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## EDUCATION

- 2016 PhD in Public Policy, Univ. of North Carolina at Charlotte (expected)  
Dissertation: *The Community College: Access to Opportunity or Barrier to Success*  
Committee: Beth A. Rubin (Chair, Sociology), Qingfang Wang (Geography), Jacklyn Piatak (Political Science), Alan Mabe (Education Leadership), Paul Gaggl (Economics)
- 2011 Master of Science in Applied Economics and Statistics, Clemson University
- 2010 Master of Business Administration, Mississippi State University
- 2001 Master of Science in College Student Personnel, University of Tennessee
- 1998 Bachelors of Science in Business Administration (Management), Western Carolina Univ.

## AREAS OF RESESARCH AND TEACHING INTEREST

Higher education policy	Student access	Student development theory
International higher education	Community colleges	Quantitative research methods

## REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Grubbs, S.J., Speights, S.L., & Rubin, B.A. (2015). Helping displaced workers: A case study of human capital and community factors. *Sociation Today*, 13(1), available at <http://www.ncsociology.org/sociationtoday/v131/workers.html>
- Grubbs, S.J. (2013). Student perceptions of Thai university initiations. *Asia Pacific Journal of Education*, 33(3), 310-323
- Grubbs, S.J. (2012). An investigation of a Thai university initiation. *Asia Pacific Education Review*, 13, 39-46.
- Grubbs, S.J. (2012). Differing gender preferences for educational media amongst Thai students studying English at university. *Learning, Media, and Technology*, 37, 105-118.
- Grubbs, S.J., Jantarach, V., & Kettem, S. (2010). Studying English with Thai and native-speaking teachers: A study of students' preferences. *Teachers and Teaching*, 16, 559-576.
- Grubbs, S.J., Chaengploy, S., Worawong, K., (2009). Rajabhat and traditional universities: Institutional differences in Thai students' perception of English. *Higher Education* 57, 283-298.
- Grubbs, S.J., & Jantarach, V. (2007). Perceptions of English: A look at two Thai universities. *Journal of Education, Silpakorn University*, 4(2), 142-158.
- Grubbs, S. (2006). The administrative oversight of campus religious groups in the Southeast. *Journal of College & Character*, 7(8). Available at <http://www.collegevalues.org/pdfs/Grubbs.pdf>

Grubbs, S., & Grubbs, K.C. (2005). An assessment of e-learning as it relates to Thai higher education. *Journal of Education, Silpakorn University*, 3(1), 43-61.

### **JOURNAL ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW**

Grubbs, K.C. & Grubbs, S.J. (2015). Increasing female science academics in the United States: An examination of policies. *International Journal of Gender, Science and Technology*.

Grubbs, S.J. (2015). Perceptions of Teaching Practicums from Thai Students in 4-Year and 5-Year Teacher Education Programs. *Teacher Education & Practice*.

Grubbs, S.J. (2015). Thai University English Faculty Members' Opinions of English, of Teaching, and of Students. *ABAC Journal* (Tier 1 journal in Thailand)

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

Lucille P. and Edward C. Giles Dissertation-Year Fellowship (2015) – Competitive award based on research that includes all tuition and fees, \$20,000, and an additional \$1,000 in travel funds

The Silpakorn University Faculty of Education Faculty Research Grant (2006) – Award included 30,000 baht (\$900) to conduct research.

### **TEACHING POSITIONS**

- 8/2014 – 8/2015      **Graduate Instructor**, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
- 1/2012 – 7/2015      **Part-time Instructor**, Business & Accounting Division, Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC
- 1/2012 – 8/2014      **Part-time Instructor**, Department of Social Sciences, York Technical College, Rock Hill, SC
- 3/2013 – 5/2013      **Adjunct Instructor**, School of Arts & Sciences, Johnson & Wales University, Charlotte, NC
- 1/2012 – 5/2012      **Adjunct Lecturer**, Dept. of Acct., Finance, and Economics, College of Business, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC
- 5/2004 – 8/2009      **Lecturer**, Foreign Language Section, Dept. of Curriculum and Instruction, Faculty of Education, Silpakorn University Nakhon Pathom, Thailand
- 6/2009 – 8/2009      **First and Second Grade English Teacher**, Silpakorn University Laboratory School (Elementary), Nakhon Pathom, Thailand
- 12/2004 – 11/2007      **Part-time English Lecturer**, Faculty of Science, Silpakorn University, Nakhon Pathom, Thailand

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

- 12/2009 – 1/2013      **Teacher / Marketing Assistant / Presenter**, Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions, NC & SC
- 7/2003 – 4/2004      **Telecommunication Account Specialist, Accountant III**, Office of Information Technology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

- 7/2001 – 6/2003      **Complex -Director** (Lecturer, Administrative Faculty Appointment), Office of Student Programs, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- 6/1999 – 8/2000      **Assistant Location Manager**, Aramark, University of Tennessee Dining Services, Knoxville, TN
- 8/1998 – 6/1999      **Assistant Location Manager**, Aramark, Wake Forest Dining Services, Winston Salem, NC

## **GRADUATE POSITIONS**

- 5/2013 – 5/2015      **Graduate Assistant/Teaching Assistant**, Public Policy Program, Dept. of Economics, and Center for Graduate Life, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte NC
- 8/2010 – 12/2011      **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Dept. of Applied Economics and Statistics, Clemson University, SC
- 8/2000 – 7/2001      **Assistant Resident Manager**, Department of University Housing, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 8/2000                  **Recruitment Administrator**, Panhellenic Affairs, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 5/2000 – 6/2000      **Student Affairs Intern**, Division of Student Affairs, Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, TN

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

- Grubbs S. & Wienke, J. (2015, October) “The Impact of Economic Development on Plant Diversity in the Eastern United States.” Southeastern Conference for Public Administration Annual Conference, Charleston, SC.
- Speights, S., Grubbs S. & Rubin B. A. (2015, April). “The Effect of Jobs on Time with Children and Self-Evaluations of Parents.” 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Research Symposium at UNCC, Charlotte, NC.
- Grubbs, S. & Wienke, J. (2015, April) “The Impact of Economic Development on Plant Diversity in the Eastern United States.” 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Research Symposium at UNCC, Charlotte, NC.
- Speights, S., Grubbs, S. J., & Rubin, B. A. (2015, March). “Connecting Work to Parenting: The Instrumental Role of Negative Spillover.” Southern Sociological Society 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Grubbs, S. (2015, February). “Transitioning Workers to the New Economy of the South: The Role of Political Support for Policy Implementation.” North Carolina Political Science Assoc. 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Charlotte, NC.
- Grubbs, S. (2015, February). “Back to Work? Social Embeddedness and the Community College Agenda.” 2015 Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Sociological Association. Raleigh, NC.
- Grubbs, S. (2015, January). “Getting Through the Problems of the Flipped Class.” Second Annual Winthrop Conference on Teaching and Learning. Rock Hill, SC.
- Speights, S. L., Grubbs, S. J., & Rubin, B. A. (2014, June). “Precarious Work, Negative Spillover, and Perceptions of Parenting.” Work and Family Researchers Network Conference, New York, NY.

Speights, S. L. & Grubbs, S. (2014, April). "Studying the Impacts of a Plant Closing on Workers and the Community: the Pillowtex Workers Ten Years Later." Southern Sociological Society 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC.

Grubbs, S. (2014, April). "Are Community Colleges Effective in Helping Displaced Workers?" (Roundtable). Southern Sociological Society 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Charlotte, NC.

Grubbs, S. (2014, February). "Getting Displaced Workers Back to Work: The Role of the Community College." North Carolina Political Science Assoc. 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Cary, NC.

Grubbs, K. C. & Grubbs S. (2014, February). "Creative Ways to Promote Engaged Student Learning in Classes." First Annual Winthrop Conference on Teaching and Learning. Rock Hill, SC.

Grubbs, S., Colbert-Lewis, D., McDonald, W., Jacobs, B. (2003, March). "The Administrative Oversight of Campus Religious Groups in the Southeast." National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO.

Grubbs, S. (2001, March). "Student Religious Groups on Campus: Complex Organizational and Administrative Models." Graduate Student Presentation at the American College Personnel Association Annual Convention. Boston, MA.

## **POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

Grubbs, S. (2015, November). "The Effects of Rankings on Undergraduate Admission Statistics." Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Research Conference, Miami, FL.

Wienke, J. & Grubbs, S. (2015, November). "The Impact of Economic Development on Plant Diversity: A Test of the Environmental Kuznets Curve." Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Research Conference, Miami, FL.

Grubbs, S. (2015, April). "A Tale of Two Towns: The Role of Policy Entrepreneurs in Managing Mill Closures." Midwest Political Science Association 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Grubbs, K. C. & Grubbs, S. J. (2014, April). "An Examination of Policies Intended to Address the Lack of Female Science Faculty." Association of Southeastern Biologists 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Spartanburg, SC.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

CPCC Part-Time Teacher Certification (nominated program, 4 week training)

TEFL Certificate, The TEFL Center (120 Hours)

Writing Certificate, The TEFL Center

English for Speakers of Other Languages Tutor Training, Literacy Volunteers of America (16 hours)

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training Certification (16 hours)

Aramark Training and Development START Program

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management

Midwestern Political Science Association

Southern Sociological Society  
North Carolina Sociological Association  
North Carolina Political Science Association  
Faculty Associates Program, Virginia Tech (2002 – 2003)

### **SOCIETIES AND HONORARIES**

Golden Key National Honor Society  
National Residence Hall Honorary  
Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society  
Beta Gamma Sigma National Honor Society  
Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society

### **AD HOC REVIEWER FOR**

Higher Education  
Studies in Higher Education

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

**Undergraduate:** Introduction to Public Policy, Comparative Public Policy, Political Science Research Methods, Basic Economics, Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Introduction to Business, Principles of Management, Organizational Behavior in Business, International Trade, Introduction to Residence Education, English I & II, English for Architecture II, Writing for Communication, English for Academic Purposes I&II, English for Business, English Paragraph Writing, Internet for English Teachers, Critical Thinking and Reading in English

**Graduate:** English for Graduate/Doctoral Students I&II, Oral Communication and Instruction II, Seminar in English Instruction.