

Stephan Fuchs

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

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| 1989 | PhD, Sociology, University of California at Riverside |
| 1987 | M.A., Sociology, University of California at Riverside |
| 1985 | Erstes Staatsexamen, History and Political Science, Bremen University, Germany |

Present Position

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| 2003 – present | Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia |
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Previous Positions

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| 1995 – 2003 | Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia |
| 1991 – 1995 | Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia |
| 1989 – 1990 | Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of New Hampshire |
| 1988 – 1989 | Lecturer, University of California at Riverside and California State University |

Academic Honors and Awards

- 1983 Fellow, Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes
- 1985 Bremer Studienpreis for Staatsexamen–Thesis
- 1987 – 1989 Regent’s Fellow, University of California at Riverside
- 1995 Honorable Mention, Robert Merton Award, for *The Professional Quest for Truth* (1992)
- 1996 Visiting Lecturer, Slovak Academy of the Sciences
- 1998 Visiting Research Scientist, University of Bielefeld, Germany
- 1999 - present Member, Editorial/Advisory Board, *Soziale Systeme – Zeitschrift fuer soziologische Theorie*
- 2000 Research Fellow, Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, Sweden
- 2002 "*Author Meets Critics*" : On *Against Essentialism: A Theory of Culture and Society* (2001). Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD
- 2003 - present Faculty Resource Scientist, Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation
- 2003 Visiting Lecturer, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bielefeld, Germany
- 2003 Nominated for position of Editor, *Sociological Theory (A Journal of the American Sociological Association)*
- 2004 "*Author Meets Critics*" : On *Against Essentialism: A Theory of Culture and Society* (2001). Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA
- 2004 - present Member, ReSET Committee, Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation
- 2008 – 2010 Fellow, Academic Fellowship Program, Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation
- 2013 Invited Lecturer, *Alexander von Humboldt Lectures*, Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands, October 2013
- 2013 *Against Essentialism* (2001) named one of Ten Major Theory Books Since 2000. Randall Collins. *Contemporary Sociology*. Vol. 42.
- 2015 Keynote Speaker, Summer Institute entitled *Museums at the Crossroads: Local Knowledge, Global Encounters*, Mathers Museum of World Cultures, Indiana University, May 2015

Publications

Books

In preparation *How the World Worlds: Heidegger and Philosophy*

2001 *Against Essentialism: A Theory of Culture and Society*, Harvard University Press

1992 *The Professional Quest for Truth*, SUNY Press

Articles, Book Chapters, Essays

2014 "How Not To Do (Field) Theory", Review Essay, *Contemporary Sociology*.

2013 "Ontological and Constructivist Observing." In Rene John/Jana Rueckert-John (eds). *Ontology and Modernity*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag.

2010 "Kulturelle Netzwerke. Zu einer Relationalen Soziologie symbolischer Formen." Pp. 49-68 in Jan Fuhse/Sophie Muetzel (eds). *Relationale Soziologie. Zur Kulturellen Wende der Netzwerkforschung*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag.

2010 "Kinds of Observers and Types of Distinctions." Pp. 81-96 in Rene John/Anna Henkel/Jana Rueckert-John (eds). *Die Methodologien des Systems*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag.

2009 "The Behavior of Cultural Networks." *Soziale Systeme*. Vol. 15: 345-66.

2009 "Objektivität" (Review Essay on Objectivity). *Soziologische Revue*. Vol. 32.

2007 "Agency (and Intention)." In George Ritzer (ed). *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*.

2006 "On the Relationship between Culture and Power." *Erwägen, Wissen, Ethik = Deliberation, knowledge, ethics*.

2005 "Handlung ist System." ["Action as System."] Pp. 51-53 in Dirk Baecker (ed). *Schlüsselwerke der Systemtheorie [Key Works in Systems Theory]*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag fuer Sozialwissenschaften.

Reprinted in:

- Baecker, Dirk (ed.) 2016. Pp. 403-405. *Schlüsselwerke der Systemtheorie [Key Works in Systems Theory]*. 2nd ed. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag fuer Sozialwissenschaften.
- 2005 "Wodurch werden Wissenschaften 'wissenschaftlich'?" Pp. 332-41 in Uwe Schimank/Rainer Greshoff (eds). *Was erklärt die Soziologie?: Methodologien, Modelle, Perspektiven*. Hamburg: Lit. Verlag.
- 2004 "Some Writing on Thinking and Talking." *Soziale Systeme*. Vol. 10: 187-204.
- 2004 "Some Thoughts on Fraud and Misconduct." *Erwägen, Wissen, Ethik = Deliberation, knowledge, ethics*.
- 2001 "Beyond Agency." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 19: 24-40.
- 2001 "What Makes a Science Scientific?" Pp. 21-35 in Jonathan Turner (ed). *Handbook of Sociological Theory*. New York: Kluwer Academic/Plenum Press.
- 2001 "Systems and Networks." Pp. 130-39 in A. Javier Trevino (ed). *Talcott Parsons Today: His Theory and Legacy in Contemporary Sociology*. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield.
- 2001 "Networks." *Soziale Systeme*. Vol. 7: 125-55.
- 2000 "A Social Theory of Objectivity." Pp. 155-83 in Ullica Segerstrale (ed). *Beyond the Science Wars: The Missing Discourse about Science and Society*. SUNY Series in Science, Technology, and Society. Albany: SUNY Press.
- 1999 "Niklas Luhmann." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 17: 117-19.
- 1999 "Sociology and Social Movements." *Contemporary Sociology*. Vol. 28: 271-77. (with Peggy Plass)
- 1999 "The Social Conditions of Cumulation." *The American Sociologist*. Vol. 30: 21-40. (with Joe Spear)
- 1998 "Across the Great (and Small) Divides." *Soziale Systeme*. Vol. 4: 5-31. (with Douglas Marshall)
- 1997 "A Sociological Theory of Objectivity." *Science Studies*. Vol. 11: 4-26.
- 1996 "The New Wars of Truth: Conflicts over Science Studies as Differential Modes of Observation." *Social Science Information*. Vol. 35: 307-26.
- 1996 "The Poverty of Postmodernism." *Science Studies*. Vol. 9: 58-66.
- 1996 "The Significance of Network Theory for a Sociological Epistemology." *Filosofia*. Vol. 51: 28-41.

- 1996 "Fraud and Trust in Science." *Perspectives in Biology and Medicine*. Vol. 39: 248-69.
(with Sandra Westervelt)
- 1996 "The Current State of Social Theory: An Introduction." *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*. Vol. 16: 1-4.
- 1995 "The Stratified Order of Gossip. Informal Communication in Organizations and Science." *Soziale Systeme*. Vol. 1: 47-72.
- 1995 "The Future of Sociology." *Sociological Imagination*.
- 1994 Translation. "What is the Case?" and "What Lies behind It?" *The Two Sociologies and the Theory of Society* by Niklas Luhmann. *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 12: 126-39.
- 1994 "A Grid/Group Theory of Prejudice." *Research in Race and Ethnic Relations*. Vol. 7: 37-54. (with Charles Case)
- 1994 "The Sociology and Paradoxes of Deconstruction." *American Sociological Review*. Vol. 59: 506-10. (with Steven Ward)
- 1994 "What is Deconstruction?" *American Sociological Review*. Vol. 59: 481-500.
(with Steven Ward)
- 1993 "A Sociological Theory of Scientific Change." *Social Forces*. Vol. 71: 933-53.
- 1993 "Against Essentialism in Theories of Rational Action." *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*. Vol. 7: 37-39.
- 1993 "Hermeneutics as Organizational Politics." *Current Perspectives in Social Theory*. Vol. 13: 159-84.
- 1993 "Positivism is the Organizational Myth of Science." *Perspectives on Science*. Vol. 1: 1-23.
- 1993 "Three Sociological Epistemologies." *Sociological Perspectives*. Vol. 36: 23-44.
- 1992 "Relativism and Reflexivity in the Sociology of Science." Pp. 151-67 in George Ritzer (ed). *Metatheorizing*. Newbury Park: Sage.
- 1992 "Interaction Systems and Power Networks." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 10: 133-34.
- 1991 "Metatheory as Cognitive Style." *Sociological Perspectives*. Vol. 34: 287-301.
- 1991 "From Theory to Critique of Modernity." *Michigan Sociological Review*. Vol. 5: 1-18.
- 1991 "The Cultural Structuralism of Pierre Bourdieu." In Jonathan Turner. *The Structure of Sociological Theory*, 5th ed. Belmont: Wadsworth.

- 1989 "Ist die Soziologie gesellschaftlich irrelevant?" *Zeitschrift fuer Soziologie*. Vol. 18: 208-19.
(with Mathias Wingers)
- 1989 "Social Determinants of Racial Prejudice." *Sociological Perspectives*. Vol. 32: 469-83.
(with Charles Case and Andrew Greeley).
- 1989 "On the Microfoundations of Macrosociology." *Sociological Perspectives*. Vol. 32: 169-82.
- 1989 "Prejudice as Lifeform." *Sociological Inquiry*. Vol. 59: 301-17. (with Charles Case)
- 1989 "Second Thoughts on Emergent Interaction Orders." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 7: 121-23.
- 1989 "The Fundamentals of Sociology." *Perspectives*. Vol. 6.
- 1988 "The Constitution of Emergent Interaction Orders. A Comment on Rawls." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 6: 122-24.
- 1988 "Two Paradigm Changes in the Development of Sociological Systems Theory." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 6: 21-25.
- 1988 Translation. "Tautology and Paradox in the Self-Descriptions of Modern Society" by Niklas Luhmann. *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 6: 26-37.
- 1987 "Toward a Sociology of Truth." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 5: 205-06.
- 1986 "Sinnverstehen als Lebensform: Ueber die Moeglichkeit hermeneutischer Objektivitaet" *Geschichte und Gesellschaft*. Vol. 12: 477-501. (with Mathias Wingers)
- 1986 "The Social Organization of Scientific Knowledge." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 4: 126-42.
- 1986 "What Makes a Science Mature? Patterns of Organizational Control in Scientific Production." *Sociological Theory*. Vol. 4: 143-50. (with Jonathan Turner)
- 1983 "Sinnverstehen und Erklarungsprinzip." Pp. 71-85 in Erwin Faber/Immanuel Geiss (eds). *Arbeitsbuch zum Geschichtsstudium*. Heidelberg: UTB

/Book Reviews, Conference Papers, Invited Lectures not listed./

Service

Department Service

2015 – 2016 Chair, Colloquium Committee
Presenter, Faculty Salon. Presentation title: “Toward a Theory of the Observer”
Reviewer, Fifth-Year Faculty Review
Chair, Dissertation Committee: Dan Finn
Chair, Dissertation Committee: Ahrum Lee
Member, Dissertation Committee: Mili Kalia

2012 – 2015 Member, Graduate Studies Committee
Chair, Dissertation Committee: Dan Finn
Chair, Dissertation Committee: Ahrum Lee
Member, Dissertation Committee: Mili Kalia

2011 – 2012 Member, Graduate Admissions Committee (Spring)
Member, Graduate Studies Committee (Fall)
Chair, Dissertation Committee: Dan Finn
Member, Comprehensive Exams Committees: Theory; Organizations

Spring 2011 Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee

Fall 2010: On leave

2009 – 2010 Chair, Third Year Review Committee: Allison Pugh
Offered my services as Chair of the Department of Sociology (declined)

2008 – 2009 Member, Graduate Studies and Graduate Admissions Committees
Chair, Comprehensive Exam Committee: Seungbong Jong (Spring 2009)
Chair, Comprehensive Exam Committee: David Hsu (Spring 2009)

2007 – 2008 Member, Faculty Search and Recruitment Committee
Dissertation Chair: Ilja Elle (defended in Fall 2007)
Chair, Master’s Thesis: Charles McCoy (defended in Spring 2008)

Spring 2007 Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee
Chair, Comprehensive Exam Committee: Jason Manning

Spring 2006 – Fall 2006 : On leave

During 2006, I was on sabbatical, teaching at the American University of Central Asia in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. My appointment there was as a fellow of the Academic Fellowship Program (AFP) of the Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation. My duties as AFP fellow included teaching 4 courses during the year, assisting in curriculum development and teaching design, assisting the Sociology department chair in building a department with international visibility, student mentoring (especially those going to Graduate School in the US), and faculty advising (such as conference preparation, grant applications, and scholarly publishing).

A lecture series in my name was introduced by the President of the university. I gave 3 university-wide lectures on knowledge during the year.

2004 – 2005 Director of Undergraduate Studies
Faculty Associate
Dissertation Chair: Ilja Elle
Chair, Master's Thesis: Jason Manning, Jennifer Patja

Fall 2003 Director of Undergraduate Studies
Co-Organizer, *Sociology Majors Fair*
Dissertation Chair: Ilja Elle

Spring 2003 : On leave

2001 – 2002 Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee
Dissertation Chair: Ilja Elle, John Worozbyt, Wayne Humphries

2000 – 2001 Member, Faculty Search and Recruitment Committee
Director, Colloquium Series
Dissertation Chair: Wayne Humphries

1999 Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
Author, *Vision and Mission Statement of the Sociology Department*
Dissertation Chair: Joe Spear (defended Spring 1999), Wayne Humphries

Fall 1999: On leave

I also served as Director of Graduate Studies during my years as an assistant professor, between 1991 and 1995, and carried out many other services in the department in years prior to 1999, similar to the above.

University Service

2011 – 2012 Faculty Advisor, First-Year Students

2009 – 2010 Faculty Advisor, First-Year Students

2007 – 2009 Member, Advisory Board, Center for German Studies, University of Virginia

2004 – 2005 Faculty Advisor, First-Year Students

1999 Member, Evaluation Committee for the *Technology, Culture, and Communication* course in the School of Engineering and Applied Science

- 1998 Member, Page-Barbour Lectures Committee for the Conference of Nobel Peace Laureates
- 1996 Co-Organizer, Social Studies of Science Conference at UVa (with Science, Technology, and Society Department of the School of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Virginia)
- 1995 Co-Organizer, University-wide Workshop on Fraud and Misconduct in Science (with Paul Gross)
- 1995 Assistant for the *Theory Seminar* Program initiated by Richard Rorty, University of Virginia
- 1993 Assistant for the *Society and Communication* Seminars by Niklas Luhmann organized by the Commonwealth Center for Literary and Cultural Change, University of Virginia

Professional and International Service

- 2015 External Reviewer, Sociological Theory position recruitment, Faculty of Sociology, Bielefeld University
- 2014 Member, Advosory Committee, Edition of the Niklas Luhmann Nachlass
- 2007 – 2014 Faculty Advisor, Academic Fellowship Program, Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation, Budapest (Hungary).
- 2004 – 2014 Member, Advisory Committee, Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching (ReSET), Higher Education Support Program (HESP), Open Society Foundation, Budapest (Hungary).
- 2004 – 2013 Site Visits to Summer Schools funded by Higher Education Support Program (HESP), Open Society Institute, Soros Foundation, Budapest (Hungary). (List available upon request).
- Summer 2003 Organizer and Participant, *Summer University*, Central Asian Resource Center/ Soros Foundation, Almaty (Kazakhstan).
- 2001 – 2003 Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Theory*.
- 1999 – present Member, Editorial/Advisory Board, *Soziale Systeme* (Journal for Sociological Theory), Luzern (Switzerland).

1991 – present Manuscript Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Sociological Theory*, *Social Forces*, *Soziale Systeme*, and others.

1991 – present Book Manuscript Reviewer for Academic Presses, including:
Cambridge University Press, Duke University Press, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, Polity, Rowman & Littlefield, Stanford University Press.