

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

College of General Studies, The University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA,  
Non-traditional Graduate Studies, August 2003-present

Master of Arts in Policy Studies, The Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies,  
Baltimore, MD, Urban and Regional Development Concentration, May 2000

Bachelor of Arts, Yale University, New Haven, CT, English, May 1996

### WORK EXPERIENCE

1/2004-present Center for the Study of Religion (CSR), Princeton University, Princeton, NJ  
Associate (Dr. Robert Wuthnow, Supervisor)

Collecting qualitative data through interviews regarding sociology of religion as it pertains to the work and place of congregations and faith-based organizations in America and world order, the social organization of faith-based organizations and collective congregations, the particular dynamics of volunteerism, social helping, community bonding, and religiously-motivated services within congregations, and the places of religion, Christianity, ethnicity and race, and social hierarchies in the contexts of faith-based services and general community activity and need.

8/2003-present Program for Research on Social Policy and Religion (PRSPR),  
School for Social Policy and Practice, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  
Fellow (Dr. Ram Cnaan, Supervisor)

Co-authoring studies on congregations based upon the Philadelphia Census of Congregations (PCC), a comprehensive dataset of over 1000 congregations in Philadelphia; focusing upon social service assessment.

6/2004-present Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia (LTSP), Philadelphia, PA  
Research consultant (Dr. H. S. Wilson, Supervisor)

Aid the Multicultural Mission Resource Center (MMRC) in its development of leadership resources for clergy in the denomination (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)) regarding multicultural ministry; constructing interview questions and conducting interviews of clergy in Northeast America.

4/2003-6/2003 Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group (SVMG), San Jose, CA  
Intern (Mrs. Margaret Bruce and Mr. Anthony Marek, Supervisors)

Aided with environmental policy committee work and legislative reviews; visited Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) emissions meeting in Sacramento to learn about pending legislation, and reported meeting to SVMG committee; aided with communications and public relations; also helped manage production of *Projections* (2003), the annual report.

6/2002-12/2002 Department of Sociology, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA  
Research assistant (Dr. Noah Mark, Supervisor)

Studied altruism, employing statistical models to explain the interworkings of social interactions in the phenomenon of altruistic versus egoistic behavior; wrote paper on explanation for altruism.

1/2001-4/2002 Program for the Study of Organized Religion and Social Work (PSORSW), University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  
Research assistant (Dr. Ram Cnaan, Supervisor)  
Collected data on congregations and faith-based organizations via face-to-face interviews and telephone; helped clean data of congregations in Philadelphia; co-supervised interviewer for projects and collection of data; wrote paper on faith-based coalition in Philadelphia; studied faith-based social services using a database of over 1000 congregations in Philadelphia.

6/2000-12/2000 The Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF), Baltimore, MD  
Program assistant (Mr. Ralph Smith, Supervisor)  
Researched special sites for The Neighborhood Transformation/Family Development initiative (NT/FD); managed Children and Family Fellowship alumni network, serving on selection committees for admissions, and supervising and co-leading with staff web-based community forums, conferences, and professional development efforts; organized an annual Fellows conference, on the changing demographics of America and the role for professionals in social services and advocacy; submitted professional development report on the role of churches and church-based organizations in the NT/FD initiative.

9/1998-11/1998 The Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF), Baltimore, MD  
Intern (Mr. Robert Giloth, Supervisor)  
Created a database on prospective grantees for five sites (Philadelphia, St. Louis, Seattle, Milwaukee, and New Orleans); researched programs of faith-based organizations from Milwaukee as to alignment of missions with that of NT/FD; visited grantees as a liaison for The Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF) in Milwaukee, and accompanied Mrs. Susan Gewirtz in Seattle; attended conference on Jobs Initiative (JI), organized and sponsored by Mr. Giloth.

9/1998-11/1998 Former Mayor Donald William Schaefer Internship, Hampden Family Center, Baltimore, MD  
Grants and research development intern (Mrs. Lisa Ghinger, Supervisor)  
Aided Mrs. Ghinger and community partners with needs assessment, strategic planning, fund-raising, and grant-writing.

6/96-12/96 *The Baltimore Sun*, Baltimore, MD  
Intern/Copy-editor  
Edited copy on the city, national, international and sports desks, fact-checked, edited, proofread, wrote headlines and captions, and coded text.

#### ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Cnaan, R. A. with S. C. Boddie and J. J. Kang. Forthcoming 2005. *The other Philadelphia story: How local congregations support quality of life in urban America*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.

Cnaan, R. A., S. C. Boddie, and J. J. Kang. Forthcoming 2004. Religious congregations as a support system for older adults. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*.

Cnaan, R. A., J. J. Kang, C. C. McGrew and J. W. Sinha. 2003. Gedachten van de andere kant van de Atlantische Oceaan: Idemiteit meetbaar maken (Incorporating religious identity into organizational identity: Thoughts from the other side of the Atlantic Ocean). *Bulletin: Onderwijs & inspiratie*, 5: 23-25.

Kang, J. J. 2000 November. The role of churches and church-based organizations: Delivering social services. Organizer and discussant. Panel for Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Annual Research Conference, Doing and Using Public Policy Analysis and Management

Research, Seattle, WA.

#### SKILLS

Excel, SPSS, SAS (trained), intermediate Korean, intermediate French, elementary German

#### AWARDS

Witherspoon Fellowship, Family Research Council, Spring 2004 (awarded but declined)

Graduate Fellowship, The University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Work, 2001-2002

Merit Scholarship, The Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies, 1998-2000

Fiction Prize for *Pressure, Spider's Web*, Jonathan Edwards College, Yale College, 1995

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), member

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), member

Society of the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), member

#### LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

9/1998-5/2000 Graduate Representative Organization (GRO), The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, Representative (1998-1999), Secretary (1999-2000)

9/1999-12/2000 Faith Christian Fellowship Church, Baltimore, MD, Hospitality manager

1/1999-5/1999 Hampden Family Center (HFC), After-School Program, Baltimore, MD, Volunteer

1/1997-5/1997 Baltimore Christian School (BCS), Baltimore, MD, Volunteer (grades K, 2, 3)

#### INTERESTS

Music, art, short stories, movies, running