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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Learning Health Sciences Director, Medical Education Scholars Program University of Michigan	2018-present 2019-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

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

GRANTS & CONTRACTS

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (Role: Principal Investigator)
“Field Study of Care Innovation: Transforming Health Care Systems into Learning Networks”
(Awarded September 2018) - \$110,418

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Participant, RAND Summer Institute ❖ Competitively selected with scholarship	2018
Outstanding Undergraduate Mentorship Award ❖ Undergraduate Honors Program, Department of Sociology, UC-San Diego	2015
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2010-2013
Visiting Scholar, Centre for the Study of Knowledge, Expertise, Science Cardiff University, Wales	2011

PUBLICATIONS

- Vinson, Alexandra H. (*in press*). "Surgical Identity Play: The Anatomy Lab Revisited." *Symbolic Interaction*, DOI: 10.1002/SYMB.465.
- Vinson, Alexandra H. (2019). "Short White Coats: Knowledge, Identity and Status Negotiations of First-year Medical Students." *Symbolic Interaction*. DOI: 10.1002/SYMB.400.
- 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*.

REVIEWS:

- Vinson, Alexandra H. (*in press*). "Lesson Plans for Future Research on Professional Socialization." *Symbolic Interaction*, DOI: 10.1002/SYMB.456.

TEACHING

University of Michigan Medical School

Health Infrastructures and Learning Systems (MS/PhD) Program

Independent Study, Qualitative Methods
Independent Study

Fall 2018
Fall 2019

Guest Lectures:

Qualitative Methods (LHS 665)

Fall 2018, 2019

Masters of Health Professions Education Program

Subject Matter Expert: Personal & Community Development
Qualitative Interviewing Methods Workshops

2018-present
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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

- 2019 **American Sociological Association (ASA) 2019 Annual Meeting**
 “Surgical Identity Play: The Anatomy Lab Revisited.” New York, NY.
- Eastern Sociological Society: Health Professions Education in the 21st Century Mini-Conference**
 “‘Turning qualities into quantities’: Situational Judgment Tests in Medical School Admissions.”
 Boston, MA.
- 2018 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) 2018 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) 2017 Annual Conference & Exposition**
 “Informal Mentorship of New Engineers in the Workplace.” With Pryce Davis & Reed Stevens.
 Columbus, OH.
- Interim Conference on Professions and Professionalism, International Sociological Association**
 “The Semiotics of the Short White Coat.” Oslo, Norway.
- 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.

- 2016 **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

- 2019 **Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting**
“Rethinking Health Professions in the 21st Century: Innovations, Interruptions, and Regenerations”
Co-organized with Kelly Underman (Drexel University)
- Interim Meeting of the ISA RC52: Sociology of Professional Groups**
“Feeling professionalism: emotional aspects of professional identity”
- 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-organized with Emily York (James Madison University)

INVITED TALKS (EXTERNAL)

- 2019 **Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting**
Author Meets Critics Session: Judson Everitt, *Lesson Plans: The Institutional Demands of Becoming a Teacher*.
- 2018 **Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group**
“Short White Coats: Using Ethnography to Study Medical Student Knowledge & Identity Change”

INVITED TALKS (INTERNAL)

- 2019 **EXPERT Research Initiative, Health Sciences Informationists & STEM Librarians, University of Michigan**
“Making Sense of Qualitative Data”
- 2018 **EXPERT Research Initiative, Health Sciences Informationists & STEM Librarians, University of Michigan**
“Adventures in the Field: Using Ethnography to Study Medical Student Knowledge & Identity Change”
- 2017 **Northwestern Center for Engineering Education Research**
“Learning Ethnographies of New Engineers.” (with Reed Stevens & Pryce Davis)
- 2014 **Invited Colloquium Series, UC San Diego Science Studies Program**
“How to ‘Think Like a Doctor’: What the Cultural Competence Movement Can Teach Us About Class Socialization in Medical Education”
- 2013 **Invited Colloquium Series, UC San Diego Department of Sociology**
“The First Patient: Becoming a Doctor in the Cadaver Lab.”

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-founder & Leadership Team, Sociology of Health Professions Education Collaborative

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

Representative to the Board, Early Career Researchers and PhD Students, RC52 Sociology of Professional Groups, International Sociological Association (2019-2023)

Ad hoc Reviewer: *Sociology of Health and Illness*
Journal of Health & Social Behavior
Social Science & Medicine
Social Theory & Health
Journal of Engineering Education
Language, Discourse & Society
Learning Health Systems

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
American Society for Engineering Education	2016-2017