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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Virginia, 2017
Fellow, Jefferson Scholars Foundation

M.A. Sociology, University of Virginia, 2016

M.A. Higher Education, George Washington University, 2013

B.A. English, *magna cum laude*, George Mason University, 2011
Honors in the English Curriculum
University Scholar, Honors College

CURRENT APPOINTMENTS, GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

Associate Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2023-Present

Director of Educational Pathways and Faculty Development, Honors College, 2023-Present

Director, Education & Health Research Hub, Center for Social Science Research, 2021-Present

Affiliate Faculty, Center for Social Science Research, 2019-Present
Higher Education Program, 2019-Present
Institute for Immigration Research, 2023-Present

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2018-2023
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Director of Data Analytics and Assessment, Honors College, 2018-2023
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Instructor and Data Analyst, Honors College, 2016-2017
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, 2014-2017
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Program Coordinator, Summer Undergraduate Research Program, 2013-2016
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Higher Education; Culture; Social Stratification; Student Experiences; Race, Class, and Gender; Second-Generation Immigrants; First-Generation College Students; Belonging and Inclusion; Educational Transitions; Qualitative Methods; Ethnography

BOOKS

Silver, Blake R. Forthcoming. *Degrees of Risk: Navigating Insecurity and Inequality in Public Higher Education*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

Silver, Blake R., and Graziella Pagliarulo McCarron, Eds. Forthcoming. *Supporting College Students of Immigrant Origin: New Insights from Research, Policy, and Practice*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Silver, Blake R. 2020. *The Cost of Inclusion: How Student Conformity Leads to Inequality on College Campuses*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

Awards:

American Educational Studies Association 2021 Critics' Choice Book Award

NASPA Faculty Council 2022 Outstanding Publication Award

Reviewed in:

American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, The Review of Higher Education, CHOICE, Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice, Change: The Magazine of Higher Learning, Journal of College Student Retention, College Student Affairs Journal

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Silver, Blake R. Forthcoming. "Major Transitions: How College Students Interpret the Process of Changing Fields of Study." *Higher Education: The International Journal of Higher Education Research*, TBD.

Crawford, Kara, and Blake R. Silver. Forthcoming. "Exploring the Experiences of College Women in Fields with Disparities in Gender Representation." *Journal of Postsecondary Student Success*, TBD.

Silver, Blake R. 2024. "Understanding the Individual in Context: Socioeconomic Inequality in College Students' Perspectives." *Social Currents*, 11(1), 61-79.

Silver, Blake R. 2023. "Interpreting First-Generation Identities and Experiences: Exploring Student Meaning Making at a First-gen Forward Institution." *Journal of First-generation Student Success*, 3(2), 106-123.

Silver, Blake R., and Lily Krietzberg. 2023. "Compartmentalizing Communities or Creating Continuity: How Students Navigate LGBTQ+ Identity Within and Beyond College." *Sociological Focus*, 56(1), 1-19.

Silver, Blake R., Freddy Lopez, Fanni Farago, and Tharuna Kalaivanan. 2022. "Focused, Exploratory, or Vigilant: Reproduction, Mobility, and the Self-Narratives of Second-Generation Immigrant Youth." *Qualitative Sociology*, 45(1), 123-147.

- Kalaivanan, Tharuna, Lily Krietzberg, Blake R. Silver, and Bianca Kwan. 2022. "The Senior-Year Transition: Gendered Experiences of Second-Generation Immigrant College Students." *Journal of Women and Gender in Higher Education*, 15(1), 21-40.
- Silver, Blake R., Lily Krietzberg, and Tharuna Kalaivanan. 2021. "Transitioning OUT: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Queer Students' Concerns in the Senior Year." *Journal of the First-Year Experience & Students in Transition*, 33(2), 9-27.
- Silver, Blake R., Freddy Lopez, Tharuna Kalaivanan, and Lily Krietzberg. 2021. "Second-Generation Immigrant Students and the Senior-Year Transition." *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, 58(4), 388-400.
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Inequality in the Extracurriculum: How Class, Race, and Gender Shape College Involvement." *Sociological Forum*, 35(4), 1290-1314.
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "How First-Year College Women Construct Identity through Co-Curricular Involvement." *Journal of Women and Gender in Higher Education*, 13(3), 233-250.
- Henderson, Lora, Blake R. Silver, Leslie Booren, Sara Rimm-Kaufman, and James Wyckoff. 2020. "Fostering Faculty Diversity by Supporting Access to Graduate Study in Education." *Journal of College Student Development*, 61(5), 663-666.
- Silver, Blake R., Tharuna Kalaivanan, Lily Krietzberg, and Jordan Hawkins. 2020. "Distance, Alignment, and Boundaries: How Second-Generation Immigrant Seniors Negotiate Parental Involvement." *Journal of College Student Development*, 61(5), 558-573.
- Roksa, Josipa, Blake R. Silver, Denise Deutschlander, and Sarah Whitley. 2020. "Navigating the First Year of College: Siblings, Parents, and First-Generation Students' Experiences." *Sociological Forum*, 35(3), 565-586.
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "On the Margins of College Life: The Experiences of Racial and Ethnic Minority Men in the Extracurriculum." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, 49(2), 147-175.
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Social Class and Habitus at the End of College: Cultural Similarity and Difference among Graduating Seniors." *Sociological Focus*, 53(2), 190-206.
- Roksa, Josipa, and Blake R. Silver. 2019. "'Do-It-Yourself' University: Institutional and Family Support in the Transition Out of College." *The Review of Higher Education*, 42(3), 1051-71.
- Silver, Blake R., and Josipa Roksa. 2017. "Navigating Uncertainty and Responsibility: Understanding Inequality in the Senior-Year Transition." *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, 54(3), 248-260.

- Silver, Blake R., and Rick C. Jakeman. 2016. "College Students' Willingness to Engage in Bystander Intervention at Off-Campus Parties." *Journal of College Student Development*, 57(4), 472-476.
- Jakeman, Rick C., Tracae M. McClure, and Blake R. Silver. 2015. "A Closer Look at Bystander Intervention Behaviors of Off-Campus Party Hosts." *Journal of Alcohol and Drug Education*, 59(3), 7-24.
- Silver, Blake R., and Rick C. Jakeman. 2014. "Understanding Intent to Leave the Field: A Study of Student Affairs Master's Students' Career Plans." *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, 51(2), 170-182.
- Jakeman, Rick C., Blake R. Silver, and William Molasso. 2014. "Student Experiences at Off-Campus Parties: Results from a Multi-Campus Survey." *Journal of Alcohol and Drug Education*, 58(2), 64-85.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Farago, Fanni, and Blake R. Silver. 2023. "Navigating the New University: How Students from Immigrant Families Experience Student-Faculty Interactions." In Tieniell Trolan and Eugene Parker, Eds. *Fostering Sustained Student-Faculty Engagement in Undergraduate Education*, p. 128-145. New York: Routledge.
- Roksa, Josipa, Blake R. Silver, and Yapeng Wang. 2022. "Inequality in Higher Education: Sociological Understandings of Student Success." In Nicholas Bowman, Ed. *How College Students Succeed: Making Meaning Across Disciplinary Perspectives*, p. 179-207. Sterling, VA: Stylus.
- Roksa, Josipa, and Blake R. Silver. 2021. "Higher Education." In Kimberley Kinsley and Robert Rycroft, Eds. *Inequality in America: Causes and Consequences*, p. 95-106. Santa Barbara, CA: Greenwood, ABC-CLIO.
- Arum, Richard, Josipa Roksa, Jacqueline Cruz, and Blake Silver. 2018. "Student Experiences in College." In Barbara Schneider, Ed. *Handbook of the Sociology of Education in the 21st Century*, p. 385-403, New York, NY: Springer.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Silver, Blake R. 2022. *Building Gender Equity in the Academy: Institutional Strategies for Change*, by Sandra Laursen and Ann E. Austin. *Teachers College Record*.
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. *Privilege and Disadvantage in Education*, Review of *The Privileged Poor: How Elite Colleges are Failing Disadvantaged Students* by Anthony Abraham Jack. *Contexts*, 20(3), 68-69.
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. *Trans-Affirmative Parenting: Raising Kids across the Gender Spectrum*, by Elizabeth Rahilly. *Gender & Society*, 35(2), 283-285.

EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

ACPA Foundation Research Grant. “Layered Transitions: First-Generation College Seniors from Immigrant Families.” PI: Blake Silver; Key Personnel: Tharuna Kalaivanan, Fanni Farago, and Kellie Wilkerson. (09/2022-08/2023).

American Sociological Association. Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline Grant. “Labor Market Precarity and Higher Education.” PI: Blake Silver. (11/2020-03/2022).

National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, Paul P. Fidler Research Grant. “Transitioning OUT: Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students’ Experiences in the Senior Year.” PI: Blake Silver. (10/2019-10/2021).

NASPA Region III Research Grant. “Gender, First-Generation American Students, and the Senior-Year Transition.” PI: Blake Silver. (08/2018-08/2019).

The NASPA Foundation, Channing Briggs Small Research Grant. “Navigating the Senior-Year Transition: A Qualitative Study of the Experiences of First-Generation American Students.” PI: Blake Silver. (10/2015-10/2016).

NASPA Region III Research Grant. “Navigating the Senior-Year Transition: A Qualitative Study of the Experiences of First-Generation American Students.” PI: Blake Silver. (Declined).

Finalist: National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, Paul P. Fidler Research Grant. “Navigating the Senior-Year Transition: A Qualitative Study of the Experiences of First-Generation American Students.” PI: Blake Silver (2015).

INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS

College of Humanities and Social Sciences, George Mason University. Faculty Research and Development Award (FRDA) Seed Funding. “Supporting the Transition to Post-College Life for Second-Generation Immigrant Students from Working-Class Families.” Co-PIs: Blake Silver and Dae Young Kim. (06/2023-08/2024).

Curriculum Impact Grant, Office of the Provost, George Mason University. “Honors College Civic Engagement.” Awarded to: John Woolsey, Dana Dolan, Blake Silver, Jan Allbeck, Anthony Hoefler, Jennifer Ashley, Lauren Cattaneo, Thomas Wood, Kevin Stoy, Maoria Kirker. (06/2018-06/2019).

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Mason Faculty Alumni Award, 2023
George Mason University

NASPA Faculty Council Outstanding Publication Award, 2022
National Association of Student Personnel Administrators

Critics’ Choice Book Award, 2021
American Educational Studies Association

Presidential Spotlight Scholar, 2021
American College Personnel Association

Faculty Mentoring Excellence Award, 2020
Office of Student Scholarship, Creative Activities, and Research,
George Mason University

Nominee, Career Connection Faculty Award, 2018, 2019
University Career Services, George Mason University

Nominee, Edgar F. Shannon Award, 2018
Nominated by Dept. of Sociology, University of Virginia

Jefferson Fellowship, 2013-2017
Jefferson Scholars Foundation, University of Virginia

Graduate Scholarship, 2011
Golden Key International Honour Society

Award for Excellence in Writing in the Disciplines, 2011
Writing Across the Curriculum, George Mason University

Member, Golden Quill Alumni Honor Society, 2011
George Mason University

Spirit of King Award, 2011
Office of Diversity Programs and Services, George Mason University

Brian Picone Leadership and Advocacy Excellence Award, 2011
Alumni Association, George Mason University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Silver, Blake R. 2023. "Understanding the Individual and Society Through Higher Education."
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting; Philadelphia, PA (August).

Silver, Blake R. 2023. "First-Generation College Students' Identities and Experiences: New Research." NASPA Annual Conference Virtual Experience; Online (April).

Kalaivanan, Tharuna, Blake R. Silver, Kellie Wilkerson, Fanni Farago, and Wonmai Punksungka. 2023. "College Seniors from Immigrant Families: New Research and Implications for Practice." NASPA Annual Conference Virtual Experience; Online (April).

Silver, Blake R. 2023. "Creating and Sustaining Community on Campus: Identity Strategies and College Social Landscapes." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Baltimore, MD (February).

- Silver, Blake R. 2022. “‘I Didn’t Label it Until I Came to College’: Meaning Making about LGBTQ+ Identity and Strategies for Involvement” *Association for the Study of Higher Education Annual Conference*; Online (November).
- Silver, Blake R. 2022. “Qualitative Methods and the Study of College Seniors in Transition.” *National Conference on Students in Transition*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2022. “Identity Strategies and Senior Concerns.” *National Conference on Students in Transition*; Online (October).
- Farago, Fanni, and Blake Silver. 2022. “Supporting High-Impact Learning: Student-Faculty Interactions and the Experiences of Students from Immigrant Families.” *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2022. “College Students’ Understandings of the Individual and Society.” *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2022. “Student Interpretations of First-Generation Identity.” *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake. 2022. “Inequality in the New University: Managing Uncertainty in the Do-It-Yourself Environment.” *Pacific Sociological Association 2022 Conference*; Sacramento, CA/hybrid online (April).
- Farago, Fanni, and Blake Silver. 2022. “Sociological Perspectives on Student-Faculty Interactions: Understanding the Experiences of Second-Generation Immigrant Students.” *Pacific Sociological Association 2022 Conference*; Sacramento, CA/hybrid online (April).
- Silver, Blake. 2022. “Managing Labor Market Uncertainty in College: The Impact of Personal, Family, and Institutional Resources.” *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*; Boston, MA/hybrid online (March).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. “Economic Uncertainty, Risk, and the Perceived Value of a College Education.” *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Kalaivanan, Tharuna, Matthew Boero, Blake R. Silver. 2021. “How College Students Interpret Their Experiences during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. “Economic Uncertainty and Inequality in Higher Education.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*; Online (August).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. “Reconsidering Inclusion in Higher Education.” *American Educational Research Association 2021 Annual Meeting*; Online (April).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. “Sexuality and the Senior Year: How LGBTQ Seniors Experience and Manage the Transition.” *NASPA Annual Conference*; Online (March).

- Kalaivanan, Tharuna, Lily Krietzberg, and Blake Silver. 2021. "Gendered Transitions: Understanding and Supporting Second-Generation Immigrant College Seniors." *American College Personnel Association Annual Meeting*; Online (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2021. "An Ethnographic Approach to Understanding Racial Inequality in Belonging in Educational Settings." *Ethnography in Education Research Forum*; Online (February).
- Silver, Blake R., Freddy Lopez, Fanni Farago, and Tharuna Kalaivanan. 2020. "Inequality in the Senior Year: Second-Generation Immigrants' Narratives of the Transition Out of College." *Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "New Data on the Senior-Year Experiences of LGBTQ Students." *National Conference on Students in Transition*; Online (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Beyond Participation: A Process-Based Understanding of Inequality in College Extracurricular Involvement." *American Sociological Association Virtual Engagement Event*; Online (August).
- Silver, Blake. 2020. "In Search of Belonging: How College Women Navigate Identity and Extracurricular Involvement." *American Educational Research Association 2020 Annual Meeting*; San Francisco, CA (conference cancelled, paper distributed electronically).
- Silver, Blake. 2020. "Centripetal Elevation: Culture, Inequality, and the Experiences of White Men on Campus." *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*; Philadelphia, PA (February).
- Lopez, Freddy, Blake Silver, and Tori Walls. 2020. "Second-Generation Immigrants' Perceptions of Merit During the Transition Out of College." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Philadelphia, PA (February).
- Silver, Blake. 2020. "Navigating Extracurricular Engagement in the First-Year Transition." *National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience*; Washington, DC (February).
- Silver, Blake, Tharuna Kalaivanan, and Lily Krietzberg. 2019. "Distance, Alignment, and Boundaries: How Second-Generation Immigrants Navigate Parental Involvement in the Senior Year." *American Educational Studies Association Annual Meeting*; Baltimore, MD (November).
- Silver, Blake. 2019. "Resisting Conformity: How College Students Build Identity Alongside Community." *American Educational Studies Association Annual Meeting*; Baltimore, MD (October).
- Silver, Blake. 2019. "Barriers to Belonging: Racial and Ethnic Minority Men in the Social Realm of College." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*; New York, NY (August).

- Silver, Blake, Gary Hooker, Lily Krietzberg, Tharuna Kalaivanan, and Freddy Lopez. 2019. "Supporting First-Generation American College Students in the Senior-Year Transition." *NASPA Region II & III Joint Conference*. Washington, DC (June).
- Silver, Blake. 2019. "Negotiating Marginality: How Racial and Ethnic Minority Men Experience and Navigate the College Extracurriculum." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Boston, MA (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2019. "Identity and Inclusion: Doing Gender in the College Extracurriculum." *Ethnography in Education Research Forum*; Philadelphia, PA (February).
- Silver, Blake and Kareema Smith. 2019. "Data-Based Innovations: Strategies for Identifying Needs and Implementing Change." *NASPA Strategies Conferences*; Washington, DC (January).
- Silver, Blake. 2018. "Caregiving in College: Social Inclusion and the Policing of Femininity." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*; Philadelphia, PA (August).
- Silver, Blake, Candace Miller, Jack Chelman, and Kerri Anderson. 2018. "Guests, Hosts, and Interlopers: Race and College Students' Negotiation of Belonging on Campus." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Baltimore, MD (February).
- Silver, Blake. 2016. "Navigating the Transition Out of College: Disparities in Uncertainty and Responsibility During the Senior Year." *American Educational Research Association 2016 Annual Meeting*; Washington, DC (April).
- Roksa, Josipa, and Blake Silver. 2016. "Social Inequality at the End of College: The Importance of Cultural Resources and Narratives." *American Educational Research Association 2016 Annual Meeting*; Washington, DC (April).
- Silver, Blake. 2015. "Inequality in College: Do Cultural Capital, Social Capital, and Habitus Matter?" *American Sociological Association 2015 Annual Meeting*; Chicago, IL (August).
- Silver, Blake and Rick Jakeman. 2015. "Addressing Attrition in Student Affairs: Opportunities for Graduate Preparation Programs." *American College Personnel Association, 2015 Annual Convention*; Tampa, FL (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2014. "Invisible in Academia: Value and Fulfillment in the Student Affairs Profession." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Baltimore, MD (February).
- Silver, Blake. 2013. "Rethinking General Education: Using Sociological Theory to Enhance Curricular and Pedagogical Inclusivity." *Virginia Social Science Association Annual Conference*, Virginia Commonwealth University; Richmond, VA (April).
- Silver, Blake. 2013. "General Education Revisited: Using Theory to Inform a Comprehensively Inclusive Curriculum." *Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting*; Boston, MA (March).

- Jakeman, Rick, Robert Chernak, Alexis Janda, Blake Silver, and Michelle Jacobs. 2013. "Connecting Research to Practice: Designing Intervention Strategies for Party Hosts." *American College Personnel Association, 2013 Annual Convention*; Las Vegas, NV (March).
- Jakeman, Rick and Blake Silver. 2013. "Lost in Translation: Mediating Expectations of Off-Campus Party Guests and Hosts." *National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Violence Prevention Conference*; Fort Worth, TX (January).
- Silver, Blake and Nader Hussein. 2012. "Student Influence on Institutional Policy: Empowering Undergraduate Agents of Change." *American College Personnel Association 2012 Annual Convention*; Louisville, KY (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2012. "Themes of Experience for LGBT Students at George Mason University." *Virginia Social Science Association Annual Conference*, Old Dominion University; Norfolk, VA (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2012. "Implementing Gender-Neutral Housing Policies; Progress Toward a More Inclusive Residential Experience." *Educational Symposium for Research and Innovations*, The George Washington University; Washington, DC (March).
- Silver, Blake. 2011. "Campus Climate for LGBT College Students." *DC Metro Area GLBT Studies Symposium*, American University; Washington, DC (November).

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Silver, Blake R. 2023. "Faculty Guest Speaker." *Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society in the Social Sciences, Induction Ceremony*, George Mason University (April).
- Streib, Jessi, Rachel Sherman, Blake R. Silver, Ann Mullen, and Elizabeth M. Lee. 2022. "Author Meets Critics Session on Privilege Lost: Who Leaves the Upper Middle Class and How They Fall." *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*; Boston, MA/hybrid online (March).
- Witte, James, Sameen Mustafa, Blake R. Silver, Wenjing Wang, Kevin Nazar, and Christopher Magee. 2022. "Panel Discussion: Social Challenges and Opportunities in Building Community Resilience." *Universities Partnership Grants Program, University of Karachi and George Mason University, International Conference*; virtual panel (February).
- Nunn, Lisa and Blake R. Silver. 2021. "Supporting First-Generation College Students on Campus and Beyond." *First-Gen Week Event, George Mason University & University of San Diego*; virtual dialogue (November).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. "Defining a Research Question." *Building Community Resilience through Integrated and Applied Social Science Research, Lecture Series*, sponsored by the U.S. Educational Foundation in Pakistan and the U.S. Department of State; virtual series (July-October).

- Silver, Blake R. 2021. "Sociological Perspectives on Inequality in Healthcare Settings." *Uniformed Services University, Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program, Lecture Series*; virtual talk (April).
- Silver, Blake R. 2021. "Presidential Spotlight Series: Reimagining Student Involvement and Inclusion in Higher Education." *American College Personnel Association Annual Meeting*; virtual talk (March).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Inclusion and College Students: How a Sociological Perspective Contributes to the Study of Higher Education." *Higher Education Program, George Mason University*; virtual talk (December).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "The Cost of Inclusion: How Student Conformity Leads to Inequality on College Campuses." *Fall for the Book*; virtual talk (November).
- Okechukwu, Amaka and Blake R. Silver. 2020. "Diversity and Inequality in Higher Education: a conversation between Amaka Okechukwu & Blake Silver." *Sociology and Anthropology 2020-2021 Colloquium Series, George Mason University*; virtual dialogue (October).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "The Cost of Inclusion: A Micro-Sociological Analysis of Inequality on Campus." *Southern Illinois University, Sociology Department*; virtual talk (September).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Inclusion and Difference: A Sociological Perspective on the First-Year of College." *George Mason University Honors College Colloquium*; virtual talk (September).
- Silver, Blake R., and Laura T. Hamilton. 2020. "Blake Silver in Conversation with Laura Hamilton." *By the Book: Smart Talk with Chicago Authors*; University of Chicago Press virtual event (August).
- Silver, Blake R. 2020. "Access and Inclusion within Higher Education." *Admissions Summer Training, Professional Development Sessions*; virtual talk (August).
- Silver, Blake R. 2019. "Culture and Inequality in Medicine." *Uniformed Services University, Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program, Lecture Series*; Manassas, VA (April).
- Silver, Blake R. 2017. "Contingent Connections: Culture and Inclusion in Higher Education." *George Mason University Sociology and Anthropology November 2017 Colloquium*; Fairfax, VA (November).
- Futch, Valerie, Fares Karam, Amanda Kibler, Rachel Wahl, Joanna Williams, and Blake R. Silver. 2015. "Investigating Deaf Culture on the Vineyard: Using Qualitative Methods in Social Science Research." *6th Annual Curry Research Conference*; Charlottesville, VA (March).
- Silver, Blake R. 2015. "Theorizing the Role of Higher Education and Social Class in the Transition to Adulthood." *13th Annual Jefferson Fellows Symposium*; Charlottesville, VA (February).

Jakeman, Rick and Blake R. Silver. 2013. "Understanding Student Behaviors at Off-Campus Parties: A Multi-Campus Survey Finds Discrepancies in Expectations of Party Guests and Hosts." *Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board 2013 Annual Conference*; Harrisburg, PA (April).

MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND COVERAGE

[Inside Higher Ed: Interview](#) (October 27, 2020).

[Inside Higher Ed: The Power of Relationships in Undergraduate Education by Steven Mintz](#) (January 1, 2023).

COURSES TAUGHT

Introductory Sociology; The Individual and Society; Society and Education; Research Methods; Culture and Social Inequality; Society and the Transition to Adulthood; U.S. Colleges and Universities; Diversity and Representation in Governance; Social Science Research Lab; Social Inequality and the Self; Higher Education and Society; Ethnography, Place, and Community

GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING AND MENTORSHIP

LeNaya Hezel, Sociology, "Capital is a Battlefield," (dissertation chair), in progress.

Christian Suero, Sociology, "(In)equality of Internships: An Exploration on Access, Experience, and Outcomes for Students in Public Universities," (dissertation co-chair with Amy Best), in progress.

Pamela Ramirez Graves, Sociology, "Immigrant Parents and School Actors: Breaking Down Barriers to School Engagement," (dissertation committee member), in progress.

Sara Montiel, Higher Education, "The Assets of Immigrant Parentage for First-Generation College Students: A Qualitative Study of Their Lived Experiences," (dissertation chair), 2023.

Chris Fiorello, Higher Education, "There Are No Supermen Here: A Poststructural Narrative Study of Male-Identifying College Students' Resistance of Traditional Masculinities," (dissertation chair), 2023.

Maria Gabriela Cerrato Peña, Sociology, "Stigmatized Learners and University Culture," (master's capstone advisor), 2021.

Nina Pastor, Sociology, "The Enduring Irrationality of Rationalization: The Unchangeable Work of Pharmacy Workers During a Global Pandemic." (master's thesis committee member), 2021.

Aina Ramiamanana, Sociology, "The Career Development of Black Women Students in Predominantly White Higher Education Institutions," (master's thesis committee member), 2021.

Juliann Evans, Sociology, "Gender Ideology and Conservative Christian Religions: How Religious Beliefs are Internalized by Young Women in the United States," (master's thesis committee member), 2020.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING AND MENTORSHIP

Joselyn Castellon Almanza, "First-Generation College Students and their Housing Status on College Belonging," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2022.

Dhruv Dewan, "Understanding the Relationship Between Students' Sense of Belonging in High School and College," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2022.

Cole Price, Psychology, "Fraternity Membership, Masculinity and Sexual Identity as Health Predictors in Male College Students," (honors thesis chair), 2021.

Kara Crawford, "Exploring the Experiences of College Women Based on Gender Representation in Their Field of Study," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2020.

Fazeela Wadan, "Ambiguity of Diversity and Inclusion Claims Surrounding University Admissions," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2020.

Evalise Pacheco, "In Between the Margins: Latinx Students on Campus," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2020.

Michala Conroy, "Beliefs and Perceptions Surrounding Student Athletes and Dance Majors," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2020.

Tharuna Kalaivanan, Psychology, "How Racialization Shapes Second-generation Asian Americans' Organizational Commitment and Identification," (honors thesis chair), 2020.

Tharuna Kalaivanan, "How Racialization Effects First-generation Asian-Americans' Perception of Organizational Commitment and Identification," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2019.

Cole Price, "Identity, Self-Presentation, and Substance Use: Exploring Gay Male Students' Experiences in Social Fraternities," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2019.

Madison Gaines, "Illuminating Biracial Identity at the Juncture of Social Science and Poetry," (OSCAR URSP mentor), 2018.

Jalah Townsend, "Exploring the Impact of Identity Centered Organizations on the Transition of First Year Students," (OSCAR URSP co-mentor with Leotie Yard), 2018.

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Session Organizer, “Intersectionality and Educational Pathways,” 2024
American Sociological Association, Section on Race, Gender, and Class

Member, John Mohr Award Committee, 2023-2024
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Culture

Member, Bourdieu Best Book Award Committee, 2022-2023
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Education

Member, Communications Committee, 2022-2023
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Culture

Member, Critics Choice Book Award Committee, 2022-2023
American Educational Studies Association

Section Co-Organizer, American Sociological Association 2022 Annual Meeting, 2021-2022
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Education

Member, Clifford Geertz Award for Best Article Committee, 2021-2022
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Culture

Member, Outstanding Recent Contribution in Social Psychology Award Committee, 2021-2022
American Sociological Association, Section on Social Psychology

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, 2019-2023
National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA)

Member, Review of Research Award Committee, 2021-2022
American Educational Research Association

Discussant, “Transition to College,” 2022
Paper Session, Chicago Ethnography Conference

Session Organizer and Presider, “Intersectional Inequalities and Higher Education,” 2021
Paper Session, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting

Chair, Membership Committee, 2020-2021
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Culture

Section Organizer, American Sociological Association 2021 Annual Meeting, 2020-2021
American Sociological Association, Section on Race, Gender and Class

Member, Membership Committee, 2020-2021
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Emotions

Member, Sexualities Distinguished Article Award Committee, 2020-2021
American Sociology Association, Section on the Sociology of Sexualities

Member, Graduate Student Travel Awards Committee, 2019-2020
American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Culture

Member, Professional Development Committee, 2019-2020
American Sociological Association, Section on Race, Gender, and Class

Member, David Lee Stevenson Best Graduate Paper Award Committee, 2018-2019
American Sociological Association, Section for the Sociology of Education

Campus Liaison for the University of Virginia, 2015-2016
American Educational Research Association Division G

Session Presider, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, 2014

Reviewer, NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program Scholarships, 2014

Member, Conference Planning Committee, 2012
NASPA Assessment and Persistence Conference

Journal Article Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Social Problems*, *Sociology of Education*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*, *Sociological Forum*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Poetics*, *Social Currents*, *Sociological Focus*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *Higher Education: The International Journal of Higher Education Research*, *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, *Jefferson Journal of Science and Culture*

Book Manuscript Reviewer: *University of Chicago Press*, *Oxford University Press*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Rutgers University Press*, *Stanford University Press*

Conference Paper/Program Reviewer: *American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting*, *American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Meeting*, *NASPA Annual Conference*, *NASPA Assessment and Persistence Conference*, *Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse Prevention Conference*, *ACPA Annual Conference*, *American Educational Studies Association (AESA) Annual Conference*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association (ASA), 2011-Present
Sections: Sociology of Education; Sociology of Culture; Race, Gender, and Class

Eastern Sociological Society (ESS), 2011-Present

American Educational Studies Association (AESA), 2018-Present

National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), 2009-Present
Alumnus, NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program

American College Personnel Association (ACPA), 2011-Present