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EDUCATION

2000 B.A., University of Pennsylvania (Sociology and English)
2000- Ph.D. Candidate in Sociology and Social Policy, Harvard University

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PUBLICATIONS

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CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

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Wimer, Christopher, and Eric Dearing. "Selection into Out-of-School Time Activities: The Role of Family and Neighborhood Contexts." Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 2006.

Wimer, Christopher, and Sandra Simpkins. "Adolescent Out-Of-School Time Participation: Contextual Predictors and Developmental Differences." Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 2006.

Wimer, Christopher. "Inequality in Children's Enrichment Activities: Cultural Logics of Childrearing or Neighborhood and Work/Family Constraints" American Sociological Association Annual Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, August 2005.

Wimer, Christopher. "Helpful Teachers, High Standards, and Racial Differences in Academic Persistence Across Classrooms." Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meetings, Minneapolis, MN, April 2005.

Wimer, Christopher. "Inequality and Childrearing: Class Differences in Parents' Provision of Youth Enrichment Activities". Colloquium in Sociology, Harvard University, April 2004.

Wimer, Christopher. "Poverty and Parent Involvement: Work, Family, Community, and Cultural Contexts". Harvard-Oxford-Stockholm Sorensen Memorial Conference, Oxford, UK, March 2004.

Wimer, Christopher. "Inequality in Youth Enrichment Activities: Structure and Culture in Early Childhood Organized Activity Provision". Harvard-Oxford-Stockholm Sorensen Memorial Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, March 2003.

OTHER PAPERS/WORKS IN PROGRESS

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Wimer, Christopher. (under review). "Poverty and Parent Involvement: Culture, Classrooms, and Schools."

Wimer, Christopher, Sandra D. Simpkins, Eric Dearing, Suzanne M. Bouffard, Pia Caronongan, and Heather B. Weiss. (revise and resubmit). "Predicting Youth Out-Of-School Time Participation: Contextual Risk and Developmental Differences."

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Jacobs, Elisabeth, with Jane Gingrich and Christopher Wimer. 2005. "Running to Stand Still: The Erosion of Middle Class Security and Opportunity." New Vision Brief in Collaboration with Third Way.

Ferguson, Ronald F., and Christopher Wimer. 2004. "*Peer Relations, Classroom Goal Structures and Academic Engagement: Findings from a Large Sample of Elementary Classrooms.*" Unpublished Manuscript.

Wimer, Christopher 1999. "Extracurricular Activities, Future Orientation, and Risky Sexual Behavior." Winner, E. Digby Baltzell Prize for Best Senior Thesis. Philadelphia, PA: University of Pennsylvania.

EMPLOYMENT

Research Assistant, Welfare, Children, and Families: A Three-City Study (July 2004-present)

Research Assistant, Harvard Family Research Project (December 2002-present)

Research Assistant to Professor Ronald F. Ferguson, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (May 2003-September 2003)

Research Assistant to Professors Christopher Jencks and David Ellwood, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (October 2000-August 2001)

Community Outreach, ACCION Texas, Houston, TX (September 2001-August 2002)

Research Assistant to Professor Frank F. Furstenberg, Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania (November 1998-August 2000)

Research Assistant to Professor Ivar Berg, Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania (September 1998-December 1999)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & SERVICE

Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *City and Community*, *Journal of Research on Adolescence*

Member: American Sociological Association, Eastern Sociological Association, Society for Research on Adolescence

Research Associate, New Vision: An Institute for Policy and Progress (2003-present)

Co-organizer, Sociology 311: Family and Childhood Research Workshop, Harvard University (Fall 2006)

Graduate Student Representative to the Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, Harvard University (2003-2004)

After School Counselor, Mission Hill After School Program, Roxbury, MA (November 2002-2006)

TEACHING

Teaching Fellow, SOC 139: *Deviance and Social Control* (Fall 2003)

Teaching Fellow, SOC 169: *Organizations and Deviance* (Fall 2003)
Teaching Fellow, SOC 107: *American Families* (Spring 2004)
Teaching Fellow, SOC 185: *Race & Crime* (Spring 2004)
Teaching Fellow, Sociology 24: *Introduction to Social Inequality* (Fall 2004)
Teaching Fellow, Social Analysis 54: *American Society and Public Policy* (Spring 2005)
Head Teaching Fellow, Sociology 179: *Crime, Justice, and the American Legal System*
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SKILLS

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