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Curriculum Vitae

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### Education and Research Experience

#### Education

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- 2019 Ph.D. Sociology, Kansas State University.  
2012 M.A. Sociology, East Tennessee State University.  
2010 B.S. Sociology, Western Carolina University.  
Graduate Concentrations: Community Development; Politics, the State, and Democracy;  
Religion; Rural Sociology

#### Peer-Reviewed Articles

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- Jakubek, Joseph, and Spencer D. Wood. 2018. "Emancipatory empiricism: The rural sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 4(1):14-34. (Featured article in the January 2018 American Sociological Association's Member News and Notes)
- Jakubek, Joseph, and Cornelia Butler Flora. 2017. "Biofuels in an age of cheap oil: community capitals and motivations to participate in biodiesel value chains." *Perspectives on Global Development and Technology*. 16(4):410-433.
- Wood, Spencer D., Joseph Jakubek, and Kristin Kelly. 2015. "You've got to fight to be White: the rural foundation of the new militia for race control." *Contemporary Justice Review* 18(2):215-230.

#### Book Reviews

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- 2024 Review of "Food Power Politics." by Bobby J. Smith II. 2022. *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*.
- 2023 Review of "W.E.B. Du Bois: Pioneer American Sociologist." by Robert A. Wortham. 2023. *Sociation* 22(2).

#### Non-Peer Reviewed Reports

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2017. Kulcsár, László J., and Joseph Jakubek. "Growing a sense of community: Place attachment and community betterment in Columbus, Kansas." Demographic and economic development report commissioned by the town of Columbus, Kansas.

2016. Flora, Cornelia Butler, and Joseph Jakubek. "Social network analysis of biofuel value chains." Official report for cooperative grant on alternative fuels and community development (USDA/NIFA/ARS/NRRC).

### Awards and Scholarships

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- 2023 Nominated for the College of Arts and Sciences *Teaching Excellence Award*. Appalachian State University.
- 2019 The Fred Buttel Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award, given by the Rural Sociological Society for article, *Emancipatory Empiricism: the rural sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois*. Awarded for excellence in scholarly work that advances the field of rural sociological knowledge.
- 2014-2015 Outstanding Graduate Student Research Award and Scholarship, Department of Sociology, Kansas State University. \$500 Scholarship.
- 2013-2014 Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award and Scholarship, Department of Sociology, Kansas State University. \$500 Scholarship.

### Research Assistant Experience

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- Fall 2014-Spring 2017. Research Assistant to Cornelia Butler Flora, *Charles F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Sociology and Agriculture and Life Science*, Iowa State University; *Research Scientist*, Kansas State University.
- Spring 2017. Research Assistant to László J. Kulcsár, Professor and Department Chair, Sociology, Kansas State University.
- Summer 2016. Research Assistant to László J. Kulcsár, Professor and Department Chair, Sociology, Kansas State University.
- Summer 2015. Research Assistant to László J. Kulcsár, Professor and Department Chair, Sociology, Kansas State University.

## **Teaching and Professional Development**

### Teaching Experience

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- 2024- Assistant Teaching Professor, Appalachian State University
- 2019-2024 Lecturer, Appalachian State University
- 2013-2019 Graduate Instructor, Kansas State University
- 2010-2012 Graduate Instructor, East Tennessee University

### Professional Service

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- 2021- Serve as *Internship Coordinator* in the Department of Sociology at Appalachian State University.
- 2021- Peer Reviewer at *Sociation*, flagship journal of the North Carolina Sociological Association.

- 2020- Peer Reviewer at *The Du Bois Review*, published by Cambridge University for the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research at Harvard University.
- 2020- Peer Reviewer at *Sociological Spectrum*, flagship journal of the Mid-South Sociological Association.
- 2020- Peer Reviewer at *Sociological Inquiry*, journal of Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society.
- 2016-2018 Co-Chair of *Rural Policy* Research Interest Group (RIG) in the Rural Sociological Society.
- 2016-2019 Peer Reviewer and Editor at *Crossing Borders*, an interdisciplinary journal of undergraduate student research, Kansas State University.
- 2015-2016 Co-Chair of *Rural Studies* Research Interest Group (RIG) in the Rural Sociological Society.
- 2014 Poster Session Chair, Annual Meeting of the *Rural Sociological Society*, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2014-2015 Treasurer, *Sociology Graduate Student Association*, Kansas State University.
- 2013-2014 President, *Sociology Graduate Student Association*, Kansas State University.
- 2013-2016 Peer Tutor, *K-State Athletic Department*, Kansas State University.

#### University and Department Service

- 2024-2025 *Curriculum Subcommittee*, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
- 2022-2023 *Faculty Search Committee*, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.
- 2022-2024 *Policy Committee*, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.
- 2021- *Internship Coordinator*, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.
- 2021-2022 *Sociology Honors Thesis Committee Chair* for an undergraduate honor's thesis in the Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.
- 2019-2021 *Honors Thesis Committee Chair* for undergraduate honor's thesis in the Honors College, Appalachian State University.
- Student Development Committee* in the Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.
- Faculty Development Committee* in the Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University.

#### Invited Speaker Presentations

- 2020 "The Scholar Denied: Resituating W.E.B. Du Bois and Rural Sociology for the 21st Century." Public lecture sponsored by the Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University. February 26, 2020.
- 2018 "Understanding quantitative methods, approaches, and research questions." Presented as multiple guest lectures in Spencer D. Wood's course, *Methods of Social Research*.
- 2016 "How the RSS addresses social class." Presented as RIG co-chair at the *RIG Plenary*

*Session On Issues of Social Class* at the annual conference of the *Rural Sociological Society*, Toronto, Ontario.

- 2016 “Why rural culture matters in the 2016 presidential election.” Presented as a guest lecture in Gerad Middendorf’s course, *Rural Sociology*.

#### Conference Paper Presentations

- 2018 “Rural civil society in synchronicity: Cooperation and coordination between secular and faith-based social service providing organizations in Council Grove, Kansas.” Presented at the annual conference of the *Rural Sociological Society*, Portland, Oregon.
- 2017 “Innovative community development and renewable energy: A case study of a biodiesel pilot project in rural Colorado.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the annual conference of the *Midwest Sociological Society*, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2016 “Emancipatory empiricism: The rural sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois.” Presented with Spencer D. Wood at the annual conference of the *Midwest Sociological Society*, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016 “Sacred sex and the silencing of secularism: Fundamentalist and secular birth-rates competing for populational power.” Presented at the annual conference of the *Midwest Sociological Society*, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016 “Oilseeds to fuels: Networks and hydrology.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the International annual conference of the *Soil and Water Conservation Society*, Louisville, Kentucky.
- 2016 “Biofuels in the age of \$30 oil: Multiple motivations for growing alternative fuel crops.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the annual conference of the *Rural Sociological Society*, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2016 “Ideas trump social policy: The role of rural ideology, religion, and Weberian ideal interests in the 2016 presidential election.” Presented at the annual conference of the *Rural Sociological Society*, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2016 “Emancipatory empiricism: The rural sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois.” Presented at the *World Congress of Rural Sociology (XIV)*, annual meeting of the International Rural Sociology Association, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2015 “Facilitators and barriers to farmer participation in oilseed to fuel value chains.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the annual conference of the *Direct Seed Association*, Kennewick, Washington.
- 2015 “Policy networks for alternative fuels: Germplasm, farmers, and the U.S. navy.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the annual meeting of the *Midwest Sociological Association*, Kansas City, Missouri.
- 2015 “Oilseeds to fuels: The community connection.” Presented with Cornelia Flora at the annual conference of the *Community Development Society*, Lexington, Kentucky.
- 2015 “Cultivating a legacy of struggle: Black farmers and institutional restraints.”

Presented with Spencer D. Wood at the annual meeting of the *Rural Sociological Society*, Madison, Wisconsin.

2014 “Transitions of modernity: Reconsidering the community sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois.” Presented with Spencer D. Wood at the annual meeting of the *Rural Sociological Society*, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Professional Association Memberships

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American Sociological Association  
Association for the Sociology of Religion  
Community Development Society  
International Rural Sociological Society  
Midwestern Sociological Society  
Rural Sociological Society  
Southern Sociological Society