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Work Experience

Areas of expertise include group problem-solving and decision-making processes, citizen participation, issue analysis, quantitative and qualitative research methods, including program evaluation. Dr. Macoubrie has studied jury decision-making as well public perceptions and reasoning related to policy issues and public trust. Dr. Macoubrie is involved in research and consulting projects from problem analysis and study design through data collection, data analysis, report writing, and recommendations.

Education

- **Ph.D.**, Communication Studies, University of Washington
- **M.A.**, Communication Studies, University of Washington
- **B.A.**, Liberal Studies (emphasis on interdisciplinary study of problem-solving), Antioch University, Seattle

Highlights of Previous Projects

- Principal Investigator (PI) (2005-2006): *Informed Public Perceptions of Nanotechnology and Trust in Government*, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
- Project Director and PI (2004-2005): *Public Information, Development Scenarios, and Deliberation in Nanoscience and Technology Policy*, National Science Foundation
- Co-PI (2002, 2003): *Citizen Learning, Deliberation, and Reasoning in Mediated and Mixed-Mode Consensus Conferences on Technology Policy*, National Science Foundation; *A Quasi-experimental Study of the Danish-style Citizens Consensus Conference and Comparative Feasibility of its Delivery in Face to Face and Internet Modalities*, National Science Foundation

Selected Books and Publications

- Macoubrie, J. (2006). Nanotechnology: Public concerns, reasoning, and trust in government, *Public Understanding of Science*, 15, 221-241
- Macoubrie, J. (2005). Informed public perceptions of nanotechnology and public trust. Report of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars at Smithsonian Institution
- Cobb, M. & Macoubrie, J. (2004). Public perceptions about nanotechnology: Risks, benefits, and trust. *Journal of Nanoparticle Research: An Interdisciplinary Forum for Nanoscale Science and Technology*, 6 (4), 395-405
- Macoubrie, J. (2003). Logical argument structures in decision-making. *Argumentation: An International Journal of Reasoning*, 17 (3), 291-313

Selected Presentations

- Luddites or Lunatics? Nanotechnology and the Basis of Trust in Government: Lux Research Executive Summit, 2006
- Informed Public Perceptions of Nanotechnology and Public Trust: Rice University Center for Biological and Environmental Nanotechnology (CBEN), 2005
- Nanotechnology: Public concerns, Reasoning, and Trust in Government: The Nanotechnology-Biology Interface: Exploring Models for Oversight, Hubert Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, 2005
- Informed Public Perceptions of Nanotechnology and Trust in Government: Wilson Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars at the Smithsonian, 2005
- Nanotechnology and Public Trust: National Research Council, committee to review the National Nanotechnology Initiative, 2005
- Workshop participant, Research Directions II: Setting 5-10 year research agendas on nanotechnology. National Science and Technology Council, National Nanotechnology Coordination Office, & National Science Foundation, 2004
- Models for Decision-making in Citizen Participation: Symposium on Citizen Participation in Technology Policy, Boston Museum of Science, 2003