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RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

individualization and intimacy, the life course, social theory, comparative social psychology, cultural sociology, deviance, social change, economic sociology, family sociology, globalization, morality

PUBLICATIONS

- Spring 2012 CS Swader. The Capitalist Personality. New York: Routledge. (forthcoming)
- 2011, CS Swader. "Linking Normlessness and Value Change in the Postforthcoming Communist World." *Studia Sociologia*.
 - 2010 CS Swader and H Yuan. "On Family, Work, Money, and Morals: Intergenerational Value Differences in China." *Chinese Journal of Sociology*, 30 (4): 118-142.
 - 2010 CS Swader. "Homo Sovieticus in Interpersonal Relationships Before and After the Collapse of Communism" in H. Best and A. Wenninger (Eds.)

 Landmark 1989: Central and Eastern European Societies Twenty Years After the System Change. Münster: LIT Verlag. 62-79.
 - 2009 CS Swader. "Adaptation as 'Selling out'? Capitalism and the Commodification of Values in Post-Communist Russia and Eastern Germany." *Journal of International Relations and Development*, 12, 387-395.
 - 2009 CS Swader. "Inequality, Markets, and the Life Course" in WR Heinz, J Huinink, and A Weymann (eds.), *The Life Course Reader*. Frankfurt: Campus Verlag.
 - 2009 WR Heinz, J Huinink, A Weymann, and CS Swader. "General Introduction" in WR Heinz, J Huinink, and A Weymann (eds.), *The Life Course Reader*. Frankfurt: Campus Verlag.
 - 2009 WR Heinz, J Huinink, and A Weymann (eds.), in cooperation with CS Swader, *The Life Course Reader*. Frankfurt: Campus Verlag.

- 2009 CS Swader. "Intimate Social Values and Economic Transformation: An Interpretation of Qualitative Interviews from Russia, China, and Eastern Germany" in A Cervantes-Carson and B Oria (eds.), *Intimate Explorations: Readings Across Disciplines*. Oxford: Inter-Disciplinary Press.
- 2008 CS Swader. "Transformation to a Market Economy and Changing Social Values in China, Russia, and Eastern Germany". Ph.D. dissertation, University of Bremen, 2008. Retrieved from http://nbn-resolving.de/urn:nbn:de:gbv:46-diss000111872
- 2007 CS Swader. "The Lost Years: Assessing Family Change in St. Petersburg, Russia, between 1983 and 2003." *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, 38(2): 317-36.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (summa cum laude), Social Sciences. Bremen, Germany, Graduate School of Social Sciences (now known as BIGSSS): recipient (with Jacobs University) of the German government's "Excellence Initiative" funding for higher education. Thematic focus: Social Change and the Life Course. Dissertation: Transformation to a Market Economy and Changing Social Values in China, Russia, and Eastern Germany. Advisors: Ansgar Weymann (University of Bremen, committee chair), Steffen Mau (University of Bremen), Jeylan Mortimer (University of Minnesota).
 - 2007 Graduate Spring Seminar in Methodology, GSSS, University of Bremen, Germany. "A Clash of Methodologies? Standards of Quantitative and Qualitative Research," taught by Bernhard Kittel. 12 to 16 March.
 - Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis & Collection, 2006 University of Essex. Colchester, UK. "Multivariate Analysis: Research Problems and Practice," taught by Jacque Tacq. 24 July to 4 August.
 - 2005 Intensive Weekend Didactic Seminar for Teaching at Higher Education Institutions. GSSS, University of Bremen. October 2005.
- 2002-2004 **M.A., Social Sciences.** Global Studies Programme, Albert-Ludwigs-University (Freiburg, Germany), KwaZulu-Natal University (Durban, South Africa), and Jawaharlal Nehru University (Delhi, India). Among the top ten international M.A. programs in Germany. Advisors: Baldo Blinkert and Ari Sitas. Thesis: *Changes in Family Relationships in St. Petersburg, Russia from 1983 to 2003*.
- 1993-1997 **B.A.** (Honors), Sociology/Russian Studies. American University, Washington, DC. Honors Thesis: An Analysis of Russian Civil Society and the Relevance of Organized Crime.
 - 1996 Semester abroad, Moscow State University, Russia. Intensive seminar: Russian language, politics, literature, culture, media.

- 2010 Awarded teacher-student cooperation grant for 2011-2012 by the Scientific Fund of the Higher School of Economics on the topic: "The Commodification of Intimacy within Post-Soviet Space: The Case of Compensated Dating in Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus," Project № 11-04-0009.
- 2008 Dissertation awarded 'summa cum laude' distinction, University of Bremen
- 2004-2007 Awarded Ph.D. Fellowship with GSSS, University of Bremen.
- 2004-2008 Awarded grants from the GSSS, University of Bremen, for dissertation fieldwork and for academic travel and conference participation.
 - 2002 Awarded Global Studies Program DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Scholarship for study in Durban, South Africa.
 - 1997 Completed American University B.A. Honors Program in both majors.
 - 1997 Inducted into Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociological Honor Society and Golden Key National Honor Society.
- 1993-1997 Awarded Dean's Scholarship at American University. Dean's List.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2010-11 BA lecture and seminar: "Social Change and the Life Course" (3rd Module). Higher School of Economics. MA seminar: "Individualization and Intimacy" (2nd Module). Higher School of Economics.
- 2008-10 Summer 2008, 09, 10. B.A. seminar: "Historical Sociology." Uni-Bremen.
 - 2009 'Didactics Workshop' for Ph.D.'s (with M. Schreier). BIGSSS.
- 2007-2009 Winter 2008-9, 2009-10. B.A. seminar: "Exploring Critical Theory." University of Bremen.
- 2006-2007 Winter semester. B.A. seminar in social theory: "Modernization Theory: Focus on Individualization." University of Bremen.

ACADEMIC ADVISORY WORK

Dissertation Advisory Committee, BIGSSS, Hilal Galip (2011, *Determinants of Subjective Well-being in Transition Countries*).

Ph.D. Defense Committee, BIGSSS: Volha Vysotskaya (2010, Migration talks: Migration Plans and Return Intentions of Highly Skilled Workers), Larysa Tamilina (2009, The Impact of Welfare States on Social Trust Formation: a Multidimensional Approach), Sabine Henrichsen-Schrembs (2008, Modern Life Courses: Yoga and the Search for Meaning in Contemporary Germany), and Hao Yuan (2008, Subjective Well-being in Transition: a Comparison between China and East Germany).

- 2011 "Informal Relationships and Modernization," project presented with L. Kosals at the meeting of the Laboratory for Comparative Social Studies, St. Petersburg, Russia, April 2011.
- 2011 "Linking Normlessness and Value Change in the Post-Communist World." Paper presented at meeting of the British Sociological Assocation, LSE, April 2011.
- 2011 "Contemporary Education Reform in the Context of the German-Influenced Russian Higher Educational System," invited presentation at the Institute for Empirical and Applied Sociology (EMPAS), University of Bremen, January 2011.
- 2010 "The Ideology of Reform, Ambivalency, and Everyday life in Post-Socialist Germany and Russia," invited presentation at "Analyzing Social and Economic Inequalities in the Context of 20 Years of National Economic System Transformation" Conference in Ekaterinburg, Russia (Russian Academy of Sciences). November 2010.
- 2010 "Explaining Normlessness and Value Change in the Post-Communist World." Paper presented at 2010 annual meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) in Philadelphia, Temple University. June 2010.
- 2009 "Adaptation as 'Selling out'? Capitalism and the Commodification of Values in Post-Communist Russia and Eastern Germany." Presented at 2009 annual meeting of SASE in Paris, Sciences Po. July 2009.
- 2009 "Valuations of interpersonal relationships in post-socialist Russia and Eastern Germany." Invited talk, Landmark 1989: Central and Eastern European societies 20 Years after the System Change, GESIS, Berlin. April 2009.
- 2008 "On the Genesis of Intimate, Incidental, and Sociopathic Evil." Paper, "Persons, Intimacy and Love" conference. Salzburg, Austria. March 2008.
- 2007 "A Tale of Three Cities: Post-communist Family Values from an Intergenerational Perspective." Paper presented at 102nd American Sociological Association annual meeting in New York. August 2007.
- 2007 "Changing Social Values in China." Invited presentation for group of Chinafocused graduate students at the University of Minnesota. May 2007.
- 2007 "Transformation to a Market Economy and Changing Social Values in China, Russia, and Eastern Germany." Invited presentation. Life Course Center, University of Minnesota. April 2007.
- 2007 "Can Cognitive Dissonance Explain Post-Communist Value Change?" Paper presented at 17th annual conference of the Sociology Research Institute (SRI), University of Minnesota. April 2007.

- 2007 "Intimate Social Values and Economic Transformation: An Interpretation of Qualitative Interviews from Russia, China, and Eastern Germany." Paper presented at "1st Global Conference - Persons, Intimacy and Love: Probing the Boundaries." Salzburg, Austria. March 2007.
- 2006 "The Transformation to a Market Economy and Changing Social Values in Russia, China, and Eastern Germany." Invited presentation, Center for Empirical and Applied Sociology, University of Bremen. November 2006.
- 2006 "On Family, Work, Money, and Morals: An Exploration of Intergenerational Value Differences in China." Paper presented at meeting of the ASA, Montreal. August 2006.
- 2006 "Money versus Mensch: Why Do Value Conflicts Emerge Within Individuals?" Paper presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics in Trier, Germany. June-July 2006.
- 2006 "Modernization and the Individualization of Values," presentation delivered for student club in connection with 2nd Joint Workshop on "Changing Values, Changing Welfare States: on the European Dimension of German and Turkish Social Policy" held at Bosphorus University in Istanbul. May 2006.
- 2006 "The Individualization and Desocialization of Values in the Post-Communist World." Invited presentation for Moscow's Higher School of Economics sociology department. April 2006.
- 2005 "Social Values and the Transformation to Free-Market Capitalism." Paper presented within the 1st Joint Workshop on "Changing Values, Changing Welfare States: on the European Dimension of German and Turkish Social Policy" at Bremen University. October 2005.
- 2005 "On Value Change and Capitalism," two invited lectures for sociology M.A. students of Shanghai University. September 2005.
- 2005 "Theorizing Social Value Shifts and Normlessness in Post-Communist Countries from Structural Economic Change," Paper presented at Meeting of the American Sociological Association in Philadelphia. August 2005.
- 2005 "Theorizing Social Value Shifts and Normlessness in Post-Communist Countries from Structural Economic Change." Paper presented for the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics in Budapest. June-July 2005.
- 2005 "Free-Market Transformation and Changing Social Values in China, Russia, and Eastern Germany." Poster presented at the "Social Justice" conference of the GSSS at the University of Bremen. March 2005.
- 2004 "Changes in Family Relationships in St. Petersburg, Russia from 1983 to 2003." Paper presented at 36th World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology in Beijing. July 2004.

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Since 2009 European Sociological Association, Social Theory Research Network (RN29). Since 2008 Voting member of Executive Team and the Academic Council of the Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS). Since 2007 Research Network 1989: New Researchers on Varieties of Capitalism and Socio-economic Change in Central and Eastern Europe. 2007-8 Interdisciplinary.net 'Persons, Intimacy and Love' working group. Since 2005 American Sociological Association. Sections: Comparative and Historical Sociology; Social Psychology; Crime, Law, and Deviance; Family; Sociology of Culture. Since 2005 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE). 2004-2005 Fellow Representative, Executive Committee of the GSSS, University of Bremen. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND 2010 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology: Analysis of Social Institutions, Higher School of Economics, Moscow. 2008-2010 Director of Studies, Faculty, Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences 2008 Researcher, Managing Director, Institute for Empirical and Applied Sociology (EMPAS), University of Bremen 2004-2008 Ph.D. Fellow, Graduate School of Social Sciences, University of Bremen, Germany 2007 Life Course Center, University of Minnesota Department of Sociology, Minneapolis, Visiting Scholar, Spring 2006 Department of Economic Sociology, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Visiting Scholar, Spring 2005-2006 Department of Sociology, Leipzig University, Germany, Visiting Scholar, Winter 2005 Department of Sociology, Shanghai University, Visiting Scholar, Fall 2003 Leontief Centre for Social and Economic Research, St. Petersburg, Russia, Visiting Researcher, Summer 1998-2002 United States Army, Armor Officer

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND, continued

1997 Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, Washington, DC, Research Assistant for Vladimir Vagin

1996 Media Law and Policy Center, Moscow, Russia, Intern

1995 Office of Congressman Ed Pastor (D-AZ), Washington, DC, Summer Intern

1994-1995 Commercial Development for the New Republics, Inc., Washington, DC, Editor, Central Asia Bulletin

1993-1994 Embassy of the Republic of Georgia, Washington, DC, Intern

LANGUAGES

English Native

German Advanced

Russian Intermediate

Spanish Basic

Mandarin Basic (spoken)

Chinese

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Vocalist (tenor) in folk, rock, classical styles; guitar; songwriting; tango argentino; yoga.