

# **Rebecca Sager**

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## **Biography**

Rebecca Sager is an associate professor in the Department of Sociology. She holds a doctorate and masters of Sociology from the University of Arizona. Her work looks at the intersection of religion, politics, and social movements. She has published a number of articles on this topic and her book, *Faith, Politics, and Power: The Politics of Faith-Based Initiatives* (Oxford), looks at the role conservative evangelical movement actors played in promoting the faith based initiative at the state level. Her project, "Are You Better Off Alone?: Religious and Secular Partnerships in Social Service and Political Outreach" researches the partnerships between Catholic and secular groups in political organizing and social services. Despite an array of partnerships between Catholic and secular groups in political organizing and social services, there is still little understanding of how these partners actually feel or think about one another and how well these relationships work. Do religious activists like working with secular leaders or do they feel it is compromising their values? Do secular activists feel like they have to give up too much to work with religious leaders or that religion infuses too much of their work?

This project aims to begin to address these questions, and others, by looking at the partnerships between secular and Catholic groups in Los Angeles.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Religious Institutions, Research

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Intersection of Religion, Policy and Social Movements, Faith-Based Initiatives, Principles of Sociology, Sociology of Gender, Social Movements and Collective Behaviour, Sociology of Religion

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## **Education**

**University of Arizona**  
Ph.D. Postgraduate Studies

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