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EDUCATION

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, U.S.A.

PhD, 2017

Development Sociology

University of Oxford, Oxford, U.K.

MPhil (Distinction), 2008

Development Studies

University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada

B.A. 2005

Economics (Honors)

AWARDS AND HONOURS

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| 2017 | College of Agricultural Sciences, Penn State University
Roy C. Buck Faculty Award |
| 2008 | University of Oxford
Eugene Havas Prize for best performance in MPhil in Development Studies program |
| 2005 | University of Manitoba
University Gold Medal for Highest Standing in the Faculty of Arts |

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (forthcoming 2019). "Decoding worker 'reliability': Modern agrarian values and immigrant labor on New York dairy farms." *Rural Sociology*.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2017) “*But We Can’t Call 9-1-1*”: Undocumented Migrant Farmworkers and Access to Social Protection on New York Dairies.” *Oxford Development Studies*, Vol. 45, No. 1, pp. 96-111.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2016) “Exit, Voice, Constrained Loyalty, and Entrapment: Migrant Farmworkers and the Expression of Discontent on New York Dairy Farms.” *Citizenship Studies*, Vol. 20, No. 3-4, pp. 311.

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Philip McMichael. (2015). "Formulating the SDGs: Reproducing or Reimagining State-Centered Development?" *Globalizations*, Vol. 12, No. 4, pp. 581.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2009). “Violent Conflict and social transformation: an institutionalist approach to the role of informal economic networks.” *European Journal of Development Research*, Vol. 21, No. 1, pp. 26.

Book Chapters

Gretchen Purser, Fabiola Ortiz Valdez, **Kathleen Sexsmith**, Rebecca Fuentes & Carly Fox. (forthcoming 2019). “Milking Research for Social Change: Immigrant Dairy Farmworkers in Upstate New York.” Ch 10 in Susan Greenbaum, Glenn Jacobs, and Prentice Zinn (Eds). *Collaborating for Change: A Casebook of Participatory Action Research*. Rutgers University Press.

Kiely, Richard and **Kathleen Sexsmith**. 2018. “Innovative Considerations in Faculty Development and S-LCE: New Perspectives for the Future.” Ch 12 In Becca Berkey, Cara Meixner, Patrick Green, and Emily Eddins (Eds). *Reconceptualizing Faculty Development in Service-Learning/ Community Engagement: Exploring Intersections, Frameworks, and Models of Practice*. Stylus Publishing. pp 283-314.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2017). "Milking Networks for All They're Worth: Precarious Migrant Life and the Process of Consent on New York Dairies." Ch 11 in Melanie DuPuis, Matt Garcia & Don Mitchell (Eds.). *Food Across Borders*. Rutgers University Press. pp 201-218.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2012). “Towards Gender Equality in Global Sustainable Consumption and Production Agreements.” Ch 4 in Harcourt, Wendy (Ed.). *Women Reclaiming Sustainable Livelihoods: Spaces Gained, Spaces Lost*. Palgrave Macmillan. pp 42-61.

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Aaron Pettman. (2007). “Aboriginal Employment in the Banking Sector in Manitoba.” Ch 13 In John Loxley, Jim Silver and Kathleen Sexsmith (Eds.). *Doing Community Economic Development*. Fernwood Publishing.

Co-edited Volume

Loxley, John, Jim Silver, and **Kathleen Sexsmith** (2007) (Eds.). *Doing Community Economic Development*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing.

Book Reviews

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2013). "This Land is Ours Now: Social Mobilization and the Meanings of Land in Brazil by Wendy Wolford." *Journal of Peasant Studies Vol. 40, No. 2*, pp. 452-6.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2009). "Fair Trade and a Global Commodity: Coffee in Costa Rica, by Peter Luetchford." *Journal of the Anthropological Society of Oxford-online, New Series Vol. 1, No. 2*, pp. 240-242.

Research Reports

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (forthcoming 2019). *Leveraging Voluntary Sustainability Standards for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Agriculture. A Guide Based on the Sustainable Development Goals for Development Organizations*. Winnipeg, Canada: International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD).

[one of multiple contributing authors.] (2017). *ASEAN 50 2017: A Historical Milestone for FDI and MNEs in ASEAN*. ASEAN Secretariat & Australian Aid.

Fox, Carly, Rebecca Fuentes, Fabiola Ortiz, Gretchen Purser, and **Kathleen Sexsmith.** (2017). *Milked: Immigrant Dairy Farmworkers in New York State*. Published for the Workers' Center of Central New York and the Worker Justice Center of New York.

Sexsmith, Kathleen, Carin Smaller and Will Speller. (2017). "How to Improve Gender Equality in Agriculture?" Policy Brief #5: Investment in Agriculture. Winnipeg, Canada: International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD).

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2017). "Promoting Gender Equality in Foreign Agricultural Investments: Lessons from Voluntary Sustainability Standards." Winnipeg: IISD.

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Jason Potts. (2009). "Voluntary Sustainability Standards and Economic Rents: The economic impacts of voluntary sustainability standards along the coffee, fisheries and forestry value chains." Winnipeg: IISD.

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Jason Potts. (2009). "Voluntary Sustainability Standards and Value Chain Governance: How sustainability standards affect the distribution of decision-making power in global value chains." Winnipeg: IISD.

Sexsmith, Kathleen with Aaron Pettman. (2005). "Aboriginal Employment in the Banking Sector in Manitoba." 28 June, 2006. Winnipeg: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives-Manitoba.

Newspaper & Popular Press

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Rossana Coto-Batres. (2017). "Farmworkers deserve better than Guestworker Act." Commentary in *Albany TimesUnion*, November 23.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2017). Introduction to the Special Section: Immigrant farmworkers in Northeast Agriculture: Life, labor conditions, and organizing for change. *Voices of Mexico*, Issue #102. Center for Research on North America, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). p. 97.

Sexsmith, Kathleen. (2017). "The Transnational Lives of Migrant Youth on New York dairies." *Voices of Mexico*, Issue #102. Center for Research on North America, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). pp. 107-110.

Manuscripts Under Review

Tickamyer, Ann and **Kathleen Sexsmith.** "How to Do Gender Research? Feminist Perspectives on Gender Research in Agriculture." Chapter in Carolyn Sachs (Ed). *Gender, Agriculture, and Agrarian Transformations*. Routledge.

Manuscripts in Progress

**Graduate student co-author

Sexsmith, Kathleen. "Gender and Social Reproduction under the Deportation Regime: The Everyday Lives of Immigrant Workers on New York Dairies" [Target journal: *Gender and Society*]

Sexsmith, Kathleen. "Embodied Precarity at Work: Immigrant Laborers and the Structural Violence of Dairy Work" [Target journal: *Agriculture and Human Values*]

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Richard Kiely. "The roles, risks, and responsibilities of faculty leading global service learning programs." [Target journal: *Journal of Higher Education*]

Sexsmith, Kathleen, Guangqing Chi, Christian Scott **, and Michaela Hoffelmeyer **. "“Women are Fond of Money Now”: Gendered Migration Patterns and Social Change in Rural Kyrgyzstan”.

Sexsmith, Kathleen and Effie Smith **. "Occupational Justice for Latinx Livestock Workers." Invited manuscript for Thomas Arcury and Sara Quandt (Eds). *Latinx Farmworkers in the Eastern United States: Health, Safety and Justice* (2nd edition).

Sexsmith, Kathleen, Gretchen Purser, Fabiola Ortiz, Carly Fox, Rebecca Fuentes, and Effie Smith **. "The challenges of organizing immigrant farmworkers in the Northeast dairy industry." [Target journal: *Labor Studies Journal*.]

Minoff-Zern, Laura-Anne, Anelyse Weiler**, and Kathleen Sexsmith. "Parallel precarity: A comparison of United States and Canadian Agricultural Guestworker Programs." [Target Journal: International Migration Review.]

GRANTS

- 2018 **American Mushroom Institute (PI)**
Understanding and Addressing the Labor Shortage in the Pennsylvania Mushroom Industry. PI: Kathleen Sexsmith. Co-PIs: Amy Snipes, Michael Pate, Maria Gorgo-Gourovitch, and Edwin Rajotte. \$6,642.
- 2018 **Population Research Institute, Penn State University (PI)**
Gender Analysis of Occupational Health and its Relation to Labor Shortage for Immigrant Workers on Pennsylvania Mushroom Farms. PI: Kathleen Sexsmith. Co-PIs Amy Snipes, Michael Pate, Maria Gorgo-Gourovitch, and Edwin Rajotte. \$14,631
- 2018 **Harbaugh Faculty Scholars Program, Office of Undergraduate Education, College of Agricultural Sciences, Penn State University.**
English Language Instruction for Latino Immigrant Dairy Farmworkers: A Service-Learning Program. PIs: Kathleen Sexsmith and Melanie Miller-Foster. \$5,000
- 2015 **American Sociological Association Spivack Program, Community Action Research Initiative**
Dairy Farmworker Organizing in Upstate New York: Assessing Farmworker Empowerment, and Supporting WJCNV Campaigns for Change. PI: Kathleen Sexsmith. \$2,019.
- 2014 **Sociological Initiatives Foundation**
Documenting Wage and Working Conditions of Immigrant Workers on New York Dairy Farms. PIs: Carly Fox, Rebecca Fuentes, Fabiola Ortiz Gretchen Purser, and Kathleen Sexsmith. \$20,000.
- 2014 **National Science Foundation, Sociology Program, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. Student PI: Kathleen Sexsmith (Advisor: Philip McMichael). \$10,419.**

Cornell University

- 2014 College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Alumni Association, Academic Enrichment Program
- 2014 Department of Development Sociology, Summer Research Travel Award
- 2013 Engaged Learning + Research, Travel Grant

- 2013 Graduate School Research Travel Grant
- 2012 Institute for Social Studies Theme Project on Immigration
- 2012 Einaudi Center for International Studies
- 2011 Institute for Social Studies Theme Project on Immigration
- 2011 Tinker Foundation & Latin American Studies Program
- 2011 Latino Studies Program
- 2011 Department of Development Sociology

University of Oxford

- 2007 El Ghonemy Research Grant, Department of International Development

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2012 **Social Sciences Research Council**, Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship
- 2010 **Council of Women World Leaders**, Environmental Policy Graduate Fellowship at Italian Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea
- 2009-2014 **Cornell College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**, Excellence Fellowship
- 2009-2013 **Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (Canada)**, Doctoral Fellowship for Cornell University
- 2006-2008 **Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (Canada)**, MPhil fellowship for University of Oxford

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

** Graduate student co-author/ presenter

Dudley, Mary Jo and **Kathleen Sexsmith**. "Farmworker Youth and Uneven Legal Geographies in Rural Upstate New York." Migrant Illegality Across Uneven Legal Geography: A Two-Part Convening. (Brown University, October 2018)

Hoffelmeyer, Michaela**, **Kathleen Sexsmith**, Kathryn Brasier, Hannah Whitley**, and Elisabeth Garner**. "Farming against the grain: A spatial and temporal analysis of U.S. women farmers, 1997-2012." Rural Sociological Association. (Portland, OR, July 2018).

Richard Kiely and **Kathleen Sexsmith**. "A Multi-Year Study of Faculty Learning in Global Service-Learning and Community Engagement: An Emerging Theory of Critically Reflective Practice." *International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement*. (Galway, Ireland, September 2017).

Kathleen Sexsmith and Rebecca Fuentes. "Milk Cows, Not Workers: Dairy Farmworker Organizing in New York State." Growing food worker power: Creative forms of worker organizing across the food system. (Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, March 2017).

Kathleen Sexsmith and Agustín Omar Rodríguez Juárez**. "Salida, Voz, Lealtad – y Atrapamiento: Trabajadores Lecheros en Nueva York." Seminario sobre Migración, Investigadores Visitantes, CISAN-UNAM. (Mexico City, February 2016).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "La Vida Indocumentada en la "Otra Frontera": Paternalismo y el Proceso Laboral en las Lecherías de Nueva York." Seminario de Investigadores Visitantes, CISAN-UNAM. (Mexico City, February 2016).

Kathleen Sexsmith and Roberto Gonzales. "Farmworker Youth, DACA, and Belonging in California's Central Valley." International Metropolis Conference (Mexico City, September 2015).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Perilous Peripheries: Producing Precarious Migrant Labor in the Borderlands." Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress (San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 2015).

Kathleen Sexsmith and Mary Jo Dudley. "Deferred Access for Rural Childhood Arrivals: DACA's Urban Bias and Undocumented Farmworkers in Upstate New York." Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference (New York, February 2015).

Richard Kiely and **Kathleen Sexsmith**. "Faculty experiences in Global Service-Learning: A Qualitative Study." International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement. (New Orleans, September 2014).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "The politics of OSHA regulatory reform in the New York dairy industry: Reproducing or exposing the agrarian myth?" Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society Annual Conference. (University of Vermont, June 2014).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Industrial Restructuring, Moral Obligation, and Undocumented Immigrant Labor on New York Dairy Farms." *International Studies Association 2014 Annual Convention*. (Toronto, March 2014).

Kathleen Sexsmith and Mary Jo Dudley. "Who has the right to DREAM? Access to DACA among Undocumented Youth on New York Dairy Farms." *Latino Communities in Old and New Destinations: Multi-disciplinary Approaches to Assessing the Impact of Legal Reforms*. (University of South Florida, November 2013).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Everyday life under multiple exclusions: Undocumented Mexican youth working on New York dairy farms." *Illegality, Youth and Belonging: International Symposium*. (Harvard University, October 2013.)

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Milking Networks for All They're Worth: Moral Economies in New York Dairy Production." *European Society for Rural Sociology Congress XXV*. (Florence, Italy, July 2013).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Engaging the Invisible: Reciprocity as Action Research with Undocumented Immigrants on New York dairy farms." *Graduate Engaged Research Conference*. (Cornell University, May 2013).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Defining reciprocity in research." *American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Geographies of Hope Symposium*. (Los Angeles, April 2013). (panelist)

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Does Fair Trade create solidarity rents? Empowerment and disempowerment of smallholder coffee farmers in a Fair Trade global value chain." *Canadian Association for Food Studies Annual Meeting*. (University of New Brunswick, Canada, May 2011).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Patriarchy and global capitalism: Applying a gender lens to food regimes." *Political Economy of the World-System Section of the American Sociological Association*. (Florida Atlantic University, Florida, April 2010).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Power relations in the fair trade coffee global value chain." *Polson Institute for Global Development ENCORE conference*. (Cornell University, January 2010).

INVITED TALKS

Kathleen Sexsmith. "*Somos soñadores*: Assessing concepts and strategies for organizing farmworkers in the New York dairy industry." *Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs*. (Syracuse University, February 2014).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Power relations in the fair trade coffee global value chain." *Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics*. (St Cross College, University of Oxford, May 2008).

Kathleen Sexsmith. "Power relations in the fair trade coffee global value chain." *Said Business School Fair Trade Research Group*. (Said Business School, University of Oxford, June 2008).

Kathleen Sexsmith. “Ethical Coffee Production in Chiapas: How participation in the FairTrade market empowers and/or disempowers cooperatives and small producer families.” Colorado State University, Centre for Fair and Alternative Trade Studies. (Colorado State University, September 2007).

Kathleen Sexsmith. “El café ético en Chiapas.” Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social (CIESAS) Unidad Sur-Este, Chiapas, Mexico. (September 2007).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate student advising at Penn State University

Committee chair

Megan Griffin, M.S. degree student in Rural Sociology
 Michaela Hoffelmeyer, M.S. degree student in Rural Sociology
 Effie Smith, M.S. degree student in Rural Sociology

Committee member

Christian Scott, PhD candidate in Rural Sociology
 Maria Vivanco, PhD candidate in Rural Sociology
 Noel Habashy, PhD candidate in Agricultural and Extension Education
 Marie Louise Ryan, PhD student in Geography
 Hannah Whitley, M.S. degree student in Rural Sociology
 Jacqueline Salguero Huaman, PhD student at United Nations University – Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology (UNU-MERIT)

Graduate seminars taught at Penn State

Gender, Agriculture, and Environment (RSOC/WMNST 597)

Undergraduate courses taught at Penn State

Women in Developing Countries (CED/WMNST 420)
 Service-Learning with PA farmworkers (CED 497)

Undergraduate courses taught at Cornell

Immigration and a Changing America (200 level online course)
 Precarious Work and Workers in the Global Food System (100 level freshman writing seminar)
 Food Consumption as Historical and Political Process (independent study, 200 level)

Other teaching experience

Teaching Assistant, Ideas of Latin America, Cornell Pre-Freshman Year Summer Program

International Human Migration, English in the Sciences Program, University of Nariño, Colombia (2-week intensive course in summer 2015)

TEACHING AWARDS

2015 Gertrude Spencer Prize, Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines, Cornell University

TEACHER TRAINING

2014-15 Graduate Teaching Assistant Fellow
Center for Teaching Excellence, Cornell University

2014 Seminar participant, WRIT 7100, 'Teaching Writing'
Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines, Cornell University

2014 Session Participant, 'High-Impact Teaching Practices Summer Institute'
Center for Teaching Excellence, Cornell University

CONSULTING AND ADVISING

2015-18 **International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)**
Assisted with gender integration initiative in the Economic Law and Policy Program.
Revised 'The IISD Guide to Negotiating Investment Contracts for Farmland and Water' to be gender-mainstreamed.

2017 **The World Bank**
Assignment with Agriculture group to review and contribute writing to the Responsible Agricultural Investment Knowledge in Action Note series.

2017 **CARE International**
Researched the gender dynamics of adoption and upscaling of Climate-Smart interventions in the agriculture, forestry, fisheries, aquaculture, and livestock sectors.

2017 **CIMMYT (International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center),**
Texcoco, Mexico
Supported the Director General, Dr. Martin Kropff on CGIAR governance re-organization and other organizational matters.

- 2011-2016 **Cornell Farmworker Program**, Cornell University
Provided support with grant preparation, research, and report writing for extension programming.
- 2013-2015 **Engaged Learning + Research**, Cornell University
Researched global service-learning, faculty development, and engaged scholarship at U.S. universities and colleges.
- 2005 **MEDA**, Peru
Collected and analyzed socio-economic data on smallholder coffee farmers.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Editorial Board Member for Peer-Reviewed Journals

Journal of International Business Policy

Reviewer for Peer-Reviewed Journals

Globalizations

FOCAAL: Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology

Development Studies Research

Agriculture and Human Values

Society and Natural Resources

Conference organizer

Pushing the Boundaries of Migration Studies: Perspectives from the U.S. and France at Harvard University's Transnational Studies Initiative (2014).

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, AND UNIVERSITY

Faculty Advisory Committee member for Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (2018-2020)

Rural Sociology Hiring Committee member (2018- 19)

Rural Sociology Seminar Committee member (2018)

Reviewer for College of Agriculture Graduate Student Competitive Grants Program (2017)

Reviewer for Schreyer Honor College admissions (2017)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Rural Sociological Society

Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society

North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture

LANGUAGES

Spanish (advanced proficiency)

CITIZENSHIP

Canadian