

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

2002	Ph.D.	Sociology, Fordham University
1997	M.A.	Sociology, Fordham University
1995	B.A.	Sociology and African American Studies, San Jose State University

SPECIALIZATIONS

Race and Ethnic Relations, Family, Gender, Education, Qualitative Methods,
Media and Popular Culture

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2009-Present	Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Hunter College/City University of New York
2005-2008	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Hunter College/City University of New York
2002-2005	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Eastern Connecticut State University
1998-2000	Senior Teaching Fellow, Department of Sociology, Fordham University

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2009 Chito Childs, Erica. *Fade to Black and White: Interracial Images in Media and Popular Culture*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica. *Navigating Interracial Borders: Black-White Couples and Their Social Worlds*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

Reprints

(2007) "Navigating Interracial Borders" (Eds.). Margaret L. Andersen and Patricia Hill Collins, *Race, Class, and Gender: An Anthology* 6th edition. Thomson Wadsworth

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2008 Chito Childs, Erica. "Listening to the Interracial Canary: Contemporary Views on Interracial Relationships Among Blacks and Whites," *Fordham Law Review*, 76: 2771-2786.
- 2006 Chito Childs, Erica. "State of the Discourse: Can We Ignore The Perspective of Black Women on Their Own Experience?" *Du Bois Review*, Volume 3 (2): 471-479.
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica. "Looking Behind the Stereotypes of the "Angry Black Woman": An Exploration of Black Women's Responses to Interracial Relationships." *Gender & Society*. Volume 19:4:544-561
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica and Eunice Matthews. "Divided We Stand: The Reality of Social Distance among Caucasian, Black and Latino Students at a Public Liberal Arts University," *The Griot*, Spring 2005, Pg. 40-57.
- 2002 Chito Childs, Erica. "Families on the color-line: patrolling borders and crossing boundaries." *Race and Society* 5: 139-161.
- 1999 Chito Childs, Erica. "Images of the Black Male: The Intersections of Race, Sexuality and Sports." *The Journal of African American Men*. Volume 4(3)

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- 2009 Chito Childs, Erica and Heather Dalmage. "Raising Biracial Children: The Experiences of Black Married Fathers," (Eds. Roberta Coles and Charles Green) *Dismissing the Myth: The Persistence of Black Fatherhood in America*. New York: Columbia University Press. (Forthcoming)
- 2009 Chito Childs, Erica; Stephanie Laudone and LaToya Tavernier. "Revisiting Black Sexualities and Families," (Ed. Sandra Barnes) *Black Sexualities: Probing Passions, Problems, and Policies*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press. (Forthcoming)
- 2006 Chito Childs, Erica. "Black and White: Family Opposition to Becoming Multiracial" Pp.233-248 in (Ed. David Brunsma) *Mixed Messages: Multiracial Identities in the 'Color-Blind' Era*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers.
- 2006 Chito Childs, Erica and Eunice Matthews. "Racial Divides on a Diverse Campus: An Exploration of Social Distance at a State Liberal Arts University." In (Ed. Robert Moore) *African Americans and Whites: Changing Relationships on College Campuses*. Lanham, MD: University Press of America.
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica. "Black-White Interracial Marriage and Families: Theory and Methods," Pp. 202-205 in (Eds. Peggy Dilworth Anderson, Katherine Allen, Vern Bengston, and Alan Acock), *Sourcebook of Family Theory and Research*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publication.
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica. "Between Black and White: Creating a Multiracial Community." Chapter in (Ed. John Myers) *Minority Voices: Linking Personal Ethnic History and the Sociological Imagination*. Allyn & Bacon.
- 2004 Chito Childs, Erica. "MULTIRACE.COM: The Promise and Pitfalls of Multiracial Cyberspace." in (Ed. Heather Dalmage) *The Politics of Multiracialism: Transforming, Transcending and Challenging Racial Thinking*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

Invited Book Reviews

- 2009 Chito Childs, Erica. Book review of *Making Multiracials: State, Family and Market in the Redrawing of the Color Line*. By Kimberly McClain DaCosta. *American Journal of Sociology*, Forthcoming.
- 2008 Chito Childs, Erica. Book review of *The Age of Independence: Interracial Unions, Same-Sex Unions, and the Changing Family*. By Michael J. Rosenfeld. *Contemporary Sociology* 37(4): 332-333.
- 2002 Chito Childs, Erica. Book review of *Beyond Black: Biracial Identity in America* By Kerry Rockquemore and David Brunσμα. *Race and Society*.
- 2000 Chito Childs, Erica. Book review of *Racial Categorization of Multiracial Children in Schools*. By Jane Ayers Chiong for *Transformations: A Resource for Curriculum Transformation and Scholarship*. Volume 11(1).
- 2000 Chito Childs, Erica. Book review of *Becoming and Unbecoming White: Owning and Disowning a Racial Identity*. (Eds.) by Christine Clark and James O'Donnell for *Transformations: A Resource for Curriculum Transformation and Scholarship*. Volume 1.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- 2009 Chito Childs, Erica. Playing the Color-Blind Card: Seeing Black and White in News Media, Paper presented at the American Sociological Association.
- 2008 Chito Childs, Erica. "Fade to Black and White: Interracial Images in America" Paper presented at the American Sociological Association.
- 2007 Chito Childs, Erica. "The Prime-Time Colorline" Paper presented at the Eastern Sociological Society.
- 2006 Chito Childs, Erica. "Navigating Interracial Borders" Paper presented at the XVI World Congress of Sociology, International Sociological Association, Durban South Africa.
- 2005 Chito Childs, Erica. "The Racial Politics of Interracial Couples: Sites of Racism and Anti-racism," Paper presented at the American Sociological Association.

- 2004 Chito Childs, Erica. "The Racial Politics of Interracial Couples: Sites of Racism and Anti-racism," Paper presented at the American Sociological Association.
- 2004 Chito Childs, Erica. "Images in Black and White: Popular Culture Depiction of Interracial Couples." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association.
- 2003 Chito Childs, Erica. "Multirace.com: The Promise and Pitfalls of Multiracial Cyberspace," Paper presented at American Sociological Association.
- 2002 Chito Childs, Erica. "The Racialization of Sexuality: Exploring the Views of White and Black Communities." Paper presented at American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2002 Chito Childs, Erica. "Selling-Out or Keeping It Real: Negotiating A Black Identity Within An Interracial Relationship." Paper presented at Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting.
- 2001 Chito Childs, Erica. "Constructing Interracial Borders: Multiple Narratives and Voices." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2000 Chito Childs, Erica. "Crossing the Color Line in the 21st Century." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2000 Chito Childs, Erica. "Interracial Images: An Analysis of Black-White Couples in Popular Film." Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting.
- 2000 Chito Childs, Erica. "Crossing (Inter) Racial Borders: Tales of Race, Sex and Research." Paper presented at the Couch-Stone Symposium of the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction.
- 1999 Chito Childs, Erica. "Interracial Sex and Marriage: An Issue of Culture and Identity." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 1999 Chito Childs, Erica. "Racial Identity and Interracial Relations: An Exploration of the Social Construction of Race." Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting.
- 1999 Chito Childs, Erica. "Culture of the Courts: The Construction of Race and Gender on the Outdoor Basketball Courts." Paper presented at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting.

- 1998 Chito Childs, Erica. "Interracial Relations and the Emotions: Toward a Theoretical Framework." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 1998 Chito Childs, Erica. "Images of the Black Male: The Intersections of Race, Sexuality and Sports." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 1998 Chito Childs, Erica. "Cultural Aspects of Interracial Relationships and Racial Identity." Paper presented at the Couch-Stone Symposium of the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2007-2008 PSC-CUNY Grant, "Kindergarten Tracks: An Ethnographic Look at African American Boys in Kindergarten."
- 2007 CUNY Faculty Fellowship Publication Program Associate
- 2006-2007 PSC-CUNY Grant "The Prime Time Color Line."
- 2006-2007 NSF Gender Equity Project Associate
- 2003-2004 Faculty Research Grant, Eastern Connecticut State University.
- 2000-2001 Research Grant, Fordham University Center for Ethics Education (co-sponsored by American Psychological Association).
- 2001 Rose Laub Coser Dissertation Award, Eastern Sociological Society.
- 2001 Association of Black Sociologists Graduate Student Paper Award.
- 1999-2000 Prestigious Senior Teaching Fellowship, Fordham University.
- 1998-1999 Prestigious Teaching Fellowship, Fordham University
- 1997 American Sociological Association Honors Program.
- 1996 Alpha Kappa Delta

TEACHING

Courses Taught

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| Sociology of the Family | Race and Ethnic Relations, |
| Introduction to Sociology | Contemporary Sociological Theory |
| Sociology of Popular Culture | Qualitative Research Methods |
| Focus Groups (graduate course) | Race and Multiculturalism in a Global Context (graduate course) |

SERVICE

Referee:

American Journal of Sociology	American Sociological Review
Gender and Society	Race and Society,
Sociological Forum	Social Forces
Symbolic Interaction	Rutgers University Press
Lynne Rienner Press	Palgrave
National Science Foundation	

National Service

2009-2010	Chair, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, <i>American Sociological Association</i>
2009	Program Committee, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting
2008-2010	Chair, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, <i>Society for the Study of Social Problems</i> .
2008-2009	Chair-Elect, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, American Sociological Association
2007-2009	Council Member, Section on Race, Class, Gender, American Sociological Association
2007	Program Committee, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting
2006-2008	Chair, Oliver Cromwell Cox Award Committee, American Sociological Association, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities.
2004-2007	Council Member, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, American Sociological Association.
2002	Session Co-Organizer (with Abby Ferber), "Interracial Sexuality and the Social Construction of Race." American Sociological Association.
2002	Session Organizer, "Interracial Marriage and The Black Community: Attitudes and Implications." Association of Black Sociologists.
2002	Panel Session Organizer, "Women, Work and Children." Sociologists for Women in Society.
2002	Professional Workshop Facilitator, "Timing Careers, Becoming Parents." American Sociological Association.

University and Departmental Service

2005-Present	Sociology Club Advisor, Hunter College/CUNY
2005-Present	Urban Lecture Series Planning Committee, Hunter College/CUNY

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association

Sections: Family; Latino/a Sociology; Race, Class and Gender; Racial and
Ethnic Minorities; Sex and Gender

Association of Black Sociologists

Eastern Sociological Society

New England Sociological Association

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Sociologists for Women in Society