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Harnessing the Communication Revolution. 11-12 June: Beijing, People's Republic of China.

1994 Von Hippel, David, Peter Hayes and Dana Fisher. "Climate Change and the Rise in Sea Level With Their Accompanying Socioeconomic Impacts and Response Strategies for Asia and the Pacific." Proceedings of UN ESCAP Consultative Meeting. 13-15 December: Bangkok, Thailand.

Funding:

2026-2029 Principal Investigator for "Mobile Tools to Evaluate Civic Health During Extreme Events." Funding from AmeriCorps (26READC001). $1,044,504.

2023-present Principal Investigator for "Workforce Development and the 4Rs (Response, Recovery, Resilience, and Reduction)." Funding from AmeriCorps (23REAVA001). $3,050,958.

2026-2027 Principal Investigator for "Studying the Movement to Protect Democracy." Funding from the Freedom Together Foundation. $200,000.

2026. Principal Investigator for "Landscape Assessment of Climate Communicators in the US and Canada." Earth HQ, a fiscally sponsored project of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. $99,745.

2026 Consultant for "Systematic Causes of the Perceptions of Democratic Underperformance." Kettering Foundation. $7,000.

2024-2025 Principal Investigator for "Climate in Our Nation's Service Research," William and Flora Hewlett Foundation (#2024-04252-GRA). $50,000.

2021-2024 Co-Investigator for "Addressing Climate in Our Nation's Service Corps." Funding from the USDA/USFS/DOI. $350,254.

2024 Principal Investigator for X-Grant to support research dissemination. Funding from MacArthur Foundation (G-2401-158560). $10,000.

2022 Principal Investigator for "Monitoring Coalitions of Climate Action through the Climate Constituencies Project." William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. $62,700.

2022-2025 Co-Principal Investigator for "Towards US-Japan Co-creation on Sustainability Transformation: exploring opportunities in sustainable consumption and production." The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP). ¥21,483,000

2021-2022 Co-Investigator for "Climate Constituencies Project 2021." Funding from Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology (EAWAG) and the Oeschger Center for Climate Change Research at the University of Bern. $32,500.

2020-21 Principal Investigator for "The Current Mass Mobilization against Systemic Racism: Effects on Democracy and Politics" (co-PIs Michael Heaney and Stella Rouse). Russell Sage Foundation (2006-26272). $49,957

2019 Principal Investigator for "Studying the Youth Climate Movement." William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. $38,625

2016-18 Principal Investigator for "Climate Constituencies Project." MacArthur Foundation (#G-1604-150842 and # G-16-1609-151514-CLS). $900,000

2018 Principal Investigator for "Protest Convening." Ford Foundation (Grant #19010090). $5,000

2017-20 Collaborator for "ACT: From targets to action - public responses to climate policy instruments." Funding from the Norwegian Research Council (Grant No. 268201). 250,000 NOK.

2017-22 Collaborator for "Making sense of climate action: understanding social mobilization to curb anthropogenic climate change through advances in social network analysis." (PI-David Tindall) Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Canadian $282,672.

2015-16 Principal Investigator for "Influences of School Gardens on Healthy Habit Development by Race and Class." College of Behavioral and Social Sciences Dean's Research Initiative Level 1, University of Maryland, 2015-2016, $10,000.

2014-16 Principal Investigator for "Understanding the Effectiveness of the Watershed Stewards Academies in Maryland." Maryland Sea Grant. $140,000.

2014-15 University of Maryland Global Partnerships-Faculty Travel Grant to support "Toward a Framework for Understanding Urban Environmental Stewardship in the US and France." $5000.

2014 Co-Investigator. Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology. (EAWAG) "Self-Reinforcing Recruitment Processes in the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment." IZK0Z1 157912/1. $5,173

2012-15 Co-Investigator for "The Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project" (STEW-MAP) Funding from the US Forest Service. $50,000.

2010-13 Contracted by the Norwegian Center for International Climate and Environmental Research in Oslo (CICERO) to study "Low Carbon Energy Policy in the United States" as part of the *Towards a low carbon energy future: Norway's policy opportunities and constraints in an international comparative perspective* Project. Funding from the Norwegian Research Council. 150,000 NOK.

2009-12 Principal Investigator of "Understanding the Dynamic Connections Among Stewardship, Land Cover, and Ecosystem Services in New York City's Urban Forest." Funding from the Urban Long-Term Research Areas Exploratory (ULTRA-Ex) awards competition at the National Science Foundation (DEB-0948451), $299,167.

Supplemental award to DEB-0948451, $10,368.

2008-12 Co-Principal Investigator of "Social Networks as Agents of Change in Climate Policy Making" (COMPON Project). Funding from the Human and Social Dimensions Program of the National Science Foundation (BCS-0826892), $719,912.

2007-9 Principal Investigator of "Comparative Forms of Mobilization and Professionalization." Seed Grant from the Alliance Program. $7,500.

2007-9 Contracted by the Norwegian Center for International Climate and Environmental Research in Oslo (CICERO) to study "The relationship between sub-national policy-making and the US position within the climate change negotiations" as part of the *Bargaining for Non-participation* Project. Funding from the Norwegian Research Council. 120,000 NOK.

2005-9 Co-Investigator for "Emergent Forms of Urban Environmental Stewardship: Understanding Civic Innovation in New York City" Funding from the US Forest Service. $22,370.

2005 Columbia University Faculty Development Grant to write up findings of Civic Engagement and the Canvass Project into book manuscript. $3,000 fellowship.

2004 Columbia University Faculty Development Grant to work on project on the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment as an Epistemic Community. $3,000 fellowship.

2003 Principal Investigator for "Engaging the Disenfranchised: Civil Society and Developing Countries' Participation in Multilateralism" grant from the Center for Global Partnership. $5,000 Seed Grant.

2002 Principal Investigator for "Civic Engagement and the Canvass" grant from the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE). $52,675.

2002 Start-up grant from the Columbia Earth Institute. $20,000.

Awards and Fellowships:

2021-2026 Non Resident Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution.

2025 Fellow, Humanities Centre for Advanced Study on the Future of Sustainability, University of Hamburg.

2024 Ad Hoc Member, Expert Panel for the Accountancy, Business, Humanities and Social Sciences, Singapore Ministry of Education.

2024 External Review Committee Member, VISTA Center for Public Policies and Citizen Engagement Concerning the Energy Transformation, Norwegian Academic of Sciences and Letters.

2022 Distinguished Visiting Scholar, The John W. Kluge Center of the Library of Congress (May-August).

2010 American Sociological Association Travel Award Grant for US Participants in the International Sociological Association (ISA) XVIIth World Congress of Sociology, Gothenburg, Sweden (SES-0852624) supported by the National Science Foundation

2006 American Sociological Association Travel Award Grant for US Participants in the International Sociological Association (ISA) XVIth World Congress of Sociology Durban, South Africa (SES-0548370) supported by the National Science Foundation

2002 Recipient of Katherine DuPre Lumpkin Award for the best dissertation in the Department of Sociology 2000-2001 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

2000 National Science Foundation Dissertation Enhancement Award, Funded to collect data for dissertation research in Japan and the Netherlands

2000 Wageningen University Research Fellowship, Four-month fellowship to study Dutch and European Union responses to the Kyoto Protocol with Arthur Mol at Wageningen University, Netherlands.

1999 National Science Foundation Summer Institute in Japan, Researched the political and economic feasibility of the Kyoto Protocol under Dr. Tsuneyuki Morita at the Japanese National Institute for Environmental Studies.

1999 National Science Foundation IGERT Research Trainee, Member of interdisciplinary team working on local responses to global climate change and environmental justice issues related to Mercury contamination of lakes in Dane County from 1999-2001.

Affiliations:

2011-2015 Faculty Affiliate, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland
2002-2010 Faculty Fellow, Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy (ISERP), Columbia University
2002-2010 Faculty Affiliate, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Editorial Boards:

2025-present Editorial Board, *Environmental Research Letters*
2023-present Editorial Board, *Mobilization* (four-year term)
2021-present Editorial Board, *Nature and Culture*
2016-present Series Editor (with Evan Schofer), Society and the Environment Series, Columbia University Press

2021-2025 Editorial Board, *Climate Policy*
2021-2024 Editorial Board, *Nature Climate Action*
2018-2019 Associate Editor, *Science Advances*
2017-2019 Editorial Board Member, *Scientific Data*
2015-2017 Editorial Board Member, *Contexts*
2014-2018 Foundation Editorial Board Member, *Environmental Sociology*
2008-2011 Advisory Editor, *Social Problems*

Courses Taught last five years:

Activism and the Environment (AU)
Activism and Global Movements (UMD)
Environmental Sociology (UMD)
Graduate Practicum in Publishing Sociology (UMD)
HONR: How Do We Study Environmental Problems (UMD)
Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods (UMD)
Qualitative Methods II: Field Research (UMD)

University Service:

2023-present Director, Center for Environment, Community, & Equity, American University
2025-2026 Department Representative, Inclusion and Equity Council, School of International Service
2021-2024 Faculty Fellow, University Honors, University of Maryland
2019-2023 Coordinator, Social Movements and the State Area for Sociology Department
2011-2023 Director, Program for Society and the Environment, University of Maryland
2015-2017 Member, Limited Submission Standing Review Committee, University of Maryland Division of Research
2014-2017 Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology, UMD
2014-2016 Faculty Representative, University Sustainability Council, University of Maryland
2012-2013 Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology, UMD
2011-2012 Executive Committee, Qualitative Research Interest Group (QRIG)
2011-2012 Department Methods Committee
2009-2010 Director, Environmental Stewardship Project, ISERP, Columbia University
2009-2010 Program Coordinator, ISERP Working Group on Activism and Politics
2007-2008 Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, Columbia University
2006-2007 Department Representative of the Executive Committee of the Arts & Sciences (ECFAS), Columbia University
2003-2005 Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, Columbia University (Co-Chair 2004-5)

Professional Service:

2025-present International Advisory Board Member, The German Longitudinal Environmental Study (GLEN)
2023-2025 Chair, American Sociological Association Political Sociology Section
2024 Ad Hoc Member, Expert Panel for the Accountancy, Business, Humanities and Social Sciences, Singapore Ministry of Education
2024 VISTA Expert Review Panel, The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters
2022-2024 President, Eastern Sociological Society
2022-2023 Advisory Board, Focus Series: Planetary Health and Human Well-Being, UNEP
2019-2022 Contributing Author, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Working Group 3 for its Sixth Assessment Report (IPCC WG3), Chapter 13 writing on citizen engagement.

2018-2021 Secretary-Treasurer, American Sociological Association, Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section
2019-2020 Nominations Committee, American Sociological Association, Political Sociology Section
2018 Session Organizer, Organized three "Regular" Sessions on Environmental Sociology for American Sociological Association 2018 Annual Meeting.
2015- 2018 Council Member, American Sociological Association, Political Sociology Section
2015-2017 Member, Task force on Conceptual Foundations of Earth Systems Governance
2015-2017 Director of Social Science Innovations, National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)
2016 Distinguished Scholar-Lecturer, National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)
2010-2014 Vice President of the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Environment and Society (RC-24)
2013-2014 Chair of the Committee for the Frederick H. Buttel International Award 2014 for Distinguished Scholarship in Environmental Sociology for the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Environment and Society (RC-24)
2011-2013 External Advisory Board Member, National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)
2009-2012 Council Member, American Sociological Association, Communication and Information Technology Section
2011-2012 Review Panel member, Decision, Risk and Sciences Program, National Science Foundation
2010 Plenary Speaker at the ISA World Congress of Sociology in Gothenburg, Sweden
2010 Organizer of four Sessions on "Civil Society and Environmental Governance" for the ISA 2010 World Congress in Gothenburg, Sweden
2010, 2008, 2005Grant Reviewer for National Science Foundation (SBE Section)
2009 Organizer of Session for Presidential Mini-Symposium at ASA 2009 in San Francisco on "Understanding Democratic Renewal: The Movement to Elect Barack Obama."
2006-2010 Secretary of the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Environment and Society (RC-24)
2008 National Science Foundation, Participant in Workshop on the Sociological Perspectives on Global Climate Change
2003-6 Council Member, American Sociological Association, Environment & Technology Section
2004-6 Member, Awards Committee, Rural Sociological Society
2002-5 Contributing Lead Author, Millennium Ecosystem Assessment
2000-1 Participant in the Asia-Pacific Integrated Model (AIM) for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Annual Meetings 2000-2001
2000 National Science Foundation, Summer Programs in Asia Review Panel, Review Panel member for Summer Institutes in Japan, Korea, and Taiwan

Selected Refereed Presentations and Invited Talks (past 8 years):

"Making the Case for Apocalyptic Optimism." TED Talk. *TED Countdown 2024.* 29 October 2024. Available at https://go.ted.com/danarfisher

"Strategy and Sustainability in the Climate Movement." Keynote talk at the Mobilization Conference, San Diego, CA, 24 June 2022; Atelier du Revue Tocqueville, Paris, France, 6 July 2022.

"AnthroShift in a Warming World." Invited Talk at the Earth Commons at Georgetown University. 5 April 2022.

"Mobilizing Activism in the US: Insights from the *American Resistance* and Beyond" Sociology Department Colloquium, University of Chicago, 3 February 2021; Rutgers University, Department of Sociology, 24 March 2021; Harvard University, Department of Sociology 13 April 2021.

"Understanding the Youth Climate Movement" Invited Talk at Goldman School at UC-Berkeley, 10 December 2020; Invited Talk at Kroc Institute at Notre Dame, 19 January 2021.

"The Power of Social Movements and Civic Activism to Bring About Social Change" Keynote address for US Department of State exchange program, 6 October 2019; Outside Speaker for National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, Medicine Panel for A Systems Approach to Reducing Consumer Food Waste, 8 October 2019.

"American Resistance: Looking Back While Marching Forward" Plenary Speaker at the Political Sociology Mini-Conference before the American Sociological Association annual meeting in NY, NY. 9 August 2017; UBC Department of Sociology, 6 September 2019; Social Science Research Council, 5 November 2019; Civic Hall, 15 November 2019; Swarthmore College, 2 December 2019; Harvard Ash Center, Kennedy School of Government, 10 February 2020.

"American Resistance: Understanding Persistence in the Resistance" Presidential Panel of the American Sociological Association annual meeting in NY, NY. 13 August 2019. Cornell University Department of Sociology, 9 March 2019.

"Why Are We Here? Intersectionality Across the Resistance" Theme Panel on Intersectionality and Political Mobilization, Meetings of the American Political Science Association in Boston. 31 August 2018.

"Echo Chambers in Climate Science." Closing Plenary panel of the Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences meeting in Washington, DC. 23 June 2018.

"American Resistance." Presidential panel of the American Sociological Association annual meeting in Montreal, Canada. 12 August 2017; Department of Politics, University of Glasgow 6 October 2017.

"Scientists in the Resistance." Semi-plenary talk at the 2017 Earth System Governance Conference, Lund University, Sweden, 11 October 2017; S|GNS Summit, 8 July 2018, Chicago, IL; Invited Session on Science and Politics at ASA 2018, 14 August 2018, Philadelphia, PA.

"Polarizing Climate Politics." Keynote dinner speaker at the #REMforum 2017 at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland, 11 May 2017 and as part of *The Public and its Climate Problem,* CICERO Senter for Klimaforskning, Norway, 6 June 2017.

"American Climate Governance in Trump's America." Paper presented for the Presidential Panel on Climate Change at the Eastern Sociological Society. Philadelphia, February 2017.

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