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Education

Ph.D. 8/92 -- Sociology, The University of Chicago M.S. 4/86 -- Sociology, Brigham Young University B.S. 4/84 -- Sociology, Brigham Young University

Faculty and Administrative Positions

8/21 to present	International Vice President, Brigham Young University
1/17 to 8/21	Director, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies and Associate International Vice President, Brigham Young University
1/10 to 1/11	Coordinator, Women's Studies, Brigham Young University
9/06 to present	Full Professor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
7/1/06 to 5/1/12	Chair, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
7/02 to 7/05	Associate Dean, College of Family, Home and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University
9/98 to 9/06	Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
9/98 to 9/01	Coordinator, Latin American Studies, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University
7/97 to 9/98	Associate Director of Research, Center for Studies of the Family, Brigham Young University
7/95 to 8/98	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
9/92 to 6/95	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington

Publications

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Awards and Fellowships

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Martin B. Hickman Outstanding Scholar Award, 2009-2010, College of Family, Home and Social Sciences.

Alcuin Fellowship, BYU; General Education; 1/10 - 12/12.

FHSS Achievement in Teaching, College of Family, Home and Social Sciences, August 2013.

Virginia F. Cutler Honored Faculty Lecturer, 2017, College of Family, Home and Social Sciences.

Research and Teaching Interests

Demography (fertility, mortality, maternal and child health), patterns of family formation, Global Women's Studies