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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Sociology
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EDUCATION

State University of New York, Stony Brook

2005-present, PhD. candidate, Department of Sociology
Dissertation title: Why Wiki Works – Peer-Production and Making Knowledge the Wiki Way
Advisors: Arnout van de Rijt, Michael Schwartz, Ian Roxborough, Patrick Grim

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

2002-2004, Master of Arts, Sociology
Thesis title: Balanced Biosocial Theory for the Social Sciences
Advisor: David Dickens

Florida Atlantic University

1997-2001, Bachelor of Arts, *Magna Cum Laude*, Sociology, Arts & Humanities

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Shandra, John M., **Michael Restivo**, Eric Shircliff, and Bruce London. 2011. "Do Commercial Debt-for-Nature Swaps Matter for Forests? A Cross-National Test of World Polity Theory." *Sociological Forum* 26(2):381-410.

Shandra, John M., Thomas K. Rudel, **Michael Restivo**, and Bruce London. 2010. "Nongovernmental Organizations and Protected Land Area: A Cross-National Analysis." *International Journal of Sociology* 40(2):85-99.

Shandra, John M., **Michael Restivo**, and Bruce London. 2008. "Non-Governmental Organizations and Deforestation: Reconsidering the Cross-National Evidence." *International Review of Modern Sociology* 34(1):109-132.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

News Literacy Fellowship, 2009-2011, *Department of Journalism*, Stony Brook University.

Hanan Selvin Award for Best Quantitative Paper, 2011, *Department of Sociology*, Stony Brook University. Paper title: "Does Bureaucracy Pose an Obstacle to Online Volunteering?"

RESEARCH

Topics: Information & Communication Technologies, Sociology of Knowledge, Peer Production, Volunteerism, Organizational Sociology, Nongovernmental Organizations, Political Economy, Global Health, Digital Divide

Skills: Multivariate Regression, Longitudinal Data Analysis, Social Network Analysis

Software: SPSS, Stata, UCINet, R, Excel

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

State University of New York, Stony Brook

Instructor, *Department of Sociology*, 2008-present, *Courses*: Sociology of Technology, Research Methods, Statistical Methods, Introduction to Sociology

Instructor, *Department of Journalism*, 2010-present, *Course*: News Literacy

Research Assistant, *Department of Sociology*, 2007, *Supervisor*: John Shandra, *Topic*: Environmental NGOs and Deforestation. *Job description*: Run multivariate regression models using cross-national data; manage cross-national databases; conduct library research on nongovernmental organizations; write up results in a format suitable for publication.

Teaching Assistant, *Department of Sociology*, 2005-2007, *Courses*: Contemporary Theory (*graduate*), Multivariate Statistics (*graduate*), War & the Military, Gender & Work

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Teaching Assistant, *Department of Sociology*, 2002-2004, *Courses*: Race & Ethnic Relations, Social Problems, Introduction to Sociology

CONFERENCE PAPERS

"Prospects and Opportunities for Open (-Sourcing) Public Universities." Presented at the *Defining the Future of Higher Education Conference*, Stony Brook University, 2011.

"Why They Stop: A Quantitative Analysis of Discontinuation Trends Among Wiki Contributors." Presented at the *81st Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, 2011.

"Group Diversity and Task Performance in Peer Production." Presented at the *81st Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, 2011.

"A Quantitative Approach To Identifying Propaganda in Peer-Produced Knowledge." Presented at the *80th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, 2010.

"Debt-For-Nature Swaps and Deforestation: Do They Matter?" Presented at the *80th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, 2010.

"Distributed Cognition and the Emerging Peer-Production Model." Presented at the *104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association*, 2009.

"Knowledge, Experts, and Wikipedia: An Analysis of the Social Structure of an Encyclopedia with 50,000 Authors." Presented at the *78th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society*, 2008

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Murray, Josh, **Michael Restivo**, and Arnout van de Rijt. *Forthcoming in 2011*. "Structural Holes." George Barnett (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Social Networking*, Sage.

Shandra, John M. and **Michael Restivo**. 2010. "Guest Editors' Introduction: Environmental Change in a Global Perspective: A Collection of Cross-National Analyses." *International Journal of Sociology* 40(2):3-6.

Restivo, Michael. 2004. "Balanced Biosocial Theory for the Social Sciences." MA Thesis, Department of Sociology, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

WORKING PAPERS

Restivo, Michael, Gary M. Maynard, Eric Shircliff, and John M. Shandra. 2011. "Debt and the Digital Divide: Expanding Access But Growing Inequality?"

Maynard, Gary M., Eric Shircliff, and **Michael Restivo**. 2011. "Tuberculosis, Neoliberalism, and International NGOs: An Analysis of Global TB Infection and Death Rates."

Restivo, Michael. 2011. "Does Bureaucracy Pose an Obstacle to Volunteering Online?"

Restivo, Michael and Amy Braksmajer. 2011. "Does Gender Diversity Lead to Higher Quality in Peer Production?"

Restivo, Michael and Arnout van de Rijt. 2011. "Experimental Study of Informal Incentives in Peer Production."

Emerson, Jay and **Michael Restivo**. 2011. "Prospects and Opportunities for Open (-Sourcing) Public Universities."

Restivo, Michael. 2007. "Experts, Knowledge, and Wikipedia: An Analysis of the Social Structure of an Encyclopedia with 50,000 Authors."

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Guest editor (with John M. Shandra) of *International Journal of Sociology*, 2011, volume 40, no. 2, "Environmental Change in a Global Perspective."

State University of New York, Stony Brook

Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, 2009-2011

Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, 2010

Senator, Graduate Student Organization, 2008-2010

Library Committee, Department of Sociology, 2008-2009

Editorial Collective, *Qualitative Sociology*, 2007-2008

Undergraduate Committee, Department of Sociology, 2005-2007

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Graduate Student Representative to the Faculty, Department of Sociology, 2004

Organizer, Graduate Student Conference, "Issues in Pedagogy and Epistemology," 2003

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association, 2005-present

Eastern Sociological Society, 2005-present

Graduate Student Forum, Stony Brook University, 2006-present

Graduate Student Organization, Stony Brook University, 2005-present

Pacific Sociological Association, 2002-2004

Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, 2002-2004

Graduate Professional Student Organization, University of Nevada Las Vegas, 2002-2004

Human Rights Organization, Florida Atlantic University, 1999-2001

Alpha Kappa Delta, Florida Atlantic University, 2001

University Honors, Florida Atlantic University, 1999

REFERENCES

Available upon request.