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Education:

Ph.D.	University of Wisconsin-Madison 1984 Field of Study: Sociology
M.S.	University of Wisconsin-Madison 1980 Field of Study: Sociology
B.A.	University of Wisconsin-Madison 1978 Field of Study: Sociology

Areas of Research and Teaching Interest:

Poverty
Social Welfare
Economic Inequality
American Dream
Life Course
Luck and Chance
Demography

Professional Experience:

Herbert S. Hadley Endowed Professor of Social Welfare, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 2003-present.

Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 2014-present.

Associate Chair of Sociology, Department of Sociology, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 2014-2017.

Professor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 2000-2003.

Associate Professor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1991-2000.

Assistant Professor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, and Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1989-1991.

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1985-1989.

Professional Fellow, Institute of Child and Family Policy, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1984-1985.

Awards, Honors, and Recognitions:

Winner of the *2026 Independent Press Award* in the category of sociology for *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, January 15, 2026.

Finalist for the *Next Generation Indie Book Award* in the category of current events for *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 27, 2025.

Finalist for the *19th Annual National Indie Excellence Book Award* in the category of nonfiction for *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, June 19, 2025.

Finalist for the *Eric Hoffer Book Award* for *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, May 9, 2025.

Named one of the best personal finance books to read in 2025 by *Business Insider* for *The Poverty Paradox: Understanding Economic Hardship Amid American Prosperity*, December 31, 2024.

Selected by the University of California Press Foundation for inclusion in the *Richard and Harriet Gold Endowment Fund in Arts and Humanities*, *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, 2024.

Chosen as a *Choice Top 75 Community College Title*, *The Poverty Paradox: Understanding Economic Hardship Amid American Prosperity*, December 21, 2023. Selected as the best of all the titles appropriate for two-year colleges reviewed in the December issue of *Choice*.

Selected by *Publishers Weekly* as a Notable Book for the Spring/Summer 2024, *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us*, December 1, 2023.

Winner of the *17th Annual National Indie Excellence Book Award* in the category of current events for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, June 26, 2023.

- Winner of the 17th Annual National Indie Excellence Book Award in the category of social/political change for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, June 26, 2023.
- Finalist for the Next Generation Indie Book Award in the category of current events for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois, June 23, 2023.
- Finalist for the Next Generation Indie Book Award in the category of social change, for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois, June 23, 2023.
- Awarded the Silver Medal in the category of current events (political/economic/foreign affairs) from the Independent Publisher Book Awards (IPPY Awards) for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, June 20, 2023.
- Awarded the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Book Award – Honorable Mention for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty*, Phoenix, Arizona, January 14, 2023. Selected for outstanding scholarly contributions that advance social work knowledge.
- Named one of the best books of 2021 by the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, for *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong About Poverty*, December 5, 2021.
- Honored as a Policy Pioneer at the *Influencing Social Policy 2.0 Conference*, St. Louis, Missouri, June 1-3, 2017.
- Awarded the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Book Award for *Chasing the American Dream: Understanding What Shapes Our Fortunes*, Washington D.C., January 16, 2016. Selected for outstanding scholarly contributions that advance social work knowledge.
- Research on life course poverty dynamics quoted and referenced directly in President Barack Obama's speech, "Remarks by the President on Economic Mobility," December 4, 2013, Washington, DC.
- Inducted as a Fellow into the *American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare*, Washington D.C., November 10, 2012. Selected for outstanding contributions to social work and social welfare and whose distinguished accomplishments have advanced the field and contributed to a sustainable, equitable, and just future.
- Awarded the *Certificate of Recognition for Excellence in Teaching*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, 2011.
- Awarded the *Certificate of Recognition for Excellence in Teaching*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, 2010.
- One Nation, Underprivileged* chosen as the selected book for the 2006 Washington University Freshman Reading Program, 2006.
- Awarded the *Outstanding Faculty Award*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work Alumni Association, Washington University, 2005. Presented to a faculty member who displays genuine dedication and distinguished service to the School.

Finalist for the *Robert H. Durr Award*, Midwest Political Science Association, for the best paper applying quantitative methods to a substantive problem in political science, 2005.

Awarded the *Excellence in Teaching Award*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, 2005.

Awarded the *Gustavus Myers Outstanding Book Award - Honorable Mention* for *One Nation, Underprivileged: Why American Poverty Affects Us All*, Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry and Human Rights, 2005.

Awarded the *Access to Equal Justice Award*, School of Law, Clinical Education Program, Washington University, 2005. Given in recognition of exceptional contributions to enhancing access to justice in the region.

Appointed the inaugural *Herbert S. Hadley Professor of Social Welfare* endowed chaired professorship, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, 2003.

Awarded the *Outstanding Research Award*, Society for Social Work and Research, Atlanta, Georgia, January 20, 2001. Given in recognition of exemplary contribution to knowledge development in the profession of social work.

Nominated for the American Psychological Association's Division 1 *George A. Miller Award* for outstanding research in general psychology, 1999.

Awarded the *Faculty Award to Improve Learning*, William T. Kemper Foundation, Commerce Bank Trustee, 1998.

Finalist for the *Fulbright-Bissell Chair in American Social Sciences*, Fulbright Chairs in Western Europe and Canada Program, Council for International Exchange of Scholars, USIA Fulbright Senior Scholar Program, 1997-1998.

Awarded the *Founders Day Distinguished Faculty Award*, Alumni Association of Washington University, 1995. Faculty honor given by the Alumni Board of Governors at Washington University in recognition of outstanding scholarship and teaching.

Awarded the *Feldman Award*, Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family, 1991. Given for outstanding research in the area of sex roles and/or public policy related to families.

Awarded the *Annual Faculty Teaching Award*, Council of Students of Arts and Sciences, Washington University, 1990. Given in recognition for excellence in teaching and genuine concern for the welfare of students.

Postdoctoral fellowship awarded from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, through the Carolina Population Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1985-1986 (declined).

Professional fellowship awarded from the Institute of Child and Family Policy, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1984-1985.

Demography traineeship awarded from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, through the Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 1978-1979.

Publications:

Books

- Rank, Mark Robert
in progress *Lessons from a Random World: How Recognizing Chance and Luck Can Enrich Your Life.*
- Rank, Mark Robert
in progress *The Nick of Time: Exploring the Essence of Time in Our Lives and the World Around Us.*
- Rank, Mark Robert
under contract *Luck of the Draw: How Economic Success and Hardship are Shaped by Chance.* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Rank, Mark Robert and Steven M. Fazzari
under contract *American Divide: Widening Inequality and the Fracturing of a Nation.* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Rank, Mark Robert
2024 *The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us.* Oakland, CA: University of California Press. (Paper edition 2026).
- The Random Factor: How Chance and Luck Profoundly Shape Our Lives and the World Around Us.* Italian translation, 2024.
- Rank, Mark Robert
2023 *The Poverty Paradox: Understanding Economic Hardship Amid American Prosperity.* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Rank, Mark Robert, Lawrence M Eppard, and Heather E. Bullock
2021 *Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong About Poverty.* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Rank, Mark Robert
2021 *Confronting Poverty: Economic Hardship in the United States.* Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- Rank, Mark Robert (editor)
2020 *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work.* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work.* Chinese translation, People's Republic of China, 2022.

- Eppard, Lawrence M., Mark Robert Rank and Heather E. Bullock
2020 *Rugged Individualism and the Misunderstanding of American Inequality*. Bethlehem, PA: Lehigh University Press. Co-published by The Rowman and Littlefield Publishing Group. (Paper edition 2022).
- Rank, Mark Robert, Thomas A. Hirschl and Kirk A. Foster
2014 *Chasing the American Dream: Understanding What Shapes Our Fortunes*. New York: Oxford University Press. (Paper edition 2016).
- Rank, Mark Robert
2004 *One Nation, Underprivileged: Why American Poverty Affects Us All*. New York: Oxford University Press. (Paper edition 2005).
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- Rank, Mark Robert and Edward L. Kain (editors)
1995 *Diversity and Change in Families: Patterns, Prospects, and Policies*. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall.
- Rank, Mark Robert
1994 *Living on the Edge: The Realities of Welfare in America*. New York: Columbia University Press. (Paper edition 1995).
- Reprinted in *Intersections: Readings in Sociology*, Ralph B. McNeal, Jr. and Kathleen A. Tiemann (eds.), 2007. Pearson Custom Publishing.
- Reprinted in *Sociological Odyssey: Contemporary Readings in Sociology, Second Edition*, Patricia A. Adler and Peter Adler (eds.), 2007. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth.
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- Reprinted in *Taking Sides: Clashing Views on Controversial Moral Issues, Seventh Edition*, Stephen Satris (ed.), 2000. Guilford, CT: Dushkin/McGraw-Hill.
- Reprinted in *Taking Sides: Clashing Views On Controversial Issues in Family and Personal Relationships, Fourth Edition*, Ann Vail (ed.), 1999. Guilford, CT: Dushkin Publishing Group.
- Reprinted in *Public and Private Families: A Reader*, Andrew J. Cherlin (ed.), 1998. New York: McGraw-Hill.
- Reprinted in *Taking Sides: Clashing Views On Controversial Social Issues, Ninth Edition*, Kurt Finsterbusch and George McKenna (eds.), 1996. Guilford, CT: Dushkin Publishing Group.

Reprinted in *Diversity and Change in Families: Patterns, Prospects, and Policies*, Mark Robert Rank and Edward L. Kain (eds.), 1995. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall.

Refereed Articles, Essays, and Chapters

- Rank, Mark R.
in press “A Structural Understanding of Poverty.” In *International Research Handbook on Social Work and Poverty*, Roni Strier (ed). London: Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Rank, Mark R.
2024 “What We Gain by Recognizing the Role of Chance in Life: Appreciating the World is Random Can Foster Perseverance, Gratitude For Our Own Luck and Empathy for the Plight of Others” *Psyche*, May 23.
- Luby, Joan L., Mark R. Rank, and Deanna M. Barch
2024 “Defining a Biological Poverty Line in Infancy – Evidence and Public Health Implications.” *JAMA Pediatrics*, April 22, doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics. 2024.0651.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “A Structural Vulnerability Understanding of Poverty.” In *On Inequality and Freedom*, Lawrence M. Eppard and Henry A. Giroux (eds), pp. 126-145. New York: Oxford University Press.
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2022 “The Random Factor: Chance, Luck, and the American Dream.” In *Routledge Handbook on the American Dream*, Robert C. Hauhart and Mitja Sardoc (eds), pp. 123-132. New York: Routledge Press.
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2020 “Reducing Cumulative Inequality.” In *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work*, Mark Robert Rank (ed.), pp. 94-113. New York: Oxford University Press.
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2020 “Alleviating Poverty.” In *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work*, Mark Robert Rank (ed.), pp. 45-69. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Lawlor, Edward N., Mary M. McKay, Shanti K. Khinduka, and Mark R. Rank
2020 “Looking Back, Looking Ahead.” In *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work*, Mark Robert Rank (ed.), 357-365. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Rank, Mark R.
2020 “Introduction.” In *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work*, Mark Robert Rank (ed.), pp. 1-15. New York: Oxford University Press.

- Fabbre, Vanessa, Eleni Gaveras, Anna Shabsin, Janelle Gibson, and Mark R. Rank
2020 "Confronting Stigma, Discrimination, and Social Exclusion." In *Toward a Livable Life: A 21st Century Agenda for Social Work*, Mark Robert Rank (ed.), pp. 70-93. New York: Oxford University Press.
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2018 "Impact of Federal Transfers Upon U.S. Infant Mortality Rates: A Secondary Analysis Using a Fixed Effects Regression Approach." *BMJ Open* 0:e021533. doi:10.1136/bmjopen-2018-021533.
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2018 "Estimating the Economic Cost of Childhood Poverty in the United States." *Social Work Research* 42 (2): 73-83.

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2017 "On Culture, Politics, and Poverty." *Contexts* 16 (4): 8-11.
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- Rank, Mark R.
2016 "Toward a New Paradigm for Understanding Poverty." In *Oxford Handbook of the Social Science of Poverty*, David Brady and Linda M. Burton (eds.), pp. 866-883. New York: Oxford University Press.
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2015 "The Likelihood of Experiencing Relative Poverty Across the Life Course." *PLOS ONE* 10 (7): e01333513.
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2011 "Ideology and the Experience of Poverty Risk: Views about Poverty within a Focus Group Design." *Journal of Poverty* 15 (3): 350-370.
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2011 "Poverty and its Effects." In *Mental Health and Social Problems: A Social Work Perspective*, Nina Rovinelli Heller and Alex Gitterman (eds.), pp. 44-61. New York: Routledge.
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2010 "A Life Course Approach to Understanding Poverty Among Older American Adults." *Families in Society* 91 (4): 337-341.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
2010 "Homeownership Across the American Life Course: Estimating the Racial Divide." *Race and Social Problems* 2 (3-4): 125-136.
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2009 "The Increasing Risk of Poverty Across the American Life Course." *Demography* 46 (4): 717-737.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2009 "Estimating the Risk of Food Stamp Use and Impoverishment During Childhood." *Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine* 163 (11): 994-999. Renamed *JAMA Pediatrics*.
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2009 "The Racial Divide Among American Children in Poverty: Reassessing the Importance of Neighborhood." *Children and Youth Services Review* 31 (12): 1264-1271.
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2008 "Rising Wealth Inequality: Why We Should Care." *Georgetown Journal on Poverty Law and Policy* 15 (2): 437-473.

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2008 "Asset Building Across the Life Course." In *Asset Building and Low-Income Families*, Signe-Mary McKernan and Michael Sherraden (eds.), pp. 67-87. Washington, DC: The Urban Institute Press.
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2007 "Rethinking the Scope and Impact of Poverty in the United States." *Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal* 6 (2): 165-181.
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2006 "Pathways Out of Poverty." *Work and Occupations: An International Sociological Journal* 33 (3): 263-270.
- Rank, Mark R. and Gautam N. Yadama
2006 "Poverty and Family Policy in a Global Context." In *Families in Global and Multicultural Perspective*, Bron B. Ingoldsby and Suzanna Smith (eds.), pp. 379-404. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
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2005 "Likelihood of Using Food Stamps during the Adulthood Years." *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior* 37 (3): 137-146.
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2000 "Socialization of Socio-Economic Status." In *Handbook of Family Development: Dynamics and Therapeutic Interventions*, William C. Nichols, Mary Anne Pace-Nichols, Dorothy S. Becvar, and Augustus Y. Napier (eds.), pp. 129-142. New York: John Wiley.

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2000 "Poverty and Economic Hardship in Families." In *Handbook of Family Diversity*, David H. Demo, Katherine R. Allen, and Mark A. Fine (eds.), pp. 293-315. New York: Oxford University Press.
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1999 "The Economic Risk of Childhood in America: Estimating the Probability of Poverty Across the Formative Years." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 61 (4): 1058-1067.
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1999 "The Racial Injustice of Poverty." *Washington University Journal of Law and Policy* 1 (1): 95-97.
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1999 "Estimating the Proportion of Americans Ever Experiencing Poverty During Their Elderly Years." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 54B (4): S184-S193.
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1999 "Community Effects on Welfare Participation." *Sociological Forum* 14 (1): 155-174.
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1998 "Race and General Cognitive Ability: The Myth of Diminishing Returns to Education." *Psychological Science* 9 (2): 139-142.
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1996 "Perceived Happiness Outside of Marriage Among Black and White Spouses." *Family Relations* 45 (4): 435-441.
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1995 "Welfare Use Across Generations: How Important Are the Ties that Bind?" *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 57 (3): 673-684.
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1995 "The Food Stamp Program and Hunger: Constructing Three Different Claims." In *Eating Agendas: Food and Nutrition as Social Problems*, Donna Maurer and Jeffery Sobal (eds.), pp. 241-258. New York: Aldine de Gruyter.
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1993 "The Link between Population Density and Welfare Participation." *Demography* 30 (4): 607-622.

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1992 "Toward a Multiple Perspective in Family Theory and Practice." In *Case Studies in Social Work Practice*, Craig W. LeCroy (ed.), pp. 28-33. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth.
- Cox, Donald and Mark R. Rank
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2005 "Rethinking Our Understanding of American Poverty." *Center for Interdisciplinary Studies Magazine*, Fall 2005, School of Law, Washington University.

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2002 "Economic Injustices are Alive and Well." Essay commissioned and published in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.
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2001 "The High Cost of Being Poor." Essay commissioned and published in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.
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1999 "Poverty in Our Own Backyard." Essay distributed and published nationally in American newspapers.
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1985 "Families on Welfare." Policy analysis prepared for the Institute of Child and Family Policy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
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1984 *Demographic Characteristics of Wisconsin's Welfare Recipients*. Population Series 80-2. Madison: Applied Population Laboratory.
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1980 "Characteristics of Recent Migrants to Nonmetropolitan Northern Wisconsin." *Population Note*, Number 10, May 1980. Madison: Applied Population Laboratory.

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- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “Poverty Might Be Closer Than You Think.” Webinar presented for the *Rotary eClub of Silicon Valley*, December 8, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “Conversation about the Random Factor.” Invited podcast discussion with Kate Bowler of Duke University, October 22, Stockholm, Sweden.
- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “How Understanding Chance and Randomness Can Lead to a More Fulfilling Life.” Invited presentation given for *The Gambrell Foundation*, June 5, Charlotte, North Carolina.
- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “Navigating Poverty Alleviation.” Webinar presented for the *Louisiana Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA)*, May 29, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “Understanding American Poverty and Inequality.” Invited discussion given at *St. Louis University*, April 24, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2025 “Why Poverty and Inequality Undermine Justice in America.” Invited presentation given for the *Ethical Society of St. Louis*, February 2, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2024 “Understanding the Paradox of Economic Hardship Amid American Prosperity.” Invited address presented at *The School for Advanced Research*, May 3, Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- Rank, Mark R.
2024 “Untangling the Poverty Paradox.” Invited address presented for *Women’s Voices Raised for Social Justice*, January 11, Clayton, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2023 “The Poverty Paradox: Understanding Economic Hardship Amid American Prosperity.” Webinar presented at the *George Warren Brown School of Social Work*, Washington University, November 16, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2023 “The Dynamics of American Poverty.” Invited address given for the *National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute*, November 2, Washington, DC.

- Rank, Mark R.
2023 “Why Poverty and Inequality Undermine Justice in America.” Invited address given for the *Public Interest Law and Policy Speakers Series*, School of Law, Washington University, October 12, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “Solving Post Pandemic Economic Poverty and Inequality in the World of Flux .” Invited address given at the *6th International Conference on Nation-Building 2022*, December 8-9, Bangkok, Thailand.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty.” Keynote address given for the *NASW-Nebraska Annual Conference*, September 15-16, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “Exploring the Confronting Poverty Website.” Invited breakout room presentation given for the *NASW-Nebraska Annual Conference*, September 15-16, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “Myths and Realities of American Poverty.” Keynote address given for the *Iowa Community Action Association Conference*, July 20-21, Des Moines, Iowa.
- Rank, Mark R.
2022 “A Discussion on Poverty, Inequality, and Economic Growth.” Invited address given for the School of Business, *Susquehanna University*, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, April 6.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 “Debunking Myths about Poverty in America.” Invited presentation given for the *American Humanist Association*, November 16, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 “Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty.” Invited talk given for the *Meeting of the Society of Professors Emeriti*, Washington University, November 8, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 “The Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic Upon American Poverty.” Invited presentation given at the *Global Health and Welfare Forum in Taiwan*, October 31-November 1, Taipei, Taiwan.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 “Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty.” Invited talk given for the *Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children Organization*, October 26, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 “Myths about American Poverty.” Invited presentation given for the *Clarke Forum for Contemporary Issues*, Dickinson College, October 5, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

- Rank, Mark R.
2021 "Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty." Invited talk given for the *Harvard Club of Boston*, August 18, Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 "Myths and Realities of U.S. Inequalities." Webinar presented on the Social Science Space, *Sage Publications*, May 4, Newbury Park, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 "Dispelling Poverty Myths and Expanding Income Support." Webinar presented at the *Washington Center for Equitable Growth*, April 21, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2021 "Poorly Understood: What America Gets Wrong about Poverty." Virtual Book Release Webinar presented at the *George Warren Brown School of Social Work*, Washington University, March 2, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2020 "Thoughts on the Economic Racial Divide Across the Life Course." A Virtual Conversation on Systemic Racism and Poverty, *American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare*, October 28, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2020 "A Radically New Understanding of American Poverty." Brief and Brilliant Session, *Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research*, January 15-19, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2019 "The Cumulative Process of Inequality Across a Lifetime." Invited presentation given for *Washington University Alumni*, April 11, Seattle, Washington.
- Rank, Mark R.
2019 "Chasing the American Dream." Invited presentation given for *Shippensburg University*, April 4, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R.
2019 "Inequality in the United States." Invited presentation given for the *Ethical Society of St. Louis*, March 24, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2019 "American Hunger and Inequality." Keynote address given for the *Universities Fighting World Hunger Summit*, University of Southern Maine, March 15-16, Portland, Maine.
- Rank, Mark R.
2018 "American Paradox: Rising Inequality in an Age of Prosperity." Invited presentation given for the *Academy of Science - St. Louis*, St. Louis History Museum, January 23, St. Louis, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
2017 "Thoughts on Social Policy." Invited presentation given at the *Influencing Social Policy 2.0 Conference*, St Louis, Missouri, June 1-3, 2017.
- Rank, Mark R.
2017 "American Poverty: New Ways of Thinking." Invited presentation given at the *YMCA Leadership Symposium*, "Beyond Equality: Advancing Equity in Our Communities." April 11-13, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
2016 "The Determinants of Affluence: A Life Course Perspective." Paper presented at the *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, March 31-April 2, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2016 "Towards a New Understanding of American Poverty." Invited keynote address given at the *2016 West Virginia Poverty and Inequality Symposium*, March 9, Concord University, Athens, West Virginia.
- Rank, Mark R.
2015 "American Poverty: Separating Fact from Fiction." Invited address given at the *Empower Missouri Annual Meeting*, October 22-23, Columbia, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2015 "The Lifetime Probabilities of Economic Fortune and Misfortune." Invited address given at the *Weidenbaum Center's Annual Media Retreat*, June 28-July 1, Cape Cod, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2015 "A New Understanding of American Poverty." Invited talk given at *St. Louis Community College - Meramec Campus*, Department of Sociology, April 8, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2015 "Chasing the American Dream." Invited keynote address given at the *Berkeley Social Welfare Seabury Address*, March 4, University of California, Berkeley, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "What is the American Dream?" Invited address given at the Grand Rounds, *Department of Psychiatry*, December 9, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Foster, Kirk A. and Mark R. Rank
2014 "American Religion and the American Dream: Implications for Economic Mobility in the U.S." Paper presented at the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting*, October 31-November 2, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "Chasing the American Dream." Invited address given at *Radford University*, October 29, Radford, Virginia.

- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "Chasing the American Dream." Invited address given at *Millikin University*, October 23, Decatur, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "Chasing the American Dream: Understanding What Shapes Our Fortunes." Convocation address given at the *George Warren Brown School of Social Work*, Washington University, September 4, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "The Lifetime Probabilities of Economic Fortune and Misfortune." Invited address given at the *Weidenbaum Center's Annual Media Retreat*, June 23-25, Cape Cod, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "Chasing the American Dream: Who's Left Behind, How Do They Get Ahead." Invited address given at the *New America Foundation*, June 5, Washington, DC.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
2014 "Is It Just the One Percent, or Is Affluence a Normal Life Course Event?" Paper presented at the *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, May 1-3, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "Chasing the American Dream: Understanding What Shapes Our Fortunes." Invited address given at the *College of Social Work*, University of South Carolina, April 24, Columbia, South Carolina.
- Rank, Mark R.
2014 "What is the American Dream?" Invited address given for the *Beyond Brookings Campus Visit Program*, Washington University, March 27-29, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2013 "A New Understanding of American Poverty." Invited keynote address given at the *National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work Fall Meeting*, October 30, Dallas, Texas.
- Rank, Mark R.
2013 "Shifting Our Understanding of American Poverty." Invited address given at the *School of Social Work Series on Poverty*, University of Kansas, September 11, Lawrence, Kansas.
- Rank, Mark R.
2013 "Chasing the American Dream: Understanding the Dynamics that Shape Our Fortunes." Invited address given at the *Faculty Research Colloquium*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, March 25, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2012 "The Geography of Disadvantage." Invited address given at the *St. Louis County Strategic Roundtable on Concentration of Poverty*, St. Louis County Department of Planning, December 12, Clayton, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
2012 “Estimating the Lifetime Probabilities of Economic Fortune and Misfortune.” Invited address given at the *Weidenbaum Center’s Annual Media Retreat*, June 25-27, Cape Cod, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2012 “Assets, Education, and the American Dream.” Invited keynote address given at the *Assets and Education Research Symposium*, University of Kansas, March 29-30, Lawrence, Kansas.
- Rank, Mark R.
2012 “What is the American Dream ?” Invited paper given at the *Work and Livable Lives: Inquires and Recommendations from the Heartland Conference*, Washington University, February 27-28, 2012.
- Rank, Mark R.
2011 “Why Poverty Undermines Justice in America.” Invited keynote address given at the *Annual Daniel Thursz Lecture on Social Justice*, University of Maryland, December 1, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Rank, Mark R., Thomas A. Hirschl and Timothy D. McBride
2011 “Measuring the Likelihood of Work Disabilities Across the Life Course.” Paper presented at the *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, March 31-April 2, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
2011 “Economic Justice in the U.S.: Fact or Fiction?” Invited address given at the *Washington University Master of Liberal Arts Saturday Seminar Series: The Value of Justice*, February 12, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2010 “Challenging the Conventional Understanding of American Poverty.” Invited keynote address given at the *Annual Mary Jo Huth Memorial Urban Lecture* given at the University of Dayton, October 20, Dayton, Ohio.
- Rank, Mark R., Thomas A. Hirschl and Timothy D. McBride
2010 “Measuring the Likelihood of Work Disabilities Across the Life Course.” Invited paper given at the *Panel Study of Income Dynamics Conference on Health and Socioeconomic Status*, September 23-24, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Rank, Mark R.
2010 “Rethinking the Issue of Poverty in America.” Invited address given at the *Race in America: Restructuring Inequality Conference*, June 3-6, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R.
2010 “New Approaches to Measuring the Economic Racial Divide in America.” Invited lecture given at the *Graduate School of Social Work*, University of Denver, March 4, Denver, Colorado.
- Rank, Mark R.
2009 “Why American Poverty Affects Us All.” Invited keynote address given at the *NASW Wisconsin Annual Conference*, October 19-21, Madison, Wisconsin.

- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2009 "Estimating the Life Course Dynamics of Asset Poverty." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 8-11, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2009 "American Poverty: Conditions, Causes, and Cures." Invited talk given at *St. Louis Community College - Meramec Campus*, Diversity Speaker Series, February 27, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2009 "American Misfortune: The Surprising Level of Economic Risk in Our Lives." Invited plenary presentation given at the *Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference*, January 16-18, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2008 "Estimating the Life Course Dynamics of Asset Poverty." Invited paper presented at the *Panel Study of Income Dynamics Conference on Financial Well-Being Over the Life Course*, University of Michigan, November 20-21, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
2008 "Homeownership Across the American Life Course: Estimating the Racial Divide." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, August 1-4, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Rank, Mark R.
2008 "Electing to End Poverty: Why It Impacts Us All." Invited keynote address given at the *Kansas Conference on Poverty*, May 13-14, Topeka, Kansas.
- Rank, Mark R.
2008 "Thoughts about Social Work and Social Justice." Invited participant in a panel discussion of the *National Association of Scholars Report on the State of Social Work Education*, School of Social Work, University of Michigan, April 10, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Poverty Across the Life Course." Invited address given at the *Wealth Inequality and Eroding Middle Class Conference*, University of North Carolina Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity, November 4-5, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "One Nation, Underprivileged." Invited keynote address given at the *Missouri Association for Social Welfare Annual Conference*, October 24-25, Columbia, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "The Impact of Poverty on Children and Reasons Why Poverty Affects Us All." Invited keynote address given at the *Children's Health, Poverty and Ethical Issues of Social Justice Conference*, Medical College of Wisconsin, October 6, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Poverty and Inequality in America: Why Care?" Invited address given at the *Scripps College Humanities Institute Fall 2007 Lecture Series - Unequal We Stand: What Future for the American Middle Class?*, September 18, Claremont, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Poverty as a Life Course Risk: A New Approach for Understanding and Estimating the Chances of Becoming Poor." Invited address given at the *International Consortium for Social Development Symposium*, July 16-20, Hong Kong SAR, China.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Challenging Our Thinking and Actions Toward Poverty Reduction." Invited keynote address given at the *Iowa Community Action Annual Training Conference*, June 25-27, Des Moines, Iowa.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "A New Understanding of American Poverty." Invited address given at the *Helen Bader Foundation*, May 14, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Measuring and Estimating the Extent of Poverty in the United States." Invited address given for the *St. Louis Chapter of the American Statistical Association*, April 19, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "Confronting the Myths of American Poverty." Invited lecture given at the *School of Social Work*, Arizona State University, March 8, Phoenix, Arizona.
- Rank, Mark R.
2007 "An Overview of Poverty Among U.S. Children." Invited lecture given at the *Pediatricians in Community Lecture Series*, Washington University School of Medicine, February 8, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Rethinking Our Understanding of American Poverty." Invited keynote address given at the University of Connecticut School of Law Fall Symposium, *Taxing the Working Poor: Current Policy and Future Changes*, November 14, Hartford, Connecticut.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "The Scope and Dimensions of Childhood Poverty in America." Invited keynote address given at the Middle Tennessee State University Symposium, *Poverty and Children's Health Roundtable*, November 9, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "One Nation, Underprivileged: Why American Poverty Affects Us All." Invited lecture given as part of the *Washington University Fall 2006 Assembly Lecture Series*, Washington University, September 27, St. Louis, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Why Reducing Poverty is Critical to America's Future." Invited keynote address given at the *25th Anniversary Celebration of the Indiana Coalition for Human Services*, August 25, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Recognizing Our Connections to Each Other on the Road to a Higher Sense of Purpose." Convocation address given for the incoming freshman class of 2006, *Washington University*, August 24, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "A Framework for Understanding and Reducing Poverty." Invited keynote address given at the *2006 Anti-Poverty Forum: Why Poverty Affects Us All*, sponsored by the City of Milwaukee and Mayor Tom Barrett, June 29, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "A Conceptual Context for Considering a Religious Response to Poverty." Invited address given at the forum *A Religious Response to Poverty*, sponsored by the Interfaith Partnership of Metropolitan St. Louis, May 31, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Toward A New Understanding of American Poverty and the Working Poor." Invited address given at the St. Louis Community College *One Book, One College* program, April 13, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Confronting Poverty in America." Invited keynote address given at the *Jewish Council for Public Affairs Plenum 2006*, February 25-28, Washington, D.C.
- Rank, Mark R.
2006 "Poverty, Race, and Social Justice." Invited address given as part of a panel discussion entitled *The Working Poor of New Orleans After the Storm*, Arts and Sciences Forum, Loyola University New Orleans, February 16, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Rank, Mark R.
2005 "Shattering the Myths About Poverty: Toward a New Paradigm of Support for Families Living in Poverty." Invited address given at the *Iowa State Capitol*, sponsored by Iowa Community Action Association and the Iowa Head Start Association, September 23, Des Moines, Iowa.
- Rank, Mark R.
2005 "The Rise of Economic Insecurity and the Implications for the Welfare State." Invited address given at the *Midwest Political Science Association Annual National Conference*, April 7-10, Chicago, Illinois.

- Rank, Mark R.
2005 "Economic Vulnerability and the Working Poor." Invited address given at the *Poverty, Wealth and the Working Poor: Clinical and Interdisciplinary Perspectives Conference*, School of Law, Washington University, March 31-April 1, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "One Nation, Underprivileged: Why American Poverty Affects Us All." Invited address given at *Department of Development Sociology*, Cornell University, December 2, Ithaca, New York.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "Shifting the Paradigm for Understanding American Poverty." Invited address given at the *School of Social Service Administration*, University of Chicago, November 18, Chicago, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "Poverty and Economic Inequality as Presidential Issues." Invited address given as part of a panel discussion entitled *The Presidential Election*, Assembly Series, Washington University, November 3, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "Toward a New Understanding of American Poverty." Invited address given at the *School of Social Work*, University of Pittsburgh, October 13, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "Rethinking Our Understanding of Poverty." Invited address given at the *Department of Sociology*, University of Missouri, September 23, Columbia, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2004 "A New Vision for America." Invited address given at the *No Room for Poverty National Rally*, organized by the Community Action Partnership, September 4, Washington, DC.
- Sandoval, Daniel, Thomas A. Hirschl, and Mark R. Rank
2004 "The Increase of Poverty Risk and Income Insecurity in the U.S. Since the 1970's." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 14-17, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
2003 "American Poverty: Why Care?" Installation address given at the *Herbert S. Hadley Professor of Social Welfare Installation Ceremony*, Washington University, December 11, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2003 "Toward a New Understanding of American Poverty." Convocation address given at the *George Warren Brown School of Social Work*, Washington University, September 4, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2003 "Estimating the Use of Federal Food Assistance Across Adulthood." Paper presented at the *Society for Nutrition Education Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 26-30.

- Rank, Mark R.
2003 "Rural Poverty." Invited address given at the *Cultural Series – Center for the Humanities*, University of Missouri-St. Louis, April 14, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Hollenbeak, Christopher, Joel Myerson, Mark R. Rank, and Mark A. Schnitzler
2002 "Racial Differences in the Effect of Secondary and Post-Secondary Education on Cognitive Ability." Paper presented at the *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, November 9-13, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2002 "Estimating the Life Course Probabilities and Patterns of Food Stamp Use Among American Adults." Paper presented at the *Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Small Grants Program Conference*, USDA Economic Research Service, October 17-18, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2002 "Estimating the Probabilities and Patterns of Food Stamp Use Across the Life Course." Paper presented at the *2001-2002 USDA Food Assistance Research Development Grants Workshop*, Northwestern University, April 19, Evanston, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2001 "Estimating the Adult Life Course Probabilities of Welfare Use." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 6-11, Rochester, New York.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2001 "Rags or Riches? Estimating the Probabilities of Poverty and Affluence Across the Adult American Life Span." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 5-8, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
2000 "Poverty Over the Life Span: How the Odds Vary by Race, Education, and Gender." Invited address given at the *George Warren Brown 75th Anniversary Conference*, Washington University, October 6-7, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2000 "Poverty Spells Across the Adult Life Course: How Likely and How Long?" Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 12-16, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
2000 "Estimating the Occurrence of Poverty Spells Across the Adult Life Course." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 19-23, Chicago, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1999 "American Dreams and Nightmares: A Life Table Approach." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 6-10, Chicago, Illinois.

- Rank, Mark R.
1998 "America's Most Pressing Challenge: Poverty." Invited keynote address given at the *Illinois Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, October 15-16, East St. Louis, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1998 "The Likelihood of Poverty Across the American Adult Lifespan." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 21-25, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1998 "Estimating the Risk of Poverty During the Elderly Years." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 21-25, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R., Joel Myerson, Fredric Q. Raines, and Mark Schnitzler
1997 "The Effect of Education on Racial Differences in IQ Scores: Evidence from the Bell Curve Data Set." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 9-13, Toronto, Canada.
- Rank, Mark R.
1997 "The Ties that Bind: Rebuilding Our Social Obligations to the Economically Vulnerable." Paper presented at the *International Conference on Socio-Economics*, July 5-7, Montreal, Canada.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1996 "Welfare Participation, Population Density, and Poverty." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 16-20, New York, New York.
- Rank, Mark R.
1996 "Welfare Use Across Generations: Dynamics and Determinants." Invited paper presented at the *National Research Council's Workshop on Welfare and Child Development*, National Academy of Sciences, April 11-12, Washington, D.C.
- Rank, Mark R.
1996 "Poverty and Welfare Reform in America." Invited address given at the *Cultural Series – Center for the Humanities*, University of Missouri - St. Louis, January 29, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "Living on the Edge: The Realities of Welfare in America." Invited keynote address given at the *Annual Beeley Lecture*, University of Utah Graduate School of Social Work, October 19, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "Poverty and Inequality versus Welfare: The Issue and the Sideshow." Invited address given at the *George Warren Brown School of Social Work's 70th Anniversary Conference*, October 13-15, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "Welfare Reform." Invited address given at the *Critical Issues Series*, Fontbonne College, October 4, St. Louis, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "A View from the Inside Out: Participants' Views of Food Assistance." Invited keynote address given at the first annual *Janet Clay White Lecture in Community Nutrition*, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University, September 28, Ithaca, New York.
- Rank, Mark R. and Li-Chen Cheng
1995 "Intergenerational Welfare Use: Understanding the Ties that Bind." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 19-23, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "The Realities of Welfare in America." Invited keynote address given at the *Public Policy Conference – Welfare Reform: Facts, Myths and Consequences*, University of California - Davis, May 5, Sacramento, California.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1995 "The Food Stamp Program and Hunger: Constructing Three Different Claims." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Meeting*, April 6-9, Chicago, Illinois.
- Rank, Mark R.
1995 "The Fatal Flaws of Welfare Reform." Invited keynote address given at the *ROWEL 23rd Annual Legislative Workshop*, January 28, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1995 "The Social Context of Food Stamp Participation." Paper presented at the *PSID Conference on Rural Development*, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, January 12-13, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Living on the Edge: The Realities of Welfare and Poverty for Families." Invited address given at the *Research Symposium Series*, Department of Family Studies, University of Missouri, November 18, Columbia, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Strategies for Addressing Poverty in America." Invited address given at the *Sixth Annual Partnerships for GAIN Conference*, November 2-4, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Thoughts about the Writing of Living on the Edge." Invited address given at the *Annual Conference of Planned Parenthood Federation of America*, October 6-9, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Welfare Reform and the Empirical Realities." Invited address given at the *Community Health Seminar Series*, Department of Community and Family Medicine, St. Louis University, September 1, St. Louis, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Rethinking Welfare Reform." Invited keynote address given at the *Southside Welfare Rights Educational Association Welfare Reform Conference*, August 19-21, St. Louis Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Living on the Edge: The Realities of Welfare in America." Invited address given at the *St. Louis Missouri Association for Social Welfare Chapter Annual Dinner*, June 2, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "The Connection Between Welfare and Illegitimacy." Invited address given at the *Planned Parenthood Symposium – Examining America's Social Ills: Is the "Illegitimacy" Argument Off Track?* May 24, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Rural and Urban Differences in Welfare Participation." Invited address given at the *Rural Congressional Caucus Colloquium Series*, May 9, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1994 "Welfare in America: Looking Beyond the Myths to the Realities." Invited address given at a briefing for the media, elected officials, and concerned citizens, sponsored by the *Reform Organization of Welfare Education Association*, April 18 in Jefferson City, Missouri; April 22 in St. Louis, Missouri; and April 23 in Kansas City, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R. and Li-Chen Cheng
1994 "The Dynamics and Determinants of Intergenerational Welfare Use." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, March 10-13, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1993 "Social Class Versus Cultural Explanations of Intergenerational Welfare Use." Invited address given at the *Faculty Research Forum Series*, Department of Rural Sociology, Cornell University, December 3, Ithaca, New York.
- Rank, Mark R.
1993 "Family Impoverishment Today." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 10-15, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1993 "The Link Between Population Density and Food Stamp Participation." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 13-17, Miami Beach, Florida.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1993 "Welfare and the Rural Poor: Reasons for Nonparticipation." Paper presented at the *Annual Rural Sociological Society Meeting*, August 7-10, Orlando, Florida.

- Rank, Mark R., Li-Chen Cheng, and Donald Cox
1992 "The Dynamics and Determinants of Intergenerational Welfare Use." Paper presented at the *Faculty Research Forum*, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, December 2, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1992 "A View from the Inside Out: Recipients' Perceptions of Welfare." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 20-24, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1992 "The Impact of Population Density Upon the Use of Welfare Programs." Paper presented at the *Institute for Research on Poverty and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation Research Seminar Series*, May 7, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1992 "Focus on Families, Poverty, and Welfare Use." Paper presented at the *Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family*, March 11-15, Washington, DC.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1991 "Does Urbanism Affect Welfare Participation?" Paper presented at the *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, March 21-23, Washington, D.C.
- Rank, Mark R. and Donald Cox
1990 "An Empirical Analysis of Family Intergenerational Transfer Motives." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 9-14, Seattle, Washington.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1990 "The Ecological Determinants of Welfare Incidence: The Importance of Population Density." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 11-15, Washington, DC.
- Hirschl, Thomas A. and Mark R. Rank
1990 "A Contextual Model of Welfare Use." Paper presented at the *Annual Rural Sociological Society Meeting*, August 8-11, Norfolk, Virginia.
- Rank, Mark R.
1990 "Changing Family Structures: The Impact on Society." Invited address given at the *Metropolitan Association for Philanthropy*, January 9, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R.
1989 "Patterns and Determinants of Employment in the Welfare Population." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 9-13, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
1989 "Fertility Among Women on Welfare: Incidence and Determinants." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Annual Meeting*, April 6-9, St. Louis, Missouri.

- Rank, Mark R.
1988 "The Blending of Quantitative and Qualitative Data in Family Research." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Pre-Conference Workshop on Theory Construction and Research Methodology*, November 11-13, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1988 "A Rural/Urban Comparison of Welfare Use: The Importance of Population Density." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 24-28, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Rank, Mark R. and Thomas A. Hirschl
1988 "The Importance of Population Density on Exiting from Public Assistance Programs." Paper presented at the *Annual Rural Sociological Society Meeting*, August 20-23, Athens, Georgia.
- Rank, Mark R.
1987 "Pregnancy Among Women on Welfare: The Likelihood and Determinants." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 14-19, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Rank, Mark R.
1987 "The Blending of Qualitative and Quantitative Data: A Case Example." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 15-18, Chicago, Illinois.
- Kain, Edward L. and Mark R. Rank
1986 "Interpreting Public Opinion Surveys on Controversial Family Issues." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 3-7, Dearborn, Michigan.
- Rank, Mark R.
1985 "Length of Welfare Use Among Female-Headed Families: The Issue of Race Versus Opportunity." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, November 6-9, Dallas, Texas.
- Rank, Mark R.
1985 "Family Structure and the Process of Exiting from Welfare." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 26-30, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1985 "Exiting from Welfare: A Life Table Analysis." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 10-13, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Rank, Mark R. and Paul R. Voss
1983 "Wisconsin's Welfare Population: A Longitudinal Study." Paper presented at the *Applied Population Laboratory's Conference on Poverty*, November 30, Madison, Wisconsin.
- Rank, Mark R.
1982 "The Effect of the Reagan Budget Cuts on Welfare Families." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, October 13-16, Washington, DC.

- Rank, Mark R.
1982 "Theories of Social Change and the Family: The Role of Historical Materialism." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, October 13-16, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R. and Ronald M. Sabatelli
1982 "Path Analysis: A Link Between Family Theory and Research." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Pre-Conference Workshop on Theory Construction and Research Methodology*, October 12-13, Washington, DC.
- Rank, Mark R.
1982 "A Longitudinal Analysis of Marital Power." Paper presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, September 6-10, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R. and Paul R. Voss
1982 "Occupational Mobility and Attainment Among Migrants Entering the Upper Great Lakes Region." Paper presented at the *Annual Rural Sociological Society Meeting*, September 1-4, San Francisco, California.
- Rank, Mark R.
1982 "Toward a Multiple Perspective in Family Theory: The Case of Social Exchange Theory, Symbolic Interactionism, and Conflict Theory." Paper presented at the *10th International Sociological Association's World Congress of Sociology*, August 16-20, Mexico City, Mexico.
- Rank, Mark R.
1982 "The Effects of the Reagan Cuts on Welfare Recipients: Initial Empirical Evidence." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 7-9, Des Moines, Iowa.
- Rank, Mark R.
1981 "Determinants of Conjugal Influence in Wives' Employment Decision Making." Paper presented at the *National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting*, October 14-17, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Rank, Mark R.
1980 "The Transition to Marriage: A Comparison of Cohabiting and Dating Relationships Ending in Marriage or Divorce." Paper presented at the *Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, April 3-5, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Rank, Mark R.
1980 "Community Involvement: Differences Between Newcomers and Old-Timers in Nonmetropolitan Areas." Paper presented at the *Third Annual Conference on the Small City and Regional Community*, March 27-28, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Grants:

Gambrell Foundation Grant, Charlotte, North Carolina, 2026-2027. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Lessons from a Random World."

Ford Foundation Grant, Center for Social Development, Washington University, 2010-2012. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "The Course of American Lives."

Provost's Cross-School Interdisciplinary Teaching Grant, Washington University, 2011.

Panel Study of Income Dynamics Grant, University of Michigan, 2010. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Measuring the Likelihood of Work Disabilities Across the Life Course."

Ford Foundation Grant, Center for Social Development, Washington University, 2009-2010. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Measuring the Extent of Economic Hardship Across the American Life Course."

Panel Study of Income Dynamics Grant, University of Michigan, 2008. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Estimating the Life Course Dynamics of Asset Poverty."

The Longer Life Foundation Grant, 2005-2007. Co-Principal Investigator. Principal Investigator - Nancy Morrow-Howell. Grant title - "Activity Portfolios: Engagement and Health in Later Life."

Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation, United States Department of Health and Human Services Grant (subcontract with the Urban Institute), 2004-2006. Co-principal investigator. Principal Investigator - Michael Sherraden. Grant title - "Poor Finances: Asset Accumulation Among Low-income Populations."

Faculty Grants for Projects on Ethical Issues, Washington University, 2002-2004. Project leader along with Matthew O. Howard. Grant title - "Exploring the Ethical Dimensions of American Economic Inequality."

Joint Center for Poverty Research Development Grant, Northwestern University/University of Chicago, 2001-2002. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Estimating the Life Course Probabilities and Patterns of Food Stamp Use Among American Adults."

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Grant, 99-6-23 H/R002, 2001-2002. Project leader along with Thomas A. Hirschl, Department of Rural Sociology, Cornell University. Grant title - "The Social Dynamics of Financially Successful Couples."

Kemper Faculty Grant to Improve Learning, The William T. Kemper Foundation -Commerce Bank Trustees, 1997-1998. Project leader along with Larry May. Grant title - "Liberty, Equality, and Justice in America."

United States Department of Agriculture Grant, Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station (Rural Sociology) Hatch Project No. 6402, 1993-1997. Project leader along with Thomas A. Hirschl and David L. Brown, Department of Rural Sociology, Cornell University. Grant title - "The Proximate and Intergenerational Determinants of Persistent Poverty in the United States."

Institute for Research on Poverty Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, United States Department of Health and Human Services Grant, Agreement Number 327P725, 1991-1992. Principal investigator along with Thomas A. Hirschl, Department of Rural Sociology, Cornell University. Grant title - "The Impact of Population Density Upon the Use of Welfare Programs."

United States Department of Agriculture Grant, NYC-159402, 1989-1993. Project leader along with Thomas A. Hirschl, Department of Rural Sociology, Cornell University. Grant title - "The Effects of Population Density on Welfare Dynamics: A National Replication."

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and National Institute on Aging Grant, National Institutes of Health, HD26126, 1989-1991. Co-principal investigator. Principal Investigator - Donald Cox, Department of Economics, Boston College. Grant title - "An Empirical Study of Intergenerational-Transfer Motives."

Summer Faculty Research Grant, Washington University, 1988. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Living on the Edge: A Study of Welfare Recipients."

Summer Faculty Research Grant, Washington University, 1986. Principal Investigator. Grant title - "Families on Welfare."

Courses Taught:

Graduate Level

Poverty and Inequality in America
Economic Realities of the American Dream
Social, Economic, and Political Environment
Social Justice: Exploring the Reality of America's Promise
Application of Selected Sociological Perspectives
Introduction to Advanced Research
Social Policy and the Family
America's Civic Principles: Liberty, Equality, and Justice for All

Undergraduate Level

The Changing Family
Strategies of Social Research
Poverty in America
Economic Realities of the American Dream
Sociology of the Family

Professional Service:

National Organizational Contribution

Reviewer for the *National Science Foundation* (Sociology and Economics Programs).

Peer Reviewer for the *Fulbright Specialist Program*, administered by the *Council for International Exchange of Scholars*, 2010-2013.

Member of the *Visiting Committee of the School of Social Work*, University of Michigan, 2006-2009.

Member of the Executive Committee for *Journal of Social Service Research*, 1991-1997.

Elected to the Board of Directors for the *Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family*, 1993-1996.

Journal Manuscripts Reviewed for

AERA Open; American Anthropologist; American Journal of Sociology; American Sociological Review; Children and Youth Services Review; Contemporary Economic Policy; Demography; Economic Journal; Housing Policy Debate; International Migration Review; Journal of Aging and Social Policy; Journal of Applied Sociology; Journal of Contemporary Ethnography; Journal of Family Issues; Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Marriage and the Family; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of Policy History; Journal of Population Research; Journal of Social Service Research; Law and Society Review; Pediatrics; PNAS Nexus; Policy Studies Journal; Population Research and Policy Review; Poverty & Public Policy; Preventative Medicine; Psychology and Aging; Qualitative Sociology; Race and Social Problems; Research on Aging; Rural Sociology; Science Advances; Social Forces; Social Policy and Society; Social Problems; Social Psychology Quarterly; Social Science Quarterly; Social Service Review; Sociological Focus; Sociological Perspectives; Sociology of Education; The Lancet Public Health; The Review of Economics and Statistics; The Sociological Quarterly; Theory and Society

Book Manuscripts Reviewed for

Cambridge University Press; Columbia University Press; Congressional Quarterly Press; Cornell University Press; HarperCollins; Oxford University Press; Prentice-Hall; Princeton University Press; Rutgers University Press; Temple University Press; University of California Press; West Publishing Company

Partial Listing of Media Outlets Referencing Research:

Wire Services

Agence France-Press (AFP); Associated Press (AP); BBC World Service; Bloomberg News; The Canadian Press; Gannett Newspapers; McClatchy Newspapers; New York Times News Service; Los Angeles Times News Service; Reuters; United Press International (UPI)

National Newspapers

Christian Science Monitor; The Globe and Mail; The Guardian; Los Angeles Times; New York Times; USA Today; Wall Street Journal; Washington Post

Major Regional Newspapers

Atlanta Constitution; Austin American-Statesman; Baltimore Sun; Boston Globe; Charlotte Observer; Chicago Tribune; Chicago Sun-Times; Cleveland Plain Dealer; Contra Costa Times; Dallas Morning News; Denver Post; Des Moines Register; Detroit News; Detroit Free Press; El Paso Times; Fort Worth Star-Telegram; Fresno Bee; Greensboro News & Record; Hartford Courant; Houston Chronicle; Indianapolis Star; Jacksonville Florida Times-Union; Kansas City Star; Lakeland Ledger; Las Vegas Sun; Lexington Herald Leader; Louisville Courier-Journal; Memphis Commercial Appeal; Miami Herald; Milwaukee Journal Sentinel; Minneapolis Star-Tribune; Nashville Tennessean; New Orleans Times-Picayune; New York Newsday; Newark Star-Ledger; Orange County Register; Orlando Sentinel; Philadelphia Inquirer; Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; Providence Journal-Bulletin; Raleigh News and Observer; Sacramento Bee; Sarasota Herald-Tribune; Salt Lake City Desert News; San Diego Union Tribune; San Francisco Chronicle; San Francisco Examiner; San Jose Mercury News; Seattle Times;

St. Louis Post-Dispatch; Syracuse Post-Standard; Toledo Blade; Tulsa World; Washington Times; Wisconsin State Journal; Wichita Eagle

Magazines and Weekly's

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