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## employment

Yale University  
Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2014-Present  
School of Forestry and Environmental Studies  
School of Management (secondary)  
Department of Sociology (secondary)  
Faculty Fellow, Yale Institution for Social and Policy Studies

## education

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Notre Dame, 2014  
M.A., Sociology, University of Notre Dame, 2010  
M.Div., Sociology of Religion, Princeton Seminary, 2009  
B.A., Philosophy, Oklahoma Baptist University, 2006

## books

**Farrell, Justin.** Under Contract. *Billionaire Wilderness: Ultra-wealth, Environment, and Inequality.* Princeton University Press.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2015. *The Battle for Yellowstone: Morality and the Sacred Roots of Environmental Conflict.* Princeton University Press.  
\*Outstanding Book Award, Winner, American Sociological Association AMSS  
\**The Economist*: “most original political book of early 2015.”

## articles

**Farrell, Justin.** 2016. “Corporate Funding and Ideological Polarization about Climate Change” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 113(1), 92-97.  
\*Best Article Award honorable mention, American Sociological Association SKAT  
\*Best Article Award honorable mention, American Sociological Association CITAMS  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2016. “Network Structure and Influence of the Climate Change Counter-Movement” *Nature Climate Change* 6(4), 370-374.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2015. “Echo Chambers and False Certainty.” *Nature Climate Change* 5:71-720.  
McVeigh, Rory, David Cunningham, and **Justin Farrell.** 2014. “Political Polarization as a Social Movement Outcome: 1960s Klan Activism and Its Enduring Impact on Political Realignment in Southern Counties, 1960-2000.” *American Sociological Review* 79(6): 1144-1171.  
\*Best Article Award Winner, ASA section Collective Behavior and Social Movements  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2014. “Moral Outpouring: Shock and Generosity in the Aftermath of the BP Oil Spill.” *Social Problems* 61(3):482-506.  
\*Best Paper Award Winner, Marvin E. Olsen Award, Environmental Sociology  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2013. “Environmental Activism and Moral Schemas: Cultural Components of Differential Participation.” *Environment and Behavior* 45(3): 399-423.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2011. “The Young and the Restless? The Liberalization of Young Evangelicals.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 50: 517-532.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2011. “The Divine Online: Civic Organizing, Identity Building, and Internet Fluency among Different Religious Groups.” *Journal of Media and Religion* 10(2):73-90.

## grants and fellowships

Recommended for Funding. Pending. \$417,029, NSF CAREER, “The Effect of Energy Transition on Rural America: Innovative Methods to Unravel Large-Scale Cultural, Technological, and Economic Change”, (National Science Foundation Early Career Development), 2018-2023  
\$98,471, PI, “The Social Organization of Transformative Experiences: An Ethnographic and Computational Approach.” from The Experience Project-Sociology, ND and UNC-Chapel Hill, 2015-2017

\$126,000, The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) STAR Graduate Fellowship, 2012-2014  
 \$19,000, The Louisville Institute Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2012-2013  
 \$18,500, National Science Foundation (G.L.O.B.E.S.) IGERT Fellowship, 2011-2012  
 \$9,250, Graduate Research Fellowship, Center for Aquatic Conservation, Spring 2012  
 \$2,900, Student Research Award for Dissertation Data Collection, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2011  
 \$3,000, Constant H. Jacquet Research Award, for dissertation data collection, awarded by the Religious Research Association, 2011  
 \$1,000, Graduate Student Research Award, for dissertation data collection, awarded by the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, 2011  
 \$2,946, Dissertation Data Collection Grant, awarded by the Center for the Study of Religion and Society, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, 2011  
 \$10,000, Research Fellow, The Changing Spirituality of Emerging Adults Project, awarded by the Lilly Endowment, 2009-2010  
 \$3,000, Master's Thesis Fellowship, for most outstanding thesis in Religion and Society, Princeton Seminary, 2009-2010  
 Teaching Program Fellowship, Princeton Seminary, 2007-2008.

**awards and distinctions**

Winner, Outstanding Book Award (American Sociological Association AMSS) 2016  
 Winner, Award for Most Outstanding Published Article, American Sociological Association Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, (with Rory McVeigh and David Cunningham) 2015  
 Outstanding Academic Book for 2015, *Choice*, American Library Association  
 Eli J. and Helen Shaheen Award, Top Graduating Student in the Graduate School, Social Sciences. Highest Honor Awarded for the Graduate School, 2014  
 John J. Kane Memorial Award for Most Outstanding Graduate Student, University of Notre Dame, Department of Sociology, 2013  
 William V. D'Antonio Award for Top Graduate Student in Sociology of Religion, University of Notre Dame, Department of Sociology, 2013  
 Winner, American Sociological Association Environment and Technology Section Marvin E. Olsen Award for Environmental Sociology, 2012  
 Winner, Jeanine A. Becker Memorial Award for the most outstanding graduate student paper, University of Notre Dame, 2012  
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 Honorable Mention, National Graduate Student Paper Competition Association for the Sociology of Religion, 2011  
 Henry James Sr. Prize (Inquiring Spirit and Cultural Awareness), Princeton, 2008  
 Winner, Most Outstanding Master's Thesis, Religion and Society, Princeton, 2009  
 Outstanding Senior Award: Top Philosophy Student, Oklahoma Baptist University, 2006

**book reviews**

**Farrell, Justin.** 2014. *Review of Religion and Sustainability: Social Movements and the Politics of the Environment*, by Lucas F Johnston. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 53(2):451-452.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2014. *Review of The Slums of Aspen: Immigrants vs. the Environment in America's Eden*, by Lisa Sun-Hee Park and David Naguib Pellow. *Mobilization* 18(4):499-500.  
**Farrell, Justin.** 2011. *Review of The New Holy Wars: Economic Religion Versus Environmental Religion in Contemporary America*, by Robert H. Nelson. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 50:632-633.

**professional & service**

ASA Section Award Committee, *Collective Behavior and Social Movements*, 2015-2016

*Publications Committee Chair*, Elected by the Environment and Technology Section, American Sociological Association, 2014-2016

Wyss Fellows Program Committee Member, 2016-present

Fellow, Ezra Stiles College, Yale University 2014-present

Presider, “Global Environments” 2013 American Sociological Association section on Global and Transnational Sociology.

Webmaster, ASA Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, 2011-2013

Presider, “Religion and the Environment,” 2011 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Phoenix, AZ.

Organizer, “Religion and the Environment: Belief and Action in Context” 2011 Pacific Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.

selected invited  
addresses

Cornell University, Department of Sociology and College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, March 2018

The Vatican, Pontifical Academy of Sciences meeting observer “Health of People and Planet: Our Responsibility”, November 2017

University of Colorado - Boulder, “Climate Change Politics and Machine Learning”, March 2016

Princeton University, at Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, November 2015

PoliInformatics multidisciplinary panel presentation (climate change politics): “New data, new methods, new insights.” Seattle, 2014.

Northwestern University (with Harvard University and London School of Economics), Participant in *New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data Conference*, 2014

Colorado State University, Department of Sociology, Sociology in Progress Series speaker, and AKD Ceremony Keynote, 2014

London School of Economics (with Harvard University and Northwestern University), Participant in *New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data Conference*, London, England, 2013

Yale University, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, 2013

Creighton University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 2012

public  
engagement  
from research

*The Economist* reviewed *The Battle for Yellowstone* “The most original political book of early 2015.”

*The Battle for Yellowstone* named “one of *Choice*’s Outstanding Academic Titles for 2015.”

2016 *PNAS* article Altmetric score = 417 (more public/media attention than 99 percent of all research outputs ever, and 99 percent of all other *PNAS* articles).

2016 *Nature Climate Change* article Altmetric score = 375 (more public/media attention than 99 percent of all research outputs ever, and 97 percent of all other *Nature Climate Change* articles).

The Economist; Washington Post; Financial Times (front page article) HBO (documentary); Christian Science Monitor; The Guardian; WIRED; High Country News; The Huffington Post; Yahoo! News; Slate; NewStatesman. *A selected handful of other outlets*: Politico Magazine; Mother Jones; MSN; Spektrum; Diário de Notícias; PhysOrg; Otago Daily Times; DeSmogBlog; Digital Journal; Eco-Business; Reason; Sierra Club Magazine; Inside Energy; Inside Climate News; Energy Collective; Climate News Network; Skeptical Science; ThinkProgress; Forskning.no; Hamilton Spectator; Pacific Standard; Daily Kos; NeuroLogica; Ecologist

visiting  
appointments

University of Colorado, Boulder  
Visiting Sabbatical Fellow, Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences  
(CIRES) 2016-2017

Faculty Affiliate, CIRES Center for Science and Technology Policy Research, 2017-present

**manuscript  
reviewer**

*American Sociological Review*  
*American Journal of Sociology*  
*Nature Climate Change*  
*Social Problems*  
*Environment and Behavior*  
*Sociological Forum*  
*Sociological Perspectives*  
*Mobilization*  
*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*  
*Sociological Methods and Research*

**methods  
training**

Computational Social Science, Stanford University IRiSS, 2013  
Analysis of Large Scale Networks, University of Michigan ICPSR, Jukka-Pekka Onnela,  
2013