# **ROBERT T. PERDUE**

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#### EDUCATION

#### University of Florida

PhD, Sociology and Criminology & Law Dissertation: "Networks of Resistance: Opposition to Strip Coal Mining in Central Appalachia, 1977-2012"

#### Virginia Tech

MS, Sociology BA, History

#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

#### Appalachian State University

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, 2015-present Faculty Affiliate, Center for Appalachian Studies, 2015-present

#### Virginia Tech

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Appalachian Studies Program and the Natural Resource Governance Institute in conjunction with the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, 2014-15

Lecturer, Department of Sociology, 2014-15

#### **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Environmental Sociology Social Inequality Environmental Justice and Health Mass Incarceration Economic Development Strategies Peace Studies

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

**Appalachian State University,** University Research Council Grant, 2017 (\$4,189)

**Appalachian State University**, Department of Sociology Internal Grant, 2016 (\$3,393)

Alumni Graduate Fellowship, University of Florida, 2009-2013

**National Science Foundation** Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, Law and Social Sciences Section, 2012-2013, (\$19,152)

University of Florida Graduate School Dissertation Award, 2013 (\$7,500)

Payne's Prairie Sustainability Fellow, University of Florida, 2012

**Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations**, University of Florida, Fall 2011, Course Development Grant, (\$3000) Course Name: *"Energy, Race & Justice"* 

**Graham Center for Public Service Case Study Grant**, Bob Graham Center for Public Service, University of Florida, 2009 (\$4000)

**Office of Sponsored Research**, University of Florida, Travel Grant for presentation at *Southern Sociological Society Conference*, March 2012

**Graduate Student Committee**, University of Florida, Travel Grant for presentation at *Dimensions of Political Ecology: Conference on Nature and Society at the University of Kentucky*, February 2011

**Graduate Student Committee**, University of Florida, Travel Grant for presentation at *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 2010

**College of Liberal Arts and Sciences**, University of Florida, Travel Grant for presentation at *Southern Sociological Society Conference*, April 2010

**Graduate Student Committee**, University of Florida, Travel Grant for presentation at *Southern Sociological Society Conference*, April 2010

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2014-15	Post-Doctoral Fellow, affiliated with VI Appalachian Studies Program and the Natural Resource Governance Institute in conjunction with U.S. EITI
2011-12	Research Assistant, University of Florida
2006-07	Research Assistant, Center for Survey Research at Virginia Tech

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#### PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

#### **Robert Todd Perdue**

(2017) "Superintelligence and Natural Resources: Morality and Technology in a Brave New World." Society & Natural Resources

#### Robert Todd Perdue and Kenneth Sanchagrin

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(2016) "Imprisoning Appalachia: The Socioeconomic Impacts of Prison Development." Journal of Appalachian Studies. Vol. 23(2).

# Robert Todd Perdue and Christopher McCarty

(2015) "Unearthing a Network of Resistance: Media Analysis of the Anti-Strip Mining Movement in Central Appalachia." *Studies in Law, Politics and Society*. Vol. 66: 35-61.

# Joshua Sbicca and Robert Todd Perdue

 (2014) "Protest through Presence: Spatial Citizenship and Identity Formation in Contestations of Neoliberal Crises."
Social Movement Studies. Vol. 13(3): 309-327.

#### Joshua Sbicca and Robert Todd Perdue

(2013) "Public Access: For Socially Relevant Knowledge Production and a Democratic Cybersphere." *Fast Capitalism*. Vol.10(1).

# Robert Todd Perdue and Gregory Pavela

(2012) "Addictive Economies and Methods of Extraction: Coal Dependency and Socioeconomic Outcomes in West Virginia: 1997-2009." *Organization & Environment*, Vol. 25(4): 368-384.

Republished in (2016) The Environment in Anthropology: A Reader in Ecology, Culture, and Sustainable Living, Second Edition. Eds. Nora Haenn, Richard R. Wilk, and Allison Harnish. New York University Press: New York. 170-184.

Robert Todd Perdue, Joshua Sbicca, and Jeanne Holcomb (2012) "A Life Cycle Approach to Food Justice: The Case of Breastfeeding." *Environmental Justice*, Vol. 5(3): 168-172.

# **INVITED GUEST LECTURER**

- 2016 "Linking Criminal and Environmental Injustice in the Appalachian Prisonfields." Colorado State University, *Sociology in Progress Series*. Fort Collins, CO. October.
- 2016 "Toxic Prisons in an Incarceration Nation." Colorado State University, *CSU Environmental Justice Forum.* Fort Collins, CO. October
- 2016 "Sociology in the World." *Applied Sociology*, Appalachian State University. Spring.
- 2015 "Economic Development in Central Appalachia: Past, Present and Future." Appalachian State University, Walker College of Business, *Sustainable Business Research Series*, October.
- 2012 "Appalachian Coal: Legacies and Futures." *Principles of Sociology*, University of Florida Spring.
- 2012 "Race and Resource Extraction." *Minorities in America,* University of Florida. Spring.
- 2011 "Our Energy Future." Principles of Sociology, University of Florida. Fall.

2011 "Environmental Injustice in the Energy Sector." Urban Sociology, University of Florida, Spring.

# SELECT PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 "Prisons and Environmental Justice." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, Greenville, March.
- 2016 "Imprisoning Appalachia: The Socioeconomic Impacts of Prison Development." Paper presented at Appalachian Studies Conference, Shepherdstown, WV, March.
- 2016 "Derailing the Oxycontin Express? Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, Atlanta, April.
- 2014 "Race, Space and the Prison-Industrial Complex in Central Appalachia." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, Charlotte, April.
- 2013 "How SMCRA Impacted the Central Appalachian Anti-Strip Mining Movement." Paper presented at Appalachian Studies Conference, Boone, March.
- 2012 "The Ecological Violence of the War on Drugs." Paper presented at Cultivating Peace: A Symposium on Violence Prevention, Blacksburg, November.
- 2012 "Addictive Economies and Methods of Extraction: Coal Dependency and Socioeconomic Outcomes in West Virginia, 1997-2009." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, New Orleans, March.
- 2011 "Building Alliances in the Anti-Surface Mining Movement: Attempts to Bridge Appalachian and Southwest Activists." Paper presented at Dimensions of Political Ecology: Conference on Nature and Society, University of Kentucky, February.

- 2010 "Materializing the Sociology of Flows: Coal and EcoSocial Thought." Paper presented at American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, August.
- 2010 "Coal Combustion Waste in a Risk Society: The Capture of the EPA." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, Atlanta, April.
- 2009 "Locating U.S. Energy Policy within the Dominant Theories of Environmental Sociology." Paper presented at Florida Society of the Social Sciences Conference, Gainesville, October.
- 2007 "Inferior Status within a Spiritual Hierarchy: Buddhism, Prostitution and the green Revolution in Thailand." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society Conference, Atlanta, April.

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# **Appalachian State University**

Social Diversity and Inequality Environmental Sociology Sociology of Appalachian Communities Social Problems in American Society Conflict Resolution, Reconciliation, and Peace

# Virginia Tech

Introduction to Sociology Culture & Nature Global Societies, Violence Prevention and Peace Studies

# University of Florida

Social Problems Energy, Race & Justice

# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Member, Peer Assisted Review Enterprise (PARE) 2017-19 Appalachian State University Grants Resources & Services Member Editorial Board, Social Currents

Past Manuscript Reviewer for: *Environmental Justice; Social Problems; Social Currents; Mobilization: An International Journal; Journal of Rural Studies; Organization & Environment; Energies; Journal of Family Issues* 

Faculty Affiliate of the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, Virginia Tech, 2014

Faculty Affiliate of the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations, University of Florida, 2011

Graduate Student Council Representative for Sociology, University of Florida, 2009-2011

Coordinator, Florida Society of the Social Sciences (FSSS) 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, University of Florida, 2009

University Academic Advising (UAA) Tutor, University of Florida, 2009-2010

Moderator of the "Environment and Social Responsibility" section of FSSS, University of Florida, 2008

# HONORS

Favorite Faculty Award, Spring 2015, (Virginia Tech).

FSSS Graduate Student Paper Award, for: "Addictive Economies and Methods of Extraction: Coal Dependency and Socioeconomic Outcomes in West Virginia, 1997-2009" (PhD)

Gamma Beta Phi (M.S.)

Phi Beta Kappa (B.A.)

Golden Key National Honor Society (B.A.)

Magna cum Laude (B.A.)

# **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association Appalachian Studies Association Southern Sociological Society