

BOUNDARY WORK AND UPPER-MIDDLE CLASS MAKING IN EARLY 21ST CENTURY FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES

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My presentation will discuss the literature that followed the publication of my 1992 book */Money, Morals, and Manners/*. It will trace my intellectual trajectory and my dialogues with the work of Bourdieu and other cultural sociologists. It will locate these debates in the context of American sociology. It will also discuss changes in the boundary patterns of French and American society over the last decade, as well as the culture and relative position of the upper-middle class in the system of inequality.