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Current Employment:

Associate Professor, Southern Oregon University, Ashland, OR

- **Environmental Science & Policy, Sociology & Anthropology**
Fall 2016- Present

Assistant Professor, Southern Oregon University, Ashland, OR

- **Sociology and Environmental Studies** Fall 2011- Fall 2016

Education:

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI

Ph.D., Environmental Studies, 2011

- **Concentrations:** Environmental Sociology, Human Ecology, Urban Ecology, Sustainability Science
- **Dissertation:** *Growing Our Own: The Socioeconomic Value of Community Food Production*
- **Advisor:** Dr. Janet Silbernagel
- **Department:** Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies
- **GPA:** 4.0

Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

M.S., Environmental Science/Education, 2004

- **Concentrations:** Environmental Education, Environmental Sociology
- **Thesis:** *The Role of Formative Outdoor and Family Experiences on Environmental Belief Formation in Children and This Role's Implications for Environmental Education*
- **Advisor:** Dr. Larry Enochs
- **GPA:** 4.0

Truman State University, Kirksville, MO

B.A., Biology/Ecology, 2001

- **Concentrations:** Plant Ecology, Environmental Assessment
- **Undergraduate Research:** Life History Assessment and Management Practices for control of *Matricaria perforata*
- **Advisor:** Dr. Michael Kelrick
- **GPA:** 3.6

Current University Service Activities:

- Green House Coordinator
- Chair, Environmental Science & Policy

- LDSSA, Faculty Advisor
- SOU Sustainability Council
- University Curriculum Committee, Chair
- Sustainability Leadership Certificate Coordinator
- SOU Personnel Committee

Additional Professional Experience:

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Madison, WI

2007-2011

- **Project Assistant**, Center for the Humanities (Humanities/Sciences Collaboration, Grant Writing and Development)
- **Research Assistant**, Wisconsin Sea Grant: Writer: Estuarine Spatial Narratives
- **Teaching Assistant**, Environmental Studies: The Social Perspective
- **Instructor**, Agroecology 699 (The Practice of Organic Production)
- **Teaching Assistant**, Biocore (Introduction to Scientific Writing and Research)

Ozark Natural Gardens

Robertsville, MO

Owner and Operator

2007

I managed the family farm as a direct market mixed vegetable operation. The nine month project was intended as a learning experience in business development, as a way to explore sustainable agricultural techniques, and as a way to reduce re-zoning and development pressure on family owned lands.

Center for Urban Agriculture at Fairview Gardens

Santa Barbara, CA

Program and Education Director

2004 – 2007

For two years I directed all aspects of programming at CUAFG including soil and plant science, plant pathology, K-Graduate education, outreach, consultation, seminars, and community-based projects. I administered our grant writing/development program and served one year as interim organic farm manager.

OSU Educational Opportunities Program

Corvallis, OR

Instructor

2002-2004

I worked as an instructor and advisor for students interested in careers in biology and chemistry and enrolled in the Educational Opportunities Program. The EOP serves students from under-represented and under-privileged backgrounds.

The Science Factory: Hands-On Children's Museum

Eugene, OR

Instructor

2003-2004

I wrote curricula for and taught courses designed to introduce students to the social and natural sciences. I worked with administration to direct a large-scale program evaluation of the Science Factory as part of research I conducted on environmental beliefs and program improvement.

Catalina Island Marine Institute

Catalina Island, CA

Instructor

2001-2002

I lived and worked for one year on Catalina Island at a residential outdoor school. I primarily taught hands-on courses in marine and island ecology through snorkeling, kayaking, boating, hiking, climbing, and lab instruction.

Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory

Gothic, CO

Research Assistant

2000

I worked as an undergraduate research assistant for Dr. Michael Kelrick looking at pathways for spread of invasive *Matricaria perforata*. I also volunteered as a field instructor for on-site youth programs.

Honors and Awards:

- Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education Outstanding Project, Nationwide
- Southern Oregon University Faculty Achievement Award, SOU
- Oregon Social Business Challenge Faculty Finalist, SOU
- Teaching Academy Future Faculty Partner Award, UW-Madison
- University Housing's Honored Instructor Award, UW-Madison
- NASA-MSU Professional Enhancement Award
- North Central Region USDA SARE Award
- Annie's Sustainable Agriculture Research Scholarship
- Department of Landscape Architecture Award for Outstanding Public Service, UW-Madison

Teaching and Research Interests:

- Sustainability Science
- The Freshman Experience
- Professional and Research Writing
- Environmental Sociology
- Human Ecology
- Natural Resource Management
- Geospatial Analysis and Landscape Ecology
- Community Food Security and Sociology of Agriculture
- Environmental Education
- Urban and Regional Planning
- Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

Skills:

- Teaching and Educational Administration
- Grant Writing, Budgeting, Accounting
- Project follow-through and administration
- Survey and evaluation research techniques
- GIS analysis (ArcGIS)
- Statistical Analysis including Spatial Statistics (SPSS, R)
- Excellent Oral and Written Communication
- Experienced field-based researcher
- Community Organizing
- Farming and farm management
- Business Administration

Publications

- Valtierra-Sanchez, A., Smith, VM, Kramar, D. 2016. *Rogue Valley Food System Mapping and Visualization*. Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development. “In Progress”
- Lindgren, A., Kerlinger, A., Smith, VM. 2016. *Food Insecurity and Changing Food Values: “Fresh,” “Local,” and “Organic,” as a Value Amongst America’s Poor*. Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development. (In Review)
- Anderson, Aaron, Smith, VM. 2016. *Rogue Valley Grower Economic Assessment Report 2015*. Rogue Valley Food System Council and Myer Memorial Trust.
- Silbernagel, J., Host, G., Fortner, R., Axler, R., Danz, N., Smith, V, Mathews, J., Hart, D., Hagley, C., Wagler, M., Axler, M., Bartsch, W., & A. Drewes. 2015. *Linking place-based science to people through spatial narratives of coastal stewardship*. Journal of Coastal Conservation. 19:2: 181-198.
- Lindgren, A., Smith, V.M., Skuratwoicz, E. 2014. *Rogue Valley Grower Economic Assessment Report 2013*. Rogue Valley Food System Council and Myer Memorial Trust.
- Smith, Vincent M, and John Harrington. 2014. *Community Food Production as Food Security: Resource and Market Valuation in Madison, WI USA*. Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development. 4:2 61-80.
- Smith, Vincent M. 2013. *From Agonism to Action*. In Common Magazine. Fall/Winter: 29.
- Smith, Vincent M, Robbie Greene, and Janet Silbernagel. 2013. *The Social and Spatial Dynamics of Community Food Production*. Landscape Ecology. 28: 1415-1426.
- Smith, Vincent M. E. Barker, et al. (2011). *Growing Your Own*. Wisconsin Garden Journal: Celebrating Our Past, Cultivating Our Future. Madison, WI, University of Wisconsin Extension.
- Smith, Vincent (2011). *Growing Our Own. The Socioeconomic Value of Community Food Production: Madison Area Community Gardening: Executive Summary*. Community Action Coalition of South Central Wisconsin and City of Madison.
- Smith, Vincent M. Environmental Belief Formation in Children: A Tool for Environmental Education. VDM Verlag. 2008.

Presentations

- Smith, Vincent M. 2015 *Farm to Table Trends*. Growing Opportunities in the Food, Wine and Beer Industries. Ashland Chamber’s 3rd Annual Ashland Innovators Conference. Ashland, OR. May 18, 2015.
- Smith, Vincent M. 2014. *Rogue Valley Food System Design and Function*. The Future of Food and Farming in the Rogue Valley. Medford, OR. November 19, 2014.
- Smith, Vincent M. 2014. *Establishing Sustainability as a General Education Directive*. Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 2014. Portland, OR. October 27, 2014.
- Smith, Vincent M. 2014. *Collaboration and Communication Across the Administrative Divide*. Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 2014. Portland, OR. October 28, 2014
- Smith, Vincent M. 2013. *Making Sense of Mapping: Rogue Valley Food System Assessment and Evaluation*. Rogue Valley Food Summit. Invited Speaker. Rogue River, OR. March 8, 2013.
- Smith, Vincent M. and Janet Silbernagel. *The Socioeconomic Value of Community Food Production: A Landscape Approach*. United States Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology. Portland, OR, 2011.
- Silbernagel, Janet and Vincent M. Smith. *Spatial Narratives of the St. Louis River Estuary: Connecting Science to Spatial Literacy and Stewardship*. International Conference on Great Lakes Research, Duluth, MN, 2011.
- Smith. Vincent M. and Janet Silbernagel. *Spatial Narratives of the St. Louis River Estuary: Deep Mapping*

- in Estuarine Research*. United States Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology. Portland, OR, 2011.
- Smith, Vincent M. and Amanda Behrens. *Knowing You Make a Difference: Community Food Security Assessment and Evaluation*. Community Food Security Coalition National Conference. New Orleans, LA. 2010.
- Smith, Vincent M., Robbie Greene, and Nathan Larson. *Telling a Successful Story: Collaborative Tools for Assessment and Evaluation*. Growing Power's National-International Urban & Small Farm Conference. Milwaukee, WI. 2010
- Smith, Vincent M. *Urban Foodshed Assessment and Landscape Scenarios in Madison, Wisconsin*. United States Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology. Athens, GA. 2010.
- Haynor, Lynne and Vincent M. Smith. *Creative Curriculum Tools*. Sustainable Agriculture Education Association: Facilitating Sustainable Agriculture Education. Ames, IA 2009.
- Smith, Vincent M. *Growing the Student Garden: Business and Development*. Cultivating Sustainable Agriculture: Higher Education Programs in Wisconsin. Madison, WI 2008.
- Smith, Vincent M. *Integrating Community Farm Education: F.H. King and UW-Madison*. Cultivating Sustainable Agriculture: Higher Education Programs in Wisconsin. Madison, WI 2008.
- Smith, Vincent M. *Farmer Choices and Perceptions: Why We Farm*. California Small Farm Conference. Ventura, CA 2005.
- Orschelin, N., Passarello, A., Smith V., Starckenburg S. *Environmental Ethics in Forestry*. Presentation and Poster prepared for McDonald-Dunn Forests/OSU. Corvallis, OR 2004.
- Smith, Vincent M. *Public education as management for Brachypodium sylvaticum*. Oregon Department of Forestry/OSU symposium on False Brome. Corvallis, OR 2003.
- Smith, Vincent M. *Environmental Ethics in Education*. The Oregon Environmental Science Symposium. Portland, OR. 2002.
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Professional Organizations

- Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
 - Ecological Society of America: Human Ecology Section
 - American Sociological Association: Environmental Sociology Section
 - North American Association for Environmental Education
 - Sustainable Agriculture Education Association
 - Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences
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Additional Recent Activities and Affiliations:

- Grant Recipient: Myer Memorial Trust, Gordon Elwood Foundation, Solagra Corporation, Erath Foundation (Ashland, OR)
- SOU Center for Sustainability, Founding Director (Ashland, OR)
- Rogue Valley Farm to School, Project Evaluation (Ashland, OR)
- Rogue Valley Food System Council (Central Point, OR)
- Community Groundworks at Troy Gardens, Board of Directors (Madison, WI)
- Center for Culture History and Environment, Graduate Affiliate (Madison, WI)
- UW-Madison Food and Sustainability Working Group (Madison, WI)
- F.H. King Students for Sustainable Agriculture, Advisory Board (Madison, WI)
- GreenHouse Residential Learning Community, Planning Team (Madison, WI)
- Teaching Academy, Future Faculty Partner (Madison, WI)
- Edgewood College Sustainability Certificate Planning Team (Madison, WI)
- Church Volunteer/Youth Leadership (Madison, WI)
- Santa Barbara Ecological Education Coalition (Santa Barbara, CA)

- Santa Barbara City College Environmental Horticulture Advisory Board (Santa Barbara, CA)
- Santa Barbara Educators Roundtable, Secretary (Santa Barbara, CA)
- For the Future: Re-localizing Food Work Group (Santa Barbara, CA)
- Fossil-Free Landscaping Group (Santa Barbara, CA)

Undergraduate Study Abroad Experience: Semester at Sea (University of Pittsburgh),
Fall 2000

Countries Visited: Japan, China, Vietnam, Malaysia, India, Kenya, South Africa, Brazil, Cuba

International Research/Travel: Belize, Honduras, Mexico, Cayman Islands, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Mexico, Canada, Japan, China, Vietnam, Malaysia, India, Kenya, South Africa, Brazil, Cuba, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, France, Switzerland, Italy, Turkey, Bulgaria, Greece, Israel, Palestine

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