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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, *The* *Ohio State University*, Sociology Department

**Dissertation Title**: “The Globalization of the Acceptance of Homosexuality: Mass Opinion and National Policy.”

Expected Defense: April 2017

Committee: Ryan King (advisor), Evan Schofer, Hollie Brehm, Chris Browning

M.A., *University of Chicago*, Master of Arts in the Social Science Program, Summer 2008

B.A., *Wesleyan University*, History and Biology, Spring 2002

Honors in History

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Global and Transnational Sociology, Human Rights, Political Sociology, Cultural Sociology, Law and Society, Comparative and Historical Sociology, Quantitative Methods, Theory, Gender and Sexuality, Race and Ethnicity

## BOOK

Brustein, William I. and **Louisa Roberts**. *The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern*

*Anti-Semitism*. Cambridge University Press. August 2015.

• Each author contributed equally. Authorship is listed alphabetically.

## ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

**Roberts, Louisa**. “Changing Global Attitudes toward Homosexuality: The Influence of Global

and Region-Specific Cultures, 1981-2012.”

• Winner: 2016 ASA Human Rights Section Graduate Student Paper Award.

• Draft available upon request.

## ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

**Roberts, Louisa**. “At the Margins of the World Polity: Disconnect between Globalized Laws and Local Values.”

• Draft available upon request.

Swindle, Jeffrey, **Louisa Roberts**, Taylor Brown, and Katrina Hauschild.“The Effect of the Global Campaign against Intimate Partner Violence on Individuals’ Attitudes in 37 Countries, 1998-2014.”

• Draft available upon request.

**Roberts, Louisa** and William I. Brustein. “Outgroup Prejudice and the Psychology of the Conspiracy Theory: Anti-Jingoist Anti-Semitism in Britain, 1884-1902.”

**Roberts, Louisa**. “Globalization from the Bottom Up? The Global Diffusion of National Policies for Gay Rights.”

• Draft available upon request.

**Roberts, Louisa**. “The Ideological Structure of Attitudes Globally: Variation in the Organizing Power of Liberal Individualism.”

Brown, Taylor, Jeffrey Swindle, and **Louisa Roberts**. “Media Influence on Global Attitudes toward Intimate Partner Violence.”

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Recipient, Graduate Student Paper Award, ASA Human Rights Section.

2016

Fellow, Preparing Future Faculty Program. Mentor: Katy Crossley-Frolick, Denison University.

2015-2016.

Fellow, Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies ($9,000).

2013-16.

Methods Training Award, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University ($1,500).

2014.

Outstanding Doctoral Student Award, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University.

2012.

University Fellowship, The Ohio State University ($16,000).

2009-10.

## PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

Roberts, Louisa and William Brustein. 2015. “The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism.” Barnes & Noble, Columbus, OH, September.

## INVITED TALKS

Roberts, Louisa. 2016. “Changing Global Attitudes toward Homosexuality: The Influence of Global and Region-Specific Cultures, 1981-2012.” The Future of World Society Theory Mini-Conference. University of Washington, April 19.

Roberts, Louisa. 2012. “At the Margins of the World Polity.” Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, December.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

# Roberts, Louisa. 2016. “Changing Global Attitudes toward Homosexuality: The Influence of Global and Region-Specific Cultures, 1981-2012.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Seattle, WA) August.

# Roberts, Louisa and William I. Brustein. 2016. “Left-Wing Anti-Semitism and the Psychology of the Conspiracy Theory: Britain 1884-1902.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Seattle, WA) August.

# Roberts, Louisa and William I. Brustein. 2016. “The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism.” 23rd International Conference of Europeanists (Philadelphia, PA) April.

# Roberts, Louisa. 2015. “Local Society as Global Cultural Conduit? The Global Diffusion of Gay-Rights Policies.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Chicago, IL) August.

# Swindle, Jeffrey, Louisa Roberts , Katrina Hauschildt, and Taylor Brown. 2015. “The Effect of the Global Campaign against Intimate Partner Violence on Individuals’ Attitudes.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Chicago, IL) August.

# Roberts, Louisa. 2015. “The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism.” Revisiting Remaking Modernity (Chicago, IL) August.

Roberts, Louisa 2015. “At the Margins of the World Polity: Disconnect between Globalized Laws and Local Values.” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Seattle, WA) May.

# Roberts, Louisa. 2014. “The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (San Francisco, CA) August.

# Roberts, Louisa. 2013. “At the Margins of the World Polity: Disconnect between Globalized Laws and Local Values.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (New York, NY) August.

Roberts, Louisa. 2012. “Leftist Anti-Semitism and the Influence of Nationalistic Thought in France, Germany, and Britain from the French Revolution to World War II.” Conference on Changing Patterns of Nationalism, Ethnocentrism, and Immigrant Accommodation in the 21st Century. (Miami, FL) March.

Roberts, Louisa. 2012. “Normative Disconnect in the World Polity? Investigating the Disconnect between Globalized Laws and Local Values.” Political Economy Working Group (Columbus, Ohio) February.

Roberts, Louisa. 2011. “Moral Dissonance in the World Polity: The Disconnect between What People around the World Believe and the Laws by which They Are Governed.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Las Vegas, NV) August.

Roberts, Louisa and William Brustein. 2011. “The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism.” Resurgent Antisemitism: Global Perspectives: An International Scholars Conference (Bloomington, IN) April.

Roberts, Louisa. 2010. “The Impact of Secularization on Electoral Support for Britain’s Conservative Party.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Political Culture Regular Session (Atlanta, GA) August.

Roberts, Louisa. 2010. “The Decline of Support for Britain’s Conservative Party between 1964 and 2005: Was Decreasing Religiosity a Contributing Factor?” Joint Annual Meeting of The Midwest Sociological Society and the North Central Sociological Association (Chicago, IL) March.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for William Brustein, Vice Provost of Global Strategies and International Affairs and Professor of Sociology, The Ohio State University.

September 2010-August 2016

Following project conception and an initial data collection phase, took lead role in researching and writing *The Socialism of Fools? Leftist Origins of Modern Anti-Semitism* (2015 Cambridge University Press). Conducted extensive review and analysis of primary and secondary historical sources. Employed a comparative-historical analytical approach to formulate central theoretical arguments. Wrote book manuscript. Worked with translators and editors to get the book published.

Research Assistant for Hollie Nyseth Brehm, Assistant Professor of Sociology, The Ohio State University

July 2016 - August 2016

Conducted case studies of non-state mass killings in Africa. Employed a process tracing approach to identify causes of violence. Coded relevant literature using NVivo software.

**TECHNICAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS**

Trainee, “Dealing with Missing Data in Multi-Level Contexts.” Methodological Colloquium Series, College of Education and Human Ecology, The Ohio State University. November 13, 2015.

Trainee, Workshop on “Cross-national Survey Harmonization and Analysis: Weights, Data Quality and Multi-level Modeling.” Cross-National Studies: Interdisciplinary Research and Training Program (CONSIRT). May 11-16, 2015.

Trainee, Workshop on “Structural Equation Models and Latent Variables.” Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR). June 17-21, 2013.

Trainee, Workshop on “Statistical Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis.” Institute for Population Research, The Ohio State University. December 13-14, 2012.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University

**Undergraduate Mentor**, Summer and Autumn 2015.

• Supervised undergraduate research assistants to accomplish dissertation research goals.

**Independent Instructor**, Introductory Sociology, Autumn 2014.

• Independent instructor of 60-student introductory course.

**Guest Lecturer**, Contemporary World Societies, October 2011.

• Lectured on world society theory at invitation of instructor.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN TEACHING

Fellow, Preparing Future Faculty, Mentor: Katy Crossley-Frolick, Chair of the Department of Political Science, Denison University, 2015-2016.

Trainee, Teaching Workshop. “Responding to Student Writing.” The Ohio State University, University Center for the Advancement of Teaching, October 22, 2015.

Trainee, Teaching Workshop. “Planning a Class Session.” The Ohio State University, University Center for the Advancement of Teaching, October 7, 2015.

Trainee, Teaching Workshop. “Fair & Efficient Grading.” The Ohio State University, University Center for the Advancement of Teaching, September 29, 2015.

Trainee, Teaching Workshop. “Why Won't They Talk? Using Discussion and Active Engagement to Facilitate Student Learning.” American Sociological Association. August 23, 2015.

Trainee, Teaching Workshop. “Teaching Introductory Sociology for New Instructors.” American Sociological Association. August 22, 2015.

Trainee, Multi-Week Course. “Teaching In No Time: How To Prepare For A Stress-Free Semester.” National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity. July-August 2014.

## SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ad hoc reviewer:

*American Journal of Sociology* and *Social Forces*

Speaker:

2016, Graduate Student Seminar on The Dissertation Proposal and Efficient Writing, The Ohio State University

Delegate:

2013-2014, University Senate, The Ohio State University

• Represented graduate students in the social and behavioral sciences.

2012-2014, Council of Graduate Students, The Ohio State University

• Delegate for the Department of Sociology

Committee Member:

2012, Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility, The Ohio State University

2010-11, Graduate Student Committee, Global and Transnational Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociology Association

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity

Law and Society Association

Council for European Studies

**WORK EXPERIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Meridian Institute, Washington, DC

Part-time Contractor, September 2007 – July 2012

Research Associate and News Editor, November 2004 – August 2007

Research Assistant, June 2003 – November 2004

* Independently wrote and edited Food Security and Ag-Biotech News, a daily e-news service for the international development community. Readers hailed from over 50 countries and included the then-head of the Rockefeller Foundation (Gordon Conway), the then-head of agriculture policy for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (Rajiv Shah), and top officials at USAID and the CGIAR.
* Authored two successful grant proposals for a total of $500,000 from USAID and Canada’s International Development Research Centre (IDRC), to fund the e-news service and conduct related activities. Maintained correspondence with funding agencies.
* Designed and conducted reader surveys and marketing for the news service.
* Wrote and periodically updated a report for the IDRC cataloging the many donors and NGOs involved in biosafety capacity-building in sub-Saharan Africa.
* Wrote two white papers for officers at the Rockefeller Foundation on the international status of agricultural biotechnology and the debate surrounding it.

**REFERENCES**

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