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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Michigan State University, June 2008, East Lansing, Michigan
Human Environment: Design and Management, Specialization: Environmental Science and Policy
Dissertation: *Ecological Consumer Decision Making: Nature, Process, and Barriers in Apparel Acquisition*
- M.A.** Michigan State University, December 2003, East Lansing, Michigan
Apparel and Textiles, Specialization: International Development
Thesis: *Perceptions and Indicators of Sustainable Development: A Case Study of a Canadian Handicraft Cooperative*
- B.S.** University of Alberta, June 1999, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Human Ecology, Major: Textiles, Clothing, and Culture

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

Fall 2008 – Present Assistant Professor
Department of Apparel, Textiles and Interior Design

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

Spring 2001 – Spring 2008 Graduate Teaching Assistant
Department of Human Environment and Design

University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Summer 2006 Visiting Scholar
Department of Human Ecology

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

Fall 2008 – Present
Undergraduate Courses AT 245: Introduction to the Apparel and Textile Industry
AT 330: Apparel Consumers and Society
AT 645: Private Label Apparel Product Development

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

Spring 2001 – Spring 2008

Undergraduate Courses HED 222: Intro to Three Dimensional Apparel Design
 HED 323: Advanced Three Dimensional Apparel Design
 HED 430: Dress, Culture and Human Behavior
 HED 431: Ecology of the Textiles and Apparel Complex
 HED 439: Developing Professional in Apparel and Textiles

University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Summer 2006

Undergraduate Courses HECOL 493: Sustainable Apparel Design

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Refereed Journal Manuscripts

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (under review). The eco-conscious apparel consumer: Personal characteristics and apparel acquisition behaviors. *Clothing and Textiles Research Journal*.

Refereed Proceedings

Hiller Connell, K. Y., & Sontag, M. S. (2008). Identifying environmentally conscious apparel acquisition behaviors among eco-conscious consumers. *Proceedings of the International Textile and Apparel Association*. Schaumburg, IL. Online publication: www.itaaonline.org

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (November, 2007). Exploring variables influencing ecological decision making from the perspective of apparel consumers. *Proceedings of the International Textile and Apparel Association*. Los Angeles, CA. Online publication: www.itaaonline.org

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (2006). To buy or not to buy: An exploration of sustainable apparel consumption [Abstract]. *Proceedings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science*.

Hiller Connell, K. Y., & Sontag, M. S. (2005). Perceptions and indicators of sustainable development: A case study of a Canadian handicraft cooperative [Abstract]. *Proceedings of the Sustainability Conference 2005: International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic, and Social Sustainability* (p. 55). Victoria, Australia: Common Ground Publishing.

Sullivan, P., Hawley, J. M., Dickson, M. A., Littrell, M., Kim, Y., Forney, J., Norum, P., Sontag, S., **Hiller (Connell), K.**, & Crown, B. (2003). ESRAB: Sustainable development and educators for socially responsible apparel business. *Proceedings of the International Textile and Apparel Association*. Savannah, GA. Online publication: www.itaaonline.org.

Refereed Paper Presentations

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (2009, April). *Sustainable apparel consumption: An examination of acquisition barriers*. Paper to be presented at the Villanova University Sustainability Conference, Villanova University, Villanova, PA. (forthcoming)

Hiller Connell, K. Y., & Sontag, M. S. (2008, November). *Identifying environmentally conscious apparel acquisition behaviors among eco-conscious consumers*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Textiles and Apparel Association, Schaumburg, IL.

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (2007, November). *Exploring variables influencing ecological decision making from the perspective of apparel consumers*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Textile and Apparel Association, Los Angeles, CA.

Sullivan, P., Hawley, J. M., Dickson, M. A., Littrell, M., Kim, Y., Forney, J., Norum, P., Sontag, S., **Hiller (Connell), K.**, & Crown, B. (2003). *ESRAB: Sustainable development and educators for socially responsible apparel business*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Textile and Apparel Association. Savannah, GA.

Hiller (Connell), K. Y. (1999, May). Greening of campuses: A University of Alberta housing experience. Paper presented at the International Conference of the Society for Human Ecology, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Refereed Poster Presentations

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (2009, January). *Personal characteristics and apparel acquisition behaviors of the eco-conscious apparel consumer*. Poster to be presented at the K-State Sustainability Conference, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (forthcoming)

Hiller Connell, K. Y. (2006). *To buy or not to buy: An exploration of sustainable apparel consumption*. Poster presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Science Conference, St. Louis, Missouri

Other Publications

Sontag, M. S., & **Hiller Connell, K. Y.** (2004). Preparing students as agents of change. *Educators for Socially Responsible Apparel Business*. <http://www.huec.lsu.edu/esrab/resources.html#whitepapers>

GRANTSMANSHIP

Externally Competitive Grants

2002 **Hiller Connell, K. Y.** *Perceptions and Indicators of Sustainable Development: A Case Study of a Canadian Handicraft Cooperative.* Kappa Omicron Nu Paolucci Research Grant, \$3000, Principal Investigator.

Internally Competitive Grants

2008 **Hiller Connell, K. Y.** ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture Series, Kansas State University. Awarded \$1,200 to host Dr. Suzanne Loker, Professor Emeriti, Cornell University

2002 **Hiller Connell, K. Y.** *Perceptions and Indicators of Sustainable Development: A Case Study of a Canadian Handicraft Cooperative.* MSU Graduate School Research Enhancement Grant, \$500, Principal Investigator.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional

Preparing Future Faculty Fellow Program

2008-2009 Faculty Mentor for Eun Young Kim, Ph.D. student in Textile and Apparel Management, University of Missouri

Department

Kansas State University, Department of Apparel, Textiles, and Interior Design

2008-2009 Apparel Marketing and Design Alliance student organization, Faculty Adviser

2008-2009 Fashion Group International, Faculty Representative

ADVISING

Undergraduate Honor's Student Faculty Advisor

Lexi Schaible – In progress

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Courses, Workshops and Other Training

2008-2009 *New Faculty Institute*, Kansas State University

2008-2009 *Faculty Scholars Program*, Kansas State University

2008 (Fall) *Coaching Strong Women in the Power of Strategic Persuasion*, ADVANCE Institutional Transformation Workshop, Kansas State University

2007 (Summer) *Photoshop for Textiles and Apparel*, Michigan State University

Conferences Attended

International Textile and Apparel Association

2008 Schaumburg, IL

2007 Los Angeles, CA

2006 San Antonio, TX

2005 Alexandria, VA

2004 Portland, OR

2003 Savannah, GA

American Association for the Advancement of Science

2006 St. Louis, MO

International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic, and Social Sustainability

2005 Oahu, HI

Society for Human Ecology

1999 Montreal, CA

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
- Educators for Socially Responsible Apparel Business
- International Textiles and Apparel Association
- Society for Human Ecology

QUOTED OR INTERVIEWED IN PUBLICATIONS

Theisen, T. (2007, December). Green is the new black. *The Big Green*. Available online at <http://www.thebiggreen.net/article.php?id=963>

Knoblauch, J. A. (2006, November). Grad student studies new shade of green in apparel industry. Michigan State University, Environmental Science and Policy newsletter. Available online at : http://www.espp.msu.edu/news/news/20061120_greenapparel.html