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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociology, North Carolina State University  
M.A. in Sociology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
B.A. in Psychology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

## EMPLOYMENT

2014-present    Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Sam Houston State University  
2013             Adjunct Instructor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Elon University  
2012             Research Assistant, Research Triangle International (RTI), Inc.  
2011             Visiting Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
2006-2010       Graduate Assistant, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, North Carolina State University  
2004-2006       Research Assistant, Center for Youth, Family, and Community Partnerships, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

social inequality (race/ethnicity, class, gender, and sexuality), social movements, immigration, qualitative methods

## PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Kleinman, Sherryl, and Emily R. Cabaniss. (Invited Book Chapter, forthcoming). "Feminist Symbolic Interactionism." *Critical and Cultural Interactionism*, edited volume published by Routledge.

Cabaniss, Emily R., and Abigail E. Cameron. (forthcoming). "'Unassimilable and Undesirable': News Elite's Discursive Construction of the American Immigrant during the Ellis Island Years." *Discourse & Society* 28(5).

Cabaniss, Emily R., and Abigail E. Cameron. (forthcoming). "Toward a Social Psychological Understanding of Migration and Assimilation." *Humanity and Society*.

Cameron, Abigail E., and Emily R. Cabaniss. (forthcoming). "Forging their Own Path to the Labor Market: Hispanic Women Business Owners in North Carolina." *Social Currents*.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2016). "Pulling Back the Curtain: Examining the Backstage Gendered Dynamics of Storytelling in the Undocumented Youth Movement." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*. 10.1177/0891241616643589.

- Cabaniss, Emily R. 2014. "‘We’re like Visitors’: Identity Work by Citizen and Non-Citizen Teachers at an Alternative School." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 43(5): 624-653.
- Cameron, Abigail E., Emily R. Cabaniss, and Stephanie Teixeira-Poit. 2012. "Revisiting the Underclass Debate: Contemporary Applications to Immigrants and Policy Implications." *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* 34(1): 23-42.
- Frabutt, James M., Emily R. Cabaniss, Mary H. Kendrick, and Margaret B. Arbuckle. 2008. A Community-Academic Collaboration to Reduce Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Juvenile Justice System." *Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement* 12(3): 5-22.
- Graves, Kelly N., James M. Frabutt, Emily R. Cabaniss, Martha J. Gathings, Mary H. Kendrick, and Margaret B. Arbuckle. 2008. "DMC in the Juvenile Justice System: Listening to the Voices of Our Youth." *Spaces for Difference: An Interdisciplinary Journal* 1(2): 5-28.
- Cabaniss, Emily R., James M. Frabutt, Mary H. Kendrick, Margaret B. Arbuckle. 2007. "Reducing Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Juvenile Justice System: Promising Practices." *Aggression and Violent Behavior* 12(4): 393-401.
- Frabutt, James M., Mary H. Kendrick, Emily R. Cabaniss, Stephanie M. Horton, and Margaret B. Arbuckle. 2007. "Collaborative Efforts to Address Minority Overrepresentation in Juvenile Justice: A Community-Based Mini-Grant Process.: Available online at COMM-ORG, *The Online Conference on Community Organizing and Development*. <http://comm-org.wisc.edu/papers2007/frabutt/frabutt.htm>
- Cabaniss, Emily R., and Jill E. Fuller. 2005. "Ethnicity, Race and Poverty among Single Women: A Theoretical Synthesis." *Journal for Race, Gender & Class, Special Edition, Poverty: Causes and Consequences* 12(2): 142-162.

## ENCYCLOPEDIC ENTRIES

- Cabaniss, Emily R. 2016. "Stigma." *Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Gender and Sexuality Studies*, edited by Nancy Naples. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

## BOOK REVIEWS

- Cabaniss, Emily R., and Kris Macomber. 2015. *Moral Wages: The Emotional Dilemmas of Victim Advocacy and Counseling*, by Kenneth Kolb (2014, University of California Press), in *Qualitative Sociology* 38(4): 459-462.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. 2007. *Not Working: Latina Immigrants, Low-Wage Jobs, and the Failure of Welfare Reform*, by Alejandra Marchevsky and Jeanne Theoharis (2006, New York University Press), in *Sociological Inquiry* 77(2): 290-293.

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (\*denotes student collaborator)

- Cabaniss, Emily R. (Under Review). "‘Shifting the Power’: Youth Activists Reframing the Contemporary Immigrant Rights Debates." *Social Movement Studies*.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (Under Review). "Signifying Americanness: Narrative Identity Work as Political Strategy." *Emerging Adulthood*.
- Cabaniss, Emily R., Emily P. Estrada, and Shelby Coury.\* (Under Review). "Media Elite’s Racialization of Immigrants in a Color-Blind Era." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

Cabaniss, Emily R. “We Share Our Stories and Risk Losing It All’: Storytelling as Edgework in the Undocumented Youth Movement.” Preparing for submission to *Critical Sociology*.

Cabaniss, Emily R., and Andrea Hunt. “One-Shot (Public) Sociology: A Teaching Note on Developing Sociologically-Informed Student Workshops on College Campuses.” Preparing for submission to *Teaching Sociology*.

Nicholl, Grace, and Emily R. Cabaniss. “A Content Analysis of Gender Representations in Independent Video Games.”

Shay, Heather, and Emily R. Cabaniss. “Walking the Line, Talking the Line: How Gamers and Activists Use Stories to Construct and Manage Risk.”

## PRESENTATIONS (\*denotes student collaborator)

Shay, Heather, and Emily R. Cabaniss. (2017, August). “Walking the Line, Talking the Line: How Gamers and Activists Use Stories to Construct and Manage Risk.” Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Annual Conference. Montreal, Canada.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2017, April). “Toward a Social Psychology of Migration and Assimilation.” Southern Sociological Society Conference. Greenville, SC.

Cabaniss, Emily R. and Sherryl Kleinman (2017, February). “Feminist Symbolic Interactionism?” Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting. Albuquerque, NM.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2016, August). “We Share Our Stories and Risk Losing It All’: Storytelling as Edgework in the Undocumented Youth Movement.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Seattle, WA.

Cabaniss, Emily R., Emily P. Estrada, and Shelby Coury.\* (2016, April). “Media Elite’s Racialization of Immigrants in a Color-Blind Era.” Southern Sociological Society Conference. Atlanta, GA.

Cabaniss, Emily R., and Taylor Allen.\* (2016, February). “Cultural Capital and the Mitigation of Risk in the Undocumented Youth Movement.” Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting. Memphis, TN.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2015, August). “‘Shifting The Power’: Youth Activists Reframing the Contemporary Immigrant Rights Movement.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2015, March). “Signifying Americanness: Identity Work by Undocumented Youth Activists.” Southern Sociological Society Conference. New Orleans, LA.

Cabaniss, Emily R. (2015, February). “I Feel American’: Cultural Challenges to the Legal Boundaries of Citizenship.” Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Conference. Washington, DC.

Cabaniss, Emily R., Emily P. Estrada, and Shelby Coury. (2014, April). “From Ellis Island to the DREAM Act: A Comparative Analysis of the Construction and Re-Construction of the ‘Deserving’ Immigrant by *The New York Times*.” Southern Sociological Society Conference. Charlotte, NC.

- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2013, August). "We're Like Visitors': Moral Identity Work at an Alternative School." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. New York, NY.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2013, August). "Gendered Narrative Work in the Undocumented Youth Movement." Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Annual Conference. New York, NY.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2012, March). "Storytelling and the Reproduction of Inequality in a Youth-Led Immigrant Rights Movement." Southern Sociological Society Conference. New Orleans, LA.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2010, August). "Identity Work among Teachers of Immigrant and Refugee Students." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA.
- Cameron, Abigail E., Emily R. Cabaniss, and Stephanie M. Teixeira. (2010, August). "The Evolution of the Underclass Concept: Exploring Its Application to Immigrants." Poster presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2007, April). "From 'Poor' to 'Poor and Illegal': Changing Depictions of American Immigrants by *The New York Times* Since 1892." Roundtable at the Southern Sociological Society Conference. Atlanta, GA.
- Cabaniss, Emily R., Martha J. Gathings, James M. Frabutt, Margaret H. Kendrick, and Margaret B. Arbuckle (2006, August). "Disproportionate Minority Contact in the Juvenile Justice System: Voices of Our Youth." Poster presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada.
- Cabaniss, Emily R. (2006, March). "All the News That's Fit to Print: The Social Construction of the American Immigrant by *The New York Times*, 1892-1924." Southern Sociological Society Conference, New Orleans, LA.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Undergraduate Courses

- Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- Introductory Sociology
- Gender and Inequality
- Demography and Migration
- Global Inequalities
- Social Change
- Human Behavior
- Sociology through Film

### Graduate Courses

- Gender and Society

## GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 2016      *Faculty Research Grant*, Sam Houston State University, \$5000.
- 2015      *Sociology Research Stipend*, Sociology Department, Sam Houston State University, \$5000.
- 2010      *Sage/Pine Forge Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award*, \$500.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association  
 Society for the Study of Social Problems  
 Sociologists for Women in Society  
 Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction  
 Southern Sociological Society