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PRESENT POSITION

Postdoctoral Fellow, Vanderbilt Institute for Energy and Environment

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, Vanderbilt University, 2015
M.A. Sociology, Vanderbilt University, 2009
B.A. Social Sciences, Sarah Lawrence College, 2003

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Environmental Sociology	Globalization/Transnationalism	Social Theory
Political Economy	Civil Society/Social Movements	Post-Soviet Societies

PUBLICATIONS

Book Manuscript

Saving the Sacred Sea: Globalization, Authoritarianism and Environmental Civil Society
Under review at Oxford University Press

Peer Reviewed Articles

Brown, Kate Pride. 2015. "Guarding the Memory of the National Guard: Strategies of Avoidance in Official Historiography." *Memory Studies* 8(3).
Hess, David, Quan Mai and Kate Pride Brown. (Forthcoming). "Red Times, Green Laws: Ideology and Renewable Energy Legislation in the United States." *Energy Research & Social Science*
Brown, Kate Pride. (Revise and Resubmit at *Social Movement Studies*). "Corruption and Cognitive Liberation."

Other Publications

Brown, Kate Pride and Larry Isaac. (Forthcoming). "Civil Rights Movement Inspiration and Influence on Other Reform Movements." In *Encyclopedia of American Reform Movements*, ed. by John R. McKivigan and Heather L. Kaufman. New York: Infobase Publishing.
Brown, Kate Pride. 2012. "Russia's Unexpected Uprising." *Critical Mass Bulletin* 37(1): 20-22.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Belmont University

Temporary Adjunct Instructor, Spring 2015

Introduction to Sociology

Substituted for a full time faculty member on emergency leave, prepared lectures on assigned readings in three sections of Introduction to Sociology for period of two weeks

Adjunct Instructor

Introduction to Sociology, Fall 2011

Created syllabus and instructed 30 undergraduate students using participatory lectures and small group exercises

Vanderbilt University

Guest Lecturer:

“Globalizing Siberia: Lake Baikal in Transnational Political Economy,” *Russia: The USSR and Afterward*, Spring 2015

“Russia in a Warming World: Science, Economics, Politics, and the Public,” *Climate Change and Society*, Spring 2015.

“The Contested Memory of Rachel Carson,” *Health and the Environment*, Fall 2014

“Marx and Marxism(s): Theories of Communism and Actually Existing State Socialism,” *Sociological Perspectives*, Spring 2014

“The Reverse Boomerang of Transnational Activism,” *Social Issues in Globalization*, Fall 2013

“Stratification Begins Early: *Unequal Childhoods*,” *American Society*, Spring 2011

“Understanding Durkheim’s *Suicide*,” *Sociological Perspectives*, Spring 2011

“The Rise and Fall of the Social Contract,” *Social Problems*, Fall 2010

“Corruption in the Post-Soviet Region,” *Socio-Political and Cultural Developments in Post-Soviet Regions*, Spring 2010

“The Death of Environmentalism?” *U.S. Social Movements*, Spring 2009

“Environmentalism in the United States,” *U.S. Social Movements*, Fall 2008

“Understanding Social Movements,” *Introduction to Sociology*, Spring 2008

“*The German Ideology* and *The Economic and Philosophical Manuscripts of 1844*,” *Introduction to Sociology*, Spring 2008

“Marx’s Concept of Estranged Labor,” *Introduction to Sociology*, Fall 2007

Teaching Assistant for:

Health and the Environment, Sociological Perspectives (Social Theory), Social Issues in Globalization, U.S. Social Movements, Social Problems, American Society, Introduction to Sociology

Teaching Assistant responsibilities included holding office hours to assist students one-on-one or in small groups; grading papers, exams, quizzes and homework; crafting assignment and evaluation materials; guest lecturing; leading exam review sessions; providing feedback and progress reports to students; attending class; monitoring grade distributions and reporting deficiency.

Teaching Trainings and Certification

Graduate Teaching Certificate, a three-phased certification program, Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching, 2012

Teaching Workshop, a semester course on teaching sociology, 2009

Teaching Assistant Orientation and Training, Vanderbilt University, 2007

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral:

State Level Energy Policy Research: PI-David Hess. Conducted semi-structured telephone interviews with state legislators in 12 U.S. states on the grounds for bipartisan collaboration on green energy policy. Supervised undergraduate research assistants gathering quantitative data.

Dissertation:

Environmental Civil Society around Lake Baikal: PI-Kate Pride Brown. Performed 10 months of ethnographic field research in Irkutsk, Russia. Conducted 52 semi-structured interviews with key stakeholders. Some archival research.

Master's:

Environmental Activism and Corruption: PI-Kate Pride Brown. Two months of ethnographic field research in Samara, Russia. Conducted 22 semi-structured interviews.

Other Research:

Digital Memory of the U.S. National Guard: PI-Kate Pride Brown. Gathered textual histories of the National Guard on state unit websites. Performed content analysis.

Soviet Memory in Contemporary Russia: PI-Kate Pride Brown. Interviews on memories and perceptions of the Soviet Union with various age cohorts in St. Petersburg and Yoshkar-Ola, Russia.

Death Penalty as a Critical Event: PI-Richard Pride. Collected the population of newspaper articles on the resumption of execution in Nashville, Tennessee. Performed content analysis.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Principal Investigator

Research Grant, Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy (\$7,500)

Dissertation Enhancement Grant, Vanderbilt University, 2013 (\$2,000)

SSRC Eurasia Program Dissertation Development Award, 2013 (finalist)

U.S. Student Fulbright Fellowship, Institute of International Education, 2012 (\$23,000)

David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship, Institute of International Education, 2012 (alternate)

Small Research Grant, Vanderbilt University Department of Sociology, 2012 (\$600)

International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), Individual Advanced Research Opportunities Program (IARO), 2010 (alternate)

College of Arts & Science Summer Research Award, Vanderbilt University, 2010 (\$4,500)

Small Research Grant, Vanderbilt University Department of Sociology, 2008-2010 (\$900)

Critical Language Scholarship, U.S. Department of State, 2008

Values and the Environment Research Award, Vanderbilt Center for Ethics, 2008 (\$4,000)

Graduate Research Assistant

“Conditions Favoring Consensus in State-Level Energy Policy,” STS Program, National Science Foundation, SES-1329310, 2013-2015 (\$208,763)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “The Reverse Boomerang of Transnational Activism,” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 2014
- “Globalization as Inspiration: The Cognitive Effect of Transnational Activism,” Chicago Graduate Ethnography Conference, Evanston, IL, 2014
- “‘Foreign Agents ♥ USA’: State Suppression of Baikal Environmentalism,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Boston, MA, 2013
- “Corporate Social Responsibility as Hegemonic Practice,” Political Sociology/Comparative-Historical Sociology mini-conference, New York, NY, 2013
- “Soviet Memories among Russian Young Adults,” American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2013
- “Societal Predictability and the Social Movement Society,” Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, 2012
- “‘What Is Enlightenment?’ in Post-Soviet Russia: Using Kant to Explore How Russians are Remembering the Soviet Union,” East European Memory Studies Graduate Research Triangle, Cambridge, UK, 2011
- “Fatalism and Social Movement Decline: the Case of Russian Environmentalism,” American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, 2010
- “Cultural Threats: Discursive Hostility toward Social Movements,” International Sociological Association, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2010
- “Historical Materialism and Memory Content,” New School for Social Research Memory Conference, New York, NY, 2010
- “Ecological Culture against Corruption: The Russian Environmental Movement in Abeyance,” Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, 2009
- “Blaming the Victim: Framing Theory Applied to Russian Environmentalism,” Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, Charlottesville, VA, 2009

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Passed with Distinction: “Theories of Modernity,” Qualifying Examination, 2011
- Passed with Distinction: “Social Memory Studies,” Qualifying Examination, 2011
- Marion T. Loftin Graduate Research Prize, Vanderbilt University, Dept. of Sociology, 2010
- University Fellowship, Vanderbilt University’s highest honorary graduate fellowship, 2007-2012 (\$50,000)
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SERVICE

University Service

Search Committee Graduate Representative, Department of Sociology, Vanderbilt University, 2010-2011

Vice President of the Sociology Graduate Student Body, Vanderbilt University, 2007-2008

Graduate Student Council Sociology Representative, Vanderbilt University, 2007-2008

Conference Service

Table Presider, Sociology of Law Roundtable, American Sociological Association, 2014

Table Presider, Sociology of Culture Roundtable, American Sociological Association, 2013

Panel Co-Organizer, "Nature Protection in the Greater Baikal Ecosystem Past and Present," Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, 2013

Peer Reviewer for:

American Journal of Sociology

American Sociological Review

Social Currents

Social Forces

Work and Occupations

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Editorial Experience

Editorial Associate, *American Sociological Review*, 2009-2012

Associate Editor, *Work and Occupations*, 2010-2011

Intern, *Dissent*, 2003

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association

Southern Sociological Society

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Southern Conference on Slavic Studies

Languages

Advanced Russian

Reading Spanish

Other Contributions

US Program Coordinator for the Eurasia Foundation SEE Program – Migration Working Group

Developed list of nonprofit organizations working with immigrants in Chicago, Washington D.C., and Nashville, Tenn; contacted them with interview requests; scheduled interviews with SEE Fellows; helped develop focus groups with immigrants; conducted follow-up survey with area nonprofits.

Contributor to Oxford Analytica

Provided research briefs on topics related to environmental issues in the CIS region