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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Structural and Global Inequality (stratification of the world-economy, race and power); Sub-Saharan Africa (incorporation into modern capitalist system, Africa-China relations); Development (policies and theories, small island development, climate change, citizenship); Class Analysis (global class formation, worker precarity); Transnationalization; Community Health (socioeconomic disparities and air pollution exposure, the Inland Empire); Kalinago (pre-Columbian people in the Caribbean)

LANGUAGES: *English, French, Antillean Creole*

ACADEMIA

September 2019 to present

ASSISTANT PROJECT SCIENTIST, College of Engineering, Center for Environmental Research and Technology, *University of California, Riverside*

October 2017 to present

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, Institute for Research on World-Systems, *University of California, Riverside*
(**Grant:** Égalité des Chances – October 2017 to May 2018)

August 2019 to August 2020

VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY, *Pomona College*

January 2017 to October 2017

RESEARCH COLLABORATOR/DOCTORAL ASSISTANT, Institute of Sociology, *Université de Neuchâtel*

Spring 2015

VISITING GRADUATE STUDENT, Sociology Dept./Arrighi Center, *Johns Hopkins University*

EDUCATION

November 2013 to May 2018

PHD, SOCIOLOGY, Magna Cum Laude, Université de Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Thesis: *Global Economic Stratification and the Evolving Role of China in the Developing World*

Advisor: Prof. Christian Suter

August 2009

MA, POLITICAL SCIENCE, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland

Thesis: *Equality, Liberty, and Race: Tocqueville's Challenge*

Advisor: Prof. Biancamaria Fontana

May 2001

BACHELOR OF ARTS, GOVERNMENT, Claremont McKenna College, CA USA

Thesis: *The Welfare Reform Bill of 1996: Did it work?*

Advisor: Prof. Ward Elliot

June 1999

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS, GENERAL SCIENCE, Santa Monica College

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Sociology (*Pomona College* – Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
Qualitative Research Methods (*Pomona College* – Spring 2020)
Haiti: Past, Present and Future (Co-taught, *UC, Riverside* – Winter 2020)
Critical Perspectives on Globalization (*Pomona College* – Fall 2019)

SUPERVISED STUDENT PROJECTS

Exploring the sociopolitical dynamics of COVID19 pandemic coverage in the United States (Dan Tan and Kahaan Shah - Summer 2020; RAISE award); QRM using Quirkos

From Diversity to Inclusion: A critical race analysis of institutional inclusivity (Quentin Jenkins – Fall, Spring, 2020)

The OnlyFans Case: A Reexamination of Theoretical Conceptions of Pornography in the Age of Subscription-Based Social Media Platforms (Zachary von Behren – Summer 2020; RAISE award)

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn and Christopher Chase-Dunn. *Forthcoming 2020*. Mind the Gap! Clustered Obstacles to Mobility in Core/Periphery Hierarchy. In *Frontiers of Globalization Research: Theoretical and Methodological Approaches. 2nd Edition*. e.d. Ino Rossi. New York: Springer

Centeno, Miguel A., Christopher Chase-Dunn, Nitsan Chorev, Marilyn Grell-Brisk, Hiroko Inoue, Paul Larcey, Victoria Reyes, and Kristin Surak. 2020. For a Global Social Science. *Global Perspectives* 1(1): 1-8 <https://doi.org/10.1525/001c.11649>

Khanh Do, Haofei Yu, Jasmin Velasquez, Marilyn Grell-Brisk, Heather Smith, Cesunica Ivey. 2020. A data-driven approach for characterizing community scale air pollution exposure disparities in inland Southern California. *Journal of Aerosol Science*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaerosci.2020.105704>

Marilyn Grell-Brisk, Chase-Dunn, Christopher. 2020. Immanuel Wallerstein. In *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology. 2nd Edition*. e.d. George Ritzer.

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2019. Stratification in the World-Economy: The Semiperiphery and Periphery. In *The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Imperialism and Anti-Imperialism. 2nd Edition*. e.d. Immanuel Ness and Zak Cope. London: Palgrave MacMillan

Chase-Dunn, Christopher and Marilyn Grell-Brisk. 2019. Oxford Bibliography in International Relations: World-System Theory. In *Oxford Bibliography in International Relations*. e.d. Patrick James. New York: Oxford University Press.

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2019. Arrested Development? Sub-Saharan Africa in the Stratified World-Economy 1965-2015. *Journal of Contemporary African Studies*. 37(1): 93-111

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2018. Eluding National Boundaries: A case study of commodified citizenship and the transnational capitalist class. *Societies* 8 (35).

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2017. China and Global Economic Stratification in an Interdependent World. *Palgrave Communications*, 3.

Chase-Dunn, Christopher and Marilyn Grell-Brisk. 2016. Uneven and Combined Development in the Sociocultural Evolution of World-Systems. In *Historical Sociology and World History: Uneven and Combined Development over the Longue Durée*, e.d. Alexander Anievas and Kamran Matin. London: Rowman & Littlefield

Book Review

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2019. Review of Global Inequalities in World-System Perspective, edited by Manuela Boatca, Andrea Komlosy, and Hans-Heinrich Nolte. *Journal of World-Systems Research* 25 (1): 194-199.

Grell-Brisk, Marilyn. 2019. Review of American Tianxia: Chinese money, American power, and the end of history, by Salvatore Babones. *Journal of World-Systems Research* 25 (2): 503-507.

Public Sociology

Untenured Tracks – Episode 50. *Teaching and Scholarship in the Pandemic*.

<https://bit.ly/2FFqOEq>

The SDGs and Hierarchy in the World-Economy available at Fridays with MUNPlanet.

<https://bit.ly/35V30XX>

Working Papers and Articles in Progress

Racism and the Evolution of Distant Othering (Under Review. With Christopher Chase-Dunn and Eugene N. Anderson) <https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/f7at8>

Small Island Developing States and Climate Change (In Progress).

A Comparative Evolutionary World-System Perspective for Measuring Globalization (In Progress with Christopher Chase-Dunn and Hiroko Inuo)

Beyond the Long Twentieth Century: China in Sub-Saharan Africa and the Changing Dynamics of the World-System. IROWS Working Paper #106.

<http://irows.ucr.edu/papers/irows106/irows106.htm>

Invited Talks/Invited Lectures

Power and Hierarchy: African Underdevelopment in World Historical Perspective. University of California, Riverside Sociology Department Colloquium Series. November 2020.

Global Structures of Inequality and Climate Change. Invited Lecture (Biology Department Senior Seminar), University of California, Riverside. November 2020.

Creolization of Religions in the Diaspora. Invited Lecture (Global Studies), University of California, Riverside, March 2019.

African Religions in Haiti and the Diaspora. Invited Lecture (Global Studies), University of California, Riverside, March 2018.

La Stagnation du Développement Économique: Une analyse comparative de l'Afrique Subsaharienne dans la système-monde 1965-2015. Invited Lecture (Graduate Seminar on Comparative Analysis in Sociology), Université de Neuchâtel. May 2017.

The Evolving China-Africa Relationship: Eastern Promises, Western Fears. Invited Session at 111th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 2016.

Plus ça change plus c'est pareil? China in Sub-Saharan Africa. UC Riverside Sociology Department Colloquium Series. November 2015

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Presentations

Small Island Developing States and Climate Change: The Case of Dominica. **Regular Session**. 114th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City, NY. August 2019.

Racism and the Evolution of Distant Othering (with Christopher Chase-Dunn and Eugene N. Anderson). **Special Session**. 113th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August 2018.

Eluding National Boundaries: Commodified Citizenship and the Transnational Capitalist Class. **Regular Session**. 113th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August 2018.

Global Governance and State Formation. **Regular Session**. 113th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August 2018.

Arrested Development? Sub-Saharan Africa in the Stratified World Economy: 1965 to 2015. **Roundtable paper**. 112th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Montréal, Québec, Canada. August 2017.

The Evolving China-Africa Relationship: Eastern Promises, Western Fears. **Invited Session**. 111th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 2016.

China and Global Economic Stratification in an Interdependent World. **Regular Session**. 111th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 2016.

Movements in the Periphery/Semi-periphery: An Exploration of China's Influence on Stratification in the World Economy. **Roundtable paper**. 111th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 2016.

China in the Global South: Something New or Borrowed? **Regular Session.** 110th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL. August 2015.

Other Conference Presentations

Roundtable Panelist: *Immanuel Wallerstein's Legacy.* 61st Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. Honolulu, HI. March 2020. Conference Canceled.

Roundtable Panelist: *Classic Alternative Analyses of the Global Political Economy.* 61st Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. Honolulu, HI. March 2020. Conference Canceled.

Small Island Development in the Age of Global Climate Change. **Paper.** 45th Annual Caribbean Studies Association Conference. Georgetown, Guyana. June 2020. Conference Canceled.

Contemporary Africa in the World-System. **Paper.** Annual Meeting of the California Sociological Association. Sacramento, CA. November 2019.

Grappling with the concept of nationalism from a sociological/world-systems perspective. **Paper.** 60th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. Toronto. March 2019.

Global Systemic Crisis and Semiperipheral Countries. **Paper.** FLACSO-ISA Joint International Conference – Power Reconfigurations: Regional and Global Responses in an Age of Uncertainty. Quito, Ecuador. July 2018.

Round Table Panelist: *Is 'Environmentalism' Failing The Global South? Assessing the Rise of Buen-Vivir Environmentalism versus Neoliberal-Extractive Environmentalism.* 59th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. San Francisco, CA. April 2018.

Sub-Saharan Africa in the Stratified World Economy. **Paper.** Development in the Face of Global Inequalities Conference. Barcelona. May 2017.

Historical Migration, Geopolitical Relation, and Accumulation Regimes: Chinese Investments in Philippine and Zambian Mining with Alvin A. Camba. **Paper.** Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies. Toronto, ON. March 2017.

Exploring Global Governance and State Formation Through Sea Piracy. **Paper.** 58th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. Baltimore, MD. February 2017.

Foreign Aid and Development: A GWR Approach. **Paper.** 41st Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Chicago, IL. November 2016.

Toward a Multipolar World. High Finance, China and the Global South. **Paper.** 87th Pacific Sociological Association. Oakland, CA. March/April 2016.

Global Economic Stratification: The China Effect and Sub-Saharan Africa. **Paper.** Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. San Francisco, CA. April 2016.

China in the Capitalist World-Economy: Development of the Global South. **Paper.** Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society. Boston, MA. March 2016.

Class Formation in an Era of Global Precarity. **Paper.** Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association. Atlanta, GA. March 2016.

Movements in the Stratified World Economy: The China Effect and Sub-Saharan Africa. **Paper.** PROWEL Workshop on Vulnerability, Deprivation, Poverty and Inequalities. Murten, Switzerland. Workshop. December 2015.

Periphery/Semiperiphery in Motion: An Exploration of China's Influence on Stratification in the World Economy. **Paper.** Annual Meeting of the California Sociological Association. Sacramento, CA. November 2015.

Examining the Impact of Chinese Foreign Aid and Investment on Inequality in Sub-Saharan Africa. **Paper.** Conference on the Evolution of Economic and Social Inequalities in Switzerland and Beyond. Neuchâtel, Switzerland. October 2014.

The Case of China in Sub-Saharan Africa: Redefining Subversion in the Long Twentieth Century to the Twenty-first. The Long Twentieth Century. **Paper.** Twenty-first. Binghamton, NY. October 2014.

SERVICE

Conference Panels and Sessions Organized

Undergraduate Research: Disrupting Racial, Class, and Gender Boundaries, Panels A&B. **Paper Sessions** at the California Sociological Association. November 2020. Virtual.

Contending Models of World Order: Hegemony, Tianxia, Global Caliphate and Beyond. **Paper Session** at the International Studies Association. March 2020. Conference Canceled.

The “Other”, Global Inequalities, and Race. **Special Session** at the *American Sociological Association's Annual Meeting*. August 2018.

Roundtable Session Organizer for the *American Sociological Association Section on Political Economy of the World System*. August 2017.

Chinese Outward Investments in Southeast Asia: Development for Whom? Transformations Where? *Association for Asian Studies* 2017 Annual Conference. March 2017.

Development, Inequality and Hierarchy: Regional and Global Aspects. 41st Annual Meeting of the *Social Science History Association*. Chicago, IL. November 2016.

China in the Global South: Perspectives on the Geography of Development. (with Alvin A. Camba) Annual Meeting of *American Association of Geographers*. San Francisco, CA. April 2016.

China and the Global South. (with Alvin A. Camba) Annual Meeting of the *Pacific Sociological Association*. Oakland, CA. March/April 2016.

China and the Global South: Perspectives on Development. (with Alvin A. Camba). Annual Meeting of the *Eastern Sociological Society*. Boston, MA. March 2016.

Committee Member

Member: *American Sociological Association* Political Economy of the World-System Section Book Award Committee (2020/2021).

Member: Scholar Activist Committee of the *International Studies Association's International Political Economy Section* (2017 to present).

Member: *American Sociological Association* Sociology of Development Section Book Award Committee (2018/2019).

Member: **Organizing/Scientific Committee** for Asia-Africa: Past Present and Future Conference (2017 to 2019).

Member: Committee on Supporting International and Global Programs in Higher Education Initiative of the *American Sociological Association's Sociology of Development Section* (2017 to 2019).

Editor

PEWSNews: Official Newsletter of the *American Sociological Association's Political Economy of the World-System Section* (Coeditor – 2018 to present).

<http://asapews.org/pewsnews.html>

International Political Economy Section of the International Studies Association Newsletter (Editor – 2019 to present).

Work in Progress: Sociology on the economy, work and inequality. Public Sociology Blog of the *American Sociological Association* (Editorial Assistant - 2018 to 2020).

<http://www.wipsociology.org/>

Trajectories: Official Newsletter of the *American Sociological Association's Comparative Historical Sociology Section* (Coeditor – 2016 to 2018).

<http://chs.asa-comparative-historical.org/category/trajectories/>

Copyeditor/Reviewer

International Journal of Comparative Sociology (2019)

Sociology of Development (2018 to present)

Historical Materialism Journal (2017 to present)

Journal of World Systems Research (2016 to present)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Sociological Association
- International Studies Association
- Société Académique Vaudoise
- California Sociological Association
- Latin American Studies Association
- Caribbean Studies Association