

**Trina Smith, PhD**  
Curriculum Vitae

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**Areas of Interest**

Gender, Globalization, Health & Medicine, Law, Family, Stratification, Social Movements, Communities and Qualitative Methods

**Education**

PhD, Sociology September 2008

*University of Minnesota*

Minor: Women's Studies

*Dissertation Title:* "Reproductive Discourses: International Organizations and Questions of Representation"

*Committee Members*

Elizabeth Heger Boyle (Adviser), Ann Meier, Erin Kelly, Karen-Sue Taussig

B.A. Sociology and Psychology, Graduated with Honors May 2000

Minor: Women's Studies

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

**Academic Positions**

Visiting Assistant Professor 2008-2009

Department of Sociology and Anthropology

St. Olaf College

Northfield, Minnesota

**Publications**

*Peer Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters*

Elizabeth Heger Boyle, Trina Smith, and Katja M. Guenther. 2007. "The Rise of the Child as an Individual in Global Society." *Youth, Globalization, and the Law*. Eds. Sudhir Alladi Venkatesh and Ronald Kassimir. Stanford University Press. Pp.255-282.

*Teaching Related Publications*

Trina Smith. 2007. "Sociology of Gender Syllabus and Final Paper Assignments." *The Sociology of Gender: Syllabi and Other Materials*. 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. Eds. Betsy Lucal and Amy Blackstone. American Sociological Association.

Trina Smith. 2006. "Do You Need Some Lipstick or Plastic Kitchen Bowls?: Women Selling to Women as a Work Strategy." *Work and Family: Strategies, Activities and Syllabi*. Eds. Stephen Sweet and Marcie Pitt-Catsoupes. American Sociological Association.

Service Related Publications

Smith, Trina. 2007. "Reflections on the 51st Session of the CSW." Network News. Sociologists for Women in Society Newsletter, Volume XXIII: No 1, p.28.

Smith, Trina. 2005. "A Feminist Sociologist's Reflections of Beijing +10". Network News. Sociologists for Women in Society Newsletter, Volume XXII: No 1, p.9.

**Honors and Awards**Research Awards

Graduate Research Partnership Program, \$5,000 Summer 2006  
College of Liberal Arts, University of Minnesota  
Project Title: "The Dynamics of Neighborhood Boundaries: Inclusion and Exclusion"

Anna Welsch Memorial Bright Award, \$3,600 Fall 2005  
Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota  
Project Title: "International Organizations and Questions of Representation"

Graduate Research Partnership Program, \$4,500 Summer 2003  
College of Liberal Arts, University of Minnesota  
Project Title: "Changing Power Relations: Nations and Families in International Discourse"

Travel Awards

American Mosaic Funding for Conference Travel, \$200 Summer 2006  
Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota

Professional Development Award for Conference Travel, \$2,200 2002-2007  
Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota

Life Course Awards for Conference Travel, \$200 2003  
Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota

**Manuscripts Under Review**

Trina Smith. "Who Matters? Reproductive Rights and Sources of Legitimacy."

**Manuscripts in Progress**

Trina Smith. "Drawing Boundaries: Comparing Neighborhoods and Diversity."

Trina Smith and Joseph Gerteis. "Experiencing Difference in American Neighborhoods."

Trina Smith. "Abortion Framing Battles: Who Deserves the Funding?"

**Research Conference Presentations**

- Trina Smith. 2009. "The Politics of US Abortion Rhetoric in an International Setting." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Des Moines, IA. April 2009.
- Trina Smith. 2008. "Drawing Boundaries: Comparing Neighborhoods and Diversity." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Boston, MA. August 2008.
- Trina Smith. 2007. "Defining Reproductive Rights Through an Intersectional Framework: Telling the Stories of Two Organizations." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. New York, NY. August 2007.
- Trina Smith. 2007. "Where to Analyze? Using an Intersectional Focus to Support Mothers in Their Choices." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, IL. April 2007.
- Trina Smith and Joseph Gerteis. 2006. "Experiencing Difference in American Neighborhoods." Sociology Department Workshop Series. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. October 2006.
- Trina Smith. 2006. "Drawing Boundaries: Neighborhoods and Diversity." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. August 2006.
- Trina Smith. 2006. "Menarche: Gender Reproduction and Descent into Womanhood." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Omaha, NE. March 2006.
- Trina Smith. 2005. "Defining Inclusion Through a Framework of Intersectionality." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August 2005.
- Trina Smith. 2005. "The Labeling Battle in 'Feminist' Research." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Minneapolis, MN. April 2005.
- Trina Smith. 2004. "Globalization and Reproductive Rights Discourse." Biennial Meeting of the Midwest Law and Society Association. Madison, WI. October 2004.
- Trina Smith. 2004. "Reproductive Rights, Contraception and Population Control Discourse: Interpretation of Needs, Bodies, Power and Resistance." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA. August 2004.
- Elizabeth Heger Boyle, Trina Smith, and Katja Guenther. 2003. "Power and Autonomy in the History of Children's Rights." Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association. Pittsburgh, PA. June 2003.
- Elizabeth Heger Boyle, Trina Smith, and Katja Guenther. 2002. "Beyond 'Ozzie and Harriet': The Ideal Family Changes and Goes Global." Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics. Minneapolis, MN. June 2002.
- Trina Smith. 2002. "Abortion Framing Battles: Who Deserves the Funding?" Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Milwaukee, WI. April 2002.

**Research Experience**

- Ethnographer Independent Contractor, *Smart Revenue* 2009  
 Conducted interviews and ethnographies in retail environments, uploaded data, wrote and filed post-field analytical reports.
- Research Assistant, *American Mosaic Project* Spring 2006  
 Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota  
 Supervisor: Douglas Hartmann (PI)  
 Analyzed qualitative data I collected as part of the American Mosaic Project on Twin Cities neighborhoods.
- Site Leader, *American Mosaic Project* Summer 2004  
 Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota  
 Supervisors: Penny Edgell (PI), Joseph Gerteis (PI), and Douglas Hartmann (PI)  
 Conducted interviews and ethnographic research on diversity in American society. Trained and supervised two other graduate students conducting interviews.
- Participant Research Workshop, *Social Sciences Research Council (SSRC)* September 2003  
 SSRC Workgroup on Youth, Globalization, and the Law, NYC  
 Attended workshop with Elizabeth Heger Boyle and worked on our paper (co- authored with Katja Guenther) in preparation for publication in an edited volume.

**Other Professional Experience**

- United Nations Representative, *Sociologists For Women in Society (SWS)* 2006-2008  
 In this elected position, I attend United Nation (UN) meetings at the UN headquarters in NYC. Focusing on gender issues, most of my time was spent at the Commission on the Status of Women and Department of Public Information meetings. While at the meetings I represented SWS as a non-governmental organization (NGO), networked with other gender-focused NGOs and country delegates. I reported to the SWS membership and helped devise strategies for increased SWS involvement with the UN as a NGO.
- United Nations Guest Representative, *Sociologists For Women in Society (SWS)* 2005  
 I attended the 49<sup>th</sup> meeting on the Commission on the Status of Women held at the United Nations in NYC.

**Teaching Experience**

- Visiting Assistant Professor 2008-2009  
 St. Olaf College  
 Northfield, Minnesota  
 \* Marriage and the Family  
 \* Global Interdependence  
 \* History of Sociological Theory
- Instructor Spring 2008  
 Department of Sociology, Hamline University  
 St. Paul, Minnesota  
 \* Sociology of Gender

Instructor Minneapolis Community and Technical College Minneapolis, Minnesota * Families in Contemporary Society	Fall 2007
Instructor Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota Minneapolis, Minnesota * Sociology of Gender * Sociology of the Family * Introduction to Sociology * Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender	2004-2006
Instructor Department of Sociology, Inverhills Community College & McNally Smith School of Music Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota * Family and Society * Introduction to Sociology * Social Inequalities: Race, Class, and Gender * Sociology of Music	2004-2008
Lab Teaching Assistant Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota * Introduction to Sociology * Sociological Research Methods	2002-2007
Teaching Assistant Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota * Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender * Senior Projects (general & public sociology focus) * Sociology of Law * Criminology	2000-2008
<b>Teaching Development</b> Research Assistant, <i>Teaching Resources Center</i> Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota Supervisor: Professor Ronald Aminzade Maintained books, videos, and other teaching materials. Planned teaching events and workshops and successfully obtained grants for these.	2003-2004
Courses & Workshops: <i>Center for Teaching &amp; Learning</i> University of Minnesota * Preparing Future Faculty: Grad 8101 * Creating Effective Discussions Workshop * Constructive Controversies Workshop * Basic Presentation Sills Workshop * From the First Day On Workshop * New Teaching Assistant Orientation	Fall 2003 Fall 2002 Fall 2002 Fall 2002 Fall 2002 Fall 2000

*Department of Sociology*

University of Minnesota

- \* Graduate Instructor Mentoring Group
- \* Teaching Assistant Orientation

Fall 2004  
Fall 2000*Invited Guest Lectures*

Trina Smith. 2008. "Reproductive Discourses: Domestically and Internationally." *Sociology of Gender*. Instructor Tim Ortyl. Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. April 2008.

Trina Smith. 2007. "The Social Construction of Gender." *Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender*. Instructor Paul Croll. Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. July 2007.

Trina Smith. 2006. "Ethnography and Coding." *Sociological Research Methods*. Instructor Maureen Clark. Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. July 2006.

Trina Smith. 2003. "Diversity and Neighborhoods: Preliminary Findings." *Sociological Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender*. Instructor Pamela Wald. Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. July 2003.

**Teaching Related Conference Presentations**

Trina Smith. 2009. Organizer and Participant. "Feminist Mentoring." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Des Moines, IA. April 2009.

Trina Smith. 2008. Co-organizer (with Angela Simon & Danielle Currier) and Presenter. "Gender and Feminism in the Classroom: Creative Classroom Techniques." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. St Louis, MO. March 2008.

Trina Smith. 2007. Invited Participant. "Professional Workshop. Graduate Student Teachers: Issues and Experiences Within and Beyond the Classroom." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. New York, NY. August 2007.

Trina Smith and Sadie Pendaz. 2007. Invited Presenters. "Creating Dissertation Writing Groups." Department of Sociology Professional Workshop. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. May 2007.

Trina Smith. 2007. Organizer and Participant. "Feminist Mentoring." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, IL. April 2007.

Trina Smith. 2006. "A Challenge to Deal with Status Inside and Outside the Classroom." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Omaha, NE. March 2006.

Trina Smith and Sadie Pendaz. 2004. Session Organizers and Presenters. "Dual Identities: Managing Teaching and the Graduate Student Role." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Kansas City, MO. April 2004.

Trina Smith and Sadie Pendaz. 2003. "Are We Teachers Or Not? Reflections on the Intersections of Marginality, Structure and Students in Introduction to Sociology Discussion Sections." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, IL. April 2003.

**Professional Service**Reviewer

Gender &amp; Society

Committees

Appointed Member, Professional Issues and Standards Committee Midwest Sociological Society	2007-2010
Program Chair Midwest Sociologists for Women in Society	2007-2008
Chair, International Committee Sociologists for Women in Society	2006-2008
International Partnerships Sub-committee Chair International Committee of Sociologists for Women in Society	2005
Committee Defense Member, Undergraduate Honors Thesis Department of Sociology, Hamline University St Paul, Minnesota	April 2004
Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Admissions and Awards Committee Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota	2002
Graduate Student Representative, Executive Committee Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota	2001
Chair, Faculty Mentoring Award Committee Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota	2001
Graduate Student Co-Chair, Sociological Research Institute Planning Committee Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota	2000

Service Presentations & Presider Roles

Trina Smith. 2009. "Reproductive Discourses: International Organizations and Questions of Representation." Presentation for the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, St. Olaf College. April 2009.

Trina Smith. 2008. Invited Presider. "New Models for Reproductive Health Care." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociology Society. St. Louis, MO. March 2008.

Trina Smith and Sadie Pendaz. 2007. Workshop Organizers & Facilitators. "Creating and Maintaining a Feminist Writing Group." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, IL. April 2007.

Other Academic Professional Service

Trina Smith, Sadie Pendaz, and Chris Pappas. 2002. "Graduate Student Experiences Survey." Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota  
Developed and analyzed a survey regarding graduate student experiences under the direction of Professor Ronald Aminzade.

**Community Service**

Board Member, Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization 2004-2006  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Steering Committee Member, Central Weed and Seed 2004-2008  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Letters to Editor Volunteer, Planned Parenthood of Minnesota/South Dakota 2000-2001  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

**Professional Memberships**

American Sociological Association 2000-present  
Law and Society Association 2002-present  
Sociologists for Women in Society 2003-present  
Midwest Sociological Society 2001-present  
Midwest Sociologists for Women in Society 2002-present  
Sociologists of Minnesota 2003-present

**References**

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