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EMPLOYMENT

2007- Current Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology, Northwestern University (2007)

Dissertation Title: “The Habitus of Habitat: Mapping the History, Redevelopment, and Crime in Public Housing”

Committee: John Hagan (Chair), Gary Fine, Mary Pattillo, and Kathy Edin

M.A., Social Science, University of Chicago (1999)

Master’s Thesis Title: “Life in Contested Space: Ethnography of Chicago’s Henry Horner Homes”

Committee: Terry Strauss (Chair)

B.A.(With Honors), Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley (1996)

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Title: “Criminalizing Our Youths: A Study of Classism in Juvenile Court”

Committee: Laura Nader (Chair), Elliott Currie

AREAS OF INTEREST

Urban Sociology; Crime, Law, and Deviance; Public Housing; Neighborhood Effects; Race and Ethnicity; Qualitative Sociology; Genocide; Cultural Sociology

PUBLICATIONS

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. “Criminology Confronts Genocide: Whose Side Are You On?” Forthcoming in *Theoretical Criminology*.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. “The Ambiguous Genocide: The US State Department and the Death Toll in Darfur.” Forthcoming in *Sex, Drugs, and Body Counts*, edited by Peter Andreas and Kelly M. Greenhill, Cornell University Press.

Hagan, John, Wenona Rymond-Richmond, and Alberto Palloni. 2009. "Racial Targeting of Sexual Violence in Darfur." *American Journal of Public Health* 99(8): 1386-1392.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2008. "The Collective Dynamics of Race and Genocidal Victimization in Darfur." *American Sociological Review* 73(6): 875-902.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2008. *Darfur and the Criminology of Genocide*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2008. "The Disturbing Case of the British Advertising Standards Authority, the New York Times, and the State Department's Low Estimate of the Death Toll in Darfur." *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law* 5(2):585-610.

Hagan, John, and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2008. "International Humanitarian Law." *The Leading Rogue State: The US and Human Rights*. Eds. Judith Blau, David Brunsmma, Alberto Moncada, and Catherine Zimmer. Boulder, CO: Paradigm Publishers.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2007. "The Mean Streets of the Global Village: Crimes of Exclusion in the United States and Darfur." *Journal of Scandinavian Studies in Criminology and Crime Prevention* 8:54-80.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2006. "Transforming Communities: Formal and Informal Mechanisms of Social Control." *The Many Colors of Crime*. Eds. Ruth Peterson, Laurie Krivo, and John Hagan. New York: New York University Press, Pp. 295-312.

Hagan, John, Wenona Rymond-Richmond, and Patricia Parker. 2005. "The Criminology of Genocide: The Death and Rape of Darfur." *Criminology* 43:525-561.

Reprinted:

In *The International Library of Essays in Law and Society*. Ashgate Publishing Limited.

Reprinted excerpts (2007) in *Crime Readings*, Third Edition. Eds. Robert D. Crutchfield, Charis E. Kubrin, George Bridges, and Joseph G Weis. Sage Publications, Inc.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

Hagan, John, Daniel Rothenberg, and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. "State Rape: Government Organized Sexual Victimization as Crimes Against Public Health and Humanity in Darfur and Pre-Invasion Iraq."

ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. “I Ain’t Gonna Say It’s the Worst Neighborhood in the City’: Perceptions of Safety in a High Crime Neighborhood.”

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. “Switching the Codes of the Street through Neighborhood Redevelopment.”

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona and John Hagan. “Taking them to the Streets: Parent and Peer Influences on the Social Movement Activism of the Adult Children of American Vietnam War Resisters in Canada.”

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. “Limits and Alternatives to the use of International Criminal Law and Punishment to Advance Order and Justice in Conflict and Post-Conflict Settings.” Invited to contribute to a special issue in the journal *Theoretical Criminology* with the working title 'Countering the Penal Imaginary'.

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. *The Habitus of Habitat: Mapping the History, Redevelopment, and Crime in Public Housing*

This research draws on seven years of ethnographic fieldwork and in-depth interviews, supplemented and triangulated with data from the U.S. Census, cognitive mapping exercises, and block level crime data on violent crime to analyze the geographic and social consequences of federal public housing redevelopment policies that seek to deconcentrate poverty and racial segregation. I describe how living in a hypersegregated, high crime neighborhood affects the way residents use, affectively feel, and navigate their inner-city terrain. Drawing on the bodies of research in urban sociology and behavioral geography, and using an “unsettled” time (Swidler 1986) as an opportunity to research the habitus of social space, this research offers a more nuanced examination of a community and its physical and social space. I advance the social isolation and social disorganization theories by using innovative methodological tools and framing concepts. Cognitive mapping and restrictive cognitive frames are used to understand cultural adaptations to the structural constraints of social isolation. I find that these intricate cognitive maps and restrictive cognitive frames produce a mentality or habitus that make the block one lives on seem manageable and familiar, while making everything outside of this one block appear foreign and vast. This study contributes to research on the interplay of space and social structure and examines the complexities of living in a violent neighborhood.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. *Two Generations of War Resistance*

AWARDS, HONORS, RECOGNITIONS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2009 Albert J. Reiss, Jr. Outstanding Book Award, Crime, Law and Deviance Section, American Sociological Association. Co-awarded with John Hagan for our book *Darfur and the Criminology of Genocide*.
- 2009 Michael J. Hindelang Outstanding Book Award for Distinguished Scholarly Publication, American Society of Criminology. Co-awarded with John Hagan for our book *Darfur and the Criminology of Genocide*.
- 2009 Crime and Justice Research Institute Scholar, Ohio State University
- 2009 Center for Research on Families, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Family Research Scholars Program
- 2008 Nominee for the Lemkin Award. Nominated with co-author John Hagan for our book *Darfur and the Criminology of Genocide*.
- 2005-06 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Lecturer
- 2005-06 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Honorable Mention Outstanding Teaching Assistant
- 2005 Presidential Fellowship Nominee, Northwestern University
- 2004-05 National Consortium on Violence Research Fellow
- 2003-04 National Consortium on Violence Research Fellow
- 2002-03 National Consortium on Violence Research Fellow
- 2002-03 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Outstanding Teaching Assistant
- 2001-02 Northwestern University Fellowship
- 1996 B.A. awarded with Honors in anthropology, University of California, Berkeley
- 1996 Honorary student at the annual Cal Day celebration, University of California,

Berkeley

1995-96 Student Advisory Board at the University of California, Berkeley

GRANTS

Andrew Mellon Foundation, Mutual Mentoring Initiative Grant, Team Grant awarded to Department of Sociology (2008)

Alan L. and Carol S. Lebovidge Grant with Caitlin Divver (2008)

Canadian Embassy Research Grant with Professor John Hagan (2006-2007), approximately \$10,000

MacArthur Collaborative Summer Research Grant (2006)

MacArthur Collaborative Summer Research Grant (2005)

Center for International and Comparative Studies Grant (2005)

Legal Studies Grant from Northwestern University (2004)

MacArthur Collaborative Summer Research Grant (2004)

Graduate Research Grant (2003-2004)

MacArthur Collaborative Summer Research Grant (2003)

Dispute Resolution Research Grant- Kellogg School of Management (2002)

PROFESSIONAL/ RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2006-07 Research Assistant, Professor John Hagan, American Bar Foundation

2004-05 Research Assistant, Professor John Hagan, Northwestern University

2004 Research Assistant, Professor Gary Fine, Northwestern University

2001-03 Researcher / Ethnographer /Co-curator, Smithsonian- National Museum of the American Indian, Washington, D.C.

2002 Youth Violence Intervention and Prevention Summer Institute, University of California, Irvine

1999-02 Researcher / Ethnographer, Welfare, Children and Families: A Three Cities Study, Chicago, IL

1999 Researcher / Ethnographer, Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL

PRESENTATIONS AND POSTER SESSIONS

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2009. "I Ain't Gonna Say it's the Worst Neighborhood

in the City': Perceptions of Safety in a High Crime Neighborhood." Racial Democracy, Crime & Justice-Network Summer Workshop at The Ohio State University.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona and John Hagan. 2008. "The Role of Racism and Dehumanization in the Darfur Genocide." Landscapes of Violence: Conflict and Trauma through Time at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2007. "The Collective Dynamics of Race and Genocidal Victimization in Darfur." Demography workshop at the University of Chicago.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2007. "The Mean Streets of the Global Village: Toward a Theory of Crime, War and Exclusion." The Stockholm Criminology Symposium.

Hagan, John and Wenona Rymond-Richmond. 2007. "The Collective Dynamics of Race and Genocidal Victimization in Darfur." The Center for the Study of Law and Society, University of California, Berkeley.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2006. "History and Habitus: Redeveloping Public Housing." American Sociology Association.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2005. "Legal Consciousness: Reactions of Public Housing Residents to the One-Strike and You're Out Policy." Law and Sociology Regular Session of the American Sociological Association.

John Hagan, Wenona Rymond-Richmond and Patricia Parker. 2005. "The Criminology of Genocide: The Rape and Death of Darfur." 14th World Congress of Criminology.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2004. "Violent Hot Spots: Comparing Qualitative and Quantitative Data in a Chicago Neighborhood." American Society of Criminology.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2004. "Neighborhood Change: Violence, Gangs and Redevelopment." Criminology Regular Session at the American Sociological Association.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2004. "Perception and Data on Violent Hot Spots." Poster Session, American Society of Criminology.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2003. "Perceptions of Safety and Danger in a Public Housing Development." Poster Session, American Society of Criminology.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2003. "The Invisible Cost of the One-Strike Policy." Law and Society Association.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2003. "Transforming Communities: The History, Use, and Demise of Public Housing." Ethnography Conference.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2003. "Re-Mapping Social Space through the Redevelopment of Chicago's Public Housing." Northwestern University Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 2002. "Changing Homes, Changing Lives: An Ethnographic Analysis of Redevelopment of Public Housing in Chicago." Ethnography Conference.

Rymond-Richmond, Wenona. 1999. "People in the Interest of JJ: Tribal Enrollment and ICWA." Central States Anthropological Association.

COURSES TAUGHT

Criminology, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Spring 2009)

Qualitative Methods for Graduate Students (Spring 2009)

Communities and Crime, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Spring 2008, Fall 2007)

Qualitative Methods, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Spring 2008)

Communities and Crime, Northwestern University (Spring 2006)

TEACHING ASSISTANCE, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Senior Research Seminar (Allan Schnaiberg)

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The City: Urbanization and Urbanism (Al Hunter)

Problems of Cities (Ness Sandoval)

Social Problems: Norms and Deviance (Kathy Edin)

Introduction to Sociology (Marika Lindholm)

Urban Neighborhoods (Wendy Espeland)

Urban Neighborhoods Part II (Wendy Espeland)

OFFICES HELD

Graduate Colloquia Coordinator (2003-2004)

Graduate Student Association President, Northwestern University (2002-2003)

Anthropology Undergraduate Student-Faculty Liaison, University of California Berkeley

COMMITTEE SERVICES

Undergraduate Committee, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2008-2009)

Undergraduate Quality Committee, Representative for Sociology Department, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2008-2009)

Minority Recruitment Committee, Northwestern University (2001-2002)

STUDENT COMMITTEES

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor: Robert Weed, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2009-2010)

Comprehensive Exams: Ted Thornhill, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2007-09)

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor: Lindsay Carvahlo, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2007-2008)

STUDENT ADVISOR

Internship sponsor for letter in Social Science Research Analysis: Danielle Contois, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Fall 2008, Spring 2009)

Internship sponsor: Bliss Requa-Trautz, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Fall 2007)

Internship sponsor: Laura Murphy, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Fall 2007)

Internship sponsor: Yasmin Abbyan, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (Spring 2008)

WORKSHOP ORGANIZER

Urban Workshop, Coordinator with Al Hunter, Ness Sandoval, and Mary Pattillo, Northwestern University (2003-2004)

Ethnography Workshop, Coordinator with Gary Fine, Northwestern University (2002-2003)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

American Society of Criminology

Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network

Law and Society Association

Founding member of the Native Student Organization at the University of Chicago (1988-1999)

Central States Anthropological Association (1998-1999)

JOURNAL REVIEWER

National Science Foundation (2009)

Social Psychology Quarterly (2009)

American Sociological Review (2008)

American Journal of Sociology (2007)

Social Problems (2007)

Criminology (2006)

SPECIAL SKILLS

Quantitative Research Methods:

Adept in various methods of statistical analysis including Multiple Regression,

Logistic Regression, ANOVA, Hierarchical Linear Modeling, and the use of SPSS and STATA.

Qualitative Research Methods:

Extensive experience with semi-structured interviews, participant observation, content analysis, and NVivo software.

REFERENCES

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