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Employment

Professor, School for Workers, University of Wisconsin-Madison • July 2018-present

Associate Professor, School for Workers, University of Wisconsin-Extension • July 2013-June 2018

Assistant Professor, School for Workers, University of Wisconsin-Extension • April 2008-June 2013

Education Director, Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1984 • 2000-2008

Business Agent, Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union (HERE) Local 26 • 1999-2000

Field Organizer, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (UE) • 1996-1999

Education

M.A. Political Science (1993), University of New Hampshire
Concentrations in Political Economy and International Relations

B.A. History (1990), University of New Hampshire
Concentration in United States History; Minors in Education and Political Science

Fields of Specialization and Teaching Interests

- Organizing (Internal and External)
- Membership Involvement
- Union Leadership
- Public Sector Labor Relations
- Organizational Development and Change
- Political Economy
- Deindustrialization and Capital Mobility
- History of the U.S. Sneaker Industry

Professional Certifications

- Human Resources Certificate • Madison College, 2019
- Change Leadership Certificate • Cornell University, 2015
- Professional Trainer Certificate • American Society for Training and Development-NH, 2007

Publications

Book review: *A Collective Bargain: Unions, Organizing, and the Fight for Democracy* by Jane McAlevey. *Isthmus*, October 31, 2019.

Manzo, F., Childers, M., Taylor, D., Bruno, R., and Manzo, J. *The State of the Unions 2019: A Profile of Unionization in Milwaukee, in Wisconsin, and in America*. St. Paul, Minnesota: Midwest Economic Policy Institute, September 2019.

Manzo, F., Childers, M., Taylor, D., Bruno, R., and Manzo, J. *The State of the Unions 2018: A Profile of Unionization in Milwaukee, in Wisconsin, and in America*. St. Paul, Minnesota: Midwest Economic Policy Institute, September 24, 2018.

Book review: *The Politics of Resentment: Rural Consciousness in Wisconsin and the Rise of Scott Walker* by Katharine J. Cramer. *Journal of Working Class Studies*, Vol. 2, No. 2 (December 2017): 170-172.

Manzo, F., Taylor, D., Childers, M., Bruno, R., and Manzo, J. *The State of the Unions 2017: A Profile of Unionization in Milwaukee, in Wisconsin, and in America*. St. Paul, Minnesota: Midwest Economic Policy Institute, August 28, 2017.

"Wisconsin and the New Urgency of Old Ideas." *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 41, No. 4 (December 2016): 395-397.

Book review: *Conservative Counterrevolution* by Tula A. Connell. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 41, No. 3 (September 2016): 302-303.

Manzo, F., Taylor, D., Childers, M., Bruno, R., and Manzo, J. *The State of the Unions 2016: A Profile of Unionization in Milwaukee, in Wisconsin, and in America*. St. Paul, Minnesota: Midwest Economic Policy Institute, July 25, 2016.

"Can Renewal Emerge from Destruction? Crisis and Opportunity in Wisconsin." *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 40, No. 4 (December 2015): 396-418.

Book review: *Collective Bargaining Under Duress: Case Studies of Major North American Industries*, by Howard R. Stanger, Paul F. Clark, and Ann C. Frost, eds. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 39, No. 3 (September 2014): 246-248.

Book review: *The Steward's Toolbox: Skills and Strategies for Winning at Work*, by Mischa Gaus, ed. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 38, No. 3 (September 2013): 269-271.

Book review: *Reviving the Strike: How Working People Can Regain Power and Transform America*, by Joe Burns. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 37, No. 4 (December 2012): 418-419.

"Kindergarten Economics." *Daily Kos* blog, September 10, 2011.

"Does Austerity Cause Public Urination?" *Daily Kos* blog, Aug. 12, 2011

Garrity Rights website, www.garrityrights.org, 2011.

Lund, J. and Taylor, D. "Why Don't More Members Attend Union Meetings?" *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 35, No. 4 (December 2010): 566-572.

"Stewards Training: Use Case Studies to Build Hands-On Skills." *Labor Notes Troublemaker's Blog*, January 6, 2010.

"Between the Rock and the Whirlpool: Compelled Statements by Public Employees." *Labor Law Journal*, Vol. 30, No. 3 (Fall 2009): 148-165.

Book review: *Global Unions: Challenging Transnational Capital Through Cross-Border Campaigns*, ed. by Kate Bronfenbrenner. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 34, No. 2 (June 2009): 280-281.

Conference Presentations

"A 'Runaway' Sneaker Factory: Local Plant Closure, Globalization, and the Transformation of the U.S. Athletic Shoe Industry." Presented at the North American Labor History Conference, Detroit, Michigan (October 11, 2024).

"The 1978 Converse Strike and Its Lessons for Labor Educators." Poster presentation at the semi-annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Lowell, MA (June 13-16, 2023).

"Wisconsin." Participant in a panel, "Threats to Higher Education-Based Labor Education: Historical Examples, Responses, and Outcomes." Presented at the semi-annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Lowell, MA (June 16, 2023).

"Wisconsin and the New Urgency of Old Ideas." Participant in a panel, "*Friedrichs v. CTA*." Presented at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Washington, DC (April 2016).

“The Wisconsin Struggle – How to Move Forward.” Participant in a panel at the annual conference of the Working Class Studies Association, Madison, WI (June 2013).

“Renewed Labor-Community Engagement.” Participant in a panel at the annual conference of the Working Class Studies Association, Madison, WI (June 2013).

“The Wisconsin Uprising: Lessons for All of Us.” Moderator/presenter in a panel at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Pittsburgh, PA (March 2012).

“Organizing Contract Campaigns in the Great Recession.” Presented with labor journalist Steve Early at the Labor Notes Troublemakers’ School, Madison, WI (April 2011).

“Program Evaluation in Labor Education.” Organized/facilitated roundtable at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, New Orleans, LA (March 2011).

“Workplace Justice to Just Society.” Presented at the annual Pedagogy and Theater of the Oppressed Conference, Minneapolis, MN (April 2009).

“The Truthful News.” Part of a panel, “Innovative Methods of Teaching Politics and Economics.” Presented at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Silver Spring, MD (April 2009).

“The Economic Meltdown: Real Solutions for Working People.” Presented with Michael Childers at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Silver Spring, MD (April 2009).

“The Employee Free Choice Act: Challenges and Opportunities.” Panel participant at the annual conference of the United Association for Labor Education, Silver Spring, MD (April 2009).

Invited Presentations

“The 1978 Converse Strike and the Transformation of the U.S. Sneaker Industry.” Presented at the Newberry Library Labor History Seminar, Chicago, IL (February 9, 2024).

“This is What Democracy Looks Like: The Wisconsin Labor Uprising of 2011.” Presented at the University of Maine, Orono, ME (October 16, 2014).

“Organizing the Organized.” Presented at the Utility Workers’ Coalition Conference, Madison, WI (September 4, 2014).

“Déjà vu All Over Again: Workers and the Economy in the 20th Century.” Presented at the Utility Workers’ Coalition Conference, Madison, WI (September 5, 2013).

“Framing Labor’s Message.” Presented at the annual convention of the Midwest Labor Press Association, Milwaukee, WI (August 2012).

“The Lessons of Wisconsin.” Presented at the University of Iowa Public Sector Collective Bargaining Conference, Des Moines, IA (September 2011).

“Wisconsin and the 21st Century Struggle for Workers’ Rights.” Presented at the World Fellowship Center, Albany, NH (July 2011).

“The Lessons of Wisconsin.” Presented at the University of Minnesota Union Leadership Program, Minneapolis, MN (June 2011).

“Unions and the Economy: Paychecks, Not Bubbles.” Presented at the annual institute of the Center for Popular Economics, New Market, TN (October 2010).

“Workers and the Economic Meltdown.” Presented at the annual institute of the Center for Popular Economics, Albany, NH (July 2009).

“Our Moment in History: What Will We Make of It?” Presented with Charley Richardson and Mike Prokosch of the University of Massachusetts at the annual labor studies institute of the SEIU Northern New England Council (July 2009).

Employee Free Choice Act Teach-In. Presenter/moderator, Madison, WI (April 22, 2009).

Service to the University, Profession, and Community

Department Chair and Director, School for Workers • 2023-present

Steering Committee, Havens Wright Center for the Study of Social Justice, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Department of Sociology • 2013-present

Wisconsin Labor History Society, Board member • 2023-present

External Promotion Reviewer, University of Missouri (Labor and Workforce Development) • 2022

Faculty Senate, University of Wisconsin-Madison • 2020-2023

Interim Executive Committee, Department of Professional and Continuing Studies, University of
Wisconsin-Extension • 2016-2018

External Tenure Reviewer, West Virginia University Extension (Community, Economic, and Workforce Development)
• 2016 and 2017

Faculty Tenure Advisory Committee, University of Wisconsin-Extension • 2013-2016; Chair, 2015-2016

University Committee, University of Wisconsin-Extension • 2012-2015; Vice Chair, 2014-2015

Faculty Senate, University of Wisconsin-Extension • 2012-2015

United Association for Labor Education, Executive Board • 2010-2014

Systemwide Extension Council, University of Wisconsin-Extension • 2009-2012

Award Judge, George M. Lambert Scholarship Program, Pipeliners' Local Union 798 • 2014-present

Appeals Committee, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2150 • 2012-present

Chair, Curriculum Committee, School for Workers

Professional Affiliations

United Association for Labor Education (UALE)

Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA)

Labor and Working-Class History Association (LAWCHA)

Working Class Studies Association (WCSA)

Wisconsin Labor History Society

Business History Conference (BHC)

American Federation of Musicians (AFM)

American Association of University Professors (AAUP)

American Federation of Teachers (AFT)