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### Bio

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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Emeritus Faculty, Acad Council, Sociology

### Teaching

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#### COURSES

##### 2025-26

- Seminar on Institutional Theory and World Society: SOC 378 (Win)
- Workshop: Comparative Sociology: EDUC 387, SOC 311A (Aut, Win, Spr)

##### 2024-25

- Seminar on Institutional Theory and World Society: SOC 378 (Spr)
- Workshop: Comparative Sociology: EDUC 387, SOC 311A (Aut, Win, Spr)

##### 2023-24

- Workshop: Comparative Sociology: EDUC 387, SOC 311A (Aut, Win, Spr)

##### 2022-23

- Seminar on Institutional Theory and World Society: SOC 378 (Win)
- Workshop: Comparative Sociology: EDUC 387, SOC 311A (Aut, Win, Spr)

#### STANFORD ADVISEES

##### Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Daniella Efrat

### Publications

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#### PUBLICATIONS

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- **Christopher K. Chase-Dunn Circa 1970** *JOURNAL OF WORLD-SYSTEMS RESEARCH*  
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