Double Dynamic of Resuscitation Scripts." *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 26. (4), pp. 767-797.
- 1995 Stefan Timmermans, "Reanimaties: Technologische Zorg of Zorgelijke Techniek." *Gezondheid*, Vol. 3 (3), pp. 254-66.
- Stefan Timmermans, "Cui Bono? Institutional Review Boards and Ethnographic Research." *Studies in Symbolic Interaction: A Research Annual*, N. Denzin, Ed., Vol. 19, pp. 155-173.
- Stefan Timmermans, "La Déconstruction/Reconstruction des "Soi" dans les Techniques de Reanimation." *Techniques et Culture*, Vol. 25-26, pp. 245-261.
- 1994 Stefan Timmermans, "Dying of Awareness: The Theory of Awareness Contexts

- Revisited.” *Sociology of Health and Illness*, June, Vol. 16 (3), pp. 322-336.
- 1993 Stefan Timmermans, “The Paradox of Nursing Terminal Patients in a Belgian General Hospital.” *Omega: Journal of Death and Dying*, Vol. 27 (4), pp. 281-293.
- 1991 Stefan Timmermans, “Stervensbegeleiding: Schipperen tussen Distantie en Betrokkenheid.” *Verpleegkundigen en Gemeenschapszorg*, Oct. pp. 23-40.
- Stefan Timmermans, “Stervensbegeleiding? Dat wordt hier niet gedaan.” *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, Vol. 12 (2), pp. 1-20.
- Book chapters**
- 2006 Stefan Timmermans and Iddo Tavory, “Ethnography and the Practice of Grounded Theory,” *Handbook of Grounded Theory*, Tony Bryant and Kathy Charmaz (editors), Sage Publications, pp. 465-484.
- 2004 Stefan Timmermans, “How can you watch autopsies?” in *Reflecting Upon Research: The Realities of Doing Research in the Social Sciences*. Edited by Julia Lawton, Susan Gregory, and Nina Hallowell, Open University Press, pp. 30-37.
- 2001 Stefan Timmermans, “Reanimatie Technologieën: Een Leven Redden of een Plotse Dood Verzachten. Beschouwingen bij een Onvolmaakt Overgangsritueel.” In: Annemarie Mol and Marc Berg, *Ingebouwde Normen*, Van der Wees: Utrecht, pp. 131-142.
- 2000 Stefan Timmermans, “Technology and Medical Practice.” in: Bird, C., P. Conrad, A. Fremont, and S. Levine, (Eds.) *Handbook of Medical Sociology* (Fifth edition), Prentice-Hall, Upper Saddle River, NJ, pp. 309-321.
- 1998 Stefan Timmermans, Geoffrey Bowker, and S. Leigh Star, “The Architecture of Difference: Visibility, Controllability, and Comparability in Building a Nursing Intervention Classification.” In: Berg, M. and A. Mol (Eds.) *Differences in Medicine: Unraveling Practices, Techniques and Bodies*, Duke University Press, pp. 202-226.
- Reprinted as: Infrastructure and Organizational Transformation: Classifying Nurses' Work. In: Orlikowski, Wanda, Geoff Walsham, Matthew Jones, and Janice DeGross (eds). *Information Technology and Changes in Organizational Work*. London: Chapman and Hall, pp. 344-370.

Encyclopedia articles and other publications

- 2006 Stefan Timmermans, “Awareness Contexts,” *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, George Ritzer (editor), Blackwell Publishing.
- 2005 Stefan Timmermans and Emily Kolker, “Medicine, Values and Ethics,” in *Science, Technology, and Society*, Sal Restivo (editor), Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 318-323.
- Stefan Timmermans, “The Rise of Scientific Medicine,” in *Science, Technology, and Society*, Sal Restivo (editor), Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 323-326.
- 2001 Stefan Timmermans, “Health Care Technology,” *International Encyclopedia of*

the Social and Behavioral Sciences, pp. 6544-6550.

- 1994 Stefan Timmermans, "Science Saga." *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 24 (1), pp. 133-135.
- 1993 Stefan Timmermans, "Sociological Poetics." *Studies in Symbolic Interaction: A Research Annual*, N. Denzin, Ed., Vol. 15 (2), pp. 79-84.

Works in Progress

Handbook of Medical Sociology: Sixth edition (co-edited with Chloe Bird, Peter Conrad, and Allen Fremont) Vanderbilt University Press.

Stefan Timmermans, "Evidence-Based Medicine" *Handbook of Medical Sociology: Sixth edition* (Chloe Bird, Peter Conrad, Allen Fremont, and Stefan Timmermans, eds.) Vanderbilt University Press.

Stefan Timmermans, "Norms as Culture in Science: From Failure to Success during Randomized Clinical Trials"

Stefan Timmermans and Neetu Chawla, "Evidence-Based Medicine and Medical Education" *Handbook of the Sociology of Medical Education* (Caragh Brosnan and Bryan Turner, eds.) Routledge.

Stefan Timmermans, "Qualitative Research on the End-of-Life" *Handbook of Qualitative Health Research* (Bourgeault, Ivy, DeVriese, Raymond, and Robert Dingwall, eds.) SAGE Publications.

Stefan Timmermans and Iddo Tavory, "The Contested Ethnography: Reliability and Methods of Suspicion."

Book Reviews

2007 *Secrets of women: Gender, Generation, and the Origins of Human Dissection* (Katharine Park), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 113 (3), pp. 923-925.

2006 *Lesser Harms: The Morality of Risk in Medical Research* (Sydney Halpern), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 112 (3), pp. 942-943.

Evidence-Based Medicine and the Search for a Science of Clinical Care, (Jeanne Daly), *Health Sociology Review*, Vol. 16 (3-4), pp. 352-354.

The Medical Malpractice Myth (Tom Baker), *Dr. Golem: How to Think about Medicine* (Harry Collins and Trevor Pinch), *On Others Inside: Insanity, Addiction and Belonging in America* (Darin Weinberg), *Symbolic Interaction*, Vol. 30 (3), pp. 435-439.

2005 *Expertise in Regulation and Law* (Gary Edmond, editor), *Metascience*, Vol. 15 (1), pp. 123-126.

The Ultimate Rush: The Contemporary Deathbed (John Tercier), *Mortality*, Vol. 10 (4), pp. 326-327.

- 2004 *Qualitative Methods and Health Policy Research* (Elizabeth Murphy and Robert Dingwall), *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 33 (6), p. 739.
- The Company Doctor: Risk, Responsibility, and Corporate Professionalism* (Elaine Draper), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 110 (3), p. 820-822.
- Heat Wave: A Social Autopsy of Disaster in Chicago* (Eric Klinenberg), *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 26 (3), pp. 376-378.
- 2003 *Critical Moments: Death and Dying in Intensive Care* (Jane E. Seymour), *Mortality*, Vol. 8 (4), pp. 393-394.
- Rationing: Constructed Realities and Professional Practices* (David Hughes and Donald Lights, eds), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 108 (5), pp. 1120-1121.
- Ethnography* (John D. Brewer) and *Ethnographic Research: A Reader* (Stephanie Taylor) *Sociology of Health and Illness*, Vol. 25 (7), pp. 898-900.
- 2001 *Life's End: Technocratic Dying in an Age of Spiritual Yearning* (David Wendell Moller), *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 30 (3), pp. 301-302.
- 1999 *Moral Problems in Medicine: A Practical Coursebook* (Michael Palmer) *Social Science and Medicine*, Vol. 33 (5), p. 568.
- Disciplining Reproduction: Modernity, American Life Sciences, and "The Problem of Sex"* (Adele Clarke) *Symbolic Interaction*, 22 (4), 389-391.
- 1998 *Science Incarnate: Historical Embodiments of Natural Knowledge* (Christopher Lawrence and Steven Shapin, eds) *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 28 (2), p 198.
- 1997 *Rationalizing Medical Work: Decision-Support Techniques and Medical Practices* (Marc Berg), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 104 (1), pp. 279-280.
- 1995 *Research Groups in Dutch Sociology* (Jos De Haan), *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 24 (6), p. 793.

Invited Presentations

- 2009 "Death and Dead Bodies: The changing attitudes toward Death in the current Society"
Berlin
- "UCSF Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences 40th Anniversary," Keynote speaker, UCSF
- 2008 "Caretaking in asthma" UCLA Health Policy.
- "Disease in the Genomics Era" University of Pennsylvania.
- "Shifting Conceptions of Death and Dying: The Perspective of the Social Sciences"
Keynote speaker, Birmingham, U.K.

- “The Real CSI: Suicide and Homicide in Forensics” Iowa State University.
- “Getting Away with Murder” AKD initiation ceremony, Loyola Marymount University.
- 2007 “When a Baby Dies under Suspicious Circumstances...” Grand Rounds in Pediatrics, UCLA.
- “Epistemological Strengths and weaknesses of Evidence-Based Medicine,” Centre Koyré, Paris, France.
- “Do Market Shelters Protect Professional Interests? The Different Trajectories of Evidence-based Medicine and Forensic Medicine.” Workshop speaker, The institutions of objectivity in medicine: Informal and formal modalities of regulation. Montreal, Canada.
- “Is EBM a Wave worth Catching?” American Medical Directors Association keynote speaker, Miami, Florida.
- “Promises and Pitfalls of Evidence-Based Medicine, “Making Medicine Count?” Invited speaker conference, Cambridge, UK.
- “Strengthening the Field of Forensics,” Luncheon plenary speaker, American Association for Forensic Science, San Antonio, Texas.
- “EBM and learning to doctor,” Neuroscience, UCLA.
- “The 51% Rule of Suicide.” Cultural and Social Anthropology, Stanford University.
Also presented at Cermes, Paris, France.
Northwestern University.
- “Tracking Evidence-Based Medicine” Center for Society and Genetics, UCLA
- 2006 “Are there any lessons from evidence-based medicine to forensic medicine?” UCLA history of science seminar.
- “Suffering and Hope: A Warrant for STS” Presidential plenary speaker, Society for Social Studies of Science, Vancouver.
- “Author meets critics: The Gold Standard.” Author, American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.
- “Postmortem” Ethnography workshop, Northwestern University.
- “Standards from Informed Consent: Lessons from Evidence-Based Medicine” Workshop speaker, Informed consent, University of Vienna, Austria.
- “Delegation of Care,” RWJ Health Policy program, Michigan University.

- 2005 “Qualitative Research Methods” Workshop leader, RWJ Health and Society Program
Columbia University.
- “Postmortem” Anthropology Department, UCLA.
- “Standardization in action,” Science Studies program, UCSD.
- “Herding Cats: Evidence Based Medicine and Standardizing Professionals” Keynote
speaker, Trondheim, Norway.
- 2004 “Race and Marginality in Science,” Science studies program, Brown University.
- “The Body Multiple,” Critic in author-meets-critics session,
Society of Social Studies of Science, Paris.
- 2003 “The Practice of Medical Technology” *Sociology of Health and Illness* Silver
Anniversary conference, London, UK.
- “The Redemption of Thalidomide” Risk and Innovation conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2002 “Medical Examiners and Suicide,” Ethnography conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- “Qualitative Research Methods,” EMS conference, Dallas, TX.

Professional Presentations (last ten years)

- 2008 “Towards a Sociology of Disease” American Sociological Association, Boston.
- 2007 “Why do so many people die from heart disease? Pathologists at work.” Society for
Social Study of Science, Montreal, Canada.
- “Forensic Contributions to Mortality Statistics” American Sociological Association, New
York.
- 2006 “Evidence-Based Medicine” Society for Social Study of Science, Philosophy of Science
Association, Vancouver.
- “Medical Sociology conference” Edinburgh, UK.
- 2005 “The Paradox of Delegation or How Standards Contribute to Non-Compliance with
Asthma Treatments” Society for Social Studies of Science, Pasadena, CA.
- “Hispanic and Non-Hispanic Mothers’ Treatment Strategies for Children’s Asthma:
Culture, Uncertainty, and Adherence” American Sociological Association, Philadelphia,
PA.
- “Children’s Asthma and Mothers’ Labor Force Participation” RWJ, Santa Fe, NM.
- 2004 “Lynn Asthma Neighborhood Study,” RWJ, Colorado.

- “Standardization that works!” Society of Social Studies of Science, Paris, France.
- 2003 “Technoscientific Deaths” Society of Social Studies of Science, Atlanta, GA.
- “Surveillance of Child Deaths” Vital Politics Conference, London, UK.
- “A Baby Died. Where were the Parents?” American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- 2002 “Shattering Immortality” American Anthropological Association, New Orleans, LO.
- (with Kirsten Moe) “The Trial of the Shaken Baby Syndrome” American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.
- “The Perfect Crime” American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2001 “The Morgue as a Center of Forensic Expertise.” Workshop Lancaster, UK.
- “The 51% Rule of Suicide” American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA.
- (with Alison Angell) “Evidence-Based Medicine and Clinical Uncertainty” American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA
- “Expertise in Suicide Determination” Society for Social Study of Science, Boston, MA.
- 2000 “Five Vultures and a Dead Body: Claiming Jurisdiction and Maintaining Expertise in Death Investigation” American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- “Getting away with Murder: The Social Ecology of Knowledge in a Medical Examiner’s office.” Society for Social Study of Science and EASST, Vienna.
- “How to Standardize without Standards: Determining the Cause and Manner of Death in a Medical Examiner’s Office.” Society for Social Study of Science and EASST, Vienna.
- “Teaching Sociology of Science and Technology.” American Sociological Association, Washington, DC.
- “Bridging Law and Medicine in Death Investigation: Maintaining Professional Integrity in a Medical Examiner’s Office.” American Sociological Association, Washington, DC.
- “Getting Away with Murder: Determining Cause and Manner of Death in a Medical Examiner’s Office.” Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Washington, DC.
- 1999 (with Marc Berg) “The Gold Standard of Medicine.” Society for Social Study of Science, San Diego.
- (with Valerie Leiter) “The Normalization of Risk: The Therapeutic Rehabilitation of Thalidomide.” American Sociological Association, Chicago.
- “Learning to Teach and Teaching to Learn.” Eastern Sociological Society, Boston.

- 1998 "The Liminality of Life and Death." American Anthropological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- (with Valerie Leiter) "The Redemption of Thalidomide and DES." Society for Social Study of Science, Halifax, Canada.
- (with Victoria Pitts) "The Body in Pain and Death." Society for Social Study of Symbolic Interaction. San Francisco, CA
- (with Marc Berg) "Orders and their Others: On the Constitution of Universalities in Medical Work." American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- "Mutual Tuning of Multiple Trajectories." American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- "Social Death as Self-Fulfilling Prophecy: David Sudnow's *Passing On* Revisited" British Sociological Association, Edinburgh, UK
- "United we Publish, or Not." Eastern Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PE.

Session organizer-discussant

- 2008 "Evidence-Based Medicine," Organizer, SSSS conference, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
Third US-UK Medical Sociology Conference, Facilitator, Boston.
- 2007 Discussant RWJF conference, Itasca, Illinois.
- 2006 "Science and Technology of Medical Practice," Organizer and Presider, ASA, Montreal.
Second US-UK Medical Sociology Conference, Facilitator, Edinburgh.
- 2005 "Sociology of Bioethics" Discussant, Eastern Sociological Society.
- 1999 "Bodies and Biomedicine." Organizer and presider, ASA conference, Chicago, IL.
- 1998 "Drugs in Action," Organizer and presider, SSSS conference, Halifax, Canada.
- 1996 "Medical Technology." Organizer and presider, Midwest Sociological Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 1995 "Surviving the STS Job Market: Options and Strategies." Organizer and presider, SSSS Conference, Charlottesville, VA.
"Health and Society." Organizer and presider, Midwest Sociological Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 1993 "Sociology of Science and Technology," Discussant and presider, Midwest Sociological Meeting, Evanston, IL.

Teaching

UCLA:

Graduate:

“Theory and Research in Sociology”

“Fieldwork Methods”

“Qualitative Data Analysis”

Undergraduate:

“Medical Sociology”

Brandeis University:

Graduate:

"Seminar in Fieldwork Methods."

"Qualitative Data Analysis."

Undergraduate:

“Sociological Perspectives on Suicide and Homicide”

"Seminar in Fieldwork Methods."

"Illness Narratives."

"Sociology of Science and Technology."

"Caring in the Health Care System."

"Technology and Society."

"Sociology of Body and Health."

University of Illinois:

Graduate:

"Qualitative Research Methods."

Undergraduate:

"Society and Technology."

Wordprocessing, Bridge and Transition Students Program.

PhD committees

Chair

Brandeis: Victoria Pitts, Anastasia Norton

Committee Member

Brandeis: Amy Agigian, Valerie Leiter, Deborah Potter, Johanna Wigg, Jean Elson, Tina Taylor, Kathleen Jenkins, Alan Stockdale, Chris Gillespie

UCLA: Kevin Riley, Justin Lee, Nori Milman, Brandon Lee Berry, Burt Cowgill (health services), Neetu Chawla (public health), Jooyoung Lee, Iddo Tavory, Amada Armenta, Chinyere Osuji.

Other Universities: Teun Zuiderent-Jerak (University of Rotterdam), Karin Hannes (K. U. Leuven), Tina Weber, (Humboldt University)

Post-Doctoral Advisor

Carrie Friese 2007-2009

Ruha Benjamin 2008-2010

Media appearances

My work was featured in the *Times Higher Education*, *The Brandeis Reporter*, *University Science*, *Yahoo! News*, *www.yourhealthdaily.com*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *New York Times*, *The Boston Globe*, *WBUR*, *The Associated Press*, *The Sunday Journal*, *New Hampshire News*, *Herald News*, *The Sun-Journal*, *Telegram and Gazette*, *Berkshire*

Eagle, CALL, Charlotte Observer, Morning Sentinel, Wakefield Daily Item, Times Herald Record, Morning Call, Medford Daily Mercury, Daily News, EMS Best Practices, www.stryker.com, California Healthline, The Brandeis Review, Daily News Tribune, Wall Street Journal, Slate (online), BBC4, The Weekend Guardian, The Guardian, Die Furche, Staten Island Advance. I have also consulted for *Spike TV* and *Parade Magazine*.

Editorial positions

Editorial Advisor, *Social Studies of Science*, 2008-2010.
Contributing Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*, 2008-2010.
Editorial board, *Health*, 2007-present.
Editorial board, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 2003-2007, 2009-2011.
Associate editor, *Symbolic Interaction*, 2003-2007.
Editorial advisor, *Sociology of Health and Illness*, 2002-present.
Editorial board, *Qualitative Research* 2001-present.

Reviewer Experience

Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Associated Medical Services, Biosocieties, Body and Society, Cambridge University Press, Cornell University Press, Computer Supported Cooperative Work, Cultural Studies, Duke University Press, Electronic Journal of Sociology, ESRC, Ethnos, Health, Health Affairs, Health Psychology, Health Sociology Review, Information Systems Research, Journal of Experimental Psychology, Journal of Contemporary Ethnography, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Journal of Historical Sociology, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, Medical Anthropology: Cross-Cultural Studies in Health and Illness, Medical Anthropology Quarterly, Metascience, MIT University Press, Mortality, National Science Foundation, Oxford University Press, Perspectives on Science, Polity Press, Public Health, Qualitative Health Research, Qualitative Inquiry, Qualitative Research, Qualitative Sociology, Research Policy, Routledge, SAGE publications, Science as Culture, Science, Technology, and Human Values, Social Problems, Social Science and Medicine, Social Studies of Science, Sociological Focus, Sociological Perspectives, Sociology of Health and Illness, Symbolic Interaction, Temple University Press, The Information Society, Theoretical Criminology, The Sociological Quarterly, United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation.*

Departmental service

UCLA:

Gender Equity Committee, 2008-2009
Director of Graduate Studies, 2007-present
Chair Sociology-Center for Society and Genetics search committee, 2007-2008
Meier Search committee, 2006-2007
Graduate admissions committee, 2006
Various personnel committees

Brandeis:

Graduate admissions committee
Graduate committee
Undergraduate committee
Junior faculty hiring committees (various)

University service

UCLA:

Center for Society and Genetics, Advisory Committee
Personnel committee

University personnel committees

Brandeis:

IRB

Health: Science, Society & Policy (HSSP) Program, Advisory Committee

Women and Health committee

Health, Law and Society, committee

McNair, Board of Overseers

Shiff fellowship, Board of Overseers

Personnel committees

Professional service

Society for Social Studies of Science,

Elected council member, 2007-2010.

Chair Carson award committee, 2008.

Publication committee, 2007-2008

Chair diversity committee, 2008-2009

Member Nicholas Mullins award committee, 2007

Program committee, Annual conference, Atlanta, 2003.

Program committee, Annual conference, Boston, 2001.

Elected student representative, 1993-1995.

ASA section on Science, Knowledge, and Technology,

Elected council member, 2002-2005

Chair Merton award committee (SKAT), 2003.

Elected student representative, 1994-1997.

Chair Merton and Hacker-Mullins award committee (SKAT), 1996.

ASA section on Medical Sociology,

Freidson book award committee, 2008.

Chair Roberta Simmons dissertation committee, 2003.

Committee on Nominations, 2007.

Society for Social Study of Symbolic Interaction:

Student representative Blumer Award Committee, 1994.

Review Program Committee UCSF Doctoral Program in Medical Sociology, 2006.

External reviewer of multiple tenure-academic promotion candidates.