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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

California State University East Bay, (San Francisco Bay Area) Hayward, CA
Assistant Professor, Sociology & Social Services, 2015- present

Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Galloway, NJ
Visiting Assistant Professor, School of Social and Behavioral Science, 2014-2015

University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR
Visiting Assistant Professor, Sociology Department, 2013-2014

EDUCATION

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA, USA
Ph.D. Sociology. Minor in Women and Gender Studies, 2013
Huel D. Perkins Fellowship, 2009
Dissertation: *Educating for Environmental Justice: Social/Environmental Marginality and the Significance of Experiences for Environmental Activism and Proenvironmental Behavior*
Dissertation Committee: Sarah Becker, Sociology
Troy Blanchard, Sociology
Susan Dumais, Sociology
Maud Walsh, Plant, Environmental & Soil Sciences

M.A. Sociology, 2011
Thesis: *Our School at Blair Grocery (OSBG): a Case Study in Promoting Environmental Action through Critical Environmental Education*

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, CAN
M.A. Psychology, 2007
Thesis: *Expressing Tonal Closure in Music Performance: Auditory and Visual Cues*

California State University East Bay, Hayward, CA, USA
M.A. Music, (*expected Spring 2020*)
Final Project: *3 piano sonatas and a Sonata for Clarinet, Cello, and Piano*

Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA, USA
B.A. Music (piano concentration, minor: Psychology), 2005

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social/Emotional Learning • Intersectionality and Identity (Race/Class/Gender/Sexuality) • Feminist Theory/Pedagogy
Environmental Sociology • Sociology of Education • Sociology of Childhood (Parenting) • Qualitative Methodology

COURSES TAUGHT

Potential Courses

Intro to Sociology (Principles)	Sexuality and Society	<i>Self and Society</i>	<i>Stratification and Poverty</i>
Social Problems	Sociology of Education	<i>Qualitative Methodology</i>	<i>Sociology of Emotions</i>
Race and Ethnic Relations	Soc of Childhood (Parenting)	<i>Sociological Theory</i>	<i>Contemporary Theory</i>
Environment and Society	Music Sociology	<i>Introduction to Statistics</i>	
Gender and Society	Social/Emotional Learning		

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018 Earl Career Faculty Research Support- 6 WTU of assigned time each year for research
- 2017 Faculty Support Grant- Mini Grant-Adulthood and the Student Role- \$4040
- 2017 Faculty Diversity and Inclusion Grant- \$1500
- 2016 Quarterly Grant for Innovation in Instruction- Overload pay + \$138 for Curriculum Materials
- 2014 "Gardens and Community Engagement: measuring the success of the AtlantiCare Growing Green program"- \$2000
- 2013 "Supporting 'The Locals': a service learning opportunity between La Lucha Space and UCA students"- \$1,536
- LSU Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Award
- Nominated for Graduate Student Teaching Award
- Nominated for Distinguished Dissertation of the Year Award
- 2011 Louisiana State University- Huel D. Perkins Diversity Fellowship- 4 Year- \$20,000/yr-
- 2005 University of Toronto- Graduate Assistantship- 2 Year- \$13,500/yr
- 2000 Loyola University New Orleans- Ignatius Scholar- 5Year- \$33,000/yr

PUBLICATIONS (all materials available upon request)

- Ceaser, D. (2018b). "Why I Came to OSBG": the SLEs of Environmental Justice Youth at Our School at Blair Grocery. *Race, Gender & Class*, 25(1/2), 147-165.
- Ceaser, D. (2018a). "Because the Ego Started to Grow Bigger than the Project Itself": a Case Study of Founder's Syndrome on an Educational Community of Practice. *Ethnography and Education*, 13(4), 459-476.
- Ceaser, D. (2015). Significant Life Experiences (SLEs) and Environmental Justice: Positionality and the Significance of Negative Social/Environmental Experiences. *Environmental Education Research*, 21(2), 205-220.
- Ceaser, D. (2014). Unlearning Adulthood at Green Shoots: a Reflexive Ethnographic Analysis of Age Inequality within an Environmental Education Program. *Ethnography and Education*, 9(2), 167-181.
- Ceaser, D. (2012). Our School at Blair Grocery (OSBG): a Case Study in Promoting Environmental Action through Critical Environmental Education. *Journal of Environmental Education*, 43(4), 209-226.
- Ceaser, D., W. Thompson, and F. Russo. (2009). Expressing Tonal Closure in Music Performance: Auditory and Visual Cues. *Canadian Acoustics* 37(1).

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Ceaser, D. Adulthood and the Student Role. Sole author publication. To be submitted to *Sociology of Education*.
- Ceaser, D. (2019) Social/Emotional Workbook. A collection of sourced self-help and mindfulness meditation material. (to be published for my teaching use).
- Ceaser, D. The Environmental Identity of the Urban Farmer: a New Orleans Case Study.
- Ceaser, D. The education of the commuter student: important nuances and deviations from the college student experience.
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PRESENTATIONS

- Ceaser, D. Race, Gender & Class and Environmental Experiences: Interrogating Intersectionality and Environmental Identity. Session Organizer and Panelist. Presented at Race, Gender, Class Conference. New Orleans, LA. Feb. 2017.
- Ceaser, D. Why I came to OSBG”: The significant life experiences of environmental justice youth at Our School at Blair Grocery. Presented at Race, Gender, Class Conference. New Orleans, LA. Feb. 2017.
- Ceaser, D. Because the Ego Grew Larger Than the Project Itself”: a case study of founder’s syndrome and its effects on an educational community of practice. Presented at Ethnography and Qualitative Research Conference. Las Vegas, NV. Tuesday, Jan. 31. 2017
- Ceaser, D. Sustainability in the classroom: addressing adultism and other inequalities. Presented at Affinity Hire Speaker Series, April 22, 2016.
- Ceaser, D. and Maha Bayan. Gardens and Community Engagement: Measuring the Success of the AtlantiCare Growing Green Program. Presented at Eastern Sociological Society (ESS). Boston, Mass. Mar. 2016.
- Ceaser, D. Why I Came to OSBG: The SLEs of Environmental Justice Youth at Our School at Blair Grocery. Presented at Race, Gender & Class Conference. New Orleans, LA. Mar. 2014.
- Ceaser, D. Unlearning Adultism at Green Shoots: a Reflexive Ethnographic Analysis of Age Inequality within an Environmental Education Program. Presented at Ethnography in Education Research Forum. Philadelphia, PA. Feb. 2014.
- Ceaser, D. Adultism at OSBG: an Autoethnographic analysis of age inequality at an Urban Farming School. Accepted to ASA Roundtable on Agency and Voice among Children and Youth. New York, NY. May 2013.
- Ceaser, D. Adultism at OSBG: an Examination of Age Positionality and Institutional Age Discrimination at an Urban Farming School. Presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference. Atlanta, GA. Apr. 2013.
- Ceaser, D. and D. Asay. Examining the Relationship between Environmental Behavior and Civic Engagement: An OSBG Critical Education Case Study. Presented at Mid-South Southern Sociological Association. Mobile, AL. Nov. 2012.
- Ceaser, D. Significant Life Experiences and Environmental Justice: Positionality, and the Significance of Different Social/Environmental Experiences. Poster presented at Sociology in the 21st Century Symposium. Louisiana State University. Baton Rouge, LA. Sept. 2012.
- Ceaser, D. Significant Life Experiences and Environmental Justice: Positionality, and the Significance of Different Social/Environmental Experiences. Accepted to ASA Roundtable on Race, Gender and Class- Social Justice and Memory. Denver, CO. Aug. 2012.
- Ceaser, D. The Environmental Identity of the Urban Farmer: a New Orleans Case Study of Urban Farming Environmental Identifications. Presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference. New Orleans, LA. Mar. 2012.
- Ceaser, D. Significant Life Experiences and Environmental Justice: Positionality, Situated Knowledges, and the Significance of Different Social/Environmental Experiences. Presented at Race, Gender & Class Conference. New Orleans, LA., Mar. 2012.
- Ceaser, D. Critical EE at OSBG: a Case Study in Promoting Environmental Action Through Critical Environmental Education. Presented at NAAEE. Raleigh, NC., Oct 2011
- Ceaser, D. Investigating Black Gay Men: Negotiating Intersecting Identity and the Role of Race within Gay Political Economy. Presented at Race, Gender & Class Conference. New Orleans, LA., Mar. 2011
- Ceaser, D. Planting Seeds: the Role of Activism in a Substantive Structured Environmental Education. Presented at Mid-South Southern Sociological Association. Baton Rouge, LA., Oct. 2010.
- Ceaser, D. Green Gentrification: Examining the Relationship between Environmental Attitudes and Development in Sustainable Development. Presented at American Sociological Association CUSS Roundtable. Atlanta, GA., Aug. 2010.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2018	3rd Annual CSUEB Queer Conference- Byron Katie’s The Work for Healing
2017-now	Queer-Straight Alliance Faculty Liason
2016	Affinity Hire Lecture Series- Teaching for Sustainability- Adultism and other Inequalities
2016	Teaching While Queer. Organizer and Panelist.
2016	Alice Goffman- CSUEB Faculty and Staff Book Club- Ethnography Panel Speaker
2015-now	Kaleidoscope Mentor (mentorship program for African American freshmen)
2015	Affinity Hire- Sustainability and Diversity

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2019 Job Hire (Social Policy)- Hiring Committee Chair
2019 Advisor to Anthony Martin- Paper project on Disability
2017- now Serving on CLASS Curriculum Committee, 2 Job Hire Committees,
2017 Session Organizer of *Environmentalism and Intersectionality* panel at Race, Gender, & Class 2017
2016- now Reviewer for *Ethnography and Education, Youth & Society*
2014-2017 Managing Editor, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*
2014 Moderator of *Environmentalism and Intersectionality* panel at Race, Gender & Class Conference 2014
2013 Reviewer for *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography, Ethnography and Education*
2009-2010 Graduate Student Association- Head of Program Chair Committee

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Sociological Association
Pacific Sociological Association

California Sociological Association
Southern Sociological Association

REFERENCES

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OTHER NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

Accomplished Classical Pianist (First Place: Frank Hanley 2009, Alcorn State 2013)

Nov. 2013, University of Central Arkansas- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JKeAS-JskGw&list=PLi5-o9QBzsb6jg5cp90gsK1_16KBS0B55

Speaks German (4 years), French (7 years), Spanish (2 years)

Self-taught amateur painter, urban farmer, surfer, and meditation instructor (Bodhisattva name : Mountains and Rivers).

Currently finishing 3rd master's degree in classical music composition. (Glenn Glasow Graduate Fellowship Award 2019)

Clips of recent performances of my work- <https://youtu.be/FPxQNO31yB0>