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Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Positions

2024-Present Assistant Professor of Rural Sociology and International Development and Agriculture,
Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education, Pennsylvania State
University

Affiliations:

2024-Present Faculty Affiliate, Social Science Research Institute, Penn State
University

2024-Present Institute Member, North Carolina Agromedicine Institute

2024-2025 Collaborator, North Carolina State University

2022-2024 Postdoctoral Research Scholar, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, North
Carolina State University

Affiliations:

2022-2024 Applied Research Director, Southern Ag Exchange Network

2023-2024 Institute Member, North Carolina Agromedicine Institute

Education

2021 North Carolina State University - Ph.D. in Sociology

2013 Illinois State University – M.A. in Sociology

2011 University of Houston-University Park – B.A. in Sociology and Anthropology

Areas of Specialization

Sociology of Agriculture and Food, Environmental Sociology, Political Economy, Community-
Engaged Research, Mixed Methods, United States of America, Latin America and the Caribbean

Refereed Journal Articles (* = co-lead authors, underlined = undergraduate or graduate student at
time of submission)

Forthcoming Clark, Timothy P., Patrick T. Greiner, Andrew R. Smolski, and Stefano B. Longo ‘The
Material Footprints of Finance in a Low-Growth Era: A Panel Regression and
Comparative Study of Affluent Nations’ *Environmental Sociology*

Forthcoming Smolski, Andrew R., Elisabeth Ramsey, Cathy Royal, and Michael D. Schulman, ‘
Affirming Black Farmer Assets and Visions: Results from a Pilot Appreciative

Inquiry-Based Asset Mapping Workshop' *Journal of Human Sciences and Extension*

- 2025 Smolski, Andrew R., Michael D. Schulman, and Juliene Porciuncula. 'Agrarian Frames, Farm Financial Crisis, and Farmer Stress: A Qualitative Comparison of Small-Scale Farmers' *Rural Sociology* 90(4): e70030. doi:10.1111/ruso.70030.
- 2025 Porciuncula, Juliene, Michael D. Schulman, and Andrew R. Smolski. 'Content Analysis of Farm Population Mental Health Online Information Resources in the CES Southern Region' *Journal of Extension* 63(3):17. <https://open.clemson.edu/joe/vol63/iss3/17/>.
- 2024 Smolski, Andrew R., Michael D. Schulman, Silvana Pietrosevoli, and Francesco Tiezzi. 'It's Not Just the Farm: Enterprise and Household Responses to the Pandemic by North Carolina Niche Meat Producers' *Agriculture and Human Values*. doi: 10.1007/s10460-024-10639-3.
- 2024 García Grandon, Daniela, Joana Salém Vasconcelos, and Andrew R. Smolski. 'The Agrarian Question as an Ecological Question: An Introduction' *Latin American Perspectives*. 51(1): 5-22. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0094582X241252111>.
- 2024 Smolski, Andrew R. * and Timothy P. Clark*. 'The Crop Land Expansionary Dynamics of Agricultural Production in Latin America: A Panel Study of Fourteen Countries, 1970-2016' *Latin American Perspectives*. 51(1): 63-80. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0094582X241242785>.
- 2024 Smolski, Andrew R. and Michael D. Schulman. 'Navigating Farm Stress: Traumatic and Resilient Dimensions of the Black Agrarian Frame.' *Journal of Agromedicine*. 29(1):55-65.
- 2022 Smolski, Andrew R. 'Interrogating Structural Conditions for Agricultural Production: A Comparative-Historical Study of Cuban Incorporation, Delinking and Exile.' *Journal of World-Systems Research* 28(2): 360-390.
- 2022 *Clark, Timothy P., *Andrew R. Smolski, Jason S. Allen, Heather Sanchez, and John Hedlund. "Capitalism and Sustainability: An Exploratory Content Analysis of Frameworks in Environmental Political Economy." *Social Currents* 9(2): 159-179. doi: 10.1177/23294965211043548
- 2022 Smolski, Andrew R., Javier Sethness, and Alexander Reid Ross. "Case Studies in the Sociology of Absence and Emergence: Anarcho-Populism in Russia and Mexico" *Theory in Action*. 15(1): 1-24.
- 2021 *Smolski, Andrew R. and *Matthew Lorenzen. "Violence, Capital Accumulation, and Resistance in Contemporary Latin America: An Introduction." *Latin American Perspectives* 48(1): 4-27. doi: 10.1177/0094582X20975005.
- 2018 Smolski, Andrew R., Javier Sethness Castro, and Alexander Reid Ross. "Exile and Incorporation During Revolution: Mexico and Russia from 1910 to 1924" *Capital & Class*. doi: 10.1177/0309816818759229.

- 2017 Pensado-Leglise, Mario del Roble and Andrew R. Smolski. “An Eco-Egalitarian Solution to the Capitalist Consumer Paradox: Integrating Short Food Chains and Public Market Systems” *Agriculture*. 7(76). doi:10.3390/agriculture7090076.
- 2015 Torres Salcido, Gerardo, Mario del Roble Pensado Leglise and Andrew R. Smolski. ‘Public Markets in Mexico City. Social and Political relationships in food distribution’ *Development in Practice* 25(3): 295-305. doi: 10.1080/09614524.2015.1016481.

Refereed Extension Briefs

- 2024 Ingram, Camille, Michael D. Schulman, and Andrew R. Smolski. ‘Keystone Community Leaders and Their Role in Farmer-Led Community Organizations’ *Farm Stress Brief Series*. W1303. Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture. <https://utia.tennessee.edu/publications/wp-content/uploads/sites/269/2024/10/W1303.pdf>.
- 2023 Smolski, Andrew R., Chaney Mosley, Kenneth Robinson, Marcia E. Brown, Emily A. Paskewitz, Michael D. Schulman, Heather Sedges, Christa Court, Laura E. Miller, Akanksha Rathi, and Leslie Hossfeld. ‘Farm and Ranch Mental Health: Stressors, Barriers, and Strategies’ *Farm Stress Brief Series*. W1197. Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture. <https://utia.tennessee.edu/publications/wp-content/uploads/sites/269/2023/12/W1197.pdf>
Also available in Spanish: <https://utia.tennessee.edu/publications/wp-content/uploads/sites/269/2023/12/W1197S.pdf>.

Refereed Policy and Program Briefs

- 2022 Smolski, Andrew R., Jacob C. Rutz, and Francesco Tiezzi. ‘SNAP into Justice.’ *Contexts* 21(4): 80-83. <https://doi.org/10.1177/15365042221131090>
- 2020 Garzon, Lariza and Andrew R. Smolski. “Episcopal Farmworker Ministry and disaster response to COVID-19.” *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*. 9(4): 191-196. doi: <https://doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2020.094.002>.
- 2019 Smolski, Andrew R. “Stemming the Exploitation of Immigrant Farm Labor.” *Contexts* 18(2):70-71. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/1536504219854727>.

Book Chapters

- 2023 Smolski, Andrew R. ‘Foreword: Cuba’s Present and a Specter Haunting the Spectators.’ In *Agrarian History of the Cuban Revolution: Dilemmas of Peripheral Socialism*, by Joana Salém Vasconcelos. Leiden, The Netherlands: Brill.

Edited Journal Issues

- 2024 García Grandón, Daniela, Andrew R. Smolski and Joana Salem Vasconcelos (eds.) “The Agrarian Question as an Ecological Question in Latin America” *Latin American Perspectives*.
- 2021 Lorenzen, Matthew and Andrew R. Smolski (eds.). “Violence and Contemporary Capital Accumulation in Latin America” *Latin American Perspectives* 48(1).

* Featured on *Latin American Perspectives* podcast - ‘Violence, Capital Accumulation, and Resistance in Contemporary Latin America’,
<https://latinamericanperspectives.com/podcasts-2/>

Technical Reports

- 2025 Smolski, Andrew R., Lauren Hill, Abbey E. Piner, LaShauna Austria, and Brett Rapkin-Citrenbaum. “Fostering and Sustaining Regional Food Economies Through Subsidizing Aggregation.” Prepared for Community Food Strategies.
- 2022 Smolski, Andrew R., Michael D. Schulman, Robin Tutor-Marcom, and Diamond Bynum. “Farmers’ Perceptions of Information and Resources for Navigating Economic Hardship and Stress.” Prepared for the Rural Advancement Foundation International, USA.
<https://attra.ncat.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Farmer-Well-Being-Report-RAFI.pdf>.
- 2021 Zuckerman, Jennifer, Abbey Piner, Jack Daly, Andrew R. Smolski, Jamilla Hawkins, Tiera George, Erin Van Fleet, Andrea Padilla Guerrero, Robyn Stout, Tessa Thraves, Josie Walker, Janie Hynson, Gizem Templeton, Ali Conrad, Nicole, Lococo, Sara Darwish, Elizabeth Towell, and Deborah Hill. “North Carolina Food System Resiliency Strategy.” Prepared for the Center for Environmental Farming Systems and Duke World Food Policy Center.
<https://wfpc.sanford.duke.edu/reports/north-carolina-food-system-resilience-strategy>.
- 2011 Conrad, Ashley, Alyssa Curran, Phillip Dawson, Tim Glaza, Lauren Karplus, Greg King, Amber Madden, Dane Myers, Ambuj Neupane, Nancy Ouedraogo, Elizabeth Rardin, Katies Saunders, Robyn Savacool, Carolyn Schulte, Danielle Shtraus, Kate Slisz, Andrew Smolski, Luke Tervola, and Jenna Williams. ‘Reducing Our Waste in Bloomington-Normal, IL’, Community Project Design and Management Reports - Sociology. 3.
<https://ir.library.illinoisstate.edu/cpdmsoc/3/>.

Refereed and Invited Book and Film Reviews

- Forthcoming Price, Paige Elizabeth, Ellie Martin, Jihyun Shin, Sharon Temitope Adams, Zoe MacKenzie Chambliss, Andres Guillermo Mayorga Corleto, and Andrew R. Smolski. “Mobilizing the Peasantry Around the World.” *Latin American Perspectives*.
- 2025 Smolski, Andrew R. “Vitor Eduardo Schincariol, and Joana Salém Vasconcelos. Cuba and the Economic Policies of Peripheral Socialism. Recent Reforms in a Historical Perspective.” *International Review of Social History*. doi:10.1017/S0020859025100473.
- 2021 Cordero Ocegüera, Emilia, Daniela García Grandón and Andrew R. Smolski. “Two Stories about Extractivism.” *Latin American Perspectives* 48(1): 285-288. doi: 10.1177/0094582X20975010.
- 2021 Smolski, Andrew R. “Class Struggle and Violence in Latin American Cities.” *Latin American Perspectives*. 48(1): 280-284. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0094582X19860470>.
- 2017 Smolski, Andrew. “Review of El Deshabitado by Javier Sicilia” *Interface: a journal for and about social movements* 9(1):557-560.

- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. "Review of *Killing Trayvons: An Anthology of American Violence*, edited by Jeffrey St. Clair, Kevin Alexander Gray, and JoAnn Wypijewski and *Dixie Be Damned: 300 Years of Insurrection in the American South* by Neal Shirley and Saralee Stafford" *Race & Class* 58(2):104-108.
- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. "An academic object for decolonization: Review of *El pensamiento filosófico latinoamericano, del Caribe y "latino" [1300-2000]*" in *Postcolonial Studies* 19(3):365-357.
- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. Review of *Grabbing Back: Essays against the Global Land Grab*, edited by Alexander Reid Ross, in *Development in Practice* 25(3):442-443.

Refereed Curriculums

- 2024 Shisler, Rebecca, Abbey E. Piner, Andrew R. Smolski, Angel Cruz, and Emma Brinkmeyer. "Power and Program Design: Moving From Charity to Innovation". TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology, September. Washington DC: American Sociological Association. <https://trails.asanet.org/article/view/power-and-program-design-moving>
- 2023 Smolski, Andrew R., Rebecca Shisler, Abbey E. Piner, Angel Cruz, and Emma Brinkmeyer. "Applied Social Science as Tools for Change". TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology, September. Washington DC: American Sociological Association. <https://trails.asanet.org/article/view/applied-social-science-as-tools>.
- 2023 Smolski, Andrew R., Abbey E. Piner, Angel Cruz, Rebecca Shisler, and Emma Brinkmeyer. "Systemic Racism and the Food System". TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology, September. Washington DC: American Sociological Association. <https://trails.asanet.org/article/view/systemic-racism-and-the-food>.

Public Writing

- 2019 Smolski, Andrew R. "FOIA and Waiting on Transparency." *CounterPunch* 26(4):26-33.
- 2018 Smolski, Andrew R. "Sociology for positive, social change." *Technician*, December 3rd. https://www.technicianonline.com/opinion/op-ed-sociology-for-positive-social-change/article_9b8824bc-f773-11e8-8771-97ca742f4912.html.
- 2018 Smolski, Andrew R. "Why Raleigh needs a stronger commitment to urban agriculture" in *News & Observer*, October 16th - p. 9A.
- 2017 Smolski, Andrew. "Capital's Hunger in Abundance" at *Jacobin*, March 29th. <https://jacobin.com/2017/03/food-production-hunger-waste-agriculture-commodity-capitalism>
- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. "Progressive Isn't Enough." *CounterPunch* 23(5):25-28.
- 2016 Allen, Jason and Andrew Smolski. "Food Justice is Class War" *Jacobin*.

<https://jacobin.com/2016/09/agriculture-ecology-food-justice-farmworkers-local-climate>

- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. “The New York Times ‘Reports’ Mexico” *CounterPunch* 23(4):28-30.
- 2016 Smolski, Andrew R. “Militarizing the War on Drugs” *CounterPunch* 23(2):29-31.
- 2015 Smolski, Andrew R. “Abolish Small Arms.” *CounterPunch* 22(10):15-17.
- 2015 Smolski, Andrew R. “Get Up, Stand Up: International Law and the Right to Rebel.” *CounterPunch* 22(7): 11-14.
- 2015 Smolski, Andrew R. “A People’s History of Mexican Constitutions” *CounterPunch* 22(3): 11-15.
- 2014 Smolski, Andrew. 2014. “Privatizing Mexico” at Jacobin, October 9th.
<https://jacobin.com/2014/10/privatizing-mexico>

Manuscripts Under Review

‘Mental Health and Farmworkers: A Culturally Grounded Study’ with Rafael Lerma, Michael D. Schulman, Cintia Aguilar, Susan Jakes, Roberto Rosales, and Michelle Pelayo for submission to *Journal of Agromedicine*

Manuscripts in Preparation

‘Dependency, Colonialism, and Variations in Rift-Making for Cuban Agriculture, 1817-1958’ for submission to *Journal of Agrarian Change*

‘Differentiated Embeddedness and Landscapes of Support in Three Southern U.S. States.’ with Michael D. Schulman for submission to *Journal of Rural Studies*

‘Lessons Learned from Research and Extension for Supporting Farmworkers’ with Kim Niewolny, Cintia Aguilar, Adrian Barragan, Anna Erwin, Rafael Gallegos, Maria Gorgo-Simcox, Susan Jakes, Cody Mortell, Marcia Ostrom, Roberto Rosales, Michael D. Schulman, Kathleen Sexsmith, David Smilnak, Kate Smith, and Angel Velaquez for submission to *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*

‘Institutional Dynamics of Promotion and Barriers to Agroecology in Chile’ with Felipe Bravo Pena for submission to *Ecology & Society*

‘Rural Sociology and a Structural Analysis of Farm Stress.’ commentary with Florence Becot for submission to *Journal of Agromedicine*

‘Where’s the Sustainable Agrarian Transition? Dependency’s Extractivist Trap for Neodevelopmentalists’ for submission to *Latin American Perspectives*

Grants

2025 Project Title: Shared Visions for Resource Networks: Piloting a Community Engaged

Research Model

PIs: Andrew R. Smolski (PI), Justine Lindemann (co-I)

Funder: Social Science Research Institute

Proposed Funding: \$19,875

- 2024 Project Title: Spanish Colonial Archival Data and the Environmental Impacts of 19th Century Cuban Agriculture
PI: Andrew R. Smolski
Funder: Center for Global Studies at The Pennsylvania State University
Funded Amount: \$3,967.00
- 2023-2024 Project Title: SAgE Community Asset Mapping Pilot
PIs: Cathy Royal (PI), Dorathy Barker (co-I), and Andrew R. Smolski (co-I)
Funder: University of Tennessee at Knoxville (Direct); USDA NIFA (Primary)
Funded Amount: \$31,581.94
- 2022-2024 Project Title: Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network: Southern Region
PIs: Michael D. Schulman (PI) and Andrew R. Smolski (co-I)
Funder: University of Tennessee at Knoxville (Direct); USDA NIFA (Primary)
Funded Amount: \$250,189.95
- 2022 Project Title: Navigating Financial and Emotional Hardships
PIs: Michael D. Schulman (PI) and Andrew R. Smolski (co-I)
Funder: Rural Advancement Foundation International, USA (Direct); Southern SARE (Primary)
Funded Amount: \$27,787
- 2020 Project Title: An investigation of the relationship between farm household health and safety, economic security, labor allocation and animal welfare in North Carolina's pasture-based pork and dairy operations
PIs: Francesco Tiezzi (PI), Michael D. Schulman (co-I), and Andrew R. Smolski (co-I)
Funder: NC Agromedicine Institute
Funded Amount: \$4,999.00
- 2018 Graduate Student Association Travel Assistance Award
Funder: North Carolina State University
Funded Amount: \$500.00
- 2018 Arthur B. Moss Graduate School International Travel Grant
Funder: North Carolina State University
Funded Amount: \$400.00
- Lectureships, Fellowships and Scholarships**
- 2018-2020 Center for Environmental Farming Systems' Graduate Fellowship
Institution: North Carolina State University
Funded Amount: \$10,000

- 2019 Latin American Perspectives Visiting Fellowship
 Project Title: From Rift to Restoration in Mexico and Cuba: Comparing Sustainable Agriculture in Contrasting Political-Economic Opportunity Structures of the Modern World-System
 Institution: University of California at Riverside
 Funded Amount: \$3,292
- 2011 Provost Undergraduate Research Scholarship
 Funder: University of Houston
 Funded Amount: \$1000.00

Honors and Awards

- 2025 Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society's Kenneth A. Dahlberg Excellence in Early Career Award
- 2019 North Carolina State University Graduate Student Association Excellence in Classroom Teaching Award
- 2013 Illinois State University/American Sociological Association Distinguished Sociology Graduate Student Award

Teaching Experience

- 2025-Present Penn State University – Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology and Education
 Graduate Courses: Sociology of Agriculture and Food Systems (1 semester)
 Lower-level Courses: Development Issues in the Global Context (1 semester), Introduction to Rural Sociology (1 semester)
- 2015-2024 North Carolina State University – Department of Sociology and Anthropology
 Upper-level Courses: Environmental Sociology (1 semester), Theories of Social Structure (5 semesters)
 Lower-level Courses: Sociology of Agriculture and Rural Society (2 semesters), Jobs and Work (5 semesters), Principles of Sociology (3 semesters), Technology in Society and Culture (2 semesters), Social Deviance (1 semester), Current Social Problems (1 semester – Distance Education)
- 2018-2022 Meredith College – Department of Sociology and Criminology
 Upper-Level Courses: Social Theory (1 semester), Sociology of the Border (1 semester)
 Lower-level Courses: Deviance and Society (4 semester), Principles of Sociology (1 semester)
- 2014-2017 Lone Star College – Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences
 Lower-level Courses: Principles of Sociology (2 semester), Minority Studies (3 semesters), Social Problems (2 semester), Marriage and Family (1 semester)

Mentor Experience

PhD Committees

- 2025-Present Ellie Martin, committee member, in Rural Sociology and International Agriculture and Development, Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2025-Present Jihyun Shin, committee member, in Rural Sociology and International Agriculture and Development, Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education, The Pennsylvania State University

M.S. Committees

- 2024-Present Andrés Mayorga, co-chair with Dr. Kathleen Sexsmith, dual-title M.S. in Rural Sociology and International Agriculture and Development, Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education, The Pennsylvania State University
- 2025-Present William McCausland, committee member, M.S. in Agricultural Education and Extension, Department Agricultural, Leadership, and Community Education, Virginia Tech
- 2024-2025 Elisabeth Ramsey, committee member, M.S. in Agricultural Education and Human Sciences, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, North Carolina State University

M.P.S. Committees

- 2024-2025 Kenneth Estes, committee member, M.P.S. in Community and Economic Development, Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education, The Pennsylvania State University

Mentoring and Internship Programs

- 2025-2026 Carver Integrative Sustainability Center
Program: CISC HBCU Graduate Fellowship Program
Mentee: Omowunmi Odeyomi, North Carolina A&T State University
- 2021-2023 Center for Environmental Farming Systems
Project: Agroecology Scholars Program in Research and Extension
Undergraduate Research Interns: Joe Pellegrino, Maria DiGiovanni, Camille Ingram

Evaluation Experience

- 2023-2025 Data Evaluation Specialist, Regional Food Systems Partnership, Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- 2022 Evaluation Assistant, Farm to Early Childcare Education, Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- 2021-2022 Evaluation Assistant, EmPOWERing Mountain Food Systems, Center for

Environmental Farming Systems

Invited Talks

- 2025 'An Extractivist Account of Agricultural Rift-Making in Cuba, 1898-1958' for Environmental Sociology Seminar at the University of Gothenburg, Virtual
- 2024 'The Necessity and Absence of Difference in Southern Farm Stress Research and Extension' for the Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- 2023 'Farmers' Perceptions of Information and Resources for Navigating Economic Hardship and Stress' for NC Agromedicine Institute's Board of Partners Meeting, Greensboro, NC
- 2022 'Surviving Financial and Emotional Distress: Black Farmer Livelihood Strategies' for Marshfield Clinic Research Institute's Scientific Seminar, Virtual
- 2022 'Black Farmer Livelihood Strategies to Mediate Financial and Emotional Distress' for the Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation at Virginia Tech and Virginia Cooperative Extension, Virtual
- 2019 'Sustainable Agriculture and Agrarian Structure in Mexico and Cuba' for *Latin American Perspectives*, Latin American Studies, and the University of California at Riverside's Library in Riverside, California

Selected Academic Conference Presentations

- 2025 'Rethinking how we support the farm sector: Narratives of Household Composition and the Shifting Grounds of Resilience for the Integrated Farm Household and Enterprise' with Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Salt Lake City, UT
- Panel Organizer: 'Rethinking how we support the farm sector: Shedding light on farm families' social and economic conditions' with Florence Becot (chair), Analena Bruce, and Chris Morris
- 2025 'Articulated Social Positions and the Embeddedness of Landscapes of Support for Farmers Navigating Stress' with Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2025 'Strengthening Resource Access Through Collaborative Networks: Insights from an Asset-Based Workshop for Extension Professionals and Food System Practitioners' with McKayla Robinette at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2025 'An Extractivist Account of Agricultural Rift-Making in Cuba, 1898-1958' at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Virtual
- 2024 'Affirming Black Farmers: A Journey of Resilience and Assets through Appreciative Inquiry' with Cathy Royal, Dorathy Barker, and Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the

Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI

- 2024 'Race, Agrarian Frames, and Navigating Farm Stress' with Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI
- 2024 'Race, Agrarian Frames, and Navigating Farm Stress' with Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Rural Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA
- 2023 'Reflections on the Process of Centering Equity in Community-based Research at a Primarily White Institution' with Dara Bloom, Niesha Douglas, Hannah Dankbar, Dylan Dobson, Abbey Piner, Duarte Morais, and Robyn Stout at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Burlington, VT
- 2023 'Navigating Farm Stress: Race, Gender, and Differentiated Agrarian Frames' with Michael D. Schulman at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Burlington, VT
- 2023 'Adaptations to the Pandemic: Community Capitals and the Livelihood Strategies of Niche Meat Farmers in North Carolina' at the 2023 ASFS/AFHVS Conference: Knowing Food: Insights from Around the Table, Boston, MA
- 2022 'The Power of Bridging and Bonding: Black Farmers in the Southeastern US' with Michael D. Schulman at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Westminster, CO
- 2022 'Black Farmer Survival: Navigating Hardships to Achieve Resilience' with Michael D. Schulman at the Joint Annual Meeting of Agriculture, Food, and Human Values and the Association for the Study of Food and Society, Athens, GA
- 2021 'The Sociology of Exploitation and Farm Workers' with Daniela Garcia Grandon at the XXXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Virtual
- 2020 'Extensive Agriculture and the Social Metabolism of Neo-Colonial Cuba, 1898-1958' at the Rural Sociological Society Graduate Student Conference, Virtual
- 2019 'A Mixed-Method Analysis of Intersectional Inequality at New York City's Farmers' Markets' with Jacob C. Rutz and Francesco Tiezzi at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society in Richmond, Virginia
- 2019 'Cuba, Agriculture, and World-Ecology: The Missing Exilic Ecological Regime, 1959-1965' at the Fifth Annual Conference of the World-Ecology Research Network in San Francisco, California
- 2018 'Abolishing Pesticides? The Possibility of Exile and Agroecology' at 68th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2018 'An Institutional Marxist Approach to Food Justice Studies' with Jason S. Allen at Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society in Portland, Oregon, 2018

- 2018 ‘An Eco-Egalitarian Solution to the Capitalist Consumer Paradox in the Alternative Agri-Food Network’ at XXXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association in Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain
Panel Organizer: ‘Globalizing Food System Inequalities Through Neoliberal States’ with Emilia I. Cordero Ocegüera (Chair) and Daniela García Grandón
- 2017 ‘Exile and Incorporation During Revolution: Mexico and Russia from 1910-1924’ with Alexander Reid Ross and Javier Sethness Castro at American Sociological Association Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada
- 2015 ‘Food Distribution and Socioeconomic Relationships: Mexico City’s Public Markets’ with Gerardo Torres Salcido and Mario del Roble Pensado Leglise at The Midwest Sociological Society Annual Conference in Kansas City, Missouri
- 2013 ‘Los Locatarios: The Public Markets of Mexico and Development Policy’ at the Midwest Sociological Society Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois

Other Scholarly Participation

- 2025 ‘Ethics in Rural Sociology’ – Discussion Forum with Amanda Crump, Leanne Avery, Alexander Theophilus, and Leland Glenna at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2025 ‘The Role of Universities and Extension in Supporting Farmworker Communities’ – Roundtable with Kim Niewolny, Marcia Ostrom, Anna Erwin, Kate Smith, David Smilnak, Cody Mortell, and Angel Velazquez at the ASFS-AFHVS Conference, Corvallis, OR
- 2025 ‘The Agrarian Question as Ecological Question’ – Special Issue Presentation at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Virtual
- 2024 ‘Building Community Networks: The Role of Farmer Organizations and Keystone Leaders’ Poster Session with Camille Ingram and Michael D. Schulman Annual Meeting of the Southern Rural Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA
- 2022 ‘Pasture and Perseverance: How Niche Meat Farms in North Carolina Maintain Sustainable Livelihoods During COVID-19’ – Poster Session with Maria DiGiovanni, Michael D. Schulman, Silvana Pietrosemoli, and Francesco Tiezzi at the North Carolina State University Undergraduate Research Symposium in Raleigh, North Carolina
- 2021 ‘Agricultural Production and Latin America’s Neoliberal Treadmill: A Time Series Panel Regression Study’ – Roundtable with Timothy P. Clark at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Virtual
- 2021 ‘Analyzing Conditions for Building Sustainable Livelihoods: A Case Study of North Carolina Niche Pork Production’ – Poster Session with Joe Pellegrino, Michael D. Schulman, and Francesco Tiezzi at the North Carolina State University Undergraduate Research Symposium

in Raleigh, North Carolina

- 2020 'Red de Estudios Ecológicos y Agrarios de América Latina' – Workshop with Daniela García Grandón and Joana Salem Vasconcelos at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Virtual
- 2019 'Intersectional Inequality and Distance to Farmers' Markets in New York City' – Poster Session with Jacob R. Rutz and Francesco Tiezzi at the Center for Environmental Farming Systems' All-CEFS meeting in Greensboro, North Carolina, 2019
- 2018 'A Capitalist Ecological Crisis, Structural Impediments to Reflexivity, and the Role of Class Power' – Roundtable at American Sociological Association with Timothy P. Clark, Jason Allen, and Heather Kay Sanchez in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2018

Selected Campus Talks and Workshops

- 2025 'Understanding and Building Landscapes of Support for Farmers Navigating Stress' for Penn State Extension's PSU Farm Stress Professional Development Webinar Series
- 2024 'Conducting Appreciative Inquiry-Based Asset Mapping' for SSRI's Social Science Research on Rural Population Health Workgroup at The Pennsylvania State University
- 2024 'Extractivism and the Social Metabolism of Cuban Agriculture, 1898-1958' for Rural Sociology Cluster Brown Bag Series at The Pennsylvania State University
- 2023 'Basics of Using Qualitative Data Analysis Software for Research and Evaluation' for Peer Scholars Event Series at North Carolina State University
- 2022 'Working with the Community for Equity-Based Research in the Sociology of Agriculture' Equity Research Symposium with Michael D. Schulman at North Carolina State University
- 2021 'Food Systems, Historical Inequities and a Path Forward' with Jack Daly for the Institute for Emerging Issues' PILOT 21 Student Summit at North Carolina State University
- 2021 'The Basics of Research Interviews' for Peer Scholars Event Series at North Carolina State University
- 2021 'The Impact of Climate Change on Eastern NC's Farmworkers' with Lariza Garzon and Esmeralda Dominguez for the Environmental Justice Symposium at North Carolina State University
- 2021 'Qualitative Coding and Codebook Development' for Peer Scholars Event Series at North Carolina State University
- 2019 'Systematic Approaches to Building a Literature Review' for Peer Scholars Event Series at North Carolina State University
- 2019 'Critical Interdisciplinary Research Design: Combining Social and Animal Sciences' with

Francesco Tiezzi for the Environment and Food Section of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at North Carolina State University

- 2019 ‘Mexico’s Food System in Transition: A Sociologically Informed View’ with Tim Kloppe for the North Carolina State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Student Association for Interdisciplinary and Global Engagement in Raleigh, North Carolina

Selected Workshops and Community Presentations

- 2025 ‘Power & Program Design: Moving from Charity to Justice in the Food System’ at the ASFS-AFHVS Conference, Corvallis, OR
- 2024 ‘Appreciative Inquiry Asset Mapping Workshop’ at Local Environmental Agriculture Project, Roanoke, Virginia
- 2024 ‘Applied Social Science as Tools for Change’ with Rebecca Shisler at the Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI
- 2024 ‘Appreciative Inquiry Asset Mapping Workshop’ with Cathy Royal and Elisabeth Ramsey at the Annual Conference of Operation Spring Plant, Durham, NC
- 2023 ‘Holistic Farm Planning and Sustainable Livelihood Strategies’ with Silvana Pietrosevoli for the Carolina Farm Stewardship Association 38th Sustainable Agriculture Conference in Durham, North Carolina
- 2023 ‘Content Analysis as Audit Tool for Evaluating Racial Equity in the Food System’ with Rebecca Shisler at the 2023 ASFS/AFHVS Conference: Knowing Food: Insights from Around the Table, Boston, MA
- 2022 ‘Navigating Farm Financial Stress & Mental Health Crises’ with Michael D. Schulman, Laketa Smith, Robin Tutor-Marcom, and Diamond Bynum for the Coming to the Table: Spirit, Power, and Connection: Owning Our Food Future, Virtual
- 2021 ‘Resources & Discussion on Navigating Financial and Mental Crises’ with Michael D. Schulman, Laketa Smith, Robin Tutor-Marcom, Dorathy Barker, Diamond Bynum, Leroy Hardy, and Scott Marlow for the Carolina Farm Stewardship Association 36th Sustainable Agriculture Conference, Virtual
- 2019 ‘Disparities in Land Access and Strategies for Food Sovereignty’ – Breakout Session with Josie Walker, Alexandra Treyz, Lariza Garzon, Andrew Kang Bartlett, Emilia Cordero Ocegüera and Antonio Tovar at Closing the Hunger Gap in Raleigh, North Carolina
- 2018 ‘Benefits of Urban Agriculture’ – Presentation to the Environmental Advisory Board for the City of Raleigh, North Carolina
- 2011 Illinois State University, “Reducing Our Waste in Bloomington-Normal, IL”, Community Presentation for the Stevenson Center

2008 Houston Community College, “In Conversation with John Pilger”

Radio and Podcast Appearances

2024 ‘The Agrarian Question as an Ecological Question in Latin America’ *Latin American Perspectives* podcast,
<https://open.spotify.com/episode/46jSliq9PmJ47yHixrskzh?si=57UCLwQQQC-7y84K0Duvjg>.

2021 ‘Violence, Capital Accumulation, and Resistance in Contemporary Latin America’ *Latin American Perspectives* podcast, <https://latinamericanperspectives.com/podcasts-2/>

2016 “Andrew Smolski on Mexico” CounterPunch Radio, Episode 49,
<https://www.counterpunch.org/2016/07/18/andrew-smolski-episode-49/>

2015 “Mexican Oil Privatization” WORT 89.9 FM, A Public Affair

2015 “A History of Mexican Rebellions” KPFT 90.1 FM, Open Journal

2014 “Ayotzinapa” KPFT 90.1 FM, Open Journal

2012 “The Public Markets of Mexico City” KPFT 90.1 FM, Open Journal

Service to the Profession

2019-Present Coordinating Editor, *Latin American Perspectives*

2024-Present Chair-Elect/Chair, Ethics Committee, Rural Sociological Society

2023-2024 Coordinating Editor, *Farm Stress Brief Series*

2021-2023 Co-Chair Elect/Co-Chair, Sociology of Agriculture and Food Research Interest Group of the Rural Sociological Society

2020-2023 Committee Member, Rural Sociological Society’s Sociology of Agriculture and Food Research Interest Group Best Student Paper Award Committee

2018-2020 Graduate Student Representative, Nominations Committee of the Rural Sociological Society

2018 Committee Chair, Marxist Sociology Praxis Award of the Marxist Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association

2012-2013 Member, Social Action Committee of The Midwest Sociological Society

Service to the University

2016-2020 Sustainable Agriculture Graduate Student Association at North Carolina State

University
Vice President, 2019-2020
Secretary, 2017-2018

Service to the College

2025 Review

2024 Reviewer for the 2024-25 CAS Graduate Student Grant Competition, College of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State University

Service to the Department

2025-Present Brown Bag and Seminar Series Committee Member, Department

2024 Strategic Planning Committee Member, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, North Carolina State University

2023 Wellness Committee Member, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, North Carolina State University

2020-2021 Graduate Student Representative for the NCSU Sociology Graduate Student Advisory Board

2017-2018 Curriculum Committee Member for Department of Sociology and Anthropology at North Carolina State University

Community Service

2015-2018 Witness for Justice Volunteer, Legal Aid of North Carolina's Farm Worker Unit

Grant Reviewer

Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education

Manuscript Reviewer

Journal of Agromedicine, Renewable Agriculture and Food Systems, Development in Practice; Human Ecology Review, Latin American Perspectives, Relaciones Estudios de Historia y Sociedad, Geoforum, Journal of World-Systems Research, Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems and Community Development, Journal of Rural Studies, Rural Sociology, Journal of Agricultural Education and Extension, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Farm Stress Brief Series

Membership in Professional Organizations

2017-Present Rural Sociological Society

2021-Present Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society

Professional Development

2025 Targeting Teaching Transformation, Schreyer Institute for Teaching Excellence at Penn State University

- 2025 Endorsement: Inclusive and Equitable Teaching, Schreyer Institute for Teaching Excellence at Penn State University
- 2024 Universal Design for Learning, Penn State World Campus
- 2024 Question, Persuade, Refer at Middle Tennessee State University
- 2021 Level 1 Racial Equity Training at the Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- 2020 Talk Saves Lives at American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
- 2020 Question, Persuade, Refer at North Carolina State University
- 2020 Southern SARE Leadership Team Training: The Trauma of Betrayal in Farm Loss at Rural Advancement Foundation International
- 2020 Southern SARE Leadership Team Training: Navigating Financial and Mental Health Crises Training at Rural Advancement Foundation International
- 2019 Center for Environmental Farming Systems Graduate Fellowship Education and Policy Trip – Washington D.C.
- 2019 Data Matters Short Course Series at National Consortium for Data Science
- 2019 Silvopasture Workshop at Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- 2019 Grant Writing Development Series at the Graduate School, North Carolina State University
- 2018 R for Absolute Beginners, North Carolina State University
- 2015 Witness for Justice Program Orientation at Legal Aid of North Carolina – Farmworker Unit
- 2011 Future Faculty Workshop at the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology, Illinois State University
- 2009 Macquarie University Global Leadership Program at Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia

Language Proficiency

English – reading (native); speaking (native); writing (native)

Spanish – reading (fluent); speaking (fluent); writing (fluent)

Portuguese – reading (proficient)