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Academic Positions

The Ohio State University. Assistant Professor. September 2004 – Present

Education

- Ph.D. University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Sociology, August 2004
Dissertation: Beyond Segregation: Understanding How Interracial Churches Work.
- M.A. University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Sociology, July 2000
- B.S. Illinois Institute of Technology, Department of Civil Engineering, May 1994

Research and Teaching Interests

Race and Ethnicity
Sociology of Religion

Qualitative/Quantitative Research Methods
Social Stratification

Grants

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. “Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth” Principal Investigator: Kenneth J. Steinman. Co-PIs: Townsend Price-Spratlen, Elizabeth Cooksey, Linda James Myers and Korie L. Edwards. Funding from October 2003 through September 2007. \$1,093,309.

Louisville Institute. “Racialized Realities: Understanding the Lives of Black, White, Hispanic and Asian Youth in America.” Co-Principal Investigators: Brad Christerson, Richard Flory and Korie L. Edwards. Louisville Institute. Funding from January 2005 through April 2006. \$36,886.

Publications

Books

Edwards, Korie L. (Forthcoming). *Dream or Delusion: The Power of Race in Interracial Churches*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards and Michael O. Emerson. 2005. *Against All Odds: The Struggle for Racial Integration in Religious Organizations*. New York: New York University Press.

Articles and Chapters

Edwards, Korie L. (Forthcoming). "Religion and African-Americans" in *Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity, and Society*, edited by Richard T. Schaefer.

Lewis, Amanda, Maria Krysan, Sharon Collins, Korie Edwards, Geoff Ward. 2004. "Institutional Patterns and Transformations: Race and Ethnicity in Housing, Education, Labor Markets, Religion, and Criminal Justice" in *The Changing Terrain of Race and Ethnicity* edited by Maria Krysan and Amanda Lewis. New York: Russell Sage Foundation

Edwards, Korie, Katrina M. Carter-Tellison, and Cedric Herring. 2004. "For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Marital Status, and Spouses' Earnings" in *Skin Deep: How Race and Complexion Matter in the "Color-Blind" Era* edited by Herring, Cedric, Verna Keith, and Hayward Derrick Horton. Chicago: University of Illinois Press.

Book Reviews

Spring 2006. *Long March Ahead: African American Churches and Public Policy in Post-Civil rights America*, edited by R. Drew Smith. *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 104:371-373.

Forthcoming March 2007. *A Mosaic of Believers: Diversity and Innovation in a Multiethnic Church*. Gerardo Marti. *Review of Religious Research*.

Manuscripts Under Review

Edwards, Korie L. "Race, Religion, and Worship: Are African-American Worship Practices Distinct? (Revise and resubmit at *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*).

Edwards, Korie L. "Perceived Threat or Opportunities for Interracial Contact? A Closer Look at Racial Prejudice and Interracial Contact." (Under review at *Race and Public Policy*).

Edwards, Korie L. "Are Public Housing Residents the Catalyst for the Underclass?: An Examination of Race, Poverty and Public Housing." (Under review at *City & Community*).

Works in Progress

Christerson, Brad, Korie L. Edwards and Richard Flory. *Racialized Realities: Understanding the Lives of American Teens*.

Edwards, Korie L. "Left With Little Recourse: Gender and Power in the African-American Church."

Edwards, Korie L., Lisa Pearce and Youn Oki Lee. "Teenage Sex Stories: Exploring the Sexual Experiences of Religious Teenage Girls."

Edwards, Korie L. "Cross Cultural Research in American Religion."

Steinman, Kenneth, Jason Whitesel, Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsend Price-Spratlen and Korie L. Edwards. "Sexual Guilt among Religiously Active African-American Youth."

Cooksey, Elizabeth, Kenneth Steinman, Townsend Price-Spratlen and Korie L. Edwards. "Sexual Behavior among Religiously Active African-American Youth."

Steinman, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Jason Whitesel, and Korie L. Edwards. "Perceptions of Adolescent Sexuality in an African-American Faith Community."

Invited Presentations

Edwards, Korie L. "Negotiating the Job Market." Brown Bag Series Panel for Sociology Department at *University of Illinois at Chicago*, Chicago, IL 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. "Author Meets Critic" Session for *A Mosaic of Believers: Diversity and Innovation in a Multiethnic Church* by Gerardo Marti. *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Portland, OR, October 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. "Building Interracial, Multi-Cultural Religious Community," Speaker at the *Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly*, St. Louis, MO. 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. "Beyond Segregation: Understanding How Interracial Churches Work." Judson Baptist Church, Chicago, IL. 2004.

Edwards, Korie L. "Decently and In Order: Worship Style and Practices in an Interracial Church." Brown Bag Series for Sociology Department at *University of Illinois at Chicago*, Chicago, IL, 2003.

Presentations

Edwards, Korie L. "Is Being Christian Enough? Exploring Identity in an Interracial Church." Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Portland, OR: October 2006.

Steinman, Kenneth, Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Korie Edwards, and Linda Myers. "Sexual Guilt among Religiously Active African-American Youth." *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Annual Meeting*, Portland, OR, October 2006.

Steinman Kenneth, D. Murray, Alvina Kubeka, Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Korie Edwards, and Linda Myers. "Congregational Differences in Adolescent Religiosity and Positive Youth Development: Findings from 14 African-American

Churches.” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Annual Meeting*, Portland, OR, October 2006.

Steinman, Kenneth, Elizabeth Cooksey, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Korie Edwards, and Linda Myers. “Religiosity, Spirituality and Sexual Behavior Among Black Church Youth.” *Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association*, Boston, MA, November 2006.

Steinman Kenneth, Ronald Ryles, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Korie Edwards, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “The Promise and Challenge of Interdisciplinary, Faith-Based Campus-Community Partnerships: The Experience of Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth.” *Outreach Scholarship Conference*. Columbus, OH, October 2006.

Edwards, Korie L. “Exploring Racial Identity Among African-American and White Interracial Church Attendees: Material for Cross-racial Bridging?” Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting* (roundtable), Philadelphia, PA.: August 2005.

Edwards, Korie L. “Exploring Racial Identity Among African-American and White Interracial Church Attendees: Material for Cross-racial Bridging?” Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA.: August 2005.

Edwards, Korie L., Linda J. Myers, Kenneth J. Steinman, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Jovan Nicholas, and Jason Whitesel. “Conceptualizations of Religion and Spirituality among African-American Parents and Pastors and the Construction of Adolescent Attitudes and Behaviors.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*, Rochester, NY: November 2005.

Steinman, Kenneth, Townsend Price-Spratlen, Linda James Myers, Korie L. Edwards, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Congregations, Universities and the Promise of Collaborative Research: The Example of Columbus Congregations for Healthy Youth.” Paper presented at the *Addiction and Spirituality: Scientific, Theological, & Clinical Perspectives Conference* sponsored by Fetzer Institute and Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN: March 2005.

Edwards, Korie L. “Decently and In Order. Worship Style and Practices in an Interracial Church.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*. Kansas City, MO: October 2004.

Christerson, Brad L., Korie L. Edwards and Michael O. Emerson. “Struggle of Racial Integration in Religious Organizations.” Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*, Norfolk, VA: October 2003.

Edwards, Korie L. “The Effects of Perceived Threat and Opportunities for Interracial Contact on Interracial Friendship.” Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL: August 2002.

Edwards, Korie L. "Are Public Housing Residents the Catalyst for the Underclass?" Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL: August 2002.

Edwards, Korie L., Katrina Carter and Cedric Herring, "For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Self-Esteem and Spouses' Earnings." Paper presented at the *University of Illinois at Chicago Sociology Conference*: Chicago, IL: October 2002.

Edwards, Korie L. "African-Americans and Their Continuing Legacy of Activism and Protest." Paper presented at the *Third Annual Ethnography Conference*, Loyola University Chicago, IL: March 2001.

Herring, Cedric, Korie L. Edwards and Katrina Carter "For Richer, For Poorer, Whether Dark or Light: Skin Tone, Self-Esteem and Spouses' Earnings." Paper presented at the *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C.: August 2000.

Honors and Awards

First Prize Winner of 2002 *Association of Black Sociologists* Graduate Student Paper Competition. Chicago, IL, August 2002.

Illinois Consortium for Educational Opportunity Program (ICEOP) Fellowship
University of Illinois at Chicago, Fall 2000 – Present.

Abraham Lincoln Fellowship, University of Illinois at Chicago, Fall 1999 – Summer 2000.

Teaching Experience

Introduction to Sociology
Honors Introduction to Sociology
Race, Ethnicity and Religion Graduate Seminar
Race, Ethnicity and Gender in American Religion (Guest Lecturer)

Professional Service

Reviewer
American Sociological Review
Social Forces
Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion
Sociology of Religion
Review of Religious Research
Ethnoscapes: An Interdisciplinary Journal on Race and Ethnicity in the Global Context

Student Paper Award Committee (Chair). *Association of Black Sociologists*, 2005-Present.

Membership Committee (Member). *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 2004-2006.

Organizer. "Student Paper Awards." *Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting*, Montreal, QC, August 2006.

Presider. Open Refereed Roundtables. "Religion Roundtable." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL, August 2002.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
Association of Black Sociologists
Midwestern Sociological Society