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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2009-present Associate Professor and Wagner Teaching Professor
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
Ohio University
- 2002-2008 Assistant Professor
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
Ohio University
- 2001-2002 Post-doctoral Fellow and Project Director
Consumer Bankruptcy Project
Harvard University

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Sociology, Washington State University, 2001
Dissertation: "Personal Bankruptcy through the Eyes of the Stigmatized: Insight into Issues of Shame, Gender, and Marital Discord"
- M.A. Sociology, Washington State University, 1996
- B.A. Sociology, Washington State University, 1994
WSU Honors Program, summa cum laude
Minor: Women's Studies

HONORS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2010 Outstanding University College Student Advocate, Ohio University
- 2009-12 Eric Wagner Endowed Teaching Professor, Ohio University
- 2004 University Professor, Ohio University (university-wide teaching award)
- 2001-02 Post-doctoral Fellow and Project Director, Consumer Bankruptcy Project, Harvard University
- 1997 Joseph R. DeMartini Excellence in Teaching Award. Department of Sociology, Washington State University.
- 1996 Harriett B. Rigas Award for Outstanding Woman in Graduate Studies. Association for Faculty Women, Washington State University.
- 1994 Phi Beta Kappa

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Stratification and Inequality, Negative Wealth (Debt), Consumer Bankruptcy, Gender, Health, Family

COURSES TAUGHT

Ohio University

- SOC 101: Introductory Sociology
- SOC 331: Stratification & Social Inequality
- SOC 351: Elementary Research Techniques
- SOC 406: Senior Capstone: Consumerism, Credit and Debt
- UP 452S: Bling, Bling Blues: Consumerism, Credit and Debt (special-topics course taught in conjunction with the University Professor award)
- SOC 604 Graduate seminar in Social Inequality
- SOC 691: Seminar in Teaching (graduate student teaching internship affiliated with Introduction to Sociology)

Washington State University

- SOC/WST 384: Sociology of Gender
- SOC/WST 150: Marital and Sexual Lifestyles
- SOC 102: Social Problems

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- 2011 David U. Himmelstein, **Deborah Thorne**, and Steffie Woolhandler. "Medical Bankruptcy in Massachusetts: Has Health Reform Made a Difference?" *American Journal of Medicine* 124: 224-228.
- 2010 **Deborah Thorne**. "Extreme Financial Strain: Emergent Chores, Gender Inequality, and Emotional Distress." *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* 31: 185-197. DOI: 10.1007/s10834-010-9189-0.
- **Deborah Thorne**. "The (Interconnected) Reasons Elder Americans File Consumer Bankruptcy." *Journal of Aging & Social Policy* 22: 188-206.
 - **Reprinted in:** Christian Weller (editor), *Retirement Security in the Great Recession*, London, U.K.: Routledge, 2010.
- 2009 David U. Himmelstein, **Deborah Thorne**, Elizabeth Warren, and Steffie Woolhandler. "Medical Bankruptcy in the United States, 2007: Results of a National Study." *The American Journal of Medicine* 122 (8): 741-746.
- **Deborah Thorne**, Elizabeth Warren, and Teresa Sullivan. "The Increasing Vulnerability of Older Americans: Evidence from the Bankruptcy Court." *Harvard Law & Policy Review* 3 (1): 87-101.
- Katherine Porter and **Deborah Thorne**. "Better Off After Bankruptcy?" *Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser* 12: 1-6.
- 2008 Robert M. Lawless, Angela K. Littwin, Katherine M. Porter, John A. E. Pottow, **Deborah K. Thorne**, and Elizabeth Warren. "Did Bankruptcy Reform Fail? An Empirical Study of Consumer Debtors." *American Bankruptcy Law Journal* 82: 349-405.
 - Received the American Bankruptcy Law Journal's **2009 Editors' Prize**.
- Teresa Sullivan, **Deborah Thorne**, and Elizabeth Warren. "Bankruptcy Ages." *Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser* 11: 1-5.

- 2007 **Deborah Thorne**. "Personal Bankruptcy and the Credit Report: Conflicting Mechanisms of Social Mobility." *Journal of Poverty: Innovations on Social, Political & Economic Inequalities* 11 (4): 23-43.
- **Deborah Thorne** and Katherine Porter. "Financial Education for Bankrupt Families: Attitudes and Needs." *Journal of Consumer Education* 24: 15-27.
- 2006 Katherine Porter and **Deborah Thorne**. "The Failure of Bankruptcy's Fresh Start." *Cornell Law Review* 92:67-127.
- **Deborah Thorne** and Leon Anderson. "Managing the Stigma of Personal Bankruptcy." *Sociological Focus* 39 (2):77-97.
- **Reprinted in:** Alex Thio, Thomas Calhoun, and Addrain Conyers (eds.), *Readings in Deviant Behavior*, 6th Edition. Boston: Allyn & Bacon, 2010.
 - **Reprinted in:** Alex Thio, Thomas Calhoun, and Addrain Conyers (eds.), *Readings in Deviant Behavior*, 5th Edition. Boston: Allyn & Bacon, 2007.
 - **Reprinted in:** Peter Adler and Patti Adler (eds.), *Constructions of Deviance: Social Power, Context, and Interaction*, 6th Edition. Thomson Wadsworth, forthcoming.
- 2005 David U. Himmelstein, Elizabeth Warren, **Deborah Thorne**, and Steffie Woolhandler. "Illness and Injury as Contributors to Bankruptcy." *Health Affairs: The Policy Journal of the Health Sphere*, Web Exclusive: February 2; w5-63 – w5-75.
Web site: <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/reprint/hlthaff.w5.63v1>.
- **2006:** *Health Affairs* Top Five Most Read Articles (over 100,000 downloads)
 - **2005:** *Health Affairs* Most Read Article
- 2004 **Deborah Thorne**, Ann Tickamyer, and Mark Thorne. "Poverty and Income in Appalachia." *Journal of Appalachian Studies*, Special Issue: "Appalachia Counts: The Region in the 2000 Census" 10 (3): 341-358.
- 2001 Teresa A. Sullivan, **Deborah Thorne**, and Elizabeth Warren. "Young, Old and In Between: Who Files for Bankruptcy?" *Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser* 9A:1-10.
- 1997 Amy Wharton and **Deborah Thorne**. "When Mothers Matter: The Effects of Social Class and Family Arrangements on African American and White Women's Perceived Relations with Their Mothers." *Gender & Society* 11:656-81.

Book Chapters

- 2011 **Deborah Thorne**. "Women's Work and Women's Worry: Debt Management in Financially Distressed Families." Forthcoming in Katherine Porter (ed.), *Broke: How Debt Bankrupts the Middle Class*. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Elizabeth Warren and **Deborah Thorne**. "A Vulnerable Middle Class: Bankruptcy and Class Status." Forthcoming in Katherine Porter (ed.), *Broke: How Debt Bankrupts the Middle Class*. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Press.
- **Deborah Thorne** and Katherine Porter. "Expectations and Experiences: Financial Education of Bankruptcy Debtors." In Doug J. Lamdin (ed.), *Consumer Knowledge and Financial Decisions*. New York: Springer.
- 2008 **Deborah Thorne** and Elizabeth Warren. "Get Sick, Go Broke." In J. S. Hacker (ed.), *Health at Risk: America's Ailing Health System --and How to Heal It*. New York, NY: Columbia University Press.

Other Publications

- 2008 **Deborah Thorne**, Elizabeth Warren, and Teresa Sullivan. "Generations of Struggle." Research report for *American Association of Retired Persons*. Available at: http://assets.aarp.org/rgcenter/consume/2008_11_debt.pdf
- Teresa Sullivan and **Deborah Thorne**. "Debt" plus "Bankruptcy" sidebar. Encyclopedia entry for *Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development*. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale.
- 2006 David U. Himmelstein, Elizabeth Warren, **Deborah Thorne**, and Steffie Woolhandler "Discounting the Debtors Will Not Make Medical Bankruptcy Disappear." *Health Affairs: The Policy Journal of the Health Sphere*, Web Exclusive: March/April; 25 (2): w84 – w88. Web site: <http://www.healthaffairs.org>.

Published Educational Materials

- 2006 **Deborah Thorne**. "UP 450S: Bling, Bling Blues: Consumerism, Credit and Debt." In *Syllabi and Instructional Resources for Teaching the Sociology of Consumers and Consumption*. Second Edition. American Sociological Association.

Book Reviews

- 2006 **Deborah Thorne**. *Going Public: Feminism and the Shifting Boundaries of the Private Sphere*, edited by Joan W. Scott and Debra Keates. *Contemporary Sociology*. 35:90-91.

GRANTS & GRANT EXPERIENCE

- 2007 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation: \$100,000 (Granted)
Consumer Bankruptcy Project 2007: "Mortgage Crises and Middle Class Families"
Deborah Thorne (co-PI) and Elizabeth Warren
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: \$463,900 (Granted)
Consumer Bankruptcy Project 2007: "Illness and Healthcare Costs as Contributors to Personal Bankruptcy: A Focus on Middle Class Families."
Steffie Woolhandler, David Himmelstein, **Deborah Thorne (co-PI)**, and Elizabeth Warren
- 2006 American Association of Retired Persons: \$125,000 (Granted)
"Aging and Consumer Bankruptcy"
Elizabeth Warren and **Deborah Thorne (co-PI)**
- 2005 College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Development Grant: \$1,164 (Granted)
"Lilly Conference on College Teaching"
Deborah Thorne

SESSIONS ORGANIZED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2011 Session Organizer and Discussant, "The Middle Class at the Bottom: How the Recession Harmed Average Americans." The American Sociological Association annual meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2007 Session Organizer: "Teaching Social Problems with Dr. Seuss and Picasso." The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. New York, New York.
- 2006 Session Organizer: "Debt, Credit and Inequality." The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Montreal, Canada.
- 2005 Session Organizer: "The Inequities of Credit, Debt, and Consumption." The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2004 Session Organizer: "Bankruptcy, Debt, and Inequality." The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. San Francisco, California.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2009 “Women’s Work, Women’s Worry: Debt Management in Financially Distressed Families.” Paper presented at The Obermann Summer Seminar: *Borrowing to the Brink: Consumer Debt in America*. The University of Iowa. Iowa City, Iowa.
- “Bankruptcy and Class Status.” Paper presented with co-author Elizabeth Warren at The Obermann Summer Seminar: *Borrowing to the Brink: Consumer Debt in America*. The University of Iowa. Iowa City, Iowa.
- “The Damage of Debt: Effects of Severe Indebtedness on Children and the Parent-Child Relationship.” Paper presented at the Harvard & University of Texas-Austin Joint Conference on Reality in Commercial Law. Austin, Texas.
- 2008 “Gender, Debt, and Consumer Bankruptcy: The Research and Policy Implications.” Panel discussant for *Gender & Public Policy: Progress, Stalled Revolution or Backlash?* Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. Portland, Oregon.
- “Dumped On by the World: Explorations of Debtors’ Anger Prior to Filing for Personal Bankruptcy.” Paper presented at the Harvard & University of Texas-Austin Joint Conference on Reality in Commercial Law. Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- 2006 “Just Prior to Personal Bankruptcy: Privations of America’s Most Indebted Families.” Paper presented at The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Montreal, Canada.
- 2005 “Chapter 13 Bankruptcy: Families’ Final (and often futile) Efforts to Save Their Homes.” Paper presented at The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- “Going Broke and Staying Broke: Chapter 7 Bankruptcy and the Realities of the Fresh Start.” Joint Harvard-Texas Conference on Commercial Law Realities. Austin, Texas. Paper presented by co-author Katherine Porter.
- 2004 “Just How Clean is the Slate? Reduced Life Chances After Personal Bankruptcy.” Paper presented at The Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. San Francisco, California.
- 2003 “Anything But Bureaucratic Procedure: How Bankrupt Debtors Experience the Section 341 Hearing.” Paper presented at the Feelings and Memories Conference, Department of Women and Gender Studies, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2002 “When Birds of a Feather Simply Refuse...Tactics Employed by Bankrupt Debtors to Distinguish Themselves and Lessen the Stigma of Financial Insolvency.” Paper presented at The Society of the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Chicago, Illinois.
- “Is Debt a Social Problem? Personal Bankruptcy Across the Lifespan.” Paper presented at Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting. Chicago, Illinois.
- 2001 “We’re Not Bad People and We’re Not Deadbeats: How Bankrupt Debtors Manage their Stigma and Spoiled Identity.” Paper presented at a special session of the American Sociological Association annual meeting. Anaheim, California
- “Bankruptcy Reform: Curtailing Access, Cultivating Divorce.” Paper presented at the Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. San Francisco, California.
- 1998 “Paths of Paradox: Consequences of Working-Class Women’s Upward Social Mobility.” Paper presented at American Sociological Association annual meeting. San Francisco, California.
- 1997 “Working-Class Women’s Upward Social Mobility: Consequences for Parental and Sibling Relations.” Paper presented at Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. San Diego, California.
- 1996 “When Mothers Matter: Gender, Social Origins, and the Reproduction of Social Class.” Paper presented at Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. Seattle, Washington.

INVITED LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- 2011 Guest Lecture, "Bankrupt Debtors and Financial Education." Symposium on Insolvency and Financial Literacy Research, Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
Guest Lecture, "When Mom and Dad File for Bankruptcy: The Real Monster Under the Bed—The Effects of Bankruptcy on Children and the Parent-Child Relationship." University of Illinois Law School. Champaign, Illinois.
- 2010 Invited Panelist, "Aging in America: It's Risky Business." National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, New Orleans, Louisiana. (Due to family illness, I was unable to attend.)
----- American Bankruptcy Institute podcast. Discussion of forthcoming chapter, "Debtor's Assessments of Bankruptcy Financial Education."
----- Women's and Gender Studies Colloquium, "Gendered Labor, Damaged Marriages: Debt Management in Financially Distressed Families," Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
- 2009 Guest Lecture, "Adverse Health Consequences of Financial Distress," The University of Iowa, University Hospital. Iowa City, Iowa
----- Guest Lecture, "Negative Wealth (Debt), Young Adults, and Reduced Life Chances," University of Akron, Graduate Student Government Second Annual Colloquium, "The Importance of Graduate Education for the 21st Century." Akron, Ohio
- 2008 Invited Panelist, "Is Bankruptcy the Real Answer? Moral and Ethical Issues Attorneys (Should) Face When Deciding if Bankruptcy is in the Client's Best Interest," 2008 American Bankruptcy Institute Chicago Consumer Bankruptcy Conference. Chicago, Illinois
----- Invited Panelist, "Wealth Creation Beyond Homeownership," 2008 Community Development Policy Summit of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio
----- Invited Commentator: "Reality in Commercial Law." Joint Conference, Harvard University and University of Texas. Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 2007 Invited Commentator: "Credit Scores, Reports, and Working Families." The Annie E. Casey Foundation, The Brookings Institution, and the Center for Financial Services Innovation. Washington, D.C.
----- Invited Commentator: "Economic Transformations of American Families and Businesses." Joint Conference, Harvard University and University of Texas. Austin, Texas
----- "Families in Bankruptcy: Causes and Externalities." Presentation to the Department of Consumer Science, The Ohio State University. Columbus, Ohio
----- "The Relationship Between Personal Bankruptcy and Illness or Injury." Presentation to Advocates for Healthcare Reform, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
- 2006 "Students and Credit Card Debt." Presentation to Ohio University Residential Life In-service, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
----- Invited Commentator: "Empirical Realities in Economic Transformations." Joint Conference, Harvard University and University of Texas. Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 2005 "The Relationship Between Personal Bankruptcy and Illness or Injury." Presentation to Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
----- "Credit and Debt." Presentation to Resident's Life Peer Professional Staff In-service Program, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
- 2004 "Indebtedness." Presentation to Resident's Life Peer Professional Staff In-service Program, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
----- "Reduced Life Chances After Bankruptcy." Presentation to Honors Tutorial College-Sociology Program, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
- 2003 "The Research of Personal Bankruptcy." Presentation to Honors Tutorial College-Sociology Program, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio
- 2002 "The Research of Personal Bankruptcy." Presentation to Honors Tutorial College-Sociology Program, Ohio University. Athens, Ohio

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY THROUGH LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL MEDIA

- 2011 Interviews:
WOSU radio, Columbus, Ohio (May)
Detroit Free Press (January)
- 2010 Interviews:
The Wall Street Journal (October)
Reuters (August)
Salon (June)
Geo (French equivalent of *National Geographic*) (June)
Women's eNews (June)
Women's eNews (May)
WOUB-TV, *NewsWatch*, Athens, Ohio (February)
- 2009 Interviews:
WOSU radio, Columbus, Ohio (November)
USA Today (article printed in November)
Providence Journal, Providence, Rhode Island (August)
Radio Popolare, Italian Nation Radio, Italy (June)
Gazette.Net: Maryland Community Newspapers Online, Maryland (June)
WSUI radio, *The Exchange*, Iowa City, Iowa (June)
National Public Radio: *Tell Me More*, Washington, D.C. (June)
The Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio (June)
WOUB-TV, *NewsWatch*, Athens, Ohio (June)
WOSU radio, Columbus, Ohio (June)
WTAM radio, Cleveland, Ohio (June)
The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon (May)
New York Times, Invited commentator to the blog: "Room for Debate: A Running Commentary on the News: Credit Card Wars: A Penalty for Thrift?" (May)
WCPN, *Sound of Ideas*, Cleveland, Ohio (May)
WOUB-TV, *NewsWatch*, Athens, Ohio (April)
WTAM radio, Cleveland, Ohio (March)
WOSU radio, Columbus, Ohio (March)
ABC World News with Charles Gibson (February)
- 2008 Interviews:
National Public Radio: *Marketplace* (December)
The Seattle Times, Seattle, Washington (November)
Boston Globe, Boston, Massachusetts (October)
National Public Radio: *Planet Money* (October)
Prime magazine, Spokane, Washington (September)
WSYX ABC News, Columbus, Ohio (August)
The Post, Athens, Ohio (July)
National Public Radio: *Morning Edition* (July)
The Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio (June)
U.S. News and World Report (June)
Courier Journal, Louisville, Kentucky (May)
Sandusky Register, Sandusky, Ohio (April)
The Athens News, Athens, Ohio (April)
WOUB-TV, *NewsWatch*, Athens, Ohio (January, March, April)
WOUB-TV, *Athens MidDay*, Athens, Ohio (January)

- 2007 Interviews:
New York Times (December)
WOUB-TV *NewsWatch*, Athens, Ohio (November)
CBS Evening News (October)
MSNBC, Seattle, Washington (August)
Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Sarasota, Florida (July)
The Press-Enterprise, Los Angeles (May)
The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio (May)
BankRate.Com (April)
USA Today (January)
WOSU, Columbus, Ohio (January)
- 2006 Interviews:
Documentary on healthcare costs: *Bully Boys: Empire in the Sand* (October)
San Diego Union Tribune (September)
The Athens Messenger (June)
Chillicothe Gazette (May)
Atlanta Journal-Constitution (March)
The Athens News (February)
Perspectives: Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity at Ohio University ((January)
Consumer Reports (January)
Christian Science Monitor (January)
Orlando Sentinel (January)
“These Days” on KPBS San Diego (January)
ABC World News Tonight (January)
- 2005 Interviews:
San Antonio Express News (December)
Chicago Magazine (December)
Newsday (November)
US News & World Report (November)
WOUB2 TV, *Athens Mid-Day News* (October)
Christian Science Monitor (October)
Chattanooga Times and Free Press (October)
The New York Times Magazine (September)
Chicago Tribune (September)
Newsday (September)
Cincinnati Post (September)
CNN with Lou Dobbs (September)
Newsday (August)
WOUB TV, Athens OH (August)
The Globe and Mail (June)
WATH/WXTQ Radio Interview, Athens OH (May)
Scripps Howard News Service (April)
Baltimore Sun (March)
The New York Times (March)
Orlando Sentinel (March)
National Public Radio: *Sound Money* (February)
- 2004 Interviews:
Cincinnati Enquirer, Cincinnati, Ohio (June)
The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio (May)

The Athens News, Athens, Ohio (May)
The Wall Street Journal (April)
People Magazine (April)
SmartMoney.Com (February)

- 2003 Interviews:
Arkansas Democrat Gazette, Little Rock Arkansas (December)
National Public Radio: *Sound Money* (November)
ABC News, *Money Scope* (June)

EXPERT TESTIMONY

- 2005 Expert Testimony for Fact Finding Hearing, “Are Ohio’s Hospitals Living Up to Their Non-profit Status”? Ohio Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio. Invited by Representative Barbara Sykes.
----- Expert Analysis for Media Conference, “Bankruptcy in Ohio,” Conference appearance with Senator Marc Dann

TEACHING WORKSHOPS

- 2005 Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
----- Public Speaking in the Classroom Workshop, Ohio University
2004 International Conference on Critical Thinking, Palo Alto, CA
2003-05 Critical Thinking Faculty Learning Community, Ohio University
2003 Richard Paul Critical Thinking Workshop, Ohio University
----- Significant Learning Experience Workshop, Ohio University
----- Student Assessment Workshop, Ohio University
2002 Richard Paul Critical Thinking Workshop, Ohio University
----- College Teaching 101, Ohio University
----- The Active Learning Series: *Engaging Learners in the Classroom: Cooperative and Collaborative Learning*, Ohio University
----- The Active Learning Series: *Engaging Learners in the Classroom: Problem-Based Instruction*, Ohio University
----- The Active Learning Series: *Engaging Learners in the Classroom: Case-Based Instruction*, Ohio University

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- 2011-12 Sociology Curriculum Committee, Chair
2010-11 Sociology Curriculum Committee, Co-chair
2009-10 Sociology Curriculum Committee Member
2008-10 Sociology Library Committee Liaison
2005-08 Sociology Undergraduate Advising Coordinator
2003-08 Regional Campus Coordinator
2002-08 Sociology Curriculum Committee Member
2003-08 Technology Committee Member
2004-07 Budget and Merit Committee Member
2006 Member of Search Committee for faculty position
2005 Member of Search Committee for faculty position
2003-05 Sociology Undergraduate Advising Co-Coordinator
2003-04 Planning and Leaves Committee Member
2002 Alternate Chapter Advisor, Alpha Phi Sigma, Criminal Justice Honor Society

COLLEGE SERVICE

- 2009-12 Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee
- 2009-12 Arts and Sciences Faculty Development Committee
- 2004-08 Arts and Sciences Awards Advisory Committee Member

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2010-12 Glidden Visiting Professorship Award Committee
- 2009-10 Panelist: "Questions, Concerns & Hopes about being a TA at OHIO," 2009 Ohio University New Teaching Assistant Orientation. Sponsored by Center for Teaching Excellence and the Office of the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies.
- 2006-10 University Judiciaries Hearing Board Member
- 2007-09 Faculty advisor for University College
- 2006-09 Common Reading Project Selection Committee Member
- 2005-09 Affiliated Faculty Member, Women's Studies Program
- 2005 Panelist: "Questions, Concerns & Hopes about being a TA at OHIO," 2005 Ohio University New Teaching Assistant Orientation. Sponsored by Center for Teaching Excellence and the Office of the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2006-07 Chairperson, Lee Founders Award Committee. The Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2006-07 Program Committee Member. The Society for the Study of Social Problems.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2008 Member: Save Our Homes Taskforce, Subcommittee of Fairfield County Housing Coalition, Lancaster, Ohio
- 2005 Guest Lecture: "Bankruptcy and Illness and Injury." Peace and Justice Committee Health Care Forum, Christ the King Catholic Church, Athens, Ohio
- 2000 Instructor: "Credit When Credit Is Due" Debt Management Program. Consumer Credit Counseling Service, Spokane, Washington.
- Matching funds grant for Garfield Dollars for Scholars Foundation, Garfield, Washington. \$2,000.
- 1999 President and Organizer: Garfield Dollars for Scholars Foundation. "Cheesecake for College" Scholarship. \$25,000. Garfield, Washington.