

CURRICULUM VITAE 2010

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Professional Experience

2008-present **Assistant Professor of Sociology**, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa
2007-2008 **Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology**, Manchester College, North Manchester, Indiana
2005-2007 **Graduate Assistant**, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois
2002 **Adjunct Distance Instructor**, Sociology and Women's Studies, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee
2001 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Sociology, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee
2000-2002 **Managing Editor**, *Sociological Spectrum*, Middle Tennessee State University.

Education

Ph.D. Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Sociology, 2007
• Dissertation Title: Framing and Collective Identities in the Legal Setting: Comparing Interracial Marriage and Same-Sex Marriage
M.A. Middle Tennessee State University, Sociology, 2002
• Thesis Title: Avoiding the 'Boogeywoman' Label: Marketing the Elite Female Athlete
B.S. Middle Tennessee State University, Sociology, minors in Women's Studies and English, magna cum laude, 1999

Areas of Specialization

Sociological Theory, Social Movements, Gender/Sexualities, Qualitative Methods, Sociology of Sport

Publications

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

McGrath, Shelly A. and Ruth A. Chananie-Hill. 2009. "Big Freaky Looking Women': Normalizing Gender Transgression through Bodybuilding." *Sociology of Sport Journal* 26(2):235-254.

Chananie, Ruth A. 2005. "Psychopharmaceutical Advertising Strategies: Empowerment in a Pill?" *Sociological Spectrum* 25(5):487-518.

Chananie, Ruth A. 2005. "Janet Saltzman Chafetz: An Accidental Sociologist," Pp. 245-268 in *Portraits of Women Sociologists*, edited by Pat Nation, Calvin Easterling, and Brenda D. Phillips. Island Park, NY:

Whittier Publications.

OTHER PUBLISHED WORKS

Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. 2008. Book Review (invited). *The Age of Independence: Interracial Unions, Same-Sex Unions, and the Changing American Family*, by Michael J. Rosenfeld (2007). *Journal of Marriage & Family* 70(3):832-833.

Chananie, Ruth A. 2000. "W.I. Thomas," "Military Sociology," "Transvestism," "Group Marriage," and "Widowhood," encyclopedia entries published in *World of Sociology*, Gale Group.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Waldron, Jennifer A., Ruth A. Chananie-Hill, and Natalie K. Umsted. "Third Wave Agenda: Women's Flat-Track Roller Derby." (*Body & Society*)

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION OR REVISION

Chananie-Hill, Ruth A., Shelly A. McGrath, and Justin Stoll. "Positive Deviants: Female Bodybuilders' Exercise and Dieting Behaviors."

Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. and Robert D. Benford. "Collective Identity "Wars": Oppositional Dynamics in Legal Framings of Same-Sex Marriage."

Conference Presentations

- 2010 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A., Shelly A. McGrath, and Justin Stoll. "Positive Deviants: Female Bodybuilders' Exercise and Dieting Behaviors." Mid-South Sociological Association, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- 2010 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A., Jennifer Waldron, and Natalie Turner. "Third Wave Agenda: Women's Flat-Track Roller Derby." Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2009 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. and Robert D. Benford. "Collective Identity "Wars": Oppositional Dynamics in Legal Framings of Same-Sex Marriage." Mid-South Sociological Association, Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 2009 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. and Shelly A. McGrath. "Big Freaky Looking Women': Normalizing Gender Transgression through Bodybuilding," Midwest Sociological Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
- 2009 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. "No Substitute for Personal Interaction: Teaching Sexualities through Exposure," Midwest Sociological Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
- 2007 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. and Shelly A. McGrath. "Female Bodybuilders: A Continuum of Border Crossings," Mid-South Sociological Association, Mobile, Alabama.
- 2006 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. "Framing and Collective Identities in the Legal Setting: Comparing Interracial Marriage and Same-Sex Marriage," Mid-South Sociological Association, Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 2006 Chananie-Hill, Ruth A. and Shelly A. McGrath. "Female Bodybuilders: Crossing Gender Lines," North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 2005 Chananie, Ruth A. "Gendered Comfort Zones: Lesbians Construct the Spaces Between," American

Sociological Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

- 2003 Chananie, Ruth A. "Converting Evil to Virtue: The Case of Vermont's Civil Unions," Society for the Study of Social Problems, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2002 Chananie, Ruth A. "Avoiding the Boogeywoman Label: Marketing the Elite Female Athlete," Mid-South Sociological Association, Memphis, Tennessee.
- 2001 Chananie, Ruth A. "Offering Empowerment to Women: Psychopharmaceutical Advertising Strategies," Mid-South Sociological Association, Mobile, Alabama.
- 2001 Chananie, Ruth A. "Avoiding the 'Boogeywoman' Label: Managing the Public Image of the Elite Female Athlete" (thesis proposal), Western Social Science Association, Reno, Nevada.
- 2000 Chananie, Ruth A. "Janet Saltzman Chafetz: An Accidental Sociologist," Western Social Science Association, San Diego, California.
- 1999 Chananie, Ruth A. "Social Construction of Femininity as Presented in Women's Sports: U.S. Women's Ice Hockey," Mid-South Sociological Association, Jackson, Mississippi.

INVITED GUEST LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- 2010 Discussion Moderator, *The Laramie Project* (film), Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center.
- 2010 "Ethics and Boundaries of Teaching," guest lecture in Teaching Proseminar, a graduate course in sociology at the University of Northern Iowa.
- 2009 "Third Wave Agenda: Women's Flat-Track Roller Derby," Women's and Gender Studies CROW Forum Series, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2009 "Psychopharmaceutical Advertising Strategies," Fall Proseminar, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2009 "Big Freaky Looking Women: Normalizing Gender Transgression through Bodybuilding" presentation for Annual Sociology Information Recruitment Fair, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2007 "Sports and Gender," Gender and Society course, Manchester College.
- 2007 "Is Same-Sex Marriage Constitutional?" Values, Ideas, and the Arts Convocation Series, Manchester College.
- 2006 "Interracial and Same-Sex Marriage," Poster Presentation, Women's Studies Student Research Symposium, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- 2006 "Women and Sports," Residence Hall Special Presentation Series, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- 2005 "Gender and Sports in the Media," Women and Men in Contemporary Society, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Awards

- 2007 Distinguished Dissertation Award, Department of Sociology, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- 2006 Third Place, NCSA Graduate Student Paper Award Competition, for “Female Bodybuilders: Crossing Gender Lines,” presented at the North Central Sociological Association meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana, with co-author Shelly McGrath.
- 2006 Honorable Mention, The Stanford M. Lyman Scholarship for Dissertation Work, for “Framing and Collective Identities in the Legal Setting: Comparing Interracial Marriage and Same-Sex Marriage,” presented at the Mid-South Sociological Association meeting in Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 2004 Inducted into the Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society.
- 2002 Excellence in Service Award, for service as Managing Editor, *Sociological Spectrum*, 1999-2002, presented at the Mid-South Sociological Association meetings, by Jackie Eller and Peter Heller, editors.
- 2001 First Place, MSSA Graduate Student Paper Competition, for “Offering Empowerment to Women: Psychopharmaceutical Advertising Strategies,” presented at the Mid-South Sociological Association meeting in Mobile, Alabama.
- 1999 Inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2010 Interdisciplinary Research Small Grant Competition, Graduate College, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2009 College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Dean’s Summer Research Grant, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2002 Delyte and Dorothy Morris Doctoral Fellowship, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (3 years).
- 2000 Women’s Studies Council Award for Outstanding Student Scholarship in Women’s Studies, Middle Tennessee State University.

Professional Service

- 2010-present Vice President Elect, Mid-South Sociological Association.
- 2009-present Women’s Caucus, Mid-South Sociological Association.
- 2010 Iowa Sociological Association Student Paper Awards Committee.
- 2010 Discussant, “Contemporary Theory and Research on GLBTQ Issues.” Panel session, Midwest Sociological Society Meetings, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010 Reviewer, *Sociological Spectrum*, *Journal of Family Issues*, *Women in Sport & Physical Activities*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*
- 2009 Co-Organizer and Presider, “Victimization and Social Class in Global Context,” Mid-South Sociological

Association, Lafayette, Louisiana.

- 2009 Reviewer, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, *Journal of Marriage & Family*, *Sociological Spectrum*, *Sociology Now* (Pearson/Allyn & Bacon).
- 2007 Panelist, "Preparing for and Traversing the Academic Job Market," Mid-South Sociological Association, Mobile, Alabama and Huntsville, Alabama.
- 2006 Organizer and Presider, "Law and the Politics of Marriage: Race, Sexuality, and Gender," Mid-South Sociological Association, Lafayette, Louisiana.
- 2006 Undergraduate Student Paper Award Committee, Mid-South Sociological Association.
- 2005 Discussant, "Gender and Sexuality," Mid-South Sociological Association, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2005 Organizer and Presider, "Social Movements: Race, Class & Gender," and "Sociology of Gender & Sport," Mid-South Sociological Association, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2003 Co-Organizer and Presider, "Media Analysis and Popular Culture," Mid-South Sociological Association, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- 2002 Organizer and Presider, "Sociology of Sport" sessions I and II, Mid-South Sociological Association, Memphis, Tennessee.
- 2002 Participant, "Roundtable Discussion: Student Sociology Organizations," Western Social Sciences Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- 2002 Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, History of Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2001 Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, History of Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

- 2009-present Chair, Women's and Gender Studies Programming Sub-Committee.
- 2009-present Graduate Committee, Masters in Public Policy Program.
- 2009-present Women's and Gender Studies Board and Steering Committee.
- 2008-present Graduate Faculty, Sociology.
- 2009-2010 Laramie Project Committee, Gallagher-Bluedorn.
- 2009-2010 University Diversity Advisory Committee.
- 2008-2009 Higher Learning Commission Criterion 3 Self-Study Sub-Committee.

SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE

2009-present Faculty Evaluator, CSBS Undergraduate Research Symposium.

2009-present CSBS Student Technology Advisory Committee.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

2009-present Chair, SAC Website Development Committee.

2009-present SAC Technology Liaison to CSBS.

2009-present Library Liaison, Sociology.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

2010-present Mission Committee, YWCA of Blackhawk County.

2009-present Local Community Liaison, One Iowa, the state's largest LGBT advocacy organization.

2009 Discussant, Waterloo Marriage Equality Public Forum (One Iowa), Waterloo, Iowa.

2009 Organizer, *For the Bible Tells Me So* (2007), documentary film community showing on homosexuality and the Bible, University of Northern Iowa.

2009 Interviewed, Iowa Public Radio, local news segment on the Iowa same-sex marriage Supreme Court case *Varnum v. Brien* (2009)

2009 Interviewed, "Changing hearts, minds: Gay community reaches out as marriage ruling nears," by Mary Stegmeir, *The Courier* (Waterloo/Cedar Falls), 3/22/2009.

2008 Invited Guest Presenter, "Is it Truth or History as We've Been Taught?" YWCA Diversity Dialogue Series, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

2008 Assistant, R.A.D. Kids Self-Defense Class for Low-Income Minorities, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

2008 Fundraiser, Homeward Bound Walk for the Homeless, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

2006 Community Response Planning Committee, Preparation for peaceful community response to Fred Phelps' anti-gay protest plans before Judy Shepard's guest appearance in Carbondale, Illinois.