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Education

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY

Ph.D. in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Expected in Spring 2020

Dissertation: "Queer Occupations: An Examination of Spatial Politics within All-Gender Spaces"

Advisor: Professor Mary Jo Bona

Brandeis University Waltham, MA

Master of Art - Joint Sociology and Women's Studies May 2015

Master's Thesis "Discourses and Debates at the Gendered Gates: Accessing Gendered Identities through Gendered Spaces"

Advisor: Professor Wendy Cadge

University of Massachusetts – Boston

Bachelor of Arts - Sociology

Bachelor of Arts - Women's Studies May 2013

Senior Thesis Research Paper

"Stuck in Transit: Managing Gender Identity from Within Restrained Gender Transition"

Advisor: Professor Chris Bobel

Research and Teaching Interests

Feminist Theory

Gender and Sexual Identity Formations

Sociology of Sexuality

Sociology of Gender

Sociology of Space

Critical Race Theory

Embodiment

Social Movements

Teaching Experience

As Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies PhD Candidate Instructor, Stony Brook University/Online Teaching (Certified 2018)

LGBTQ Spaces/Queer Spatialities (WST210), Spring 2020

Introduction to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WST103), Fall 2019

Introduction to Feminist Theory (WST 290), Spring 2019

Gender Identity Constructions (WST 210), Summer 2018 (online)

Gender Identity Constructions (WST 210), Spring 2018

As Graduate Teaching Assistant, Stony Brook University:

WST 374.01 Historical Perspectives on Gender Orientation, Fall 2018

Instructor: Prof. Liz Montegary

WST 301.S01 Histories of Feminism, Fall 2017

Instructor: Prof. Nancy Hiemstra

WST 103.R01 Women, Culture, and Difference, Spring 2017

Instructor: Prof. Kadji Amin;

WST 407.S01/408.S01 Senior Research Seminar for Women's and Gender Studies, Fall 2016

Instructor: Prof. Mary Jo Bona

WST 103.01 (R01-R04) Women, Culture, and Difference, Spring 2016

Instructor: Prof. Lisa Diedrich

WST 103.01 (R01-R04) Women, Culture, and Difference, Fall 2015

Instructor: Prof. Melissa M. Forbis

Publications

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Bonvissuto, S. (forthcoming). "Interview with Julia Serano" In Berkowitz, D.; Han, C.; Windsor, E. (Eds). *Male Femininities*

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Kłonkowska, A.; Bonvissuto, S. (2019). "Personal and Collective Trans-Mythologies: Creative Attitudes to Gender Incongruence Among Transgender Individuals" *Creativity Studies* 12 (1) 61-74

Kłonkowska, A.; Bonvissuto, S. (2019). "On Walls and Bridges: Divisions and Bonds Within the Polish Trans Community" *Sociological Focus* (forthcoming)

Awards/Honors

Vivien Hartog Graduate Student Teaching Award, 2019

Dept. of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Stony Brook University

Vivien Hartog Travel Award, 2019

Dept. of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Stony Brook University

The Isak Kazes Prize, 2015

Women & Gender Studies Program, Brandeis University

Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award in Women's and Gender Studies, 2014

Women's and Gender Studies Program, Brandeis University

Founders Award, 2013
Women's Studies Dept., University of Massachusetts Boston

Book Award, 2013
Women's Studies Dept., University of Massachusetts Boston

Book Award, 2013
Sociology Dept., University of Massachusetts Boston

Undergraduate Social Activism Award, 2012
Sociologists for Women in Society

Beacon Undergraduate Student Leadership Award, 2011
University of Massachusetts Boston

Nancy Jo Abeles Second Year Merit Scholarship, 2019
Westchester Community College

Presentations

National Women's Studies Association, San Francisco, CA 2019
"The Signifying Politics of All-Gender Restrooms: The queer politics of crossing spatial boundaries and states of embodiment"

European Geographies of Sexualities, Prague, Czechia 2019
"The Potential Queer(ing) Politics of All-Gender Spaces"

National Women's Studies Association, Atlanta, GA 2018
"Building the Exceptional Outlier: Academic Constructions of the Non-Sexual Transgender Subject"

National Women's Studies Association, Cleveland, MD 2017
"Protections and Problems with Umbrellas: An Analysis of Intersectional Identities in the Transgender Movement 2000-2017"

European Sociological Association, Greece 2017
Anna Klonkowska (1); Stephanie Bonvissuto (2)
"True-trans or gender queer? An analysis of transnational transgender identity claims"

Trans*Studies: An International Transdisciplinary Conference on Gender, Embodiment and Sexuality, Phoenix, AZ 2016
"Whose Trans is It Anyway? The Power Inherent in Naming and the Struggle over Gender Identity"

Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA 2013
"Stuck in Transit: Managing Gender Identity from Within Restrained Gender Transition"

Research Projects

Spring 2014 – Summer 2014

Team Member, “Charlestown Project”:
Advisers: Profs. Cunningham, Cadge, Shostak
Sociology Dept., Brandeis University

Fall 2013

Data collection, “WGSS Program History”
Advisers: Prof. Cadge
Women’s & Gender Studies Program, Brandeis University

Summer 2012

Undergraduate Research: Literature Review: “Same Sex Marriage Law and Transgender Impacts”
Adviser: Prof. J. Shoshanna Ehrlich
Dept. of Women’s Studies, University of Massachusetts - Boston

Spring 2011

Data collection, Undergraduate Seminar Research: “Fundamentals for Family Law”
Adviser: Prof. J. Shoshanna Ehrlich
Dept. of Women’s Studies, University of Massachusetts Boston

Departmental Service Roles

Co-Organizer/Organizer, Department Social Media Team, 2018 - 2020
Co-Organizer, ‘Brown Bag’ Academic Community Gathering, 2017-2018
WGSS Panel Discussant, Incoming PhD Cohort Workshop, 2017-2018
Peer Mentor, 2017-2018
Co-Organizer, Graduate Student Conference, 2016-2017
WGSS Panel Discussant, Graduate TA Workshop – 2016-2017

Public Service Roles

Film Talk/Discussion “Queens at Heart” – Queens Public Library, June 2018
Guest Speaker, PFLAG Long Island Chapter, February 2018
Guest Speaker, “Trans Journeys” TILLI Class, Temple Israel of Boston, December 2016
Queer Working Group, Temple Israel of Boston, Jan. 2011-May 2015
Student Coordinator, Queer Student Center, University of Massachusetts Boston,
Aug. 2010 – May 2013
Board Member, Volunteer, Speaker, Event Coordinator, Peer-Trained Facilitator The LOFT: The
LGBT Community Center of Westchester, NY, June 2006 – June 2009

Language Skills

Italian (Basic)

French (Basic)

Professional Memberships

National Women's Studies Association

Sociologists for Women in Society

American Sociological Association (pending)

Professional References

Prof. Mary Jo Bona

Assoc. Prof. Liz Montegary

Assist. Prof. Nancy Hiemstra

Assoc. Prof. Kathleen Fallon