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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2004— Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology, Committee on Conceptual and Historical Studies of Science, and the College, University of Chicago.
- 2005— Associate Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*.
- 2000 Instructor. Department of Sociology, Stanford University
- 1995-97 Research Associate. Graduate School of Business, Harvard University
- 1992-93 Co-founder and Executive Director. Utah High School for the Performing and Fine Arts

EDUCATION

- 1999-04 Ph.D. in Sociology. Stanford University. Committee: Mark Granovetter, Walter W. Powell, Stephen R. Barley.
- Dissertation: [*Sharing the Harvest: The Uncertain Fruits of Public/Private Collaboration in Plant Biotechnology*](#).
- 1997-99 M. A. in Sociology. Stanford University.
- 1994 B. A. in Anthropology. Brigham Young University. Valedictorian of College of Social Sciences.

PUBLICATIONS AND WORK UNDER REVIEW

- Evans, James. forthcoming. "Nonprofit Research Institutes: From Companies Without Products To Universities Without Students" in Lis Clemens and Doug Guthrie, eds., *Politics and Partnerships: Associations and Nonprofit Organizations in American Governance* 2006.
- Evans, James. forthcoming. "Start-ups in Science: Entrepreneurs, New Ventures, and Novelty Outside Business" in Martin Ruef and Michael Lounsbury, eds., *Research in the Sociology of Organizations* 2006.
- Evans, James, Stephen R. Barley and Gideon Kunda. 2004. ["Beach Time, Bridge Time, and Billable Hours: The Temporal Structure of Technical Contracting,"](#) *Administrative Science Quarterly* 49: 1-38.
- Kunda, Gideon, Stephen R. Barley and James Evans. 2002. ["Why Do Contractors Contract? The Experience of Highly Skilled Technical Professionals in a](#)

[Contingent Labor Market.](#)” *Industrial and Labor Relations Review* 55: 234-261.

Work under review:

Evans, James. 2006. “Industry Collaboration and Theory in Academic Science.”

Book Chapters:

Co-editing book with Stephen Barley titled *Work, Technology and Organization*, to be completed, December 2006. Solo-authored, completed chapters include:

Evans, James. [“Work, Self, and Society: The Legacy of the Chicago School of Sociology.”](#)

Evans, James. “From Job Design to Quality: Shifts in Theories and Practice of Job and Work Redesign.”

WORK IN PROGRESS

Evans, James. “Industry Collaboration and the Subjects of Academic Science.”

Evans, James. “Industry Collaboration and Sharing in Academic Science.”

Evans, James and Jeff Shrager. “The Lifecourse of Theory.”

Evans, James and Walter Powell. “Two industrial interfaces with Academic Science: Human and Plant Biotechnology.”

Evans, James and Walter Powell. “Industry Collaboration and the Evolution of Academic Science.”

Evans, James. “The Experience of Social and Human Capital.”

Evans, James. “The Formation of Occupational Cultures.”

Evans, James. *Sharing the Harvest? The Uncertain Fruits of Public / Private Collaboration in Plant Biotechnology* (book manuscript).

Valley, Kathleen, Tracy Thompson and James Evans. “Duality in Action: A Longitudinal Study of Attitudes and Relationships.”

PRESENTATIONS

2006 “Industry Collaboration and Theory in Academic Science.” Presented at the Organizational Behavior Workshop in the Business School at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Apr) and the Science, Technology, Society and the State Workshop at the University of Chicago (Jan).

2005 “Industry Collaboration and the Ethos of Academic Science: Novelty and Persistence in *Arabidopsis thaliana* research, 1974-2002.” Presented at the Harvard-MIT Economic Sociology Workshop (Sep); the Entrepreneurship

- Group at Harvard Business School (Sep); the International Conference for *Arabidopsis* Research meeting at the University of Wisconsin (Jun); the Organizations and Markets Workshop at the University of Chicago Business School (Apr); and the History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science Workshop at the University of Chicago (Apr).
- 2005 “Nonprofit Research Institutes: From companies without products to universities without students.” Presented at the SSRC Capstone Conference on Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector in Florence (Mar).
- 2004 “Public / Private Collaboration in *Arabidopsis thaliana* research, 1974-2002.” Presented at the Carnegie Institute of Washington’s Division of Plant Biology, Stanford, California (Jun).
- 2003 “Sharing the Harvest? The Uncertain Fruits of Public / Private Collaboration in Plant Biotechnology.” Presented at Cornell University’s School of Industrial and Labor Relations (Nov), the University of Chicago’s department of sociology (Nov), Georgia Institute of Technology’s School of History, Technology and Society (Oct), and the University of Iowa department of sociology (Oct).
- 2002 “Harvesting Basic Bioscience: Firm Strategy Within the Organizational Ecology of Plant Biology and Biotechnology.” Presented at the Academy of Management session on Technology and Information Management (Aug).
- 2002 “The Temporal Dynamics of Work: The Perception of Time among High Skilled Contingent Workers,” (with Gideon Kunda and Stephen Barley). Presented at the Academy of Management section on Organization and Management Theory (Aug).
- 2002 “Structures of Science and Trajectories of Technology: Organizations, Scientists and Intellectual Property Shaping the Frontiers of Plant Biology and Biotechnology.” Poster Presentation at the American Sociological Association (Aug).
- 2002 “Sharing the Harvest: The Uncertain Harvest of Private/Public Collaboration in Plant Biotechnology.” Presented at SSRC Conference for the Corporation as a Social Institution and the SSRC Dissertation Workshop for the Program on Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector (Nov).
- 2001 “The Market Community: The Migration of Relationships and Transformation of Community in the Temporary IT Labor Market.” SCANCOR seminar, Stanford University (Oct).
- 2001 “By Motivation or Situation? Career Choices, Information Flows, and the Formation of Collective Identity in Venture Capital.” Presented at the Sociology of Culture workshop at Stanford University (Mar) and in 2002 at the American Sociological Association session on Organizations and Occupations (Aug).

- 2000 “Intimate Valuation and the Experience of Contract Labor Markets.” Presented at the Institutions, Culture, Conflict, and Change Conference, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University (Nov).
- 2000 “The Nature and Experience of Market-Spanning Networks in The Accelerated Contract Labor Market.” Presented at the American Sociological Association section on Economic Sociology (Aug).
- 2000 “Duality in Action: A Longitudinal Study of Relationships and Attitudes” (with Kathleen Valley and Tracy Thompson). Presented at the Academy of Management session on Organizational Behavior (Aug).

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2002-04 Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Fellow, Program on the Corporation as a Social Institution.
- 2002-05 SSRC Fellow, Program on Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector.
- 2002-03 MacArthur Scholar and Fellow at the Stanford Center for International Security and Cooperation.
- 1998-02 Jacob K. Javits Fellow. (4-year Department of Education Fellowship).
- 1997-98 Stanford Graduate Fellow in the Department of Sociology.
- 1994 Valedictorian, Brigham Young University: College of Social Sciences (and Anthropology Department); University Honors; Deans List.
- 1994— Golden Key and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Societies.

GRANTS

- 2005-07 Research Opportunity Seed grant. Vice President’s Office for Research, The University of Chicago. (\$9,680).
- 2005-06 Instructional Improvement Grant. Center for Teaching and Learning, The University of Chicago. (\$1,000).
- 2003-06 Co-Principal Investigator to NSF grant #0242971, entitled, “Sharing the Harvest: The Uncertain Fruits of Private/Public Collaboration in Plant Biotechnology” (\$170,000), March 1, 2003 through February 28, 2006. Walter Powell, Principal Investigator.
- 2001 Stanford Graduate Research Opportunities Grant. (\$5,000).

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2005— Research Associate. Ogburn-Stauffer Center for the Study of Social Organization, National Opinion Research Center (NORC).

- 2003-04 Researcher with Walter Powell, Stanford University. Worked on dissertation research and comparisons of plant biotechnology with human biotechnology.
- 1998-01 Research Assistant to Stephen Barley, Stanford University. Conducted interviews of technical contractors and participant observation in relevant work and community settings; coded and analyzed interviews and field notes.
- 1998-99 Research Assistant to Mark Granovetter, Stanford University. Developed relational database from archival data to explore social networks and career mobility in the early electricity industry.
- 1995-97 Research Associate to Kathleen Valley, Harvard Business School. Performed social psychology experiments and analyzed experimental data, social networks, and interviews.
- 1995-97 Research Associate to George Wu, Harvard Business School. Gathered archival real estate data and analyzed it to examine seller behavior; Analyzed data on the structure of joint ventures.
- 1995-96 Research Associate to V.G. Narayanan, Harvard Business School. Wrote course notes on human motivation in markets and firms; Wrote case studies on accounting at Intel.
- 1994 Research Assistant, Dwight Israelsen, Economics Department, Brigham Young University. Gathered and analyzed archival data on frontier economy and demography.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2005 Instructor for “Content Analysis” for graduate students at the University of Chicago.
- 2005 Instructor for “The Sociology of Science” for graduates and undergraduates at the University of Chicago.
- 2004,05 Instructor for “Self, Culture and Society,” core course on classics of political economy at the University of Chicago.
- 2000,05 Instructor for “Work, Organization, and Society” at Stanford University and the University of Chicago.
- 1999 Teaching Assistant to Mark Granovetter, “Economic Sociology,” Stanford University. Taught section and graded.
- 1999 Teaching Assistant to W. Richard Scott, “Organizations and Public Policy,” Stanford University. Taught section, gave invited lecture, and graded.
- 1996-97 Teaching Assistant to Kathleen Valley, “Negotiations,” Harvard Business School. Graded and administered experiments.

- 1993-94 Teaching Assistant to F. Kent Nielsen, “History and Philosophy of Science” and “Philosophy 101,” Brigham Young University. Gave invited lectures and graded.
- 1992-93 Co-founder, Executive Director and Faculty Member, Utah High School for the Performing and Fine Arts, Orem, Utah. Created academic program and curricula; taught classes in social sciences, established school’s financial policies.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2006— Faculty Advisory Committee for UCTech, University of Chicago's Office of Technology & Intellectual Property.
- 2006— College Council, University of Chicago.
- 2006— Webpage Committee, University of Chicago Department of Sociology.
- 2005— Associate Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*.
- 2005-06 Chair Selection Committee, University of Chicago Department of Sociology.
- 2004-05 Harper and Mellon Fellow Selection Committee, University of Chicago Division of Social Sciences.
- 2004-05 Small Grants Selection Committee, University of Chicago Division of Social Sciences.
- 2004-05 Faculty Search Committee Member, University of Chicago Department of Sociology.
- 2002-03 Faculty Search Committee Member, Stanford Department of Sociology.
- 2001-02 Department Seminar Committee Co-Chair, Stanford Department of Sociology.
- 2000-01 Co-President of the Associated Sociology Graduate Students (ASGS) at Stanford University (department student organization).
- 1999-00 Graduate Admissions Committee Member, Stanford Department of Sociology.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 1997— Member, American Sociological Association: Science, Knowledge and Technology; Economic Sociology; and Organizations, Occupations and Work Section memberships.
- 1996— Member, Academy of Management Association: Organization and Management Theory and Organizational Behavior Section memberships.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Science, technology and society; sociology of knowledge; science and technology policy; organizations; economic sociology; sociology of work; inequality; qualitative and quantitative methods—fieldwork, social networks, content analysis, databases, data mining and clustering, statistical modeling.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Age 36, married.
Hobbies: 3, ages 10, 8 and 4.

REFERENCES

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