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## Curriculum Vitae

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### **EDUCATION**

- 2017                    **Ph.D. in Sociology**, North Carolina State University  
Dissertation: *Environmental Health Activism: The Case of Black Lung*  
Committee: Thomas Shriver, Kim Ebert, Stefano Longo, Michael Schulman
- 2013                    **M.S. in Sociology**, North Carolina State University  
Thesis: *Inequality in the Coalfields of West Virginia: Implications of Poverty, Paternalism, and Identity*
- 2010                    **B.A. in Sociology**, Radford University, *magna cum laude*

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Assistant Professor*, Radford University, 2017-present

*Graduate Teaching Associate*, North Carolina State University, 2013-2017

*Program Evaluator*, The Juntos Program, North Carolina State University, 2015-16

*Teaching Assistant*, North Carolina State University, 2010-13

### **RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS**

Environmental Sociology  
Sociology of Health & Illness  
Sociology of Energy

Global Change and Development  
Rural Sociology  
Political Economy

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Introduction to Sociology  
Environmental Sociology

Social Problems (online and face-to-face)  
Technology in Society and Culture (online and face-to-face)

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

*Outstanding Teaching Award*, North Carolina State University, 2015  
*Graduate Student Paper Competition Award*, Rural Sociological Society, 2013  
*Ron Wimberley Applied Sociology Award*, Sociology Graduate Student Association, North Carolina State University, 2013, 2014  
*Robert Glen and Cora Green Toney Appalachian Studies Scholarship*, Radford University, 2008, 2009, 2010  
*Radford International Business Ambassadors Scholarship*, Radford University, 2008-10  
*Zylphia Shu-En Kirk Scholar Program*, Radford University, 2007

## **GRANTS FUNDED**

Radford University, High-Impact Practices Teaching and Learning Grant. “Exploring Alternative Approaches to Recycling: An Examination of Practices on a Green Campus.” 2018.

Radford University, Assessment Research. “Quantitative Literacy & Development of the Sociological Imagination.” 2018.

North Carolina State University Dissertation Completion Grant. Title: “*Environmental Health Activism: The Case of Black Lung.*” 2016-2017.

Rural Sociological Society, MS, PhD, and Early Career Research Award. Title: “*Environmental Health Activism: The Case of Black Lung.*” 2015-2016.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Journal Articles**

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. “King Coal: A Study of Mountaintop Removal, Public Discourse, and Power in Appalachia.” *Society & Natural Resources* 29(10):1139-1153

### **Technical Reports**

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. *RSS Graduate Student and Recent Graduate Survey Results*, Rural Sociological Society.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. *Juntos Annual Evaluation Report*. Department of Youth, Family and Community Sciences, North Carolina State University.

Mekolichick, J., Allen, K., Bodenhamer, A., Brackin, A., Williams, A. 2010. Campus Carbon Footprint Survey Report. Department of Sociology, Radford University. (<http://www.radford.edu/content/dam/departments/administrative/Sustainability/Documents/carbon-footprint-survey.pdf>)

Jeanne Mekolichick, Karen Allen, Aysha Bodenhamer, Alyson Brackin, Alex Williams. 2010. *Peaceline Plus Program Evaluation Recommendation Report*. Department of Sociology, Radford University.

Jeanne Mekolichick and Aysha Bodenhamer. 2010. *Technology Assistance Center Satisfaction Survey Report*. Department of Sociology, Radford University.

### **Book Reviews**

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2014. Review of: *Rural Wales in the Twenty-First Century: Society, Economy and Environment*, edited by Paul Milbourne. *Rural Sociology* 79(4): 536-538.

### **MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

Shriver, Thomas and Aysha Bodenhamer. "The Enduring Legacy of Black Lung: Environmental Health and Contested Illness in Appalachia." *Sociology of Health and Illness*

### **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

Bodenhamer, Aysha and Thomas Shriver. "Environmental Health Advocacy and Industry Obstruction: The Case of Black Lung Disease."

Bodenhamer, Aysha, Scott Grether, and Madison Boden. "Teaching Race and Police Brutality at a Land Grant University in the South: An Examination of Attitudinal Change."

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2017. "Occupational Environmental Exposures: The Resurgence of Black Lung and the Fight to End Black Lung in Central Appalachia." Southern Sociological Society, Greenville, SC.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. "Contested Environmental Illness and Elite Resistance: The Case of Black Lung." Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, ON.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. "King Coal: A Study of Mountaintop Removal, Public Discourse, and Power in Appalachia." Appalachian Energy Summit, Boone, NC.

Bodenhamer, Aysha and Scott Grether. 2016. "Teaching Race and Police Brutality at a Land Grant University in the South: An Examination of Attitudinal Change." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA.

- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. "Breathless Voices: Personal Accounts of the Resurgence of Black Lung in the Appalachian Coalfields." Appalachian Studies Association, Shepherdstown, WV.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2015. "Environmental Health Activism: The Case of Black Lung." Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2014. "Coal is King in West Virginia:" Power and Destruction in the Coalfields of West Virginia." Southern Sociological Society, Charlotte, NC.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2013. "Inequality in the Coalfields of West Virginia: Implications of Poverty, Paternalism, and Identity." Rural Sociological Society, New York, NY. (Winner of the Rural Sociological Society Ron Wimberley Graduate Student Paper Award)
- Bodenhamer, Aysha, Caitlin Hennessy, and Ryan Thomson. 2013 "Coal Kills: The Externalization of Death." Appalachian Studies Association, Boone, NC.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2012. "Coal Power in West Virginia: The Contradiction of Mountaintop Removal and Appalachian Ideals." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha and Sarah Bowen. 2011. "Constructed Heritage and Conflicting Power Dynamics among Potter Makers in Seagrove, NC. Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, FL.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2010. "Environmental Awareness at a Mid-Sized University in the South." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2009. "China: An Educational and Cultural Experience." Radford Chamber of Commerce, Radford University Sociology Lecture Series, Radford, VA.
- Bodenhamer, Aysha, Judith Gullion, Jacob Spraker, Shelly Caldwell, T.C. Tavenner, Heather Littrell, Shai Cullop, Jenifer Nunn, and Zetta Nicely. 2009. "Appalachian Events Committee: Student Perspectives." Annual Meetings of the Appalachian Studies Association, Shawnee, OH.
- Illowiecki, Julie, Katelyn Gimbel, Betsy DiSalvo, and Aysha Bodenhamer. 2008. "Illuminating Appalachian Arts and Studies in the Schools: Many Roads, One Appalachia." Appalachian Teaching Project of the Appalachian Regional Commission, Washington, DC.
- Burriss, Theresa, Jim Werth, and Aysha Bodenhamer. 2008. "Community Environmental Health Issues in the Classroom: The Case of Surface Mining." Appalachian Teacher's Network, Radford, VA.

Illowiecki, Julie, Katelyn Gimbel, Betsy DiSalvo, and Aysha Bodenhamer. 2007. "Illuminating Appalachian Arts and Studies in the Schools: Many Roads, One Appalachia." Appalachian Studies Association, Morgantown, WV.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2007. "Does Housework Distribution Differ for Married or Cohabiting Couples?" Southern Regional Honors Conference, Charlotte, NC.

### **Invited Presentations**

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2018. "The Resurgence of Black Lung in Central Appalachia." Radford University, Radford, VA.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2018. "The Resurgence of Black Lung in Central Appalachia: The Silencing of Coal Miners and Toxic Occupational Exposure." Shanghai University, Shanghai, China.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2017. "The Resurgence of Black Lung: A Critical Examination of Environmental Illness in Central Appalachia." Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA.

Bodenhamer, Aysha. 2016. "A Critical Examination of the Resurgence of Black Lung and Suggestions for Policy Change." National Coalition of Black Lung and Respiratory Disease Clinics Conference, Lexington, KY.

### **OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**Program Evaluator**, *The Juntos Program*, aimed at increasing educational attainment among Latino grade school students, Department of Youth, Family and Community Sciences, North Carolina State University, 2015-2016.

**Research Assistant**, *Voices into Action: The Families, Food and Health Project*, USDA-funded project, North Carolina State University, 2013.

**Research Assistant**, *Heritage, Power Dynamics, and Performance among Pottery Makers in Seagrove*, North Carolina, North Carolina State University, 2010-2012.

**Research Assistant**, Center for Social and Cultural Research, Radford University. 2008-2010.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2016-2017 Elected Nominations Committee Representative, Rural Sociological Society  
2014-2016 Elected Graduate Student Representative, Rural Sociological Society  
2014-2016 Program Committee, Rural Sociological Society  
2014-2016 Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society  
2015-2016 Reviewer for *Humanity and Society*

## **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

2017- Faculty Advisor Appalachian Events Committee, Radford University  
2017- Sustainability Steering Committee, Radford University  
2017- Selu Steering Committee, Radford University  
2014-2016 Teaching Advisory Board  
2013-2014 President, Sociology Graduate Student Association  
2013-2014 Chair, Graduate Student Advisory Board  
2012-2013 Vice President, Sociology Graduate Student Association  
2012-2013 Culture Committee Chair, Sociology Graduate Student Association  
2012-2013 Cohort Representative, Graduate Student Advisory Board  
2010-2011 Volunteer Work Committee, Sociology Graduate Student Association

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association  
Section Membership: Environment & Technology

Appalachian Studies Association

Rural Sociological Society  
Research Interest Group Membership: Natural Resources and Community, Family, and Health

Southern Sociological Society