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Employment

2011- Assistant Professor. University of California, Merced.

2010-2011 Lecturer. University of California, Merced.

Education

2010 Ph.D. Sociology, Indiana University, Bloomington
Minor in Quantitative Methodology

Thesis: *Political Behavior in Comparative Context: Understanding Trends in Access and Inequality*

Committee: Clem Brooks (chair), Arthur S. Alderson, Brian Powell, and Brian Steensland

Qualifying Exam: *Political Sociology*

Committee: Clem Brooks (Chair), Arthur S. Alderson, and J. Scott Long

2005 M.A. Indiana University, Bloomington. Sociology.

Title: "Revisiting the Post-1960 Turnout Decline: Assessing the Contribution of Cohort Replacement"

Committee: Clem Brooks (chair), Arthur S. Alderson

2002 B.A. The University of Texas, Austin. Sociology, Government.
Honors in Government

Research Interests

Political Sociology
Religion and Science

Quantitative Methodology
Social Stratification

Social Change
Comparative Sociology

Refereed Articles

Forthcoming Dodson, Kyle. "The Movement Society in Comparative Perspective." (Accepted at *Mobilization*).

March 2011

- 2010 Dodson, Kyle. "The Return of the American Voter? Party Polarization and Voting Behavior, 1988 to 2004." *Sociological Perspectives*. 53: 443-449.
- 2010 Brooks, Clem, Kyle Dodson, and Nikole Hotchkiss. "National Security Issues and U.S. Presidential Elections, 1992-2008." *Social Science Research* 39: 518-526.
- 2004 Frisco, Michelle, Chandra Muller and Kyle Dodson. "Participation in Youth-Serving Associations and Early Adult Voting Behavior." *Social Science Quarterly* 85: 660-676.

Other Publications

- 2009 Dodson, Kyle. Review of Michael S. Lewis-Beck, William G. Jacoby, Helmut Norpoth, and Herbert F. Weisberg. *The American Voter, Revisited*. *Social Forces* 88: 986-987

Works in Progress

- 2010 Dodson, Kyle. "The Effect of College on Social and Political Attitudes and Civic Participation." In *Professors and Their Politics: The View from Social Science*, edited by Neil Gross and Solon Simmons. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- 2009 Dodson, Kyle, Shiri Noy, and Brian Powell. "Blind Faith? Religious Fundamentalism and the Scientization of Society"
- 2010 Dodson, Kyle. "Democracy in Decay? Trends in American Political Behavior, 1960-2008."
- 2010 Dodson, Kyle. "Beyond Elections: Social Movements and Class Politics."
- 2010 Kennedy, John, Brian Powell, J. Scott Long, Kyle Dodson, Shiri Noy, and Tim O'Brien. "A Multi-Method Analysis of Selected Questions in the Science and Engineering Indicators Module of the General Social Survey." National Science Foundation Report.

Honors and Awards

- 2010 Finalist, American Sociological Association
Postdoctoral Fellowship on the Economic Crisis
- 2010 Department of Sociology, Indiana University
Atherton-Bean Fellowship
- 2007-2008 Department of Sociology, Indiana University
Advanced Departmental Fellowship
- 2006 North Central Sociological Association
Third Place Graduate Student Paper Award

- 2002-2009 Department of Sociology, Indiana University
Tuition Fellowship
- 2001-2002 Department of Government, University of Texas
Honors for Senior Thesis
- 2002 Population Research Center, University of Texas
Research Experience for Undergraduates Fellowship

Presentations at Professional Meetings

- 2009 Dodson, Kyle. "Democracy in Decay? Trends in American Political Behavior, 1960-2008." Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.
- 2007 Dodson, Kyle. "Dwindling Ties and Rising Inequality: The Consequences of Declining Social Involvement for Group Differences in Political Participation." Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. New York, NY.
- 2006 Dodson, Kyle. "Revisiting the Post-1960 Turnout Decline: Assessing the Contribution of Cohort Replacement." Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. Montreal, Quebec.
- 2006 Dodson, Kyle and Nikole D. Hotchkiss. "The Effects of Statewide Ballot Initiatives on Electoral Outcomes: Assessing Evidence from the 2004 Presidential Election." Annual Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE.
- 2006 Dodson, Kyle. "Revisiting the Post-1960 Turnout Decline: Assessing the Contribution of Cohort Replacement." Graduate Paper Winners Panel, Annual Meetings of the North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis, IN.
- 2001 Dodson, Kyle. "Young Helpers, Old Voters: A Regression Analysis of Youth Volunteerism and Civic Engagement." Annual Meetings of the Southern Demographic Association, Miami, FL.

Research Experience

- 2009 Research Assistant
“A Qualitative Analysis of Selected Question in the Science and Engineering Indicators Module of the General Social Survey” (National Science Foundation Grant, SRS-0935815); John Kennedy (principal investigator)
Center for Survey Research, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in both quantitative analysis of the General Social Survey “Science and Engineering” module and in the qualitative analysis of in-depth interviews that address Americans’ views regarding science.
- 2008-2009 Assistant Director-Sociological Research Practicum
“Parties and Societies.” Clem Brooks (principal investigator)
Department of Sociology, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in development and administration of survey instrument. Directed supervisors while instrument was in the field. Served as project liaison in charge of coordinating activities with the Center for Survey Research.
- 2006-2007 Research Assistant-Sociological Research Practicum
“Parties and Societies.” Clem Brooks (principal investigator)
Department of Sociology, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in development and administration of survey instrument. Supervised interviewers while instrument was in the field.
- 2005-2006 Research Assistant-Sociological Research Practicum
“Constructing the Family II.” Brian Powell (principal investigator)
Department of Sociology, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in development and administration of survey instrument. Supervised interviewers while instrument was in the field.
- 2004-2005 Research Assistant-Sociological Research Practicum
“Policy Preferences in the U.S.” Clem Brooks (principal investigator)
Department of Sociology, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in development and administration of survey instrument. Supervised interviewers while instrument was in the field.
- 2002-2003 Research Assistant-Sociological Research Practicum
“Constructing the Family.” Brian Powell (principal investigator)
Department of Sociology, Indiana University.
- Duties: Assisted in development and administration of survey instrument. Administered instrument in the field.

Teaching Experience

- 2010 Instructor (undergraduate course)
Inferential Statistics (1 semester: 60 students)
- Duties: Full responsibility for the course, including course design, lab instruction, preparing lectures, creating and grading exams and papers.
- 2004-2009 Associate Instructor (graduate course)
Political Sociology (3 semesters: 20 students)
- Duties: Assisted instructor with course organization and advised first-year graduate students as they developed their Masters Thesis.
- 2006 Instructor (undergraduate course)
Research Methods for Sociology (1 semester: 20 students)
- Duties: Full responsibility for the course, including course design, supervising the graduate lab instructor, preparing lectures, creating and grading exams and papers.
- 2005/2008 Instructor (undergraduate course)
Introduction to Sociology (2 semesters: 60-70 students)
- Duties: Full responsibility for the course, including course design, preparing lectures, creating and grading exams and papers.
- 2005 Associate Instructor (graduate course)
Categorical and Limited Dependent Variables (taught at ICSPR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research)
- Duties: Assisted instructor with course organization, grading assignments, and advising students.
- 2002-2004 Graduate Assistant
Categorical and Limited Dependent Variables (graduate course)
Social Inequality (undergraduate course)
Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate course)
- Duties: Assisted instructors with course organization, grading assignments, and advising students.

Professional Service

- Reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Political Behavior, Public Opinion Quarterly, Social Forces, Social Science Quarterly*

Professional Associations

- 2004-2009 American Sociological Association
Sections: Political Sociology, Methodology
- 2006 Midwest Sociological Society
- 2006 North Central Sociological Association

References

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