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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2018 – Present Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Washington  
2012 – 2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Washington  
2010 – 2012 Postdoctoral Fellow, Michigan Society of Fellows, University of Michigan

## EDUCATION

2010 Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley, Sociology  
2006 M.A. University of California, Berkeley, Sociology  
1998 B.A. Smith College, *cum laude*, high honors in sociology, Phi Beta Kappa

## BOOKS

Sarah Quinn. Forthcoming. *American Bonds: How Credit Markets Shaped a Nation*. Princeton University Press, in the series: Princeton Studies in American Politics: Historical, International, and Comparative Perspectives. Publication expected 2019.

## ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

Sarah Quinn. 2017. "The Miracles of Bookkeeping": How Budget Politics Link Fiscal Policies and Financial Markets." *American Journal of Sociology*. 123(1): 48-85.

Damon Mayrl and Sarah Quinn. 2017. "Beyond the Hidden American State: Rethinking Government Visibility." In *The Many Hands of the State: Theorizing Political Authority and Social Control* (edited by Ann Orloff and Kimberly Morgan), Cambridge University Press.

Damon Mayrl and Sarah Quinn. 2016. "Defining the State from Within: Boundaries, Schemas, and Associational Policymaking." *Sociological Theory*. 34(1): 1-26. **Winner**, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Award, Political Sociology Section, American Sociology Association, 2017.

Sarah Quinn. 2008. "The Transformation of Morals in Markets: Death, Benefits, and the Exchange of Life Insurance Policies." *American Journal of Sociology*. 114(3): 738-80. **Reprinted** in Granovetter and Swedberg, eds. *The Sociology of Economic Life* (Third Edition). Boulder: Westview Press. 2011. **Honorable Mention**, Graduate Student Paper Award. Culture Section, American Sociological Association.

Lynne Gerber and Sarah Quinn. 2008. "Blue Chip Bodies, Fat Phobia, and the Cultural Economy of Body Size." In *Bodily Inscriptions: Interdisciplinary Excursions into Embodiment*, edited by Lori Duin Kelly, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Institute for New Economic Thinking. "Rise of the Federal Credit Programs in the United States." Principal Investigator: \$142,000, 2013-2016.

Course Development Grant, "Reusable Materials for Teaching Theory." University of Washington, Department of Sociology, 2015.

University of Michigan's Society of Fellows Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2010-2012.

Leo Lowenthal Fellowship. Department of Sociology, UC Berkeley, 2009.

Department of Sociology Summer Research Award. UC Berkeley, 2009.

Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 2008-2009

## AWARDS AND HONORS

Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship (Article or Book Chapter) Award (with Damon Mayrl), Political Sociology Section, American Sociological Association. "Defining the State from Within: Boundaries, Schemas, and Associational Policymaking," 2017.

Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, Sociology Department, University of Washington, 2017.

Faculty Excellence in Graduate Advising Award, Sociology Department, University of Washington, 2015.

Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, Sociology Department, University of Washington, 2014.

Honorable Mention, Graduate Student Paper Award. Culture Section, American Sociological Association. For "From Revulsion to Consolation: Moral Ambiguity and the Viaticals Industry," 2007.

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, University of California, Berkeley, 2006.

## BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER WRITING

Sarah Quinn. 2016. "Did the Farm Credit System Change Americans' Thinking About Credit?" Institute for New Economic Thinking Website. November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Sarah Quinn. 2015. "Identities." *Trajectories: Newsletter for the Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociology Association*. 27(1): 41-42.

Sarah Quinn. 2015. "Teaching Economic Sociology." *Accounts: Newsletter for the Economic Sociology Section of the American Sociology Association*. 1: 17-18.

Sarah Quinn. 2013. "Watching the Watchers: A Comment on Esposito's 'Economic Circularities and Second-Order Observation: The Reality of Ratings.'" *Sociologica: Italian Journal of Sociology Online*. Issue 2.

Sarah Quinn. 2013. Review of *The Land of Too Much: American Abundance and the Paradox of Poverty* by Monica Prasad. *Social Forces*. Published online November 25.

- Sarah Quinn. 2011. Review of *Market Threads: How Cotton Farmers and Traders Create a Global Economy*, by Koray Caliskan. *American Journal of Sociology*. 117(2): 686-687.
- Sarah Quinn. 2010. "The Credit Mines." Review of *Our Lot: How Real Estate Came to Own Us*, by Alyssa Katz and *Collateral Damaged: The Marketing of Consumer Debt to America*, by Charles R. Geisst. *Contexts Magazine*. Winter Issue.
- Sarah Quinn. 2009. "Lemon Socialism and Securitization." *Trajectories: Newsletter for the Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociology Association*. 20(2): 3-5.
- Hana Brown, Jennifer Jones and Sarah Quinn (editors). 2008. *Writing for Sociology*. Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley. (Second Edition, 2011).

## OTHER WORK IN PROGRESS

- "The Federal Credit Database." A historical database of Federal Credit Programs from 1918 – 2015. In preparation. Expected public release: June 2017. **Related coverage:** "Federal Credit and the Birth of Lemon Socialism." Recorded Interview. Institute for New Economic Thinking. Released March 30, 2015
- Sarah Quinn. "Conduits of the Credit State: Toward a Sociology of Federal Credit Programs in the United States." *R&R, Politics & Society*
- Damon Mayrl and Sarah Quinn. *State Schemas and American Political Life: Cultural Sociology for a New Political History*. Research in progress for book manuscript. Select chapters available upon request.
- Marion Fourcade, Damon Mayrl, Armando Lara-Millán, and Sarah Quinn. "The State as a Problem of Classification." Draft available upon request.
- Lynne Gerber and Sarah Quinn. "Shame and Subjectivity: Theorizing Emotional Homologies in Social Space." Draft available upon request.
- Sara McClelland, Lynne Gerber, and Sarah Quinn. "'It's not Because of My Mastectomies. It's Because I'm Fat': Body Shame Among Terminally Ill Women." Analysis completed; draft in process.

## INVITED LECTURES

- "American Bonds."  
 University of Pennsylvania, Department of Sociology, March 2017  
 University of Washington, Bothell, School of Business, January 2016  
 University of Michigan, Interdisciplinary Committee on Organization Studies, February 2015
- "Beyond the Hidden American State: Classification Struggles and the Politics of Misrecognition."  
 University of Oregon, Sociology Department, February 2015  
 University of Michigan, Economic Sociology and Organization Cluster Workshop, February 2015

"Political Fractures, Market Bonds"/"American Securitization."  
University of Washington, Department of Geography, May 2014  
Center for Comparative Research, Yale University, April 2014  
Harvard Business School, Organizational Behavior Group, October 2010

"America's Hidden Credit State."  
Stanford, SCANCOR and Economic Sociology Workshop, February 2013  
University of Michigan, Society of Fellows, February 2012  
Northwestern University, Sociology Department, March 2011

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS

- 2018 *Scheduled:* "The Other "Big Bang" in U.S. Policy: Understanding the expansion of Federal Credit During the New Deal," Social Science History Association (Phoenix), November.  
*Scheduled:* "The Problem of Political Perception: Understanding the Misrecognition of the American State" (with Damon Mayrl). American Sociological Association (Philadelphia), August.
- 2017 "Financial Policies and Political Institutions: Lessons for Progressive Finance." Toward a Progressive Politics of Financial Regulation, Peter A. Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia (Vancouver, Canada), February.
- 2016 "The Miracles of Bookkeeping": Budget Politics as Mechanism in the Johnson Administration." Financial Innovation, Diffusion and Institutionalization: The Case of Securitization (Cologne, Germany), June.  
"The Complex Style of American Statecraft: Lessons from the Johnson Administration." (with Damon Mayrl). Social Science History Association (Chicago), November.
- 2015 "The "Hidden" American State Reconsidered: Rethinking State Visibility" (With Damon Mayrl). Panelist. Social Science History Association (Baltimore), November.  
"Credit and the Promise of Frictionless Federalism." American Sociological Association (Chicago), August.  
"Sex, Shame, and Subjectivity: Theorizing Homologies in Social Space." (with Lynne Gerber). Invited panelist. American Sociological Association (Chicago), August.
- 2014 "Beyond the Hidden American State." (with Damon Mayrl). Invited panelist for Symposium on *The Many Hands of the State* (University of Chicago), May.
- 2013 Panelist, Author-Meets-Critics session for *Land of Too Much?* by Monica Prasad. American Political Science Association (Chicago), August.  
"Practical Boundaries of the State." With Damon Mayrl. Jr. Theorists Symposium (New York), August.  
Panelist, Author-Meets-Critics session for *What's Wrong with Fat?* by Abigail Saguy. Pacific Sociological Association (Reno), May.
- 2012 "Sociology at the Crossroads." Invited panelist. Business History Conference (Philadelphia), March.

- Respondent, "Diverging Derivatives: Law, Governance, and Modern Financial Markets," by Bruce Carruthers. The Global Finance and Law Initiative (New York), September.
- 2011 "The Property Frontier." Social Science History Association (Boston), November.  
 "Mortgage Meltdown in Context: Lessons from the Tangled History of Mortgage Finance in the U.S." American Sociological (Las Vegas), August.
- 2010 "Guns, Butter and Credit: Securitization's Roots in the Johnson Administration." Social Science History Association (Chicago), November.  
 "Reproducing Complexity: The Federal Budget and Strategies of Governance in the U.S." Social Science History Association (Chicago), November.  
 "Securitizing Social Relations?" Relational Work Conference (University of California, Davis), May.
- 2009 "The Business of Budgetary Concepts." American Sociological Association (San Francisco), August.  
 "Towards a Market for Mortgage-Backed Securities: Credit Lending, the Federal Budget, and the Politics of Debt Management." University of California Group in Economic History (Riverside), May.
- 2008 "Securitization and the State." American Sociological Association (Boston), August.  
 "Institutions as Lens: Implications for Theories of Morals and Markets." Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (San Jose, Costa Rica), July.
- 2006 "The Inversion of Morals in Markets." American Sociological Association (Montreal, Canada), August.

## TEACHING AND MENTORING

### COURSES TAUGHT: UNDERGRADUATE

*Honors Senior Seminar.* Undergraduate Seminar, University of Washington, University of Michigan  
*Power and Inequality in Markets: An Introduction to Economic Sociology.*

Undergraduate Lecture, University of Washington

*Introduction to Sociological Theory.* Undergraduate Lecture, University of Washington

*Extreme Markets.* Undergraduate Seminar, University of Washington, University of Michigan

*Economic Crisis in Social Context.* Undergraduate Seminar, University of Michigan, UC Berkeley

### COURSES TAUGHT: GRADUATE

*Introduction to Sociological Theory.* Graduate Seminar, University of Washington

*Introduction to Economic Sociology.* Graduate Seminar, University of Washington

*Sociology of Exchange.* Graduate Seminar, University of Washington

*Cultural Sociology.* Graduate Seminar, University of Washington

*Doing Qualitative Research.* Graduate Seminar, University of Washington

## DEPARTMENTAL AND CAMPUS SERVICE

### UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

2017-2018	Undergraduate Program Chair
2017-2018	Director, Sociology Undergraduate Honors Program
2014-2017	Chair, Diversity Committee, Department of Sociology
2013-2014	Member, Diversity Committee, Department of Sociology
2012-2018	Member, Executive Committee, Department of Sociology

### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

2011-2012	Reviewer, Fellowship Applications, Michigan Society of Fellows
2010-2011	Reviewer, Distinguished Dissertation Award, Rackham Graduate School

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

CO-CHAIR, Scholars Strategy Network, Washington Chapter, 2017-2018

### MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

*American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Columbia University Press, Contexts, Enterprise & Society, European Journal of Sociology, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, Socio-Economic Review, Sociological Forum, Sociological Theory, Stanford University Press, Theory & Society*

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Scholar's Strategy Network  
American Sociological Association  
Social Science History Association

### SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

2016-2018	* Council Member, Theory Section
2017	Chair, Nominations Committee, Theory Section
2016	Jury member, Charles Tilly Article Award, Comparative Historical Sociology Section
2015	Chair, Zelizer Prize Committee, Economic Sociology Section
2013-2015	* Council Member, Comparative Historical Sociology Section
2012-2014	* Council Member, Economic Sociology Section
2014	Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Rules and Procedures, Economic Sociology Section
2013	Chair, Granovetter Prize Committee, Economic Sociology Section
2012	Jury Member, Book Prize Committee, Theory Section

\* elected position

## PANEL ORGANIZING

- Author-Meets-Critics session for *Secular Conversions: Political Institutions and Religious Education in the United States and Australia, 1800–2000*, by Damon Mayrl, SSHA Social Science History Association (Montreal), 2017.
- "The Economization of Everything." Organizer and Discussant. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (Berkeley), 2016.
- "New Histories of the Corporate Form." Panel organizer with Marion Fourcade and Greta Krippner. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (Berkeley), 2016.
- "Classed and Classified: Labor and the Changing Dynamics of Difference." Social Science History Association (Baltimore), 2015.
- "Economies of Difference." Economic Sociology Section, American Sociological Association (Chicago), 2015.
- "Credit and Inequality: Interdisciplinary Approaches." American Sociological Association (San Francisco), 2014.
- "Credit and Inequality from a Historical Perspective." Thematic Panel, Comparative Historical Sociology Section, American Sociological Association (New York), 2013.
- Author-Meets-Critics session for *What's Wrong with Fat?* by Abigail Saguy. Pacific Sociological Association (Reno), 2013.
- "The Politics and Practice of Credit." Social Science History Association (Vancouver), 2012.
- "Housing and the Politics of Geography." Social Science History Association (Boston), 2011.
- "The Sociology of Risk." Pacific Sociology Association Annual Meeting (Oakland), 2010.

*References Available Upon Request*