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Employment:

University of Massachusetts Lowell

2024- Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology

Union College

2023-2024 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology

State University of New York (SUNY) at New Paltz

2021- 2023 PRODiG Fellow, Department of Sociology

Education:

Syracuse University

2021 Ph.D. Sociology

Dissertation: Cultivating a New Transnational Elite: Parenting, Schooling, and Belonging in the Age of Global IT

2015 M.A. Sociology

2012 M.A. Media Studies

Thesis: Nationalism on the Net: Exploring the Ideology of India's Bharatiya Janata Party

2011 Certificate of Advanced Study (South Asia)

University of Pittsburgh, *Summa Cum Laude*

2009 B.S. Economics

B.A. English Literature

Publications:

Books

Atterberry, A. L. *Transnational Families and Return Migration: Social Mobility and the Intergenerational Transmission of Privilege* (Under contract with Bristol University Press).

2022 **Atterberry, A. L.**, McCallum, D. G., Tu, S., & Lutz, A (Eds.). *Children and Youths' Migration in a Global Landscape: Sociological Studies of Children and Youth* (Vol. 29). Bingley, UK: Emerald.

Special Issues

- 2022 Atterberry, Adrienne, Yifei Lu, and Derrace McCallum (Eds.). "Interrogating parenting and intergenerational relationships within national and transnational contexts," *Current Sociology* 70(6).

Journal Articles

- 2025 Lee, Y. and **Adrienne Atterberry**. "Grandparents doing care work: Unpacking the contributions and experiences of Korean grandparent caregivers in the US" *Families, Relationships and Societies*: 1-20.
- Earlier version of paper selected for inclusion in "Emerging Voices in Migration Scholarship (2022)," International Migration section Mini Conference, American Sociological Association. <https://dornsife.usc.edu/eri/blog-emerging-voices-in-migration-scholarship/>
- Atterberry, Adrienne. "Migration as a social mobility project: The case of return migrant families in India" *Families, Relationships and Societies*: 14(1): 59-74.
- 2024 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Trusted professionals or expendable functionaries? Exploring the sources of role strain among teachers at an elite high school" *Cadernos IS-UP – Cadernos do Instituto de Sociologia da Universidade do Porto* 5: 14-19.
- 2022 **Atterberry, Adrienne**, Yifei Lu, and Derrace McCallum. Special sub-section introduction: "Interrogating parenting and intergenerational relationships within national and transnational contexts," *Current Sociology* 70(6): 801-805.
- Atterberry, Adrienne. "Parental aspirations, schools, and the limits of flexible citizenship: Examining elite return migrants' schooling decisions," *Current Sociology* 70(6): 806-823.
- Atterberry, Adrienne. "Intensive teaching: Examining teachers' professional pressures and pedagogical practices at an elite school," *Contemporary Education Dialogue* 19(1): 107-131.
- Earlier version of paper titled, "Intensive teaching: Teaching within a neoliberal context," selected as a finalist in the International Sociological Association Worldwide Competition for Junior Sociologists (2021)

Book Chapters

- 2023 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Family life, schooling, and modernity: Examining the 'everyday' experiences of elite adolescence in India." Pp. 269-290 in *Childhoods and Youth in India: Engagements with Modernity*, edited by Anandini Dar and Divya Kannan. Palgrave Macmillan.
- Atterberry, Adrienne. "Return migration, parenting, and the subcontinent: Parents and youths' perspectives of life in India." Pp. 121-135 in *Emerald Handbook of Childhood and Youth in Asian Societies*, edited by Doris Bühler-Niederberger, Xiaorong Gu, Jessica Schwittek, and Elena Kim. Emerald.
- 2022 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Transnational migration, ethnic identity, and blurred boundaries: Indian American youth redefine being a second-generation immigrant." Pp. 51-72 in *Children and Youths' Migration in a Global Landscape*, edited by **Adrienne Atterberry**, Derrace McCallum, Siqi Tu, and Amy Lutz. Emerald.

McCallum Derrace and **Adrienne Atterberry**. "Children and youths' migration in a global landscape: Young lives lived in motion." Pp. 1-9 *Children and Youths' Migration in a Global Landscape*, edited by **Adrienne Atterberry**, Derrace McCallum, Siqi Tu, and Amy Lutz. Emerald.

2021 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Optimizing the benefits from schooling: School-switching behavior among return migrants in India." Pp. 115-136 in *Education and Migration in an Asian Context.*, edited by Francis Peddie and Jing Liu. Springer Singapore.

2017 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Pathways to US higher education: Capital, citizenship, and Indian women MBA students." Pp. 43-61 in *Learning and Living Globalization: Understanding International Students from Asia in American Universities.*, edited by Yingyi Ma and Martha A. Garcia-Murillo. Springer.

- 2019 Graduate Student Best Paper Award, Department of Sociology, Syracuse University

Encyclopedia Entries

2015 Ma, Yingyi and Adrienne Atterberry. "Asian Americans in selective colleges and universities." Pp. 88-91 in *Asian American Leadership: A Concise Reference Guide*.

Book Reviews

2021 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Review: Tahseen Shams, Here, There, and Elsewhere: The Making of Immigrant Identities in a Globalized World." *South Asian Diaspora* 13(2): 217-218.

2020 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Review: María G. Rendón, Stagnant Dreamers: How the Inner City Shapes the Integration of Second-Generation Latinos." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 44(3): 453-454.

2019 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Review: Radhika Mongia, Indian Migration and Empire: A Colonial Genealogy of the Modern State." *International Sociology* 34(5): 611-613.

2018 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Review: Didier Fassin, If Truth be Told: The Politics of Public Ethnography." *International Sociology* 33(5): 607-608.

Atterberry, Adrienne. "Book Review: Mi Padre: Mexican Immigrant Fathers and their Children's Education." *International Migration Review* 52(1): 319-320.

Other Publications

2023 Atterberry, Adrienne. Aus der Profession: "Report on the "Living Apart Together: Growing Up in Transnational Families" conference from April 27 to April 29, 2023 at the Unperfekthaus Essen, Germany." *Zeitschrift für Soziologie der Erziehung und Sozialisation/Journal for Sociology of Education and Socialization* 43(4): 448-450.

2020 Atterberry, Adrienne. "Learning about race through a qualitative research course." American Sociological Association Section on Teaching and Learning in Sociology. *Teaching/Learning Matters Newsletter* 49(3).

Work in Progress:

“Childhood and Migration” podcast series (co-organized with Karina Ruiz)

Atterberry, Adrienne and Derrace Garfield McCallum. “Defining the contours of black mobility.”
Proposal for Special Issue accepted by Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies

Grants, Awards, and Fellowships:

Intramural grants

University of Massachusetts Lowell

2025 *Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching Grant, University of Massachusetts Lowell (\$3000)*

Union College

2024 *Faculty Research Fund Grant, Union College (\$3000)*

2024 *Employee Scholarship Program Grant, Union College (\$1860)*

Research awards

2022 *Sociologist of the Month, Current Sociology, October 2022.*

All-University Doctoral Prize for Sociology (Syracuse University) for my dissertation titled “Cultivating a New Transnational Elite: Parenting, Schooling, and Belonging in the Age of Global IT”

Dissertation fellowships

2019-2021 Syracuse University STEM Graduate Fellowship received to complete writing of dissertation

2016-2017 Fulbright-Nehru Student Research Grant received to complete a research project focused on transnational Indian American youth

2015 Roscoe-Martin Fund Dissertation Grant received to conduct research on educational migration from India to the US in Bangalore, India (\$1000)

2015 Bharati Memorial Grant received to conduct pre-dissertation research on educational migration from India to the USA in Bangalore, India (\$734)

Area studies and language fellowships

2014-2015 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship received to pursue studies related to South Asia and Hindi language

2012 Critical Language Scholarship from the US State Department to study Hindi in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India

2011-2012 American Institute of Indian Studies Hindi Fellowship received from the US Department of Education to study Hindi in Jaipur, Rajasthan

2011 Critical Language Scholarship from the US State Department to study Hindi in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India

2010-2011 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship received to pursue studies related to South Asia and Hindi language

Invited Talks:

- 2024 Participated in a collaborative workshop and gave a talk titled, “Partners in Privilege: Parents and their Children Crafting Transnational Futures,” as part of the Childhood Inequalities across Global Contexts lecture series at the University of Bielefeld (Germany)
- 2023 Gave a series of lectures and a workshop titled, “Growing Up in the 21st Century: Unpacking the Facets of Contemporary Youth,” on the topics of parenting, childhood, and qualitative research for the Institute of Sociology at the University of Porto (Portugal)
- Accepted to the DoDzi International Workshop, “Living Apart Together: Growing up in Transnational Families” for the paper: “Strategic Assimilation in a Transnational Context: Parenting, Identity, and Achievement among Return Migrants in India” at Duisburg-Essen University (Germany)
- 2021 “The Other Side of Publishing: Lessons Learned as an Early-Career Co-Editor,” Immigration Working Group at The Graduate Center, CUNY (US)
- “Transnational Concerted Cultivation: Parenting Practices among Elite Return Migrants in India,” The Liberal Arts and Sciences Colloquium Series and the Department of Sociology at SUNY New Paltz (US)
- 2020 “Transnational Concerted Cultivation: Parenting Practices among Elite Return Migrants in India,” Zakir Hussain Centre for Education Studies (ZHCES) at Jawaharlal Nehru University (India)
- “Schooling in India: Transnational Indian American Youths’ Experiences,” South Asia Center at Syracuse University (US)

Conference and Workshop Presentations:

- 2025 “The Return Migration Decision,” Eastern Sociological Society
- “Crafting Globally Mobile Childhoods,” Families on the Move: Geographies of International Mobilities
- 2023 “Parenting within a Transnational Context: The Case of Indian and Indian American Return Migrants and Their Families,” International Sociological Association
- “Navigating the Other Side of the Classroom: Exploring Teachers’ Experiences at Work,” International Sociological Association. [Organizer and Chair of Session]
- “Return Migration: The Case of Indian Americans,” Eastern Sociological Society
- 2022 “Schooling, family life, and modernity: Examining the ‘everyday’ experiences of elite adolescence in India,” Eastern Sociological Society

- 2021 “Border Crossing and Blurred Ethnic Boundaries: Transnational Indian American Youth Redefine Identity,” 49th Annual Conference on South Asia
- “Intensive Teaching: Teaching within a Neoliberal Context,” Eastern Sociological Society

Courses taught:

University of Massachusetts Lowell

Introduction to Sociology
Sociology of American Education

Union College

Sociology of Higher Education
Sociology of Work, Occupations, and Professions
Population and Society
Race, Class, Gender, and Sexuality
Introduction to Sociology

SUNY New Paltz

Sociological and Philosophical Foundations of Education
Education and Society
Introduction to Sociology

Syracuse University

Sociology of Education
Racial and Ethnic Inequalities
Qualitative Methods in Sociology
Introduction to Sociology

Rowan College at Burlington County

Introduction to Women’s Studies
Minority Groups
Introduction to Sociology

Additional higher education work experience:

Rowan College at South Jersey Gloucester County Campus

2018 Research Assistant, Office of Institutional Research

Rowan College at Burlington County

2014-2017 Assessment Intern, Office of Institutional Research
2012-2013 Academic Program Review Coordinator, Office of Institutional Research

Professional Membership and Service:

Membership

Eastern Sociological Society

American Sociological Association

International Sociological Association

Service to the Discipline

Eastern Sociological Society: Co-Chair for the Committee on the Status of Ethnicity, Race, and Racism (2025-2028); Chair of the Candace Rogers Award (2025-2026)

Service to the University

University of Massachusetts Lowell: Honors College Faculty Mentor

SUNY New Paltz: Scholars' Mentorship Program Mentor

