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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-present	Associate Professor of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2015-2019	Assistant Professor of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2013-2015	Assistant Professor of Sociology, The University of Texas-Pan American
EDUCATION	
2013	Ph.D., Sociology, Duke University  Preliminary Exam Areas: Medical Sociology and Social Psychology
2013	Graduate Certificate in Health Policy, Duke University
2013	Graduate Certificate in College Teaching, Duke University
2009	M.A., Sociology, Duke University
2007	B.A., Sociology and History, Emory University  Magna Cum Laude

# **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Race and Ethnicity (particularly regarding stigmatization, inequality, and the social processes surrounding racial construction and attribution)

Medical Sociology (particularly regarding mental health, medicalization, aging, and the connection between religion and health)

Social Psychology (particularly regarding stigma, stereotype threat, and

status characteristics theory)

Social Theory

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Book

**Foy, Steven L.** 2020. Racism in America: A Reference Handbook. ABC-CLIO.

-2021 Outstanding Reference Source- Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) (a division of the American Library Association) (https://ala.org/news/member-news/2021/02/2021-outstanding-reference-sources-list-announced)

-2020 Choice Outstanding Academic Title- Choice, publishing unit of the Association of College and Research Librarians (https://www.ala.org/news/member-news/2020/12/choice-announces-outstanding-academic-titles-2020)

# Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2019

**Foy, Steven L.** and Rashawn Ray. "Skin in the Game: Colorism and the Subtle Operation of Stereotypes in Men's College Basketball." *American Journal of Sociology* 125(3):730-785. (https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/full/10.1086/707243)

-2021 American Sociological Association Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities' Oliver Cromwell Cox Article Award winner (https://www.asanet.org/communities-sections/sections/current-sections/racial-and-ethnic-minorities/racial-and-ethnic-minorities-award-recipient-history)

-Featured on NPR's Only a Game podcast ("Special: Sports, Racism, and the Myth of Meritocracy"), on NBC News, on ESPN, in The Society Pages, and in *National Affairs* (Number 44, Summer 2020).

2018

Upenieks, Laura, **Steven L. Foy**, and Andrew Miles. "Beyond America: Cross-National Context and the Impact of Religious versus Secular Organizational Membership on Self-Rated Health." *Socius* 4:1-19. (http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/2378023118795954)

2018

**Foy, Steven L.** and Salvatore Restifo. "Reliably Republican? Shifts in U.S. Veterans' Political Party Affiliation from 1974 to 2016." *Sociological Spectrum* 38(3):174-193. (https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/02732173.2018.1469445)

-Profiled in San Antonio Report (https://sanantonioreport.org/study-younger-veterans-more-likely-to-be-republicans-than-democrats/),

and Public Policy), and National Affairs (Number 37, Fall 2018). 2018 **Foy, Steven L.** "Challenges From and Beyond Symptomatology: Stereotype Threat in Young Adults with ADHD." Journal of Attention Disorders 22(3):309-320. (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26124195) 2018 Foy, Steven L., Cyrus Schleifer, and Edward A. Tiryakian. "The Rise of Rational Choice Theory as a Scientific/Intellectual Movement in Sociology." The American Sociologist 49(1):16-36. (https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s12108-017-9335-3) 2018 Foy, Steven L. and Collin Mueller. "Nourish the Soul or Damage the Body?: Belief in the Connection between Christian Moral Failure and Diminished Health." Social Compass 65(2):247-262. (http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0037768618768438) 2017 Foy, Steven L., Victor Ray, and Ashley Hummel. "The Shade of a Criminal Record: Colorism, Incarceration, and External Racial Classification." Socius 3:1-14. (http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/2378023116689567) 2013 Young, Wendy B. and Steven L. Foy. "The Influence of Meaning-Making after Spousal Loss on Trajectories of Psychological Distress." Society and Mental Health 3(3):187-202. (http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/2156869313491273) 2013 Frenk, Steven M., Sarah Mustillo, Steven L. Foy, Whitney D. Arroyave, Elizabeth G. Hooten, Kari H. Lauderback, and Keith G. Meador. "Psychotropic Medication Claims among Religious Clergy." Psychiatric *Quarterly* 84(1):27-37. (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22638964) 2011 Frenk, Steven M., Steven L. Foy, and Keith G. Meador. "It's Medically Proven!: Assessing the Dissemination of Religion and Health Research." Journal of Religion and Health 50(4):996-1006. (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20151324) **Book Chapters** 2017 Foy, Steven L. "Preserving Economic Security: Housing, Food, and Medical Care." Pp. 102-114 in *Human Rights Of, By, and For the People:* 

Journalist's Resource (a publication of Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government's Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics,

Steven L. Foy

Esparza, Keri E. Iyall Smith, and Judith Blau.

How to Critique and Change the U.S. Constitution, edited by Louis Edgar

(https://www.routledge.com/Human-Rights-Of-By-and-For-the-People-How-to-Critique-and-Change-the/Iyall-Smith-Edgar-Esparza-Blau/p/book/9781138204188)

2014

**Foy, Steven L.**, Robert E. Freeland, Andrew Miles, Kimberly B. Rogers, and Lynn Smith-Lovin. "Emotions and Affect as Source, Outcome, and Resistance to Inequality." Pp. 295-324 in *The Handbook of the Social Psychology of Inequality*, edited by Jane McLeod, Michael Schwalbe, and Ed Lawler. New York, NY: Springer. (http://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789401790017)

# Encyclopedia Entries

2017	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Race and Sports." <i>Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition</i> , edited by George Ritzer. London: Wiley-Blackwell.
2016	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Prescription Drug Approval Process: U.S." <i>SAGE Encyclopedia of Pharmacology and Society</i> , edited by Sarah E. Boslaugh. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE.
2015	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Democratic Party, U.S." Pp. 458-460 in <i>SAGE Encyclopedia of Alcohol: Social, Cultural, and Historical Perspectives</i> , edited by Scott C. Martin. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE.
2014	Brynildsen, Wendy, <b>Steven L. Foy</b> , and Linda K. George. "Measuring Stress Outcomes." Pp. 2328-2334 in <i>Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior, and Society</i> , edited by William C. Cockerham, Robert Dingwall, and Stella R. Quah. London: Wiley-Blackwell.
2014	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Religion." Pp. 747-751 in <i>Cultural Sociology of Mental Illness: An A-to-Z Guide</i> , edited by Andrew Scull and J. Geoffrey Golson.

### Book Reviews

Foy, Steven L. "Little Rock: Race and Resistance at Central High School." (Book Review). <i>The European Legacy: Toward New Paradign</i> 17(1):113-114.	zms
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Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, Inc.

**Foy, Steven L.** "Race and Ethnicity in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." (Book Review). *The European Legacy: Toward New Paradigms* 17(2):255-256.

Foy, Steven L. "The State and Healthcare: Comparing OECD Countries."

(Book Review). *The European Legacy: Toward New Paradigms* 17(3):434.

# **REFEREED PRESENTATIONS**

2021	Salvatore Restifo and <b>Steven L. Foy</b> . "A Chicken Can't Root for Colonel Sanders": Race, Politics, and the Military." Presented at the the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, virtual.
2020	<b>Steven L. Foy</b> and Salvatore Restifo. "The Effect of Race on Veterans' Political Party Affiliation and Political Ideology." Accepted for the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
2019	<b>Steven L. Foy</b> , Penny M. Simpson, Darrin Rogers, Liza Talavera-Garza, and Joseph P. McFall. "Perceived Stress Mediates the Effects of General and Physician-Specific Ageism on Health and Well-Being." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.
2018	<b>Steven L. Foy</b> and Salvatore Restifo. "A Chicken Can't Root for Colonel Sanders": The Effect of Race on the Relationship between Veteran Status and Political Party Affiliation." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
2017	Salvatore Restifo and <b>Steven L. Foy</b> . "Reliably Republican? Shifts in U.S. Veterans' Political Party Affiliation from 1974 to 2014." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC, Canada.
2017	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> , Cyrus Schleifer, and Edward A. Tiryakian. "The Rise of Rational Choice Theory as a Scientific/Intellectual Movement in Sociology." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC, Canada.
2016	<b>Foy, Steven L</b> . "Mental Disorder Labels and Perceptions of Task Partners: The Role of Task Relevance." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 20, Seattle, WA.
2016	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Preserving Economic Security: Housing, Medical Care, and Retirement Assistance." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 22, Seattle, WA.
2015	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> and Rashawn Ray. "The White Racial Frame in Twenty-first Century America: The Case of College Basketball." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association,

August 24, Chicago, IL.

2014	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> and Steven M. Frenk. "Continuity and Change in U.S. Veterans' Political Party Affiliation, 1974-2012." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 19, San Francisco, CA.
2012	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> , Cyrus Schleifer, and Edward A. Tiryakian. "After Gouldner: Beyond Rational Choice Theory." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 18, Denver, CO.
2011	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> and Victor Ray. "The Shade of a Criminal Record: Colorism, Incarceration, and Racial Attribution." Presented at the biennial meeting of the European Sociological Association, September 9, Geneva, Switzerland.
2011	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> and Andrew Miles. "Comparing the Impact of Religious and Secular Organizational Involvement on Self-Rated Health Cross-Nationally." Presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, August 19, Las Vegas, NV.
2010	Brynildsen, Wendy and <b>Steven L. Foy.</b> "The Association of Finding Meaning in Spousal Loss and Depressive Symptoms." Presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, November 23, New Orleans, LA.
2010	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "Naming and Taming: Sociodemographic Differences in Medicalization's Function as Method of Social Control." Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society for the Study of European Ideas, August 4, Ankara, Turkey.
2010	<b>Foy, Steven L.</b> "What's in a Name?: Medicalization and Its Discontents." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 22, Atlanta, GA.
2009	Foy, Steven L., Steven M. Frenk, and Keith G. Meador. "A Moral Threshold for Optimal Health?: Religious Adults' Beliefs about the Health Consequences of Occupying Various Points along a Continuum of Religiosity." Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 23, Denver, CO.
2009	Frenk, Steven M., <b>Steven L. Foy</b> , and Keith G. Meador. "It's Medically Proven!: Discussions of Research on the Link between Religion and Health among Religious Adults." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 8, San Francisco, CA.

Frenk, Steven M., **Steven L. Foy**, and Keith G. Meador. "Beyond Academia: Assessing the Spread of Findings from Religion and Health Research in the Media and among Religious Adults (An Exploratory Analysis)." Presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Spirituality, Theology, and Health, June 3-5, Durham, NC.

**Foy, Steven L.** "Dueling Schemas: How Competing Views of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Impact Affected Adults' Self-Perceptions and Openness." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 4, New Orleans, LA.

Foy, Steven L. "The Effects of Cognitive, Contextual, and Cultural Factors on Racial Self-Segregation." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium, February 23, Atlanta, GA.

### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2009

2010

Feliz, Andres, **Steven L. Foy**, Reuben A. Buford May, Rashawn Ray, and Matthew Schneider. "Skin Tone and Basketball: A May Day Panel." (featuring 2019 *American Journal of Sociology* article "Skin in the Game: Colorism and the Subtle Operation of Stereotypes in Men's College Basketball" with Rashawn Ray)

Foy, Steven L. and Liza M. Talavera-Garza. "Effects of Ageism on Health Status and Satisfaction with Life." Presented at a meeting of the Interdisciplinary Thematic Scholarly Community Health Disparities and Health Humanities Group, November 6, Edinburg, TX.

Foy, Steven L. "Respondents, Not Subjects: Interviewing with Respect." Presented at the Christopher H. Browne Center for International Politics at the University of Pennsylvania and the Duke University Center for International Studies' Interview Research in Political Science Conference, January 30, Durham, NC.

Foy, Steven L. "Doing No Harm: How Medical Professionals can Avoid Discriminatory Practices." Presented for the Health Occupations Students of America, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, October 14, Durham, NC.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### 2013-present

University of Texas Undergraduate

Rio Grande Valley SOCI 1301: Introduction to Sociology (formerly the University of Texas-Pan American) SOCI 3310: Sports and Society

SOCI 3324: Sociology of Health SOCI 4333: Social Theory

SOCI 4352: Social Inequality/Social Stratification

SOCI 4383: Sociological Research

Graduate

SOCI 6301: Social Theory SOCI 6330: Social Psychology

SOCI 7300: Thesis I SOCI 7301: Thesis II

2012

Duke University SOCIOL 490S: Research Seminar: Special Topics- Insiders

and Outsiders: The Science of Stigma

SOCIOL 106- Social Psychology

2012

Governor's School of North Carolina

Social Science

### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

### Research Grants

Engaged Scholar Award, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley,

Edinburg, TX (\$2000)

2015 Undergraduate Research Initiative Grant, The University of Texas Rio

Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX (\$1984)

2014 Undergraduate Research Initiative Grant, The University of Texas-Pan

American, Edinburg, TX (\$2000)

Linda K. George Research Fund Grant, Department of Sociology, Duke

University, Durham, NC (\$2700)

2011	Linda K. George Research Fund Grant (Co-PI with Victor Ray), Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, NC (\$1085)
2011	Participant Payment Grant (\$500, Co-PI with Victor Ray), Duke Interdisciplinary Initiative in Social Psychology, Duke University, Durham, NC
2010	Participant Payment Grant (\$500), Duke Interdisciplinary Initiative in Social Psychology, Duke University, Durham, NC
2010	Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (\$7200), National Science Foundation
2008	Undergraduate Mentorship Research Grant (\$2000), Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, NC
Fellowships	
2011-2012	Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Fellowship for Undergraduate Instruction, The Graduate School, Duke University, Durham, NC
2011	Summer Research Fellowship, The Graduate School, Duke University, Durham, NC
2010-2011	Preparing Future Faculty Fellowship, The Graduate School, Duke University, Durham, NC
2007-2008	Graduate Fellowship, The Graduate School, Duke University, Durham, NC

### **SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

External

# Discussant, Social Psychological Approaches to Examining Health Disparities session at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Section on Social Psychology, Montreal, CA. Program Committee Member/Roundtable Sessions Organizer, Section on Social Psychology, American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA Presider, Race and Health session at the Annual Meeting of the American

Presider, Race and Health session at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities,

Chicago, IL

2015	Judge, Masterminds, KRGV Channel 5 News, Weslaco, TX
2014	Presider, Parties and Networks session at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Section on Political Sociology, San Francisco, CA
2014	Member, Nominations Committee, Altruism, Morality and Social Solidarity section, American Sociological Association
2014	Judge, Rio Grande Valley Regional Science and Engineering Fair, February 22, The University of Texas-Brownsville, Brownsville, TX
2011	Chair, Construction of Racial Categories 1 session at the Annual Meeting of the European Sociological Association, September 9, Geneva, Switzerland
2011	Convener, Health and Well Being 2 session at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, August 20, Las Vegas, NV.
2011	Presider, Sociology of Mental Health I session at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 8, Jacksonville, FL
2011	Panelist, "A Day in the Life of a Graduate Student," Elon University, February 16, Elon, NC
2011	Graduate Student Representative, Advisory Council for the Section-in-Formation on Altruism, Morality, and Social Solidarity, American Sociological Association
2010	Convener, A Global Perspective on Religion and Health session at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 29, Baltimore, MD
2010	Presider, Religion and Health session at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 14, Atlanta, GA
2009	Convener, Religion and the Mind session at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 24, Denver, CO
Reviewer for:	American Behavioral Scientist American Journal of Sociology Journal of Mental Health Research in Intellectual Disabilities Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion PLOS ONE Research on Aging

Review of Religious Research Social Currents Social Problems Social Psychology Quarterly Society and Mental Health Sociology of Race and Ethnicity The Gerontologist

# Internal

2021-present	Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Tenure Track Open Position), Department of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2020-present	Faculty Advisor, United Methodist Student Movement, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2020-2021	Co-Chair, Tenure Track Annual Review Committee, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2020-2021	Co-Chair, Non-Tenure Track Renewal Committee, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2020-2021	Co-Chair, Promotion of Lecturers Committee, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2020-2021	Co-Chair, Fourth Year Review Committee, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2019-2020	Member, TK20 Assessment Committee, College of Liberal Arts, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2019-2020	Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2019-2020	Member, Tenure-Track Faculty Annual Review Committee, Department Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2019-2020	Member, Three Year Adjunct and One Year Adjunct Faculty Annual Review Committee, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2019-present	Member, Budgetary Oversight Committee, Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2017-2018	Faculty Advisor, Campus Hope, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

2016-2017	Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Tenure Track Medical Sociology Position), Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2016-2019	Member, Core Assessment Committee, Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2015-2016	Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Open Rank Sociology of Health Position), Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2015-2016	Member, Faculty Search Committee (Gender and Methods Position), Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-2017	Faculty Advisor, Young Greens (Green Party), The University of Texas- Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-2015	Chair, Faculty Search Committee (Tenure Track Sociology of Health Position), Sociology Program, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-present	Faculty Library Liaison, Sociology Program, The University of Texas-Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-present	Alpha Kappa Delta Faculty Co-Advisor, The University of Texas-Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-present	Sociology Club Faculty Co-Advisor, The University of Texas-Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2014-present	Member, Sociology Graduate Curriculum Committee, The University of Texas-Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2013-2016	Member, Sociology Web and Brochure Committee, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas-Pan American/The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2015	Member, Core Assessment Committee, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2015	Search Committee Trainer, ADVANCE Excellence and Diversity, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014-2015	Chair, Colloquium Committee, Sociology Program, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014	Chair/Discussant, The Role of Positive and Negative Social Interactions on Well-being session at the annual meeting of the College of Social and

	Behavioral Sciences Research Conference, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014	Member, Ad-hoc Grade Grievance Panel, The University of Texas-Pan American
2013	Member, Sociology Faculty Search Committee (Deviance and Criminology/Mexico-U.S. Migration), Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas-Pan American
2012-2013	Mentor, The Hurston-James Society, Duke University
2011-2012	Faculty Committee Representative, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, Duke University
2011-2012	Advisory Board Member, Gist from the Mill (social science magazine), Duke University
2010-2011	Co-Chair, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, Duke University
2010-2011	Member, Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, Duke University
2008-2010	Graduate Policy Representative, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, Duke University
2007-2008	Committee Member, President's Council on Black Affairs, Duke University
Professional Development	
2014	Participant, Get in Gear Writing Program, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014	Participant, Project Sin Fronteras Faculty Development Workshop, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014	Participant, "Civility in the Classroom," American Sociological Association Pre-Conference Workshop, Section on Teaching and Learning in Sociology
2014	Participant, Service Learning Cohort, Office of Undergraduate Research and Service Learning, The University of Texas-Pan American
2014	Participant, Train the Trainers Workshop: Transforming the Recruitment

Processes to Achieve Excellence and Diversity in Faculty Hiring, The University of Texas-Pan American

Participant, Teaching Online-Blackboard Learn Course, Center for

Online Learning, Teaching, and Technology, The University of Texas-Pan

American

2014 Participant, ADVANCE Leadership Institute, The University of Texas-

Pan American

# **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2014

-American Sociological Association (Section Memberships: Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Sociology of Mental Health; and Social Psychology)

### **REFERENCES**

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