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APPOINTMENTS

2017- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, State University of New York at Buffalo

EDUCATION

2017 Ph.D. Sociology, Rice University.
2014. Visiting Graduate Student, University of Copenhagen.
2012. M.A. Sociology, University of Memphis.
2010. B.A. Sociology and History, Western Kentucky University.
Honors College graduate.

BOOKS

Forth. Emerson, Michael Oluf and Kevin T. Smiley. *Market Cities and People Cities: The shape of our urban future*. Under contract with NYU Press; expected publication 2018.
* Authors are equal contributors.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

2017. Elliott, James R. and Kevin T. Smiley. "Place, Space, and Racially Unequal Exposures to Pollution at Home and Work." *Social Currents* [Available in Early View online]. DOI: 10.1177/2329496517704873
2017. Smiley, Kevin T., Michael Oluf Emerson, and Julie Werner Markussen. "Immigration Attitudes Before and After Tragedy in Copenhagen: The importance of political affiliation and safety concerns." *Sociological Forum* 32(2):321-338.
2017. Smiley, Kevin T. "Climate Change Denial, Political Beliefs, and Cities: Evidence from Copenhagen and Houston." *Environmental Sociology* 3(1):76-86.
2016. Smiley, Kevin T., Wanda Rushing, and Michele Scott. "Behind A Bicycling Boom: Governance, Cultural Change and Place Character in Memphis, Tennessee." *Urban Studies* 53(1):193-209.

* Featured in [The Atlantic's CityLab](#) and the [London School of Economics' American Politics and Policy Blog](#)

2016. Smiley, Kevin T., Tanvi Sharma, Alan Steinberg, Sally Hodges-Copple, Emily Jacobson, and Lucy Matveeva. "More Inclusive Parks Planning: Park Quality and Preferences for Park Access and Amenities." *Environmental Justice* 9(1):1-7.

* Four co-authors are undergraduates.

* Featured in [The Atlantic's CityLab](#)

MANUSCRIPTS IN SUBMISSION

Smiley, Kevin T. "Religious Context and Environmental Inequality in the United States." *Under Review*

Smiley, Kevin T. "Social Capital, Race, and Environmental Degradation: Analyzing industrial air pollution in the United States." *Under Review*

Smiley, Kevin T. and Michael O. Emerson. "Market Cities, People Cities, and the Spirit of Capitalism in Cities." *Under Review*

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Smiley, Kevin T. "Declines in Manufacturing Workers and Environmental Inequality in the United States." *In Preparation for Submission*

Elliott, James R., Junia Howell, and Kevin T. Smiley. "Disasters, Community, and Inequality: A longitudinal perspective." *In Preparation for Submission*

OTHER WORKS

2017. Smiley, Kevin T. "Environmental Justice in Houston." *National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center Case Studies*. Available at through the [SESYNC case study library](#)

* Teaching resource developed for undergraduate classrooms.

2016. Smiley, Kevin T. and Jenifer Bratter. "Altering Structures." Pp. 446-447 in *(Un)Making Race and Ethnicity: A reader*, edited by M.O. Emerson, J. Bratter, and S. Chavez. New York: Oxford University Press.

* Introduction to a section of an undergraduate Race and Ethnicity Reader

GRANTS AND HONORS

2016. Marvin E. Olsen Student Paper Award, Environment and Technology Section, American Sociological Association.

2016. Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, Social Sciences Research Institute, Rice University. \$3,317 grant.

2015. James T. Wagoner '29 Foreign Study Scholarship. (Grant for travel and research in Copenhagen, Denmark). \$3,392.09.
2015. Boniuk Institute for Religious Tolerance Small Grant. (Grant for research on immigration beliefs in Copenhagen, Denmark). \$3,748.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2017. Smiley, Kevin T. "Manufacturing History and Industrial Pollution in the United States." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Roundtable session. Montréal, Canada.
2016. Elliott, James R. and Kevin T. Smiley. "Beyond Residential Neighborhoods: How commuting shapes unequal exposures to industrially produced toxins." *Persistent & Emerging Issues in Population Health Science: 2nd Annual Interdisciplinary Population Health Research Conference*. State College, Pennsylvania.
2016. Smiley, Kevin T. "Race and Air Quality in Urban America: How Metropolitan Contexts Condition Environmental Risk." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Environment and Technology Section Session on Advances in Meso-Level Research. Seattle, Washington.
2016. Smiley, Kevin T. and James R. Elliott. "Commuting Out of Urban Pollution: Flows to and From Industrially Produced Toxins in Houston." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Community and Urban Sociology Section on Urban Spatial Inequality. Seattle, Washington.
2016. Smiley, Kevin T. "Risky Social Capital: How Social Capital Accentuates Environmental Inequalities in Metropolitan America." *European Urban Research Association 2016 Annual Meeting*. Turin, Italy.
2016. Smiley, Kevin T. "Environmental Justice in Metropolitan America: Does a city's civic capacity create more inequalities?" *Social Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. Atlanta, Georgia.
2015. Smiley, Kevin T. "Beliefs about Climate Change Seriousness in a Green Capital and an Energy City: Evidence from Copenhagen and Houston." *Natural Hazards Workshop*. Broomfield, Colorado.
2015. Smiley, Kevin T., and Michael O. Emerson. "A Tale of Cities: Houston, Copenhagen, and our urban future." *Urban Affairs Association Conference*. Miami, Florida.
2015. Smiley, Kevin T. "Cities and Environmental Attitudes: Evidence from Copenhagen, Denmark and Houston, Texas." *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2014. Smiley, Kevin T. "Field-ing New Inquiries: Examining Collective Action in Cities using Field Theory." *Second Interdisciplinary Conference on Social Protest*. Canterbury, England, United Kingdom.
2013. Smiley, Kevin T. "Battles Between Bikes and Businesses: Collective Strategic Action in Memphis, Tennessee." *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, Georgia.
2012. Smiley, Kevin T. "New Public Spaces, Shifting Public Cultures: Memphis and the Adoption of Greenway Networks." *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, Louisiana.
2007. Thurman, Lindsey, Jeff Sorce, Ashley Belcher, and Kevin T. Smiley. "WKU HonorsToppers: The Creation of Honors Ambassador Organization." *National Collegiate Honors Conference*, Denver, Colorado.

TEACHING

Courses – Primary Instructor (University at Buffalo)

Environment and Society, Environmental Sociology (graduate).

Courses - Teaching Assistant (Rice University and University of Memphis)

Intermediate Statistics (Graduate Level), Introduction to Sociology, Senior Thesis Seminar, Social Statistics.

Guest Lectures – List of Courses (Rice University and University of Memphis)

Community and Urban Sociology (graduate), Public Sociology Seminar: Inequality in Memphis, Social Theory, Urban Transportation

Undergraduate Mentorship.

2015. Graduate Student Advisor, Houston Action Research Team for Energy Efficiency in the Houston Area, Center for Civic Leadership, Rice University.

2015. Graduate Student Advisor, Houston Action Research Team for Houston Parks and Recreation Department Master Plan, Center for Civic Leadership, Rice University.

* Research led to publication in *Environmental Justice*.

External Training

2016. Participant, Teaching Socio-Environmental Synthesis with Case Studies short course, National Center for Socio-Environmental Synthesis, Annapolis, Maryland.

MEDIA COVERAGE

2016. "Why Race Matters in Planning Public Parks." *The Atlantic's CityLab*, March 23.

2016. “Massive Investments in bicycling have got more people moving in Memphis, but they have also affected social inequality.” Invited blog post at *London School of Economics’ American Politics and Policy Blog*. February 23.
2015. “Do you trust other Houstonians?” *Houston Chronicle*. October 12.
2015. “What Copenhagen and Houston tell us about how ‘trust’ affects cities.” *Kinder Institute for Urban Research, The Urban Edge Blog*. October 6.
2014. “Bicycling Bias?” *Memphis Flyer*. November 20.
2014. “The Rise of Memphis as a Cycling City.” *Planetizen*, November 8.
2014. “Study Says Bicycling Boom Could Bring Gentrification.” *Memphis Flyer*. November 6.
2014. “How Memphis Became a Great Bicycling City.” *The Atlantic’s CityLab*. October 29.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Professional Activities.

2017. Participant, Computational Environmental Justice Analysis, National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC), PIs: Michael Ash, Mary Collins, and Paul Mohai.
* Although I was not an original grant recipient, I was invited to attend research meetings funded by the grant.

Professional Training

2016. Workshop Attendee, Regression Analysis for Spatial Data, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, Boulder, Colorado.

Departmental Service

- 2014-15. Graduate Student Representative, Department of Sociology, Rice University.
2014-15. Mentor, First Year Mentor Program, Department of Sociology, Rice University.
2013. Member, Undergraduate Student Paper Competition Review Committee, Department of Sociology, Rice University.
2013. Section Representative, Graduate Recruitment Weekend, Department of Sociology, Rice University.
2011. Member, Associate Professor Search Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Memphis.
2011. Member, Assistant Professor Search Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Memphis.

University Service

2016. Committee Member, Rich Endowment Fund Grant Spring 2016, Center for Civic Leadership, Rice University.

- 2015. Committee Member, Rich Endowment Fund Grant Fall 2015, Center for Civic Leadership, Rice University.
- 2015. Judge, Rice Undergraduate Research Symposium, Rice University.
- 2014. Departmental Representative, Quality Education Task Force, Rice University.
- 2014. Breakout Session Leader, Graduate Student Association Orientation, Rice University.

Occasional Reviewer

Environmental Sociology, Ethnic and Racial Studies, University Press of Colorado, Urban Studies

Other Service

- 2017. Mentor, Environment and Technology Section, American Sociological Association. Montréal, Canada.
- 2016. Attendee, Environmental Justice, Science, and Democracy, Union of Concerned Scientists, St. Paul, Minnesota.
- 2015. Attendee, Community Connections: Bringing together Scientists and Local Voices, Union of Concerned Scientists, Houston, Texas.
- 2015. Presider, Urban Environments Roundtable, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois.
- 2015. Attendee, Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Release Inventory Regional Workshop, Houston, Texas.
- 2013-15. Mentor, Program for the Advancement and Immersion of Refugees, Houston, Texas.
- 2011. Group Facilitator, "Education Chat with Dr. Wanda Rushing," Stand for Children, Memphis, Tennessee.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

Sections: Community and Urban Sociology, Environmental Sociology, Medical Sociology, Racial & Ethnic Minorities.

Southern Sociological Society.

Urban Affairs Association.