

## Vita

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#### EDUCATION:

Ph.D. Sociology, 1975, Fordham University  
M.A. Sociology, 1973, Fordham University  
B.S. Business, 1968, Drexel University

#### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

**Professor of Sociology, Rowan University 1973 - present.**

##### **Courses taught:**

Introduction to Sociology  
Social Problems  
Sociology of the Family  
Sociology of Minority Groups  
Urban Sociology  
Sociology of Punishment and Corrections  
Crime and Criminal Law  
Juvenile Delinquency  
Demography  
Sociology of Police  
Field Experience Seminar in Sociology

#### **Highlights of Service to the University:**

- Chair, Department of Sociology, Rowan University, 1986 – 1993 and 2003 to 2004
- Member of the General Education Review Taskforce, 2004 and 2005
- Coordinator of Academic Advisement, Department of Sociology, 1978 – 1985; 2002 – 2003
- Chair, Senate Committee for the Assessment of General Education, 1993 – 1995
- Member Rowan University's African American Studies Board, 1992 - present
- Member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Promotion Policy, 1993 – 1995
- Member of the Senate's Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee, 1990 – 1995
- Member of the Sexual Harassment Resource Team, 1993 – present
- Local Negotiator for the American Federation of Teachers, 1985 -1998
- Advisor to Theta Chi fraternity, 1986 to present

## CURRENT RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Research and creative activities center on race and ethnicity and include:

- Compiling, analyzing, and synthesizing information for second edition of textbook (2007)
- Writing a lab manual for family background research projects (2007)
- Creating and maintaining a Rowan University website for posting of students' family background projects - <http://www.rowan.edu/open/SocFamilyHistory/>
- Researching the link between collective memory and racial and ethnic minority groups.

## PUBLICATIONS

Contributing author to the *encyclopedia of Social Problems* edited by Vincent N. Parrillo. The following were defined and described: ethnic group, ethnicity, ethnocentrism, and minority group. Published by Sage Publications, Thousand Oakes, CA. 2007.

Second edition of *Dominant-Minority Relations in America: Linking Personal History with Convergence in the New World*. Published by Allyn and Bacon, Boston. 2007.

*Linking Personal Ethnic History with the Convergence in the New World: Lab Manual*. Published by Allyn and Bacon, Boston. 2007.

*Creating an Effective Assessment Plan for the Sociology Major*. Coauthors: Janet Huber Lowry, Carla B. Howery, Harry Perlstadt, Caroline Hodges Persell, Diane Pike, Charles H. Powers, Shirley A. Scritchfield, Cynthia M. Siemen, Barbara Trepagnier, Judith Ann Warner, and Gregory L. Wiess. Published by the American Sociological Association. 2005.

*Minority Voices: Linking Personal Ethnic History and the Sociological Imagination*. Published by Allyn and Bacon, Boston. 2005.

*Dominant-Minority Relations in America: Linking Personal History with Convergence in the New World*. Published by Allyn and Bacon, Boston. 2003.

“Assessment and Undergraduate Sociology Departments” with Novella Keith in *Assessing Undergraduate Learning in Sociology* edited by Stephen Sharkey and William Johnson. Published by the American Sociological Association's Teaching Resources Center, Washington, D.C. in 1992.

“Assessment in American Undergraduate Sociology Programs,” Chapter in *The Proceedings of the Third International Conference on Assessment*, in Bath, England. 1991.

“Martial Arts Training and the Chronically Disruptive Youth,” chapter in a book edited by Jean-Francois Saucier and Laurent Houde, *Prevention Psychosociale*, Les Presses de l'Universite de Montreal, 1990.

“The Social, Organizational, and Political Context of Evaluation Research,” Ph. D. dissertation, 1975.

## **EVALUATION RESEARCH DOCUMENTS AND DIRECTORIES**

“Needs Assessment” submitted to the Gloucester County (NJ) Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), 1991.

“Youth Needs for Gloucester County” with Ted Tannenbaum, report contracted by Gloucester County's Youth Services Commission, 1986.

“National Directory of Hotlines and Crisis Intervention Centers,” published and distributed three volumes in 1981, 1983, and 1986.

“Evaluation of Family Crisis Intervention Unit,” submitted to Gloucester County in 1982.

“National Hotline Survey: A Statistical Report,” published and distributed in 1981.

“Evaluation of the Young Adult Resource Center” to the administration of the Young Adult Resource Center (YARC), submitted to program administration in 1981.

“Outcome Evaluation Research of Youth Service Program,” “Process Evaluation Research of Together's Youth Service Program,” and “Preliminary Evaluation of Youth Service Programs,” submitted to the administration of Together, Incorporated's Youth Service Program from 1978, 1979, and 1980 respectively.

“A Survey of Persons Involved in Drug Situations and Receiving Assistance from Gloucester County Social Service Agencies” submitted a report to Gloucester County, 1976.

“Summary Report of a Review of 17 Allegheny County Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Programs,” “Vocational Rehabilitation Survey of All Mental Health/Mental Retardation Drug Programs,” and “Review of Allegheny County Drug Abuse Programs for 1972” submitted to Allegheny County, PA as part of team of evaluators from Fordham University, 1971 and 1973

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

*The American Drug Scene: An Anthology* edited by James A. Inciardi and Karen McElrath published in 2004 for Roxbury 2006.

*Ethnic and Cultural Minorities* for Prentice Hall 1990.

*Strangers to these Shores* by Parrillo for MacMillian 1989.

*Introduction to Sociology* by Bassis, Gelles and Levine for Random House 1985.

*The Sociology of Urban Life* by Harry Gold for Prentice Hall 1980.

*Introduction to Sociology* for Holt, Rinehart and Winston 1980.

*Cities and Suburbs* for Prentice Hall 1980.

*Introduction to Sociology* for Prentice Hall 1979.

*Urban Sociology* by Mark Abrahamson for Prentice Hall 1978.

*The Urban World* by J. John Palen for McGraw-Hill 1976.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

“Collective Memory as Part of Racism: A Mnemonic Battle in Easton, Maryland” at the America Sociological Association meeting in 2006.

“The Role of Collective Memory in the Dominant-Minority Group Struggle in America or the Bewilderment of Theresa Malloy” at the American Sociological Association 2005.

“Family Background Research Project in the Sociology of Minority Groups” at the Eastern Sociological Society meeting in 2004.

“Minority Group Collective Memory: The Predilection to ‘Forget’” at the American Sociological Association meeting in 2002.

“Memories of Both Dominant and Minority Group Individuals in the Dominant-Minority Struggle in U. S. History” at the Pacific Sociological Association meeting in 2002.

“Artificial Boundaries between Criminology and Minority Groups” at the American Sociological Association in 2001.

“Family Background Research Project” at the Pacific Sociological Association in 1999.

“Undergraduate Field Experience/Internship” at the American Society of Criminology in 1998.

“The Future of Field Experience in Sociology” at the Pacific Sociological Association in 1998.

“Sociology and Criminal Justice: Strange Higher Ed Fellows” at the American Society of Criminology in 1997.

“Field Experience and Theory Testing” at the Pacific Sociological Association in 1997.

“The Academic Field Experience on the Undergraduate Level: Testing Criminology Theory” at the American Society of Criminology in 1996.

“Lessons from the Evolution of General Education Assessment at a Four-Year State College” at the American Association of Higher Education's Conference on Assessment and Quality in 1996.

“Minority Texts and Crime: Implications for Teaching” at the American Society of Criminology in 1995.

“Lessons from the Evolution of General Education Assessment at a Four-Year State College” at the American Association of Higher Education's Conference on Assessment and Quality in 1996.

“Proposed Faculty Promotion Plan” as part of a team from Rowan University, presented at the American Association for Higher Education in 1995.

“Minority Texts and Crime” at the American Society of Criminology in 1994.

“Evaluation of Project Aware” at the American Society of Criminology in 1993.

“Assessment of the Sociology Major” at Midwestern Sociological Society in 1991.

“Assessment and Sociology” at North Central Sociological Society in 1991.

“Community Needs of Retarded Citizens” at the Western Social Science meetings in 1991.

“Assessment in American Undergraduate Sociology Programs” at the Third International Conference on Assessment in Bath, England (Proceedings published) in 1991

“Assessment of the Undergraduate Major” at ASA meeting in 1990.

“Hotlines and Crisis Intervention Programs: Functions, Characteristics, and Future Directions” at the Western Social Science Association in 1990.

“Learning Disabilities and Juvenile Delinquency” in the social psychology section of the Western Social Science Association in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1989.

“The Relationship between Learning Disabilities and Juvenile Delinquency” at the Eastern Sociological Association Meeting in 1988.

“The Learning Disabled and Delinquent Youth” at the New Jersey Sociological Society meeting in 1987.

“Martial Arts Training and the Chronically Disruptive Youth” at the International Conference on Prevention in 1985.

“Hotlines and Crisis Programs in the Society” at the Association of Information and Referral Services (AIRS) in 1986.

“The Functions of Hotlines and Crisis Programs” at the Eastern Sociological Society Meeting in 1984.

“Hotlines in Society” at the National Conference on Child Abuse in 1983.

“The Problems and Functions of Small Scale Evaluation Research” to the New Jersey Sociological Association in 1986.

“The Nature and Functions of Small Scale Evaluation Research” at the Eastern Sociological Society Meeting in 1983.

## **WORKSHOPS**

Workshop on Assessment of the Undergraduate Sociology Major at the Southwestern Social Science Association as a representative of the ASA Taskforce on Assessment with Judith Warner in 2006.

Workshop on “Teaching Race, Class, and Gender” at the Pacific Sociological Association in 1995.

Conducted workshop in Management Training for the managerial staff of Gloucester County Board of Social Services in 1988.

Conducted workshop in Planning, Implementation, Evaluation, and Refining for the members of Gloucester County's Human Services Advisory Council in 1988.

Conducted a workshop on Learning Disabilities and Juvenile Delinquency at the National Juvenile Detention Association meeting in 1988.

## **GRANTS**

Received a grant from Rowan University’s Instructional Technology and the Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning to support the construction of a website for posting of students’ Family Background Research Projects in 2005. Website to become available in spring 2006.

Received a grant from Rowan University to begin work on a sociology of minority groups text as a result of work in this area in 1997.

Received a grant with Donna Hathaway of Rowan University to do an evaluation of Gloucester County, N.J.'s Project AWARE in 1992.

Received a grant along with Ted Tannenbaum from Gloucester County (NJ) Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) to do a needs assessment in 1990/91.

Received an All-College grant from Rowan University with Donna Hathaway to study the link between learning disabilities and juvenile delinquency in Gloucester County in 1986.

Received grants from Rowan University, the Gloucester County Juvenile Detention Center, Paulsboro High School, and Tang So Doo Karate Academy to do research on martial arts training for chronically disruptive youth in 1984 and 1985.

Received several grants from Rowan University and the National Runaway Switchboard, Chicago, IL. to conduct research on hotlines and crisis intervention programs from 1980 through 1990.

Received grants from New Jersey's Division of Youth and Family Services through the Transitional Living Component (group home for young men) to do program evaluations from 1982 through 1984.

Received grants from New Jersey State Law Enforcement and Planning Agency through Family Crisis Intervention Unit of Gloucester County for program evaluation from 1982 through 1983.

Received grants from Comprehensive Employment and Training Administration through the Young Adult Resource Center (YARC) for program evaluations from 1980 through 1982.

Contracted to prepare module entitled, "Advocacy Needs of Developmentally Disabled and their Families" as part of Curriculum Project for the developmentally disabled, Rowan University in 1977.

Contracted by Gloucester County, NJ to do study of drug abuse contacts made by county agencies in 1975 and 1976.

Received funding from the Pennsylvania Crime Commission through the Allegheny County, PA, Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program for the evaluation and management of local drug programs from 1971 through 1973.

## **CONSULTING AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Appointed to and served on the American Sociological Association's Task Force on the Assessment of the Undergraduate Major, 2003 - 2005.

Organized and presided over "The Capacity to Hate: Racism and Ethnocentrism" for the American Sociological Association's 2003 meeting.

Consultant to Polytechnic University's Center for Technology in Supply Chains and Merchandising for a National Science Foundation grant that was awarded November 2002; from June 2003 to 2004.

Consultant to Gloucester County (NJ) Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), 1990 and 1991.

Consultant to Covenant House, New York, NY - 1897 to 1990. Consulting about National Nineline services for youth.

Consultant to Curriculum Project for the Developmentally Disabled, Rowan University. Wrote module entitled, "Advocacy Needs of Developmentally Disabled and their Families," 1977.

Consultant to Gloucester County, NJ. Contracted to do study of drug abuse contacts made by county agencies 1975 - 1976.