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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2014 University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, Department of Sociology
Dissertation: "Subjective Economic Insecurity in the United States: Perceived Precarity in the New Economy"
- M.A. 2009 University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, Department of Sociology
Thesis: "Labor Market Conditions, Segregation, and Racial Income Disparities: A Study of Urban Inequality"
- B.A. 2006 University of Maine at Farmington, Farmington, Maine
Sociology/Anthropology (magna cum laude)
Honors Thesis: "Presenting the Final Image: A Dramaturgical Analysis of Death and Funeral Rituals in Maine"

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2020-Present Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK
- 2014-2020 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK
- 2009-2014 Adjunct Instructor at Connecticut College, Eastern Connecticut State University, University of Connecticut, and Manchester Community College

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Stratification and Inequality
Urban Sociology
Work and Occupations
Quantitative Methods

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Travis Scott Lowe.** 2020. "Strategies of Flexible Accumulation and Perceived Employment Insecurity: Is There a Connection?" *Social Currents*. 7(4):331-351.
- Travis Scott Lowe.** 2018. "Perceived Job and Labor Market Insecurity in the United States: An Assessment of Workers' Attitudes from 2002 to 2014." *Work and Occupations*. 45(3):313-345.
- Travis Scott Lowe** and Michael Wallace. 2017. "Occupational Race Segregation, Globalization, and White Advantage: White-Black Earnings Inequality in U.S. Metropolitan Areas." *Sociological Spectrum* 37(6):353-370.
- Mary J. Fischer and **Travis Scott Lowe.** 2015. "Homebuyer Neighborhood Attainment in Black and White: Housing Outcomes during the Housing Boom and Bust." *Social Forces* 93(4):1481-1512.
- Michael Wallace and **Travis Scott Lowe.** 2011. "Work Values and Job Rewards among European Workers." *Research in the Sociology of Work* 22:43-84.
- Gordon Gauchat, Michael Wallace, Casey A. Borch, and **Travis Scott Lowe.** 2011. "The Military Metropolis: Defense Dependence in U.S. Metropolitan Areas." *City & Community* 10:25-48.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

- Travis Scott Lowe.** Forthcoming. "Seeking Shelter from the Storm: Perceived Work Insecurity in the United States." *Handbook on Unemployment and Society*, edited by Ofer Sharone, Sabina Pultz, and Victor Tan Chen.
- Travis Scott Lowe** and Michael Wallace. 2013. "White-Hispanic Earnings Inequality in Urban Labor Markets: A Study of White Advantage." In *Hispanics in the U.S. Labor Market*, edited by Richard Verdugo (pp. 61-89). Information Age Publishers: Charlotte, NC.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Travis Scott Lowe.** 2018, October 3. "Do Characteristics of Secure Work Make Workers Feel Secure?" *Work in Progress* [blog]. Available at: <http://www.wipsociology.org/2018/10/03/do-characteristics-of-secure-work-make-workers-feel-secure/>
- Travis Scott Lowe.** 2013. "Occupational Segregation by Gender and Race." Entry in *Sociology of Work: An Encyclopedia*, edited by Vicki Smith and J. Geoffrey Golson. Sage Publications: Thousand Oaks, CA.

PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

- Jamie Rhudy, Joanna Shadlow, **Travis Scott Lowe**, Parker Kell, Erin Street, and Felicitas Huber. 2022. "The Relationship between Environmental Racism and Mechanisms of the Native American Pain Disparity: Preliminary Results from the Oklahoma Study of Native American Pain Risk (OK-SNAP)." *The Journal of Pain* 23(5): 35.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

- Travis Scott Lowe.** "Contested: Race, Place, and Profit in Tulsa." Status: In preparation.

FUNDING

R01MD017493 Rhudy (PI) 7/1/22 to 6/30/27
NIH/NCCIH \$2,752,417 (total costs)
Role: Co-Investigator

The Impact of Structural Racism and Discrimination on Mechanisms of the Native American Pain Disparity

Summary: Aim 1 of this study is to demonstrate the impact of environmental structural racism and discrimination (SRD) on Native American pain disparity mechanisms. Aim 2 is to identify Native American resiliency factors that buffer the negative consequences of environmental SRD.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2022-2023 Oklahoma Center for Humanities Faculty Fellow, University of Tulsa

2015, 2016 Faculty Development Summer Fellowship, University of Tulsa

2013 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (University of Connecticut).

2013 Dean's Graduate Fellowship in the Social Sciences (University of Connecticut)

2013 Sanders-Taylor-Tuchman Travel Award (University of Connecticut)

2010 Ronald Taylor Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Paper (University of Connecticut)
Title: "Labor Markets, the New Economy, and White Advantage: New Evidence on White-Black Earnings Differences in U.S. Metropolitan Areas."

2009-2012 Pre-Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (University of Connecticut)

2008 Warren Jay Mitofsky Graduate Fellowship, The Roper Center for Public Opinion Research (University of Connecticut)

RESEARCH-BASED COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2018 Civic Innovation Fellowship, City of Tulsa

Summary: This competitive fellowship engaged a small group of citizens to examine and streamline the City's property code enforcement process with an emphasis on achieving voluntary compliance among residents. I served as researcher and data analyst in this effort, which culminated in presenting recommendations to the Mayor and City Council, many of which have been implemented.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Joanna Shadlow, **Travis Scott Lowe**, Jamie Rhudy. 2023. "Understanding Native American Pain Inequities: Findings from the Oklahoma Study of Native American Pain Risk (OK-SNAP)." Symposium of the American Indian, Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK, April 13.

- Jamie Rhudy, Joanna Shadlow, **Travis Scott Lowe**, Parker Kell, Erin Street, and Felicitas Huber. 2022. "The Relationship between Environmental Racism and Mechanisms of the Native American Pain Disparity: Preliminary Results from the Oklahoma Study of Native American Pain Risk (OK-SNAP)." Poster presented at U.S. Association for the Study of Pain Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, May 18-21.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2018. "Perceived Job and Labor Market Insecurity in the United States: An Assessment of Workers' Attitudes from 2002 to 2014." American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 11-14.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2018. "The Rising Tide: Perceived Financial Insecurity in the United States." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Baltimore, MD, February 22-25.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2017. "Connecting Social Structures of Accumulation to Worker Perceptions: Perceived Employment Insecurity in the United States, 1977-2012." American Sociological Association Meeting, Montreal, CA, August 12-15.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2017. "The Rising Tide: Perceived Financial Insecurity in the United States." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 23-26.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2016. "Perceived Employment Insecurity in the United States, 1977-2012." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Boston, MA, March 17-20.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2015. "Changing Attitudes in a Changing Economy: Perceived Job and Labor Market Precarity." American Sociological Association Meeting, Chicago, IL, August 22-25.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2015. "Changing Attitudes in a Changing Economy: Perceived Job and Labor Market Precarity." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, New York, NY, February 26-March 1.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2013. "Perceived Employment Precarity in the United States: New Insecurities in the New Economy." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Boston, MA, March 21-24.
- Mary J. Fischer and **Travis Scott Lowe**. 2011. "Examining the Impact of the Housing Boom on Minority Neighborhood Access." Population Association of America Meeting, Washington, DC, March 31-April 2.
- Mary J. Fischer and **Travis Scott Lowe**. 2011. "Examining the Impact of the Housing Boom on Minority Neighborhood Access." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 24-27.
- Travis Scott Lowe**. 2011. "The Balancing Act: The Effects of Work-Family Conflict on Work Attitudes." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 24-27.
- Travis Scott Lowe** and Michael Wallace. 2009. "Labor Market Differences and the Racial/Ethnic Income Gap: A Study of Urban Inequality." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 19-22.
- Gordon Gauchat, Michael Wallace, Casey A. Borch, and **Travis Scott Lowe**. 2009. "Military Spending, Labor Market Stability, and Economic Well-being in U.S. Metropolitan Areas." Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 19-22.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA

Sociological Imagination (Introduction to Sociology)
Inequality in American Society
Statistics for the Social Sciences
Sociology of Work and Occupations
Urban Sociology
Social Problems and the City
Real World Data Applications
Sociology of Poverty
Investigating the Social World (Social Research Methods)

COMMUNITY AND CAMPUS TALKS

Travis Scott Lowe and Grace Smith. 2019. “Re-imagining Tulsa’s Approach to Property Maintenance Issues.” Presentation to Tulsa City Council, Tulsa City Hall, April 10.

Civic Innovation Fellows. 2018. “Re-imagining Tulsa’s Approach to Property Maintenance Issues.” Presentation to the mayor of Tulsa and all city department heads, Tulsa City Hall, December 18.

Travis Scott Lowe. 2018. A book review of *Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century*, by Jessica Bruder. Books Sandwiched In, Tulsa Central Library, November 19.

Travis Scott Lowe. 2018. “More than Medicine: Using Sociology to Explain the Continental Health Divide.” Symposium: The Roots of America’s Health Continental Divide, Gilcrease Museum, September 11.

Travis Scott Lowe. 2017. “More than Medicine: Using Sociology to Explain the Continental Health Divide.” Fall Orientation, University of Tulsa, August 17.

Travis Scott Lowe. 2015. “More than Medicine: U.S. Health Disparities in Sociological Perspective.” Symposium: The Roots of America’s Health Continental Divide, Gilcrease Museum, September 28.

Travis Scott Lowe. 2008. “Labor Market Conditions, Segregation, and the Racial Income Gap: A Study of Urban Inequality.” Urban Sociology Research Symposium, University of Connecticut, May 8.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer for: American Sociological Review
Oxford University Press
Research in the Sociology of Work
Routledge
SAGE Open
Social Currents
Social Problems
Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
Work and Occupations

2015 Presider for Organizations, Occupations, and Work Section Roundtable on “Job Insecurity and Precarious Employment” at the American Sociological Association annual meeting in Chicago, IL.

SERVICE TO PROGRAM/DEPARTMENT

2023 Member, Post-tenure Review Committee for Peter Stromberg, Ph.D.
 2022-2023 Chair, Curriculum Committee
 2021 Member, Assessment Committee
 2021 Member, Program Review Committee for Sociology
 2021 Chair, 2nd Year Review Committee for Rachel Head, Ph.D.
 2020 Member, Assessment Committee
 2019-2020 Chair, Curriculum Committee
 2019 Member, Assessment Committee
 2019 Chair, Search Committee for Sociology Tenure-Track Faculty Position
 2018 Member, Search Committee for Sociology Tenure-Track Faculty Position
 2017-2020 Faculty Advisor for Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society
 2014 Workshop for sociology undergraduates: “Applying for Graduate School”

SERVICE TO COLLEGE

2023 Member, Post-tenure Review Committee for Diane Beals, Ph.D.
 2022 Alternate, Promotion and Tenure Review Committee
 2022 Member, Post-tenure Review Committee for Matt Drever, Ph.D.
 2022 Member, Tenure Review Committee for Elizabeth Smith, Ph.D.
 2020 Chair, Curriculum Committee
 2019-2021 Member, Curriculum Committee
 2018 Member, Program Review Committee for Psychology
 2015 Member, Mission Statement Implementation Team

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY

2016-2019 Senator, Faculty Senate, University of Tulsa
 2016-2018 Participant in the Tulsa University Learning Assessment Program (TULAP), University of Tulsa.
 2016 Search Committee for Dean of the Oxley College of Health Sciences, University of Tulsa

MEDIA APPEARANCES

“Native American participants wanted for TU research study on chronic pain.” By Benny Polacca, Osage News, February 2023. References co-investigator role in Native American pain research. Available at: <https://osagenews.org/doc/osage-news-february-2023/>

“Tulsa Race Demographics Imply Increasing Diversity.” By Julianne Tran, The Collegian, November 8th, 2021. Available at: <https://tucollegian.org/tulsa-race-demographics-imply-increasing-diversity/>

Travis Scott Lowe. 2020. “Inequality in a Pandemic.” Episode for TUniverse podcast, May 18. Available at: <https://utulsa.edu/covid-19-special-report-three-inequality-in-a-pandemic-with-travis-lowel/>

“Study Identifies Tulsa Property Owners Most Often Cited for Nuisance Violations.” By Kevin Canfield, Tulsa World, April 11th, 2019. References research-based community engagement. Available at: https://www.tulsaworld.com/news/local/government-and-politics/study-identifies-tulsa-property-owners-most-often-cited-for-nuisance/article_2a1a8cc7-0963-5322-970e-6106401e2810.html

“Innovation Fellows Tackle City of Tulsa’s Approach to Property Code Violations.” By Matt Trotter, Public Radio Tulsa, April 10th, 2019. References research-based community engagement. Available at: <https://www.publicradiotulsa.org/post/innovation-fellows-tackle-city-tulsas-approach-property-code-violations>

“City Program Engages Tulsans to Help Reduce Number of Derelict Properties.” By Kevin Canfield, Tulsa World, June 28th, 2018. References research-based community engagement. Available at: https://www.tulsaworld.com/news/local/city-program-engages-tulsans-to-help-reduce-number-of-derelict/article_800c8bb9-4fb5-5c18-8dcf-119bc66cc28d.html