

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

PhD in Sociology	University of Washington: 2002
MA in Sociology	Bowling Green State University: 1995
BA, Liberal Arts	The Evergreen State College: 1991

Publications:

- **Books**

Bader, Christopher D., F. Carson Mencken and Joseph Baker. (October, 2010) *Paranormal America: Ghost encounters, UFO sightings, Bigfoot hunts and other Curiosities in Religion and Culture*. NYU Press.

Paul Froese and Christopher D. Bader. (October, 2010) *America's Four Gods: What we say about God and what that says about us*. Oxford University Press.

- **Articles & Chapters**

Baker, Joseph O., Christopher D. Bader and Kittye Hirsch. (Forthcoming, 2014) "Desecration, Moral Boundaries, and the Movement of Law: The Case of Westboro Baptist Church." *Deviant Behavior*.

Baker, Joseph O. and Christopher D. Bader. (Forthcoming, 2014). "A Social Anthropology of Ghosts in 21st Century America." *Social Compass*.

Molle, Andrea and Christopher D. Bader. The Birth of "Paranormal Science" in Italy. (2013). Pp 121-138 in *Paranormal Cultures*, edited by Olu Jenzen and Sally R. Munt. London: Ashgate.

Desmond, Scott, Jeffrey Ulmer and Christopher D. Bader. (2013). "Religion, Self Control and Substance Use." *Deviant Behavior*. 34:5, 384-406.

Bader, Christopher, Joseph O. Baker and Andrea Molle. (2012). "Countervailing Forces: Religiosity and Paranormal Belief in Italy." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 51(4): 705-720.

- Bader, Christopher and Ashley Palmer. 2011. "Scared into Church? Conceptions of God, Exclusivity, and Religious Practice in the United States." *Religion, Spirituality and Everyday Practice*, edited by Giuseppe Giordan and William H. Swatos, Jr. New York: Springer.
- Smith, Buster G., Christopher P. Scheitle and Christopher D. Bader. 2011. "The Ties that Bind: Network Overlap Among Independent Congregations." *Social Science Computer Review* 29(3).
- Finke, Roger, Christopher D. Bader and Andrew Whitehead. (2011). "Innovations in the Development and Use of Social Science Data Archives." *Leadership in Science and Technology: A Reference Handbook*, edited by William Sims Bainbridge.
- Finke, Roger and Christopher D. Bader. (2011). "Data and Directions for Research in the Economics of Religion." *The Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Religion*, edited by Rachel McCleary. Oxford University Press.
- Bader, Christopher, Scott Desmond, F. Carson Mencken and Byron Johnson. (2010) "Divine Justice: How Images of God Impact Attitudes Toward Criminal Punishment." *Criminal Justice Review* 35(1): 90-106.
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- Mencken, F. Carson, Christopher D. Bader and Elizabeth Embry. 2009. "In God We Trust: Images of God and Trust in the United States among the Highly Religious." *Sociological Perspectives* 52: 23-38.
- Dougherty, Kevin D., Christopher D. Bader, Paul Froese, Edward Polson and Buster Smith. (2009). "Religious Diversity in a Conservative Baptist Congregation." *Review of Religious Research*. 50(3): 321-334.
- Mencken, F. Carson, Christopher D. Bader and Rodney Stark. (2008). "Conventional Christian Beliefs and Experimentation with the Paranormal." *Review of Religious Research*. 50(2).
- Ulmer, Jeffrey T., Christopher D. Bader and Matha Gault. (2008). "Do Moral Communities Play a Role in Criminal Sentencing?" *The Sociological Quarterly*. 49:4.
- Jang, Sung Joon, Christopher D. Bader and Byron Johnson. (2008) "The Cumulative Advantage of Religiosity in Preventing Drug Use." *Journal of Drug Issues*. 002-0426.
- Froese, Paul and Christopher Bader. (2008) "Unraveling Religious Worldviews: The Relationship Between Images of God and Political Ideology in a Cross-cultural Analysis." *The Sociological Quarterly*. 49:4: 689-718.
- Froese, Paul, Christopher D. Bader and Buster Smith. (2008). "Political Tolerance and God's Wrath in the United States." *Sociology of Religion* 69(1): 29-44.

- Bader, Christopher D., Paul Froese and F. Carson Mencken. (2007). "American Piety 2005: Content, Methods and Selected Results from the Baylor Religion Survey." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 46(4).
- Froese, Paul, and Christopher D. Bader. "God in America: (2007). Why Theology is not Simply the Concern of Philosophers." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. 46(4).
- Bader, Christopher. (2007). "Alien Attraction: The Subculture of UFO Contactees and Abductees." Chapter in *Extreme Deviance*, edited by Erich Goode. California: Pine Forge Press.
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- Bader, Christopher, Carson Mencken and James Parker. (2006). "Where have All the Communes Gone?: Factors Influencing the Success and Failure of Religious and Non-Religious Communes." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 45(1).
- Bader, Christopher and Scott Desmond. (2006). "Do as I Say AND as I Do: The Effects of Consistency on Religious Transmission." *Sociology of Religion* 67(3).
- Mencken, Carson, Christopher Bader and Edward Polson. (2006). "Civic Engagement and County Economic Growth in Appalachia During the 1990s." *Growth and Change* 37(1).
- Bader, Christopher and William Lockhart. (2006). "Spiritual Shopping: Regional Patterns in the Consumption of New Age and Christian Materials." *Journal of Media and Religion* 5(2).
- Bader, Christopher and Paul Froese. (2005) "Images of God: The Effect of Personal Theologies on Moral Attitudes, Political Affiliation, and Religious Behavior." *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*. 1(11).
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- Bader, Christopher. (2003). "Supernatural Support Groups: Who are the UFO Abductees and Ritual Abuse Survivors?" *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 42(4): 669-678.
- Bates, Kristin, Christopher D. Bader and Carson Mencken. (2003). "Family Structure, Power-Control Theory and Delinquency: An Examination of Patriarchal Attitudes Beyond the Confines of Class." *Western Criminology Review*. 4(3).
- Pitchford, Susan, Chris Bader, and Rodney Stark. (2001). "Doing Field Studies of Religious Movements: An Agenda." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 40(3): 379-392.
- Bader, Chris. (2001). "Religious Deviance." *Encyclopedia of Criminology and Deviant Behavior*, ed. Clifton D. Bryant. Philadelphia, PA : Brunner-Routledge.
- Bader, Chris. (1999). "When Prophecy Passes Unnoticed: New Perspectives on Failed Prophecy." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 38(1): 119-131.

- Steen, Sara, Chris Bader and Charis Kubrin. (1999). "Further Thoughts on Rethinking the Graduate Seminar." *Teaching Sociology*, 27(2): 192.
- Steen, Sara, Chris Bader, and Charis Kubrin. (1999). "Reflections on Teaching Effective Graduate Seminars." *Teaching Sociology*, 27(2): 167-173.
- Bader, Chris and Al Demaris. (1996). "Testing the Stark-Bainbridge Model of Cult and Sect Affiliation." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 35(3).
- Bader, Chris, Paul Becker and Scott Desmond. (1996). "Reclaiming Deviance as a Distinct Course from Criminology: A Commentary." *Teaching Sociology*, 24(3).
- Bader, Chris. (1995). "The UFO Contact Movement from the 1950's to the Present." *Studies in Popular Culture*, 17(2).

Grants:

- Co-PI on *Extending the Outreach of the ARDA, 2013-2017*. Lilly Endowment, Inc. (\$1,075,483). 2013-2017.
- Co-PI on *Learning from the Past and Building for the Future: Designing and Disseminating Measures of Spiritual Information for a New Era*. Templeton Foundation. (\$992,034). Dates Fall 2011—Fall 2013.
- Co-PI on *Stimulating Research and Discovery in the Study of Religion: An Initiative by the Association of Religion Data Archives*. Templeton Foundation. (\$1,998,013). Dates: Fall 2008 – Fall 2010.
- Co-PI on *America's Four Gods: An In-Depth Interview Project*. Templeton Foundation. (\$265,301). Dates: July 2007 – Fall 2008.
- Co-PI on *The Role of Religion in Pro-Social Youth Behavior*. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. (\$400,000). Dates: October 2006 – Summer 2008.
- Co-PI on the *Baylor Longitudinal Survey of Religious Values and Behavior*. (\$718,000). Dates: January 2005 – Fall 2007.
- University Research Committee Grant (\$3,000). Dates: June 2006 – August 2006
- University Research Committee Grant (\$3,000). Dates: June 2005 – August 2005

Awards:

- Outstanding Research Professor 2006. College of Arts & Sciences, Baylor University.
- Distinguished Paper Award (2005). *Southwestern Sociological Association*. "Civic Engagement and County Economic Growth in Appalachia During the 1990s."
- Distinguished Graduate Student Award (1998). *Dept. of Sociology, University of Washington*.

Articles under Review:

Bader, Christopher and Roger Finke. "Toward Assessing and Improving Survey Measures on Religion: The ARDA's Measurement Wizard." Under review at *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

Books in Progress

Christopher D. Bader, Roger Finke, Joseph Baker and Christopher P. Scheitle. *Faithful Measures*.

Bader, Christopher, Joseph Baker and Christopher P. Scheitle. *The Normalization of Deviance*.

Working Papers

Iannaccone, Laurence and Christopher D. Bader. "Religion, Science and Magic."

Fox, Jonathan and Christopher D. Bader. "Perceived vs. Actual Experiences of Religious Discrimination: Evidence from the World Values Survey."

Bader, Christopher D. and Andrea Molle. "Chance Meetings: Computer Simulations of Conversion Utilizing Theories from Religion and Deviant Behavior."

Trinitapoli, Jenny, Christopher D. Bader and Roger Finke. "Conceptions of God and Moral Attitudes in Malawi."

Bader, Christopher and Roger Finke. "Images of God and Fatalism in the Caucasus Region."

Invited Lectures

Bader, Christopher. "International Resources on Religion." *Creating an International Association of Religion Journalists*. (International Center for Journalists/Rockefeller Foundation), Bellagio Conference Center, Lake Como, Italy, March 20-24, 2012.

Finke, Roger and Christopher Bader. "Understanding and Evaluating Existing Cross-cultural Measures of Religion." *International Symposium on Survey Research on Religion and Society*. Purdue University, August 11-12, 2011.

Bader, Christopher and Roger Finke. "Partnering with the ARDA to Improve Measures of Religion: Introducing the Measurement Wizard and the Question Lab." *International Symposium on Survey Research on Religion and Society*. Purdue University, August 11-12, 2011.

Bader, Christopher. "Slippery Slope or Separate Spheres?: Paranormal Beliefs and Religious Beliefs in the United States." *Lecture Series of the Economics of Religion* (Chapman University), Orange, California February 6, 2010.

Bader, Christopher. "Images of God and Religious Practice in the United States." *Religion, Spirituality, and Everyday Practice* (Italian Sociological Association), Assisi, Italy December 11-13, 2009.

Bader, Christopher and Paul Froese. "Images of God and Attitudes Towards Science: Findings from the Baylor Religion Survey, Wave 2." *Brown Symposium*, Southwestern University, February 5-6, 2009.

Bader, Christopher and F. Carson Mencken. "Religion and Volunteering." Presented at *Religious Practice and Civic Life: What the Research Says* (Child Trends, Heritage Foundation), October 7, 2007.

Recent Research Positions Held:

2013-2014	Council Member • <i>Association for the Sociology of Religion</i>
2012	Program Chair • <i>Association for the Sociology of Religion, 2012 Annual Meeting</i>
2010 - Present	Associate Director • <i>Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics and Society (IRES)</i>
2010 – Present	Board Member • <i>Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC)</i>
2008 – Present	Associate Director • <i>The Association of Religion Data Archives</i> (Roger Finke, Director)
1998 – 2008	Co-PI/Manager of Web Development • <i>The Association of Religion Data Archives</i> (Roger Finke, Co-Principal Investigator)
2008 – present	Advisory Committee • <i>Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies, Religious Congregations and Membership Study, 2010</i>
2007-2008	Consultant • <i>Religion Survey Data Expansion Project</i> (Christian Smith, University of Notre Dame, Principal Investigator)
2005 – 2008	Director • <i>Baylor Survey of Religious Values and Behavior, Wave I (2005), Wave II (2007)</i>
2004 – 2010	Faculty Affiliate • <i>Baylor University Institute for Studies on Religion (ISR)</i>
1997	Senior Research Assistant • <i>A Study on Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Superior Court Bail and Pre- Trial Detention Practices in Washington State</i> (George S. Bridges, Principal Investigator)
1996-1999	Data Archivist • <i>MicroCase Corporation.</i>

Recent Conference Presentations

Bader, Christopher. "Trends and Patterns in American Religious Affiliation, 1980 through 2010." 2013 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. November 9-11. Phoenix, Arizona.

Bader, Christopher. "The Measurement of Religion: The ARDA's Measurement Archive." 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. August 17-18. Denver, Colorado.

Baker, Joseph O., Christopher D. Bader and Kittye Hirsch. "Desecration, Moral Boundaries and the Movement of Law: The Case of Westboro Baptist Church." 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. August 17-18. Denver, Colorado.

Bader, Christopher. "The RCMS 1980-2010: Trends in American Denominations." 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. August 17-18. Denver, Colorado.

Bader, Christopher. " Trends and Patterns in American Religious Affiliation, 1980 through 2010." 2012 annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. November 8-11. Phoenix, Arizona.

Courses Taught

- Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate)
- Criminology (undergraduate)
- Deviant Behavior (undergraduate and graduate)
- Sociology of Religion (undergraduate and graduate)
- Data Sources & Publishing (graduate)