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Associate Professor, Sociology
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2003 Michigan State University, Sociology
Dissertation: Setting the Standard: Competing Values in the South African Red Meat Industry.
- M.A. 1997 Michigan State University, Sociology
Thesis: Bringing Bodies Back In: The Construction of Female Athletes in Intercollegiate Cross Country Running.
- B.A. 1994 Western Carolina University, Sociology & Political Science, magna cum laude

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- 2012-Present University of Richmond, Associate Professor of Sociology
- 2006-2012 University of Richmond, Assistant Professor of Sociology
- 2005-2006 AAAS Diplomacy Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Science & Technology Policy Fellowship Program, Washington, D.C., International Trade Specialist, Food and Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- 2003-2005 University of Richmond, Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology
- 2002-2003 The College of William and Mary, Department of Sociology, Visiting Instructor
- 2001-2002 Old Dominion University, Women's Studies Department, Visiting Instructor
- 1997-2002 Michigan State University, Department of Sociology, Summer Instructor
- 1994-2000 Michigan State University, Department of Sociology and Institute for Food and Agricultural Standards, Research Assistant
- 1994 Michigan State University, Department of Sociology, Teaching Assistant

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Globalization and development (Southern Africa); Political economy of agriculture and food systems; Social studies of science and technology (especially in relation to the agriculture and food); Gender, social change & development; Sociology of sport

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Ransom, E. with C. Baily and L. Jensen, Editors. 2014. *Rural America in a Globalizing World: Problems and Prospects for the 2010s*. Morgantown, WV: West Virginia University Press. Forthcoming 2014.

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles:

Ransom, E. and W. Wright. 2013. "Constructing Culinary Knowledge: Food and Agricultural Change in Community Cookbooks." *Food, Culture & Society*, 16 (4): 669-689.

Ransom, E. 2011. "Botswana's Beef Global Commodity Chain: Explaining the Resistance to Change." *Journal of Rural Studies* 27 (4): 431-439.

Ransom, E. and C. Bain. 2011. "Gendering Agricultural Aid: An Analysis of Whether International Development Assistance Targets Women and Gender." *Gender and Society* 25(1): 48-74.

Sage Publications Podcast: Authors Elizabeth Ransom and Carmen Bain discuss their article, "Gendering Agricultural Aid: An Analysis of Whether International Development Assistance Targets Women and Gender." [Download MP3](#)

Bain, C., E. Ransom, M. Worosz. 2010. "Constructing Credibility: Using Technoscience to Legitimate Strategies in Agrifood Governance." *Journal of Rural Social Sciences* 25(3): 160-192.

Malope, P., and E. Ransom. 2009. Awareness and the perceived effects of the New Livestock and Meat Industries Act of 2006: a case study of Kgatleg and Kweneng districts, Botswana. *Livestock Research for Rural Development*. Volume 21, Article #169. Retrieved October 28, 2009, from <http://www.lrrd.org/lrrd21/10/malo21169.html>.

Ransom, E. 2007. "The Rise of Agricultural Animal Welfare Standards as Understood Through a Neo-Institutional Lens." *International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture and Food* 15 (3): 26-44.

Wright, W. and E. Ransom. 2005. "Stratification on the Menu: Using Restaurant Menus to Examine Social Class." *Teaching Sociology* (3): 310-316.

Wright, W., E. Ransom and K. Tanaka. 2005. "The 'All-American Meal': Constructing Confidence in the Case of BSE." *Illness, Crisis, and Loss* 13 (2): 95-115.

Middendorf, G., M. Skladany, E. Ransom, and L. Busch. 1998. "New Agricultural Biotechnologies: The Struggle for Democratic Choice." *Monthly Review* 50 (3): 85-96.

Guest Editor:

Ransom, E. C. Bain, and V. Higgins. 2013. "Private Agri-food Standards: Supply Chains and the Governance of Standards." Introduction to an edited collection of articles in *International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture and Food*. 20(2): 20(2): 147-154.

Bain, C., E. Ransom and V. Higgins. 2013. "Private Agri-food Standards: Contestation, Hybridity and the Politics of Standards." Introduction to an edited collection of articles in *International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture and Food*. 20(1): 1-10.

Friedland, B., E. Ransom, S. Wolf. 2010 "Agrifood Alternatives and Reflexivity in Academic Practice." Introduction to an edited collection of articles in *Rural Sociology*. 75 (4): 532-537.

Book Chapters:

Tanaka, K., and E. Ransom. 2007. "Networks of Actions, Agency of Networks: The Cases of New Zealand and South Africa in the Global Red Meat Chain." Pp. 247-272 in Wynne Wright and Gerad Middendorf (Eds.), *The Fight Over Food: Producers, Consumers, and Activists Challenge the Global Food System*. Pennsylvania State University Press, Rural Studies Series. (Peer-reviewed)

Ransom, E. 2006. "Defining a Good Steak: Global Constructions of What is Considered the Best Red Meat." Pp. 159-175 in Jim Bingen and Lawrence Busch (Eds.), *Standards and the Shape of our Global Food and Fiber System*. Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Springer.

Busch, L., E. Ransom, T. McKee, G. Middendorf, and J. Chesebro. 2006. "Paradoxes of Innovation: Standards and Technical Change in the Transformation of the US Soybean Industry." Pp. 137-155 in Jim Bingen and Lawrence Busch (Eds.), *Standards and the Shape of our Global Food and Fiber System*. Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Springer.

Middendorf, G., M. Skladany, E. Ransom, and L. Busch. 2002. "New Agricultural Biotechnologies: The Struggle for Democratic Choice." Pp. 373-383 in Carole M. Counihan (Ed.), *Food in the USA*. New York: Routledge [Reprint].

Middendorf, G., M. Skladany, E. Ransom, and L. Busch. 2000. "New Agricultural Biotechnologies: The Struggle for Democratic Choice." Pp. 107-124 in *Hungry for Profit: The Agribusiness Threat to Farmers, Food, and the Environment*. Fred Magdoff, John Bellamy Foster, and Frederick H. Buttel (Eds.) New York: Monthly Review Press [Reprint].

Ransom, E. 1999. "Creating 'Uniformity': The Construction of Bodies in Women's Collegiate Cross Country." Pp. 183-206 in Jeffery Sobal and Donna Maurer (Eds.), *Interpreting Weight: The Social Management of Fatness and Thinness*. New York: Aldine de Gruyter.

Ransom, E., L. Busch, and G. Middendorf. 1998. "Can Cooperatives Survive the Privatization of Research?" Pp. 75-94 in Steven A. Wolf (Ed.), *Privatization of Technology and Information Transfer in US Agriculture*. Boca Raton, Florida: CRC Press, Inc.

Book Reviews:

Ransom, E. 2012. Review of E. Shapiro, *Gender Circuits: Bodies and Identities in a Technological Age* (Routledge). *Gender and Society* 26(1): 144.

Ransom, E. 2008. Review of J. A. Thomson, *Seeds for the Future: The Impact of Genetically Modified Crops on the Environment* (Cornell University Press). *Food and Foodways* 16 (1): 88-92.

Ransom, E. 2008. Review of P. Gibbon and S. Ponte, *Trading Down: Africa, Value Chains, and the Global Economy* (Temple University Press). *Rural Sociology* 73(2): 311-315.

Research Reports, Encyclopedia Articles, Trade Journal Publications:

Ransom, E. 2010. "Food Safety and Football in South Africa." In *Agriculture and Food: The E-newsletter of the ISA Research Committee on Agriculture and Food*, May 2010, 4(1): 2-4.

Ransom, E. 2009. Contributing author, "Chapter 2: Changes in Agriculture and Food Production in NAE Since 1945" in *Agriculture at a Crossroads, Volume IV: North America and Europe (NAE) Report*, International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development, edited by B. D. McIntyre, H. R. Herren, J. Wakhungu, and R. T. Watson. Washington, D.C.: Island Press.

Duster, T. and E. Ransom. 2008. "One Thing to Do About Food: A Forum." In Stephen P. Reid, *The Prentice Hall Guide for College Writers, Eighth Edition*. New Jersey, Prentice Hall. [Reprint].

Middendorf, G., E. Ransom and L. Busch. 2008. "Current Issues in Agricultural Science and Technology Policy." In *Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems*. UNESCO and EOLSS Publishers, Oxford, UK, <http://www.eolss.net> , pp. 1-20 [Reprint].

Ransom, E. 2007 "Voices From The Future: Constructing a New Rural Sociological Society For The 21st Century." *The Rural Sociologist*. 27 (4, December): 30-31.

Ransom, E. and T. Duster. 2006. "A Slice of Life" in *Thinking outside the Lunchbox*, The Center for Ecoliteracy, October 2006 News. <http://www.ecoliteracy.org/news/index.html>

Duster, T. and E. Ransom. 2006. "One Thing to Do About Food: A Forum" in *The Nation*, September 11, 2006. <http://www.thenation.com/doc/20060911/forum/3>

Middendorf, G., E. Ransom and L. Busch. 2002. "Current Issues in Agricultural Science and Technology Policy." In *Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems*. UNESCO and EOLSS Publishers, Oxford, UK, <http://www.eolss.net> , pp. 1-20.

Ransom, E., L. Busch, and T. McKee. 2000. *Soybeans: Major Trends and Opportunities for Farmers and Processors*. East Lansing: Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, Research Report 571.

Institute for Food and Agricultural Standards. 2000. "Markets, Rights and Equity: Food and Agricultural Standards in a Shrinking World: Recommendations from an International Workshop." E.Lansing, MI: IFAS and Michigan State University Extension. <http://www.msu.edu/%7Eifas/downloads/FoodAg.pdf> [Busch, Middendorf, and Ransom are co-authors].

Ransom, E., Gerad M., and L. Busch. 1998. "Biotechnology and Agricultural Cooperatives: Choices and Challenges for Managers and Members." Research Report of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station. January, No. 552. East Lansing: Michigan State University. <http://www.msue.msu.edu/msue/imp/modrr/rr552098.html>

Ransom, E., G. Middendorf, and L. Busch. 1996. "Biotechnology and Agricultural Cooperatives: Implications of the New Plant Biotechnologies." *Rural Cooperatives* 63(2): 8-10.

Ransom, E., G. Middendorf, and L. Busch. 1996. "Biotechnology and Agricultural Cooperatives: Implications of the New Animal Biotechnologies." *Rural Cooperatives* 63(3): 15-17.

Ransom, E. 1996. "Strategic Silences: An Introduction Into the Silences Surrounding African-American Women as Athletes" in Ruth Simms Hamilton (ed.), *Writing Race, Politics, and Social Structure: A Selected Anthology of Graduate Seminar Papers on the Sociology of Race*. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University.

Middendorf, G., E. Ransom, and L. Busch. 1996. "Biotechnology and Agricultural Cooperatives: Implications of the New Food Biotechnologies." *Rural Cooperatives* 63(3): 18-22.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AWARDS

External

- 2005-2006 *AAAS Diplomacy Fellow*, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Science & Technology Policy Fellowship Program, Washington, D.C.
- 2002 Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Travel Grant, supports travel for graduate students and junior scholars to the 4S annual meetings, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2000 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant Societal Dimensions of Engineering, Science and Technology (S&T): Ethics and Values Studies, Research on S&T Division. Title of Proposal: "Setting the Standard -- Competing Values in the South African Red Meat Commodity Chain." (\$12,000) with L. Busch

Internal

- 2012 University of Richmond Research Grant. (\$5,800)
- 2012 University of Richmond Travel Grant. (\$1,200)
- 2009 University of Richmond Research Grant. (\$4,000)
- 2008 University of Richmond Travel Grant. (\$1,200)
- 2007 University of Richmond Research Grant. (\$10,060)
- 2007 University of Richmond Faculty Summer Stipend. (\$5,000)
- 2000 Dissertation Support Grant, College of Social Science, Michigan State University. (\$5,000)
- 1999 CASID, Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship, study the isiZulu language. (\$11,000)
- 1998 MSU/Ford Predissertation Grant Program for Social Science Fieldwork. (\$3,000)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

University, Academic Conference Presentations:

Invited Speaker, "Feast and Famine: Inequalities in the Global Food System" Stone Lectures, Beloit College, November 20, 2013.

Invited Speaker "The High Costs of Cheap Food" for Bonner Center for Civic Engagement Brown Bag Discussion Series with Amy Treonis, Department of Biology, University of Richmond, February 22, 2013.

Invited Plenary Presentation, "Including the Excluded? An Analysis of International Agricultural Development Assistance Focus on Marginalized Populations, 1978-2008" for the Food Security and Environmental Crisis Symposium at the 13th World Congress of Rural Sociology, Lisbon, Portugal, July 30, 2012.

Invited Speaker, “Rural Impact of Transformations of Red Meat Production in Southern Africa” presented at the School of History, Technology and Society, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, April 4, 2011.

Invited Speaker, The Globalization of “Safe”: Hygiene Standards in South Africa and Botswana’s Red Meat Industries. Invited Presentation, Office of International Research, Education, and Development and the Animal Science Department, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. October 28-29, 2008.

Technical, Policy, Applied Presentations:

Invited Participant and Presenter, Presented “Standards in Global Agriculture and Food Trade: Studying Botswana, Namibia and South Africa’s Beef Commodity Chains” for the workshop “Reconciling Livestock Health and Wildlife Conservation Goals in Southern Africa: Strategies for Sustainable Economic Development,” Sponsored by Southern African Development Community Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADS) Project and Wildlife Conservation Society’s Animal & Human Health for the Environment and Development (AHEAD) Programme. Gaborone, Botswana, November 13-16, 2012.

Invited Presentation, “The Challenge of World Hunger: Opportunities and Strategies for Sustainable 21st Century Agriculture in Sub-Saharan Africa” for the Educating People of Faith: Personal Choices, Agricultural Sustainability and the 21st Century Challenge of World Hunger, a conference sponsored by the Committee on Stewardship of Creation of the Episcopal Church Diocese of Virginia and the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Richmond, Virginia, September 29, 2012

Guest Expert on Wisconsin Public Radio’s “The Kathleen Dunn Show,” April 30, 2012.

Invited Speaker, “Food Deserts in Richmond, Virginia” presented to the Bonner Scholar Program, University of Richmond, March 12, 2012.

Invited Speaker, “The Future of Food in a Global Society” presented at Appomattox Regional Governor's School for the Arts and Technology, Petersburg, Virginia, October 27, 2010.

Invited Plenary Speaker, “Agricultural Animal Diseases in a Globalized Food System: Implications for Southern Africa” presented at the Agricultural Without Borders: Creating Knowledge and Partnerships Across Disciplines and Across the World, United States Agricultural Information Network (USAIN) Conference. West Lafayette, Indiana, Purdue University, May 10, 2010.

Invited Keynote Speaker, UR Phi Sigma Iota International Honor Society inductions, March 24, 2009.

First Novelist Award Panelist, Virginia Commonwealth University, Sixth Annual First Novelist Award, November 16, 2007. Award winner Peter Orner for *The Second Coming of Mavala Shikongo*, 2006. New York, NY: Little, Brown and Company.

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Sociology	Feast and Famine: Inequalities in the Global Food System
Deciphering a Meal – First Year Seminar	Science, Technology & Society
Research Methods	Comparative Sociology
Sociological Theory	Comparative Studies in Gender and Work
Sport and Society	Gender in Nonwestern Cultures
Race and Ethnicity	Sex and Gender
Complex Organizations	Women, Sport and Society
Youth and Society	Women in a Global Perspective

TEACHING AND MENTORING HONORS

- 2012 *Mentor to Westhampton College Distinguished Leader Awardee*, (14 graduating Westhampton seniors selected annually) University of Richmond, February 23, 2012
- 2011 *Faculty recognition*, Omicron Delta Kappa, Epsilon Circle, University of Richmond, March 17, 2011
- 2009 *Invited Honorary Coach*, UR Women's Basketball Team, November 16, 2009
- 2008 *Invited Professor*, University of Richmond Women in Learning and Leadership Program Annual Dinner, 2008
- 2005 *Invited Professor*, University of Richmond Women's Track Team at the Annual Student-Athlete Celebration, 2005

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*University of Richmond students)

- Ransom, E. 2013. "Diverse Actors and Heterogeneous Spaces: Controlling Agricultural Animal Disease in Global Trade." Presented at the Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S), San Diego, CA, October 9-12, 2013.
- Ransom, E. and C. Bain. 2013. "From Food Security to Food Sovereignty: What is the Role of Agricultural Development Assistance?" Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, New York, NY, August 6-9, 2013.
- Ransom, E. and C. Bain. 2012. "Including the Excluded? An Analysis of International Agricultural Development Assistance Focus on Marginalized Populations, 1978-2008." Presented at the 13th World Congress of Rural Sociology, Lisbon, Portugal, July 31, 2012.
- Ransom, E. and C. Bain. 2011. "Aiding the Decline?: Smallholder Agriculture and Development in Africa." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, Boise, Idaho. July 2011.
- Ransom, E. and W. Wright. 2011. "Constructing Culinary Knowledge: Food and Agricultural Change in Community Cookbooks." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, Boise, Idaho. July 2011.
- Ransom, E. 2010. "Disciplining Actors in the Global Agrifood System: Agricultural Animal Disease Control in Southern Africa." Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia. August 2010.

- Ransom, E. and C. Bain. 2010. "Gendering Agricultural Aid: An Analysis of Whether International Development Assistance Targets Women." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia. August 2010.
- Ransom, E. 2010. "Safe Meat for Whom? An Exploration of the Consequences of Food Safety Regulations in Southern Africa." Presented at the International Sociological Association World Congress, Gothenburg, Sweden. July 2010.
- Ransom, E. 2009. "Analyzing Scripts and Assessing Change: Knowledge Cultures in Botswana's Livestock Sector." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, Madison, Wisconsin. July 2009.
- Ransom, E., J. Huffines*, T. Yamaguchi. 2009. "Cross-Cultural Regulation: An Analysis of Pesticide Regulation in the U.S. and Japan." Presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia. February 2009.
- Ransom, E. 2008. "Re-Localizing the Global Meat Industry." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society Meetings, Manchester, New Hampshire. July 2008.
- Ransom, E. 2008. "Multifunctionality and Network Governance in the Botswana Livestock Sector." Presented at the International Rural Sociological Association World Congress, Seoul, S. Korea. July 2008.
- Ransom, E. and M. Phillips.* 2008. "Blowing the Whistle on Collegiate Basketball Refereeing: Sex Segregation in the Workplace." Presented at the Southern Sociological Society, Richmond, VA. April 2008.
- Ransom, E. and M. Phillips.* 2008. "Blowing the Whistle on Collegiate Basketball Refereeing: Sex Segregation in the Workplace." Presented at the Women's Studies Works in Progress XIII, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. April 2008.
- Ransom, E. 2006. "Agricultural Animals and Trade: Paradoxes of Animal Welfare Standards in Global Agri-Food Trade." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society, Louisville, KY. August 2006.
- Ransom, E., W. Wright, and K. Tanaka. 2005. "Science, Politics, and the American Case of B.S.E.: Media Constructions of Science and Risk." Presented at the Rural Sociological Society, Tampa, Florida. August 2005.
- Ransom, E. 2003. "Defining a Good Steak: Global Constructions of What is Considered the Best Red Meat." Presented at the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA. August 2003.

Tanaka, K., E. Ransom, and C. Bain. 2003. "Networks of Actions, Agency of Networks: The Cases of New Zealand and South Africa in the Global Red Meat Chain." Presented at the RC-40 (International Sociological Association's Research Committee on the Sociology of Agriculture) Mini-Conference: "Resistance and Agency in Contemporary Agriculture and Food: Empirical Cases and New Theories." Mini-conference held at the annual meetings of the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society, Austin, TX. June 2003.

Ransom, E. 2002. "Standards and Science in the Red Meat Industry of South Africa." Presented at the Society for the Social Studies of Science, Milwaukee, WI. November 2002.

Ransom, E. 2001. "Does 'The' Consumer Exist?: Fact and Fiction in Defining the Elusive Consumer." Presented at the meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Albuquerque, NM. August 2001.

Ransom, E. 1999. "A Preliminary Investigation of Changes in Grades and Standards within the Fruit and Meat Industries of South Africa." Presented at the meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Chicago, IL. August 1999.

Busch, L., E. Ransom, G. Middendorf, T. McKee and J. Chesebro. 1998. "Paradoxes of Innovation: Standards and Technical Change in the Transformation of the US Soybean Industry." Presented at the meetings of the International Sociological Association XIV World Congress of Sociology, Montreal, Canada. July 1998.

Worosz, M., E. Ransom, R. Deshazor. 1998. "Vineworks: The Networks of a Wine Commodity Chain." Presented at the meetings of the International Sociological Association XIV World Congress of Sociology, Montreal, Canada. July 1998.

Ransom, E., G. Middendorf, L. Busch. 1997. "Biotechnology and Agricultural Cooperatives: Choices and Challenges for Managers and Members." Presented at the meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, Canada. August 1997.

Ransom, E. 1997. "The Normalization of Disordered Eating Among Female Athletes." Presented at the meetings of the Agricultural, Food, and Human Values Society and the Association for the Study of Food and Society, Madison, Wisconsin. July 1997.

Ransom, E., G. Middendorf, J. Lynch-Brandon, and L. Busch. 1995. "Biotechnology and its Effects on Cooperatives." Presented at the meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Washington D.C. August 1995.

MANUSCRIPT AND GRANT REVIEWS

Editorial Board Member, *Rural Sociology*, 2011-2013

Associate Editor, *Renewable Agriculture and Food Systems*, 2013-2016

Reviewer for the following journals:

Agriculture and Human Values (2004, 2007, 2009, 2012)

Food Policy (2009, 2012)

Gender & Society (2010, 2013)
International Journal of Agriculture and Food Systems (RC-40) (2004, 2005)
Journal of Rural Social Sciences (2010)
Journal of Rural Studies (2012, 2013)
Political and Legal Anthropology Review (2012)
Rural Sociology (2008, 2010, 2012)
Southern Rural Sociology (2009)
Qualitative Sociology (1996)

Grant Reviews:

National Science Foundation, Science, Technology, and Society Program Reviewer (2009, 2010)

Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship Reviewer (2012, 2013)

Panel member for U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture Programs on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaption in Agriculture (2013)

Panel member for U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture Programs on Sustainable Bioenergy Research (2012)

Reviewer for Book Proposals and Manuscripts:

Book proposal, Routledge, EGN Genetics & Society Book Series, Cardiff University Managing Editor (2011)

Book Manuscript, *The Sociology of Food and Agriculture*, Oxford, United Kingdom: Earthscan (2011)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE (UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND)

Chair, Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2012-13.

Co-Chair, End of Year Celebration for Department of Sociology and Anthropology, and Criminal Justice program, 2010-present.

Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society Chapter Representative, 2011 – present.

International Study Abroad SIT Co-Advisor, 2010 – present.

Interim International Study Abroad SIT Advisor, 2007–2009.

Undeclared Student Advising, 2007 – present.

Major Advising, 2007 – present.

Member, Athletics Council (previously Faculty Athletic Committee), August 2008 – 2011.

Member, Athletic Excellence Working Group, 2010-2011.

Chair, NCAA Student-Athlete Transfer Appeal Hearing, 2011.

Co-Chair, Sociology & Anthropology Department Speaker Series, 2009-2011.

Campus Fulbright Interviews Committee member, fall 2010.

Hiring Committee Member and Diversity Advocate, Department of Sociology, fall 2008.

Outside Committee Member for Geography Hiring Committee, fall 2006.

STUDENT RESEARCH SUPERVISION & THESIS ADVISEMENT (UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND)

Jasper Gunn, IDST Major, Thesis Title: *Permaculture and Intersectional Social Justice: Agrifood, Nature Religions, and the Problem of Appropriation*, Secondary Advisor. Primary Advisor: L. McWhorter, Secondary Advisor: E. Ransom. 2012-2013.

Long Trinh, Sociology Honors, Thesis Title: *Masculinity in the Virtual World of Video Game: A Question of Agency*, Primary Advisor: J. Hass, Secondary Advisor: E. Ransom. 2012-2013.

Carly Vendegna Ramirez, Center for Civic Engagement Burhans Civic Fellowship, Mentor. Internship with Growing Power, Chicago, Illinois. 2009.

Josh Huffines, Department of Sociology, University of Richmond, Arts & Sciences Summer Research Fellowship. 2008.

Marion Phillips, Department of Sociology, University of Richmond. Research Practicum 2008. "Blowing the Whistle on Discrimination: Analysis of Discrimination Toward Basketball Referees." Phillips presented her research at the A&S Undergraduate Student Symposium, University of Richmond, April 18, 2008.

Emily Jenchura, Psychology Department, Thesis title: *Visual Cues in Highlighting Underdogs*. Primary Advisor: S. Allison, Secondary Advisor: E. Ransom. 2007-08.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND RECENT SERVICE

- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
 - 2012-2015 RSS Representative to AAAS, Section K: Social, Economic and Political Sciences
- The American Sociological Association (ASA)
- International Rural Sociological Association (IRSA)
 - 2008-2012; 2012-2016, Council Member (elected for two terms)
- International Sociological Association's Research Committee on the Sociology of Agriculture (RC-40)
- Rural Sociological Society (RSS)
 - 2013-2016, RSS Secretary, Elected
- Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)
 - 2013, Co-Organized with Tomiko Yamaguchi "Defining "Safety" Constructions of Safe Food, Water and the Environment," two sessions.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Advisory Board Member, Voice to the World, Richmond, VA, 2011

Board Member for Habitat for Humanity, Lansing, Michigan, 1998 – 2000, (Vice President 2000)

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Work Crew Leader, Lansing, Michigan, 1995-2000

Assistant Coach, 5th Grade Boys Basketball team, Haslett, Michigan, 1997-1999

Graduate Assistant Coach, Michigan State University's Women's Cross Country Team, 1994-1997

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR RESEARCH

2012	Botswana, Namibia
2009	Botswana, South Africa, Namibia
2007	Botswana, South Africa, Namibia
2000-2001	South Africa
1998	South Africa