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POSITIONS 2015- . Associate Professor of Sociology, Pomona College.
Affiliated Faculty, International Relations Program

2009-2015. Assistant Professor of Sociology, Pomona College.

2009. Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Stanford University.

EDUCATION 2009. Ph.D., Sociology, Stanford University.

2002. M.A., Sociology, Stanford University.

2000. B.A., *cum laude* with honors, Lewis & Clark College.

PUBLICATIONS *Books:*

Beck, Colin J., Mlada Bukovansky, Erica Chenoweth, George Lawson, Sharon Erickson Nepstad, and Daniel Ritter. forthcoming. *On Revolutions: Unruly Politics in the Contemporary World*. New York: Oxford University Press.

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Reviewed in *Acta Sociologica, Journal for the Study of Radicalism, LSE Review of Books, Political Studies Review, Social Movement Studies, Sociology*

Peer reviewed articles:

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 Outstanding Article Award, Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section,
 American Sociological Association
 Honorable Mention, Best Article Award, Global and Transnational
 Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- Beck, Colin J. and Emily Miner. 2013. "Who Gets Designated a Terrorist
 and Why?" *Social Forces* 91(3): 837-872.
- Beck, Colin J., Gili S. Drori, and John W. Meyer. 2012. "World Influences
 on Human Rights Language in Constitutions: A Cross-National Study." *International Sociology* 27(4): 483-501.
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 Five Centuries of European Contention." *Social Science History* 35(2): 167-
 207.
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 American Sociological Association
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 Organization." *Sociological Forum* 24(2): 337-356.
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 Rubin ([2013] London: Routledge)
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 Understanding Terrorism." *Sociology Compass* 2(5): 1565-1581.
- Beck, Colin J. 2007. "On the Radical Cusp: Ecoterrorism in the United
 States, 1998-2005." *Mobilization* 12(2): 161-176.
- Chapters:*
- Beck, Colin J. 2020. "Revolutions Against the State." Pp. 564-592 in *The
 New Handbook of Political Sociology: States, Parties, Movements, Citizenship, and
 Globalization*, edited by T. Janoski, C. de Leon, J. Misra, and I. Martin. New
 York: Cambridge University Press.
- Beck, Colin J., John W. Meyer, Ralph I. Hosoki, and Gili S. Drori. 2019.
 "Constitutions in World Society: A New Measure of Human Rights." Pp.
 85-109 in *Constitution-Making and Transnational Legal Order*, edited by T.
 Ginsburg, T. Halliday, and G. Shaffer. New York: Cambridge University
 Press.
- Beck, Colin J. and Eric W. Schoon. 2018. "Terrorism and Social
 Movements." Pp. 698-713 in *Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Social Movements*, 2nd

Edition, edited by D. Snow, S. Soule, H. Kriesi, and H. McCammon. New York: Wiley-Blackwell.

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Other:

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Beck, Colin J. 2015. Book Review of *The Surveillance-Industrial Complex: A Political Economy of Surveillance* edited by Kirstie Ball and Lauren Snider. *Contemporary Sociology* 44(4): 484-486.

Beck, Colin J. 2013. "Ideology." *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, edited by D. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans, and D. McAdam. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

Beck, Colin J. 2012. Book Review of *Protest with Chinese Characteristics: Demonstrations, Riots, and Petitions in the Mid-Qing Dynasty* by Ho-Fung Hung. *American Journal of Sociology* 117(4): 1278-1280.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2021-2022. Faculty Fellow, The Humanities Studio, Pomona College.

2020-2021. American Council of Learned Societies Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellow at the Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine.

2015. Winner, Outstanding Article Award. Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section, American Sociological Association.

2015. Honorable Mention, Best Article Award. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2013. Visiting Fellow. Center for the Study of Democracy, University of California, Irvine.

2012. Co-winner, Best Article Award. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2008-2009. Affiliated Fellow. Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University.

2008. Centennial Teaching Assistant Award. Stanford University.

2006-2007. Fellow. Stanford Center on International Conflict and Negotiation, Stanford University.

2005. Cilker Award for Teaching, Department of Sociology, Stanford University.

2004. LaPiere Award for Best Qualifying Paper. Department of Sociology, Stanford University.

SERVICE *Professional:*

2017- . Member, Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of Radicalism*.

Reviewer for:

American Journal of Sociology, American Political Science Review, American Sociological Review, British Journal of Political Science, Cambridge University Press, Columbia University Press, Comparative Political Studies, Critical Studies on Terrorism, Cultural Sociology, Current Sociology, European Journal of Sociology, European Sociological Review, Government and Opposition, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, International Theory, International Sociology, Journal of Historical Sociology, Journal of Management Inquiry, Journal for the Study of Radicalism, Law & Society Review, Mobilization, National Science Foundation, Oxford University Press, Political Power and Social Theory, Polity Press, Research in Political Sociology, Routledge, Sage, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Psychology Quarterly, Sociological Forum, Sociological Inquiry, Sociological Theory, Sociological Spectrum, Sociology Compass, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, Springer, The Sociological Quarterly, Theory and Society

Positions:

2017-2020. Cooperating Researcher. World Politics Research Training Group, Bielefeld University.

2020. Member, Nominations Committee. Political Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2019. Member, Best Article Award Committee. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2017. Coordinator, Social Movements Research Cluster. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2014-2017. Secretary-Treasurer. Comparative and Historical Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2016. Member, Outstanding Article Award Committee. Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section, American Sociological Association.

2016. Member, Best Article Awards Committee. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2012-2015. Secretary-Treasurer. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2013. Chair, Theda Skocpol Dissertation Award Committee. Comparative and Historical Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

2010-2011. Member, Awards Committee. Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association.

Institutional:

Pomona College:

2010- . Member, International Relations Program Coordinating Committee.

2011- . Member, Eda May Haskell Library Prize Selection Committee.

2016, 2018-2019. Member, Work-Family Committee.

2017-2018. Chair, Department of Sociology.

2011-2016. Co-founder and Organizer, Social Science Faculty Research Workshop.

2015. Member, Faculty Personnel Committee.

2013-2015. Member, Committee on Social Responsibility.

2011-2012. External Member, Faculty Search Committee, Politics Department.

2011-2012. Member, Institutional Review Board.

2010-2011. Member, Curriculum Committee.

Department of Sociology, Stanford University:

2005-2006. Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee.

2004. Member, Speaker Series Committee.

2003-2004. Co-Chair, Activities Committee.

2003-2004. Editor, Department Newsletter.

AFFILIATIONS American Sociological Association
Sections on Global and Transnational Sociology, Comparative and
Historical Sociology, Political Sociology, Collective Behavior and Social
Movements, Peace, War, and Social Conflict

Social Science History Association