

# Curriculum Vitae

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**Current Position:** Associate Professor, Eastern Kentucky University

## **Education:**

**2000 Ph.D. in Sociology**

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Dissertation:

Missionary Identities and Identification: North American Missionaries in Korea, 1884-1934

**1994 A.M. in Sociology**

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**1987 B.S. in Sociology *magna cum laude***

Grand Valley State College

## **Scholarly Interests:**

Sociology of Religion and Family; Historical Sociology; Demography; East Asian Studies.

## **Teaching Philosophy:**

I am fully committed to the importance of quality undergraduate teaching for all students. Moreover I believe in bringing a full range of life-experiences into the classroom to engage in and broaden the views of students.

## **Courses Taught:**

Demography  
Introduction to Sociology  
Introductory Social Research  
Racial and Ethnic Minorities  
Sociology of Family  
Sociology of Religion  
Honors Seminar

## **Publications:**

- 2004 *Challenged Identities: North American Missionaries in Korea, 1884-1934.*  
Royal Asiatic Society, Korea Branch, Seoul, Korea
- 2003 Travel in Korea: Missionary Encounters at the Turn of the Twentieth Century  
*Transactions of the Royal Asiatic Society, Korea Branch* 78: 3-19.
- 1995 Review of *Social Sources of Church Growth: Korean Churches in the  
homeland and Overseas*, by Gil Soo Han. *Contemporary Sociology*.

## **Paper Presentations:**

“Miracles vs. Modernity: Contested Images of Korean Christianity”  
Presented at the annual meeting of the American Church History Society,  
Atlanta, January, 2007.

“Framing Korean Christianity” Presented to the annual meeting of the Yale-  
Edinburgh Group on the History of the Missionary Movement and Non-Western  
Christianity. New Haven, July, 2005.

“ ‘Keeping the Shadows for Home Consumption:’ Missionary Messages from  
Korea in the Early Twentieth Century” Presented at the annual meeting of the  
North Central Sociological Association, April, 2005.

“Society and Culture in missions history in Korea” Presented at Seoul Jang-Sin  
University, Seoul, Korea September, 2003.

“Behind the Portraits: Lessons Learned in the Search for Horace Underwood,”  
invited paper presented at the “*Christ and Korea*” conference at New Brunswick  
Theological Seminary, April 8, 2003.

“Untangling Missionary Narratives” Presented at the NEAC – Korea Studies  
Conference, *Beyond the Nationalist Narrative*, UCLA. April 18-22, 1996.

“The Effects of Fathers’ Involvement on Change in Mothers’ Parenting After Separation.” Presented at the *Southern Demographic Association Annual Meetings*. Atlanta, GA. October 20-22, 1994

**Fellowships, Grants and Honors:**

Graduate College Dissertation Writing Fellow, University of Illinois, 1997-1998  
Fulbright Fellow (Korea), 1996-1997.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Grant, University of Illinois, 1995-1996.

North East Asian Council, Association for Asian Studies, Travel Grant, 1994.

Graduate Student Paper Award, Dept. of Sociology, University of Illinois, 1994

University Fellow, Dept. of Sociology, University of Illinois, 1990-1991.

Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, 1986.

Outstanding Senior in Behavioral Sciences, Grand Valley State College, 1986.

**Other Research and Teaching Experience:**

Research Data Analyst, Dept. of Consumer and Family Sciences, University of Illinois, 1993-1995.

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Sociology, and Center for African Studies,  
University of Illinois, 1990-1993.

Research Intern, Project Rehab, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1984.

English Language Instruction and Media Production, Seoul, Korea, 1980.

**Other Professional Experience:**

Reviewer for *The Sociological Quarterly*, 1994-1995.

Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, 1993-1994.