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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Learning Health Sciences University of Michigan Medical School	2018-present
Visiting Assistant Professor Oxford College of Emory University	Fall 2017
Postdoctoral Fellow Northwestern University	2015-2017
Adjunct Lecturer Oxford College of Emory University	Spring 2015

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego Sociology & Science Studies	Ph.D., 2015
University of California, San Diego Sociology	M.A., 2011
Emory University Psychology & Linguistics, <i>summa cum laude</i>	B.A., 2007

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Mentorship Award ❖ Undergraduate Honors Program, Department of Sociology, UC-San Diego	2015
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2010-2013
UCSD Department of Sociology Summer Research Grant (Competitive)	2012, 2013
Visiting Scholar, Centre for the Study of Knowledge, Expertise, Science Cardiff University, Wales	2011

PUBLICATIONS

Vinson, Alexandra H. (2016). "Constrained Collaboration: Empowerment Discourse as Resource for Countervailing Power." *Sociology of Health & Illness*, 38(8):1364-1378.

PEER-REVIEWED PROCEEDINGS:

Vinson, Alexandra H., Pryce Davis & Reed Stevens (2017). "Problem Solving in Engineering Education & Professional Engineering Work." *Proceedings of the 2017 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference & Exposition.*

Vinson, Alexandra H., Pryce Davis & Reed Stevens (2017). "Learning to Anticipate the User in Professional Engineering Work." *Proceedings of the 2017 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference & Exposition.*

Davis, Pryce, Alexandra H. Vinson & Reed Stevens (2017). "Informal Mentorship of New Engineers in the Workplace." *Proceedings of the 2017 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference & Exposition.*

Vinson, Alexandra H. & Reed Stevens (2016). "Staying in or Getting Out: The Relationship Between Undergraduate Work Exposure and Job Satisfaction after Graduation." *Proceedings of the 2016 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference & Exposition.*

Stevens, Reed & Alexandra H. Vinson (2016). "Institutional Obstacles to Ethnographic Observation in Engineering Industry." *Proceedings of the 2016 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference & Exposition.*

WORKING PAPERS

Available by request.

TEACHING

University of Michigan	Independent Study (Graduate-level): Qualitative Methods	Fall 2018
	Qualitative Methods Workshop	Aug 2018
	❖ Masters of Health Professions Education	
	Guest Lecture: Overview of Qualitative Methods	Sept 2018
	❖ Health Infrastructures and Learning Systems (MA/PhD)	
Emory University	Introduction to Sociology	Fall 2017
	Class/Status/Power	Fall 2017
	Introduction to Sociology	Spring 2015
	Social Aspects of Health & Illness	Spring 2015
	Language, Mind & Society (Linguistics Capstone Seminar)	Spring 2015
UC-San Diego	Qualitative Interviewing Methods	Winter 2014
	Introduction to German, 1Bx	Winter 2010
	Introduction to German, 1A	Fall 2009

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

2018 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting**
"Imagining the Social in a Learning Health System." Sydney, Australia.

American Sociological Association (ASA) 2018 Annual Meeting
"Short White Coats: Knowledge, Identity and Status Negotiations of First-year Medical Students."
Philadelphia, PA.

- 2018 **International Sociological Association (ISA) 2018 World Congress**
 “Constrained Collaboration in Patient Consumerism.” Toronto, Canada.
- 2017 **American Sociological Association (ASA) 2017 Annual Meeting**
 “Doing Empathy in the Clinical Encounter.” With Kelly Underman. Montreal, Canada.
- Interim Conference on Professions and Professionalism, International Sociological Association**
 “The Semiotics of the Short White Coat.” Oslo, Norway.
- American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) 2017 Annual Conference & Exposition**
 “Problem Solving in Engineering Education & Professional Engineering Work.” With Pryce Davis & Reed Stevens. Columbus, OH.
- American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) 2017 Annual Conference & Exposition**
 “Learning to Anticipate the User in Professional Engineering Work.” With Pryce Davis & Reed Stevens. Columbus, OH.
- Fourth Conference on the Leader Engineer, University of Toronto**
 “Becoming a working engineer: Uncertain pathways and personal dilemmas about learning, belonging, and identification.” With Reed Stevens. Toronto, Ontario.
- Couch-Stone Symposium (Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction)**
 “Sowing SI Seeds Across the Subfields.” Milwaukee, WI.
- 2016 **Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction (SSSI) 2016 Annual Meeting**
 “Doing Empathy in the Clinical Encounter.” With Kelly Underman. Seattle, WA.
- American Sociological Association (ASA) 2016 Annual Meeting**
 “Parental Cultural and Social Capital at Child’s Occupational Launch: Informal Advantage in ‘Meritocratic’ Systems.” Seattle, WA.
- International Sociological Association (ISA) 2016 Meeting**
 “Physician Teachers as the Link Between the Medical Profession and Its Members.” Vienna, Austria.
- 2015 **American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting**
 “Cultivating ‘Work Devotees’ in Professional Socialization” Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting**
 “Coaxing & Coaching: Teaching medical students to effect an authoritative demeanor in patient interactions.” San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 **American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting**
 “‘Aren’t you also educating them about their expectations?’: Diagnosis & Patient Consumerism in Medical Education.” New York, NY.
- Institute for Advanced Studies, Austria**
 “Practice Theory and the Problem of Socialization: how to ‘go home’.” Vienna, Austria.
- 2012 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting**
 “Jedi Mind Tricks: Professional Tacit Knowledge & Teaching the ‘Art’ of Medicine.” Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Southern Association for the History of Medicine and Science (SAHMS) Annual Meeting**
 “The Doctor’s Orders: Physician Authority in an Age of Patient Empowerment.” Atlanta, GA.

2011 **“Making (In)Appropriate Bodies” Conference, University of Vienna**
“Making Doctors, Making Patients: Professional Socialization as Teaching
& Learning Appropriate Practices.” Vienna, Austria.

Seminar Series, Centre for the Study of Knowledge, Expertise, Science (KES)
“Jedi Mind Tricks & Professional Tacit Knowledge.” Cardiff University, Wales.

PANELS ORGANIZED

2017 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting**
“STS (In)sensibilities and Health Professions Education”
Co-organized with Kelly Underman (Drexel University) and Julia Knopes (Case Western
Reserve University)

2013 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting**
“Experts-in-Training: Professional Socialization in Medicine & STEM”
Co-chaired with Emily York (James Madison University)

INVITED TALKS (INTERNAL)

2018 **HS-STEM EXPERT Research Initiative**
“Adventures in the Field: Ethnographic Methods & Research Questions.”
Research and methods talk given for Health Sciences Informationists and STEM Librarians at Taubman
Health Sciences Library, Sept 12, 2018.

2017 **Northwestern Center for Engineering Education Research**
“Learning Ethnographies of New Engineers.” (with Reed Stevens & Pryce Davis)

2013 **Invited Colloquium Series, UC San Diego Department of Sociology**
“The First Patient: Becoming a Doctor in the Cadaver Lab.”

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department External Review, Graduate Representative (UC-San Diego)	2013-2014
Graduate Program Committee, Auxiliary Graduate Representative (UC-San Diego)	2013-2014
Graduate Program Admissions Committee, Graduate Representative (UC-San Diego)	2011-2012

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-founder, Sociology of Health Professions Education

❖ National interest group, founded with Kelly Underman (Drexel University) and
Laura Hirshfield (University of Illinois-Chicago)

Ad hoc Reviewer:	<i>Sociology of Health and Illness</i>	<i>Journal of Engineering Education</i>
	<i>Journal of Health & Social Behavior</i>	<i>Language, Discourse & Society</i>
	<i>Social Theory & Health</i>	

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association	2008-present
Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)	2012-present
International Sociological Association	2016-present
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction	2016-present