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Education

- 2003 **Ph.D. Sociology, the Pennsylvania State University**
Dissertation: "The Effects of Education on American Christianity."
Committee: Roger Finke (chair), John McCarthy, Alan Sica, and Phil Jenkins
- 1999 **M.A. Sociology, the Pennsylvania State University**
Thesis: "Individual, Congregational, and Denominational Effects on
Sectarianism."
Committee: Hart Nelsen (chair), John McCarthy, and Lee Ann Banaszak
- 1997 **B.A. University of Florida**
Major in religious studies and minor in sociology, honors distinction

Current Appointment

2005-Present Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Journal Articles (peer-reviewed)

- Schwadel, Philip. Forthcoming (expected summer 2008). "Poor Teenagers' Religion." *Sociology of Religion*.
- Schwadel, Philip. 2005. "Education and Churchgoing Protestants' Views of Highly Politicized Christianity." *Review of Religious Research*. 47:2:150-161.
- Schwadel, Philip. 2005. "Individual, Congregational, and Denominational Effects on Church Members' Civic Participation" *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 44:2:159-171.
- Schwadel, Philip. 2002. "Testing the Promise of the Churches: Income Inequality in the Opportunity to Learn Civic Skills in Church." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 41:3:563-573.

Other Publications

- Schwadel, Philip. 2006. "Current Expressions of American Jewish Identity: An Analysis of 114 Teenagers" Pp. 135-144 in *Passing on the Faith: Transforming Traditions for the Next Generation of Jews, Christians, and Muslims*. Edited by James L. Heft. NY: Fordham University Press.
- Schwadel, Philip and Christian Smith. 2005. "Portraits of Protestant Teens: A Report on Teenagers in Major U.S. Denominations." Chapel Hill, N.C.: The National Study of Youth and Religion.

Finke, Roger and Philip Schwadel. 2003. "Religion and Religious Affiliation." In the *Dictionary of American History*, 3rd ed. Edited by Stanley I. Kutler. NY: Charles Scribner's Sons.

Articles under Review

- "Poverty and White Catholics' Church Attendance" (with John McCarthy and Hart Nelsen)

Manuscripts in Progress

- Book Proposal: "The Future of American Judaism: The Religious Lives of Jewish Teenagers in the United States" *Sample chapters available for review*

Articles in Progress

- "Neighbors in the Pews: Social Status and Racial Diversity in Christian Congregations" *Draft available for review*
- "Jewish Teenagers' Syncretism and Exposure to Jewish Life" *Draft available for review*
- "A Review of the Social Scientific Analysis of Mysticism" *Draft available for review*
- "Education and American Apostasy" *Draft available for review*
- "Wither Modernity: The Effects of Education on Americans' Religious Affiliations, Beliefs, and Practices" *Draft available for review*

Research Interests

- Sources of religious beliefs and activities
- Sources of political beliefs and activities
- Civic and social movement participation
- Intersection between religion, social status, and political/civic participation
- Religious organizations

Teaching Interests

- Social Problems
- Sociology of Religion
- Social Thought/Sociological Theory
- Political Sociology
- Social Movements
- Research Methods
- Unconventional classes, such as sociology through fiction

Invited Speaker

2005 "Reviving Class in the Scientific Study of Religion" panel at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion's Annual Meeting: "Neighbors in the Pews: Social Status and Racial Diversity in Christian Congregations"

2004 The Faith Fear & Indifference—Constructing Religious Identity in the Next Generation conference at the University of Southern California: “Jewish Teenagers: Strong Community, Weak Religion.”

Presentations

- 2007 The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion’s Annual Meeting: “Are the Highly Educated Less Religious?”
- 2006 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: “Option for the Non-Poor? Poverty and Catholics’ Church Attendance.”
- 2004 The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion’s Annual Meeting: “Poor Teenagers’ Religiosity.”
- 2004 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: “Jewish Teenagers’ Syncretism and Exposure to Jewish Life.”
- 2003 The Southern Sociological Society’s Annual Meeting: “Affluence and the Hereafter: The Poor, the Rich, and Inheriting the Kingdom” (with Hart Nelsen).
- 2003 The Southern Sociological Society’s Annual Meeting: “The American Religion Data Archive: Maps, Reports, and Data on American Religion.”
- 2002 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: “Individual and Congregational Sources of Sectarianism.”
- 2002 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: the Data Resources Poster Session (with Amy Adamczyk and Roger Finke).
- 2002 The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion’s Annual Meeting: presenter on the *Religious Congregations Membership Study* panel.
- 2001 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: “Review of Mysticism in the Social Sciences.”
- 2001 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: the Data Resources Poster Session (with Roger Finke).
- 2000 The American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting: “Inequality in Civic Skills in Christian Churches.”

Research Experience

2005-Present Project Co-Investigator with the National Study of Youth and Religion.

- 2003-2005 Postdoctoral researcher with the National Study of Youth and Religion (www.YouthandReligion.org). Responsibilities included writing reports, conducting qualitative interviews, analyzing quantitative and qualitative data, supervising graduate student researchers, professional presentations, and media interviews.
- 2000-2003 Research Associate for the American Religion Data Archive (www.TheARDA.com), an Internet based data archive. Responsibilities included administration/organization, supervising undergraduate research assistants, data processing, pursuing new data prospects, professional presentations, and responding to web site users' questions.
- 1999-2000 Research Assistant for Alan Sica. Assisted in editing *The Unknown Max Weber* and in research on the history of social thought.
- 1998-1999 Research Assistant for Maria Krysan. Analyzed views toward neighborhood segregation from the Detroit Area Studies.

Teaching Experience

- 2007 History of Social Theory
 2007 Social Problems (one section in Spring and Fall)
 2007 Sociology 998 (independent study/advanced reading)
 2006 Sociology 399 (independent study/advanced reading)
 2006 History of Social Theory
 2006 Social Problems (two sections in Spring and one in Fall)
 2005 Social Problems
 2002 Social Problems
 2000 Introduction to Sociology

Professional Service

- Ad-hoc reviewer:
 - *American Sociological Review* (2006[1], 2007[1])
 - *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (2005[1], 2006[2], 2007[1])
 - *Review of Religious Research* (2007[1])
 - *Social Forces* (2006[1])
 - *Sociological Perspectives* (2004[1])
 - *Sociology of Religion* (2007[1])
 - *The Sociological Quarterly* (2006[1])
- Temporary Director of the Bureau of Sociological Research (Fall 2007)
- Discussant for the "Reviving Class in the Scientific Study of Religion" panel at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion's Annual Meeting (2005)
- Presider at Sociology of Religion Roundtable at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (2005)
- Convener and discussant for the *Religion and Adolescent/Parent Relationships* session at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion's Annual Meeting (2004)

- Convener for the *Religion and the Courts* session at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion's Annual Meeting (2002)
- Nominated to be student representative to the religion section of the American Sociological Association (2002)
- Member of the program committee for the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion's Annual Meeting (2002)
- Member of the Graduate Student Committee to Assess the Program in Sociology, the Pennsylvania State University (1999-2000)

Specialized Training

- Advanced statistical training including multilevel regression and diversity and inequality measures
- Professional workshops in Access, HTML, and Stata
- Course in Teaching Sociology (provided by the sociology department at the Pennsylvania State University)
- Qualitative interviewer training for the National Study of Youth and Religion

Memberships

- American Sociological Association
- Association for the Sociology of Religion
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
- Religious Research Association

References

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