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EDUCATION

- 2005–present **UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON**, Sociology Department
PhD expected May 2012
Dissertation: Dynamics of Racial Inequality in Schools: Racial Composition,
Class Positions, and Organizational Mechanisms of Social Closure
Qualifying Exams: Social Stratification & Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
- 2007 **UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON**, M.A. Sociology
MA Thesis: Political Learning and Policy Feedback: Explanations of Political and
Civic Participation among the Disadvantaged
- 2005 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**, Evans School of Public Affairs
Masters of Public Administration (Social Policy & Education; Inequality & Race)
- 2002 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
B.A. Political Science
Minor: African Studies
- 1996 **NORTH SEATTLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
Associate of Arts

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Social stratification; race and ethnicity; social policy and politics; sociology of education;
education policy; quantitative methods; political sociology

PUBLICATIONS

Bruch, Sarah K., Myra Marx Ferree, and Joe Soss. 2010. "From Policy to Polity: Democracy, Paternalism, and the Incorporation of Disadvantaged Citizens" *American Sociological Review* 75(2): 205–226.

- Featured in *Stanford Social Innovations Review*, "Receiving Aid, Receiving Respect," Fall 2010.
- Honorable Mention for the Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award (best paper in social science division, UW–Madison)

Turley, Ruth, Matt Desmond, and **Sarah K. Bruch**. 2010. "Unanticipated Consequences of a Positive Parent-Child Relationship." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 72: 1377-1390.

- Featured in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, "Does Liking Your Parents Hurt Your Education?" October 29, 2010.
- Earlier version featured in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, "New Study on College-Going Rates Gives Mom Something Else to Worry About," May 8, 2008.

Berger, Lawrence M., Kristen S. Slack, Jane Waldfogel, and **Sarah K. Bruch**. 2010. "Caseworker Perceived Caregiver Substance Abuse and Child Protective Services Outcomes." *Child Maltreatment* 15(3): 199-210.

Berger, Lawrence M., **Sarah K. Bruch**, Elizabeth I. Johnson, Sigrid James, and David Rubin. 2009. "Estimating the 'Impact' of Out-of-Home Placement on Child Well-Being: Approaching the Problem of Selection Bias" *Child Development* 80(6): 1856-1876.

Haley-Lock, Anna, and **Sarah K. Bruch**. 2007. Workplace and workforce considerations in access to employment opportunity. In D. Engstrom & L. Piedra (Eds.), *Our Diverse Society: Race, Ethnicity, and Class*, Washington, DC: NASW Press.

REPORTS

Gamoran, Adam and **Sarah K. Bruch**. 2010. "Alternative Models for Human Capital Development in Education Research." Commissioned Report to the Spencer Foundation.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Hanselman, Paul, Jeffrey Grigg, **Sarah K. Bruch**, and Adam Gamoran. "Staff Turnover and School Social Resources."

Soss, Joe and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "Marginalization Matters: Rethinking Race in the Analysis of State Politics and Policy."

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

Sarah K. Bruch and Marcia K. Meyers. "Stratified Progressivity: and Mechanisms of Redistribution the U.S. Context."

Sarah K. Bruch and Mara Loveman. "Measuring and Modeling Race as a Multidimensional Construct: Evidence from Research on Racial Disparities in Education."

Marcia K. Meyers, **Sarah K. Bruch**, Janet C. Gornick, and Laura Peck. "Retooling or Retrenching? Changes in the Safety Net for Poor Families, 1994–2009."

Sarah K. Bruch and Lawrence M. Berger. "How are Racial Disparities in Education Socially Constructed? An Examination of Structural and Interactional Processes."

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Sarah K. Bruch and Mara Loveman. "Measuring and Modeling Race as a Multidimensional Construct: Evidence from Research on Racial Disparities in Education" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC, April 2011.

Paul Hanselman, Jeffrey Grigg, Vansa Shewakramani, and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "The Effects of Professional Development on Professional Learning Communities." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA, April 2011.

Sarah K. Bruch and Lawrence M. Berger. "Understanding Racial Differences in Educational Outcomes: An Examination of Positional, Relational, and Interactional Processes." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO, April 2010.

Paul Hanselman, Jeffrey Grigg, and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "Treatment Effect Heterogeneity in a Science Professional Development Initiative: The Case for School Capacity." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Research on Educational Effectiveness, Washington, DC, March 2010.

Sarah K. Bruch, Marcia K. Meyers, Laura Peck, and Janet Gornick. "Stratified Progressivity: and Mechanisms of Redistribution the U.S. Context." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy and Management, Washington, DC, November 2009.

Joe Soss and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "Marginalization Matters: Racial Presence and Position in the Analysis of State Policy." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociology Association. San Francisco, August 2009.

Sarah K. Bruch, Jeffrey Grigg, and Paul Hanselman. "How reform policy shapes school capacity: Effects of a school-randomized trial." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Diego, CA, April 2009.

Sarah K. Bruch, Adam Gamoran, Paul Hanselman, Jeffrey Grigg, and Ana Collares. "Professional Development, School Capacity, and the Unequal Distribution of Teacher Quality." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. Boston, August 2008.

Lawrence M. Berger, **Sarah K. Bruch**, Elizabeth I. Johnson, Sigrid James, and David Rubin. "Estimating the 'Impact' of Out-of-Home Placement on Child Well-Being." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy and Management, Washington D.C., November 2007.

Anat Gofen and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "Examining Exceptionals: Does Family Social Capital Explain Success?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy and Management, Washington D.C., November 2007.

Adam Gamoran and **Sarah K. Bruch**. "Teacher Quality and the Context of Teaching: Baseline Results from a Randomized Trial" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 2007.

Elizabeth Rigby, **Sarah K. Bruch** and Joe Soss. "Race, Class, and State Provision: Social Groups as Actors and Objects in the Policy Process" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the State Politics and Policy Conference, Austin, Texas, February 2007.

Sarah K. Bruch and Marcia K. Meyers. "How Much do State Policies Reduce Income Inequality?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington D.C., November 2005.

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

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| 2005- | Institute for Research on Poverty, Graduate Research Fellow |
| 2010 | Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship (Sociologists for Women in Society, ASA and Society for the Study of Social Problems co-sponsored competitive award for outstanding graduate student with a community college background) |
| 2007-2010 | US Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, Graduate Training Fellowship (Awarded as part of interdisciplinary training grant to the University of Wisconsin supervised by Adam Gamoran) |
| 2006 | Cornell University, National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect, Graduate Fellowship to attend Summer Research Institute |

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| 2005- | UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON |
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Research Assistant, Efficacy Trial of Two Interventions Designed to Reduce Stereotype Threat Vulnerability and Close Academic Performance Gaps, PI Geoffrey Borman, 2011–present.

Research Assistant, System Wide Change Study: A Large–scale Randomized Trial of Teacher Professional Development in Elementary Science, PI Adam Gamoran, 2007–2011.

Research Assistant, Institute for Research on Poverty, Estimating the Impact of Foster Care Placement on Child Well–Being, PI Lawrence Berger, 2005–2010.

2003–2005 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE**

Research Assistant, State Policy Variation and the Economic Security of Low–Income Families in the Wake of Welfare, PIs Marcia K. Meyers and Janet C. Gornick, 2003–2005

Research Assistant, Institute on Inequality and Social Structure School of Social Work, 2003–2005

Data Coder, Department of Sociology, 2003
Racial Disparities in Drug Law Enforcement Project

2003–2004 **ORGANIZATIONAL RESEARCH SERVICES, SEATTLE**

Data Analyst, Juvenile Criminal Court Disparities in Sentencing Project

2003–2004 **WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES**

Data Analyst, Holocaust Survivor Survey Project

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2009–2010 **MADISON AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

Instructor, Department of Sociology

Fall 2010 Courses: Social Problems; Race, Class, Gender

- Class sizes: 25 students each

Spring 2010 Course: Introduction to Sociology

- Class size: 25 students

Fall 2009 Course: Race, Class, Gender

- 2 Courses of 20 students each

2003 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE**
Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology
Course: Sociology of African Americans

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

2008–present *Manuscript Reviewer*
Sociological Quarterly, Sociology of Education, Political Research Quarterly

1998–2003 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
Public Information Specialist, Human Services Policy Center
Evans School of Public Affairs, 2001–2003

Secretary Lead, Human Services Policy Center
Evans School of Public Affairs, 2000–2001

Program Coordinator, Educational Opportunity Program, 1998–2000
Office of Minority Affairs

1998–2003 *Advisor*, Polynesian Student Alliance

1996–1998 **USTAWI (AFRICAN NON-PROFIT), SEATTLE**
Office Manager

1996–2000 **OROMO COMMUNITY CENTER AND ETHIOPIAN REFUGEE SERVICES, SEATTLE**
Organizational Consultant

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification (RC28)
Population Association of America
Sociologists for Women in Society
Society for the Study of Social Problems
Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness
American Education Research Association

REFERENCES

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