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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2020 – Present	University of Pennsylvania Visiting Scholar in Sociology
2017 – 2020	Franklin & Marshall College Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology
2014 – 2017	Hamilton College Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology

EDUCATION

2014	University of Pennsylvania Ph.D. in Sociology
2008	University of Pennsylvania M.A. in Sociology
2006	Cornell University B.A., Magna Cum Laude, College Scholar's Program

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Disability, Health and Illness, Aging;
Work and Organizations, Culture and Interaction, Institutions;
Ethnography, Qualitative Methods, Theory.

BOOK PROJECT

DiCicco-Bloom, Benjamin. *Beyond Disease and Difference: Autistic Adults among Family and Community* (Under Contract with Princeton University Press)

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2019 DiCicco-Bloom, Barbara and **Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom (equal authorship)**. “Secondary Emotional Labor: Supervisors Withholding Support and Guidance in Interdisciplinary Group Meetings in a Community Hospice Program.” *Work & Occupations* 46(3): 339-368.
- 2016 DiCicco-Bloom, Barbara and **Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom (equal authorship)**. “The Benefits of Respectful Interactions: Fluid Alliancing and Inter-Occupational Information Sharing in Primary Care.” *Sociology of Health & Illness* 38(6): 965-979.
- 2012 **DiCicco-Bloom, Benjamin** and Daniel Romer. “Poker, Sports Betting and Less Popular Alternatives: Status, Friendship Networks, and Male Adolescent Gambling.” *Youth & Society* 41(1): 141-170.
- 2010 **DiCicco-Bloom, Benjamin** and David R. Gibson (**equal authorship**). “More Than a Game: Sociological Theory from the Theories of Games.” *Sociological Theory* 28(3): 247-271. (Lead Article)

BOOK CHAPTERS & OTHER WRITING

- 2023 **Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom** and Barbara DiCicco-Bloom. “Talking Emotional Labor: Institutionalizing Emotional Support for Healthcare Workers.” Pp. 25-47 in *Transcending Crisis by Attending to Care, Emotion, and Flourishing*. M. Cottingham, R. Erickson, M. Lee (Eds.) New York: Routledge.
- 2023 **Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom**. “Review of Douglas W. Maynard and Jason Turowetz, *Autistic Intelligence: Interaction, Individuality, and the Challenges of Diagnosis*.” *Social Forces*, 101(4): e7.
- 2018 DiCicco-Bloom, Barbara and **Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom**. “Secondary Emotional Labor: The Implications of Supervisor Responses to Emotional Labor of Hospice Nurses.” *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management* 56(6): e61- e62 (Selected Abstracts from the 22nd Congress on Palliative Care).
- 2016 **DiCicco-Bloom, Benjamin**. “The Dynamics of Care: Communication, Management and Adults with Autism.” Pp. 233-247 in *Autism Spectrum Disorder in Mid and Later Life*. S. Wright (Ed.) London: Jessica Kingsley Press.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW & IN PROCESS

DiCicco-Bloom, Benjamin and David Yang (Student). “Dynamic Institutionalism: Grassroots Navigation of China’s Mandatory Retirement Rule.” (Under Review)

GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2016 – 2017 New York Six Liberal Arts Consortium Upstate-Global Collective Grant (from an award by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation). “Care and Support in Aging Communities, with a Focus on End-of-Life Care.” *Co-Principal Organizer* (with Carol Weisse) (\$52,000).
- 2014 – 2016 Faculty Research Grant, Hamilton College: 2014 (\$800); 2015 (\$800); 2016 (\$800).
- 2014 Graduate Student Paper Award, Disability Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems.
- 2013 Travel Grant, University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics (\$800).
- 2011 Travel Grant, University of Michigan Robert Wood Johnson Health & Society Program (\$800).
- 2008 - 2011 Otto and Gertrude K. Pollak Summer Research Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania: 2008 (\$3000); 2009 (\$4000); 2011 (\$2000).
- 2007 -2008 Summer Research Grant, Adolescent Communication Institute, Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania: 2007 (\$4000); 2008 (\$2000).
- 2007 Presidential Summer Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (\$2000).
- 2006-2011 Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (≈\$400,000).
- 2006 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

(* not present for presentation; ^ Canceled for Covid-19)

- 2020 “An Ethnographic Audit: Ableism, Consent, and Voice in a Study of Autistic Adults.” Thematic Session: Beyond Dreaming the Future of

Disability Research, Division of Disability. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA) August 7th.[^]

- 2018 Barbara DiCicco-Bloom & Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom*. “Secondary Emotional Labor: Supervisor Responses to Emotional Labor of Hospice Nurses.” *22nd International Conference on Palliative Care* (Montreal, Que., Canada) October 2nd.
- 2017 “Growth in Context: The Emergence of a Disability Frame in Accounts of the Development of Adults with Autism.” Thematic Session: Division of Disability; Health, Health Policy, and Health Services; and Society and Mental Health. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* Annual Meeting (Montreal, Que., Canada) August 11th.
- “Growth in Context: The Emergence of a Disability Frame in Accounts of the Development of Adults with Autism.” Roundtable: Section on Disability and Society. *American Sociological Association* Annual Meeting (Montreal, Que., Canada) August 15th.
- “Growth in Context: The Emergence of a Disability Frame in Accounts of the Development of Adults with Autism.” Open Session: Sensitizing STS Analyses of Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Society for Social Studies of Science* Annual Meeting (Boston, MA) September 2nd.
- Barbara DiCicco-Bloom & Benjamin DiCicco-Bloom*. “Secondary Emotional Labor: Supervisor Support vs. Non-Support of the Emotional Labor of Hospice Nurses.” Thematic Session: Section on Health of the Nursing Workforce. *Sigma Theta Tau* Biennial Convention (Indianapolis, IN) October 28th.
- 2015 “It Takes a Village: Communication and Management in Care for Adults with Autism.” Papers in the Round: Division of Health, Health Policy, and Health Services. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL) August 22nd.
- “It Takes a Village: Communication and Management in Care for Adults with Autism.” Regular Session: Section on Disability and Society. *American Sociological Association* Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL) August 22nd.
- 2014 “The Ambiguity of Deviance: Framing and Social Control among Caretakers of Adults with Autism.” Papers in the Round: Disability Division. *Society for the Study of Social Problems* Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA) August 16th.

- 2013 “The Absence of Prognosis in the Conceptualization of Autism.” Ethics Panel Session. *American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting* (San Francisco, CA) May 22nd.
- 2011 “The Everyday Experience of Families Raising a Child with Autism.” Poster session. *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars Symposium: Social Determinants of Child Health*, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) May 17th.
- “Autism: Families, the Making of a Diagnosis, and the Crisis of Adulthood.” Panel Presentation & co-led two Focus Groups. *Categories & Controversies: The Ethical Dimensions of the DSM V*, Conference hosted by *The Scattergood Program for the Applied Ethics of Behavioral Health*, University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics (Philadelphia, PA) September 16th.
- 2009 “Poker and its Less Popular Relatives: An Application of the General Theory of Status Relations to Adolescent Gambling among Males.” *14th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking* (Lake Tahoe, NV) May 26th.
- “More than a Game: Sociological Theory from the Theories of Games.” Regular Session: Theory Section. *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* (San Francisco, CA) August 10th.
- 2008 “Poker and Its Less Popular Relatives: High School Gambling and the General Theory of Status Relations.” *Inter-Ivy Sociology Symposium*, Princeton University (Princeton, NJ) March 29th.

INVITED TALKS

- 2020 “ ‘The Interviewee is the Expert,’ ...”
- Prof. Julia Szymczak, Qualitative Methods in the Study of Health, Disease and Medical Systems Course, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, February 26th.
- 2019 “ ‘The Interviewee is the Expert,’ ...”
- Prof. Julia Szymczak, Qualitative Methods in the Study of Health, Disease and Medical Systems Course, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, March 15th.

- Prof. Ksenia Gorbenko, Tools in Qualitative Research in Clinical and Translational Science Course, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, September 30th.

- 2018 “ ‘The Interviewee is the Expert,’ and Other Things I’ve Learned Doing Ethnography.” Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia, PA). Qualitative Methods in the Study of Health, Disease and Medical Systems, Graduate Seminar, Prof. Julia Szymczak, March 30th.
- 2017 “The Medicalization of Autism: Simplifications and Distortions of the Disease Narrative.” Temple University, Department of Sociology (Philadelphia, PA) January 24th.
- 2016 “The Dynamics of Care: Communication, Management and Adults with Autism, with a discussion of Ethnographic Methods.” SUNY Polytechnic Institute’s Sociology Program, 20th Annual Alpha Kappa Delta induction ceremony Honors Lecturer, (Utica, NY) April 14th.
- “Aging and Autism.” Union College, NY6 New York Global Collective Symposium on Care and Support in Aging Communities, (Schenectady, NY) June 14th.
- “The Medicalization of Autism: The Search for a Cure and the Challenges of Long-Term Support.” Kenyon College, Department of Sociology (Gambier, OH) November 17th.
- 2014 “The Ambiguity of Deviance: Framing and Social Control among Caretakers of Adults with Autism.” Hamilton College, Department of Sociology (Clinton, NY) April 8th.

HOME CAMPUS TALKS

- 2017 “The Medicalization of Autism: Simplifications and Distortions of the Disease Narrative.” Hamilton College, Department of Sociology (Clinton, NY) January 26th.
- 2016 “Autism in Adulthood.” Hamilton College, Panel Discussion hosted by HAAND and the Kelberman Center, (Clinton, NY) April 21st.
- 2015 “It Takes a Village: Communication and Management in Care for Adults with Autism.” Hamilton College, talk hosted by HAAND and the Kelberman Center, (Clinton, NY) April 14th.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Franklin & Marshall College

Courses:

Sociology 100: Introduction to Sociology (2017 F, 2018 S, 2x 2018 F, 2x 2019 F, 2x 2020 S)
Sociology/Women, Gender, Sexuality 371: Disability (2017 F, 2019 S)
Sociology/Public Health 371: Aging (2018 S)
Sociology/Public Health 374: Health & Illness (2019 S)
Sociology 490: Independent Study (2019 F, 2019 S, with David Yang)

Hamilton College

Courses:

Sociology 110: American Society (2014 F, 2015 F, 2016 F)
Sociology 216: Aging (2016 F)
Sociology 226: Health & Illness (2014 F, 2015 S, 2016 S, 2017 S)
Sociology 304: Into the Field: Ethnographic Methods (2015 S, 2015 F)
Sociology 357: Dependency (2014 F)
Sociology 372: Disability (2016 S, 2017 S)

Senior Theses Advised:

Samantha Levy - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2015
Katherine Bishop - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Emily Fisher - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Eliza Geeslin - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Steven Gross - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Maddison Hicks - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Ronald Sprague - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2016
Jose Olivares - Hamilton BA in Sociology, 2017

University of Pennsylvania

2009	TA, Introduction to Sociology (primary instructor: A. Lareau)
2008	TA, Introduction to Sociology (primary instructor: T. Nopper)
2008	TA, Media & Popular Culture (primary instructor: D. Grazian)
2007	TA, Sociological Research (primary instructor: D. Gibson)

PROFESSIONAL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Manuscript Referee Service

American Journal of Sociology; BioSocieties; Emotions and Society; International Journal of Financial Studies; Journal of Youth Studies; Social Science & Medicine; Vanderbilt University Press; Work & Occupations; Youth & Society.

Disciplinary Service

ASA Disability and Society Section, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, 2016

Institutional Service

Franklin & Marshall College

Invited Faculty Participant, Posse Plus Retreat. Spring 2018.

Hamilton College

Member of the CHAS Grant Faculty Workshop: “Faculty Development on Teaching Diverse First-Year Students.” Spring 2016.

University of Pennsylvania

Member of DSM-5 Working Group (University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics)—chaired by Dominic Sisti & Arthur L. Caplan. *Culminated in Conference: Categories & Controversies: The Ethical Dimensions of the DSM V* (see presentations). Fall 2010 – Fall 2011.

Africana Center Summer Institute, Graduate Fellow, Summer 2009; Summer 2010.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Sections: Disability Division; Division of Health, Health Policy, and Health Services; Division of Institutional Ethnography; Division of Youth, Aging, and the Life Course.

American Sociological Association

Sections: Aging and the Life Course; Disability and Society;
Medical Sociology; Organizations, Occupations, and Work;
Sociology of Culture.

REFERENCES

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