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Academic Appointments

John L. Loeb Associate Professor of the Social Sciences, Harvard University, 2015 –

Co-Director, Justice and Poverty Project, 2015 –
Faculty Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, 2015 –
Faculty Fellow, Pforzheimer House, 2013 –
Steering Committee, Program on Inequality and Social Policy, Kennedy School, 2012 –

Assistant Professor of Sociology and Social Studies, Harvard University, 2012 – 2015

Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, Harvard University, 2010 – 2013

Education

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2010

Committee: Mustafa Emirbayer (Chair), Robert Hauser, Ruth López Turley, Felix Elwert,
Jane Collins, Timothy Smeeding

Dissertation: “Eviction and the Reproduction of Urban Poverty”

Winner of the Lumpkin Dissertation Award

M.S., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2004

B.S., Justice Studies, Arizona State University, 2002

B.S., Communication, Arizona State University, 2002

Outstanding Graduate of the College of Public Programs
Summa Cum Laude

Research & Teaching Interests

Poverty & Inequality, Public Policy, Urban Sociology, Race & Ethnicity, Organizations & Work,
Theory, Ethnography

Books

Desmond, Matthew, *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the America City*. New York: Crown, 2016, pp. 418.

- ◆ Starred reviews by *Kirkus*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Library Journal*, *Booklist*
- ◆ Most anticipated titles of 2016 by *Kirkus*, *The Guardian*, *Publishers Weekly*
- ◆ Barnes and Noble “Discover Great New Writers” Pick

- ◆ United Kingdom edition: Allen Lane, Penguin Books
- ◆ Korean translation: Dongnyok Press.

Desmond, Matthew (ed.), *Severe Deprivation in America, Volumes I & II*. RSF: *The Russell Sage Journal of the Social Sciences*. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2015, pp. 290.

Emirbayer, Mustafa, and Matthew Desmond, *The Racial Order*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2015, pp. 476.

- ◆ Symposium on the book forthcoming in *Ethnic and Racial Studies* (2016)

Desmond, Matthew, and Mustafa Emirbayer, *Race in America*. New York: Norton, 2015, pp. 500.

First Edition: *Racial Domination, Racial Progress: The Sociology of Race in America*. New York: McGraw-Hill, 2009, pp. 648.

Desmond, Matthew, *On the Fireline: Living and Dying with Wildland Firefighters*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2007, pp. 369.

- ◆ *Winner of the Max Weber Award for Distinguished Scholarship*
- ◆ *Winner of the Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award*
- ◆ *C. Wright Mills Award Finalist*

Reviewed or profiled in: *Science* · *Choice* · *Library Journal* · *The Chronicle of Higher Education* · *San Francisco Chronicle* · *Christian Science Monitor* · *History Wire* · *Campaign for the American Reader* · *Teaching Sociology* · *Communication Matters* · *The British Journal of Sociology* · *Sociological Forum* · *Work and Occupations* · *Journal of Risk Research* · *Contemporary Sociology* · *Administrative Science Quarterly* · *Rural Sociology* · *Social Forces* · *Canadian Journal of Sociology* · *American Journal of Sociology* · *International Journal of Sociology*

Articles

Desmond, Matthew, and Kristin L. Perkins, “Are Landlords Overcharging Housing Voucher Holders?” *City and Community* 15 (2016), forthcoming.

Desmond, Matthew, and Kristin Perkins, “Household and Housing Instability,” *Urban Affairs Review*, (2016), forthcoming.

- Desmond, Matthew, "Heavy Is the House: Rent Burden among the American Urban Poor," *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* (2016), forthcoming.
- Greenberg, Deena, Carl Gershenson, and Matthew Desmond, "The Disparate Impact of Eviction," *Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review* 53 (2016): 601-45.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Carl Gershenson, "Housing and Employment Insecurity among the Working Poor," *Social Problems* 63 (2016): 46-67.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Severe Deprivation in America: An Introduction," *RSF: The Russell Sage Journal of the Social Sciences* 1 (2015): 1-11.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Monica Bell, "Poverty, Housing, and the Law," *Annual Review of Law and Social Science* 11 (2015): 15-35.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Tracey Shollenberger, "Forced Displacement from Rental Housing: Prevalence and Neighborhood Consequences," *Demography* 52 (2015): 1751-72.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Rachel Tolbert Kimbro, "Eviction's Fallout: Housing, Hardship, and Health," *Social Forces* 94 (2015): 295-324.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Weihua An, "Neighborhood and Network Disadvantage among City Dwellers," *Sociological Science* 2 (2015): 329-50.
- Desmond, Matthew, Carl Gershenson, and Barbara Kiviat, "Forced Relocation and Residential Instability among Urban Renters," *Social Service Review* 89 (2015): 227-62.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Who Speaks for the Dispossessed?" *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 38 (2015): 1258-63.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Unaffordable America: Poverty, Housing, and Eviction," *Fast Focus: Institute for Research on Poverty* 22 (2015) 1-6.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Relational Ethnography," *Theory and Society* 43 (2014): 547-79.
- Desmond, Matthew, "How Should We Study Social Suffering?" *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 37 (2014): 1761-66.
- Desmond, Matthew, Weihua An, Richelle Winkler, and, Thomas Ferriss, "Evicting Children," *Social Forces* (2013) 92: 303-27.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Nicol Valdez, "Unpolicing the Urban Poor: Consequences of Third Party Policing on Inner-City Women," *American Sociological Review* 78 (2013): 117-41.
- ◆ *Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship in Race, Gender, and Class, Am. Sociological Assoc.*
 - ◆ *Distinguished Article in the Sociology of Law (honorable mention), Am. Sociological Assoc.*

- Desmond, Matthew, "Is Democratic Regulation of High Finance Possible?" *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 649 (2013): 180-84.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Eviction and the Reproduction of Urban Poverty," *American Journal of Sociology* 118 (2012): 88-133.
- ◆ *Jane Addams Award for Best Article in Community and Urban Sociology, Am. Sociological Assoc.*
 - ◆ *Oliver Cromwell Cox Award for Best Article on Ethnic and Racial Minorities, Am. Sociological Assoc.*
 - ◆ *John Hope Franklin Prize for Best Article on Race, Racism, and the Law, Law and Society Assoc.*
- Desmond, Matthew, "Disposable Ties and the Urban Poor," *American Journal of Sociology* 117 (2012): 1295-1335 (Lead article).
- ◆ French translation: "*Les liens jetables et la pauvreté urbaine*," *Communications* 98 (2016): 67-79.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Mustafa Emirbayer, "To Imagine and Pursue Racial Justice," *Race, Ethnicity and Education* 15 (2012): 259-89.
- Emirbayer, Mustafa, and Matthew Desmond, "Race and Reflexivity," *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 35 (2012): 574-599 (Lead article in a symposium).
- ◆ Commentaries by Kimberly McClain DaCosta, John L. Jackson, Jr., Wendy Leo Moore, Mary Pattillo, Stephen Steinberg, Sudhir Venkatesh, Howard Winant
- Turley, Ruth López, and Matthew Desmond, "Contributions to College Costs by Married, Divorced, and Remarried Parents," *Journal of Family Issues* 32 (2011): 767-90.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Making Firefighters Deployable," *Qualitative Sociology* 34 (2011): 59-77.
- ◆ Reprinted in A. Wharton (Ed.), *Working in America: Continuity, Conflict, and Change in a New Economic Era*, Fourth Edition (New York: Paradigm Publishers, 2014).
- Turley, Ruth López, Matthew Desmond, and Sarah Bruch, "Unanticipated Educational Consequences of a Positive Child-Parent Relationship," *Journal of Marriage and Family* 72 (2010): 1377-90.
- Martin, John Levi, and Matthew Desmond, "Political Position and Social Knowledge," *Sociological Forum* 25 (2010): 1-26 (Lead article).
- Desmond, Matthew, and Mustafa Emirbayer, "What is Racial Domination?" *Du Bois Review: Social Science Research on Race* 6 (2009): 335-55.
- ◆ Reprinted in S. Ferguson (Ed.), *Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Social Class* (London: Sage, 2012).
 - ◆ Reprinted in S. Ferguson (Ed.), *Mapping the Social Landscape: Readings in Sociology*, Sixth Edition (New York: McGraw-Hill, 2012).

Desmond, Matthew, and Ruth López Turley, "The Role of Familism in Explaining the Hispanic-White College Application Gap," *Social Problems* 56 (2009): 311-34.

Desmond, Matthew, "Becoming a Firefighter," *Ethnography* 7 (2006): 387-421 (Lead article).

- ◆ Spanish Translation: "Haciéndose bombero," *Apuntes de Investigación del Cecyp* 20 (2011): 93-128.
- ◆ Reprinted in S. Delamont (Ed.), *Ethnographic Methods in Education* (London: Sage, 2011).
- ◆ Reprinted in R. Hobbs (Ed.), *Ethnography in Context* (London: Sage, 2011).

Desmond, Matthew, "Des morts incompetents," *Actes de la recherche en sciences sociales* 165 (2006): 8-27 (Lead article).

Articles under Review

Desmond, Matthew, and Andrew Papachristos, "Police Violence and Citizen Crime Reporting in the Black Community," revised and resubmitted to *American Sociological Review* (2nd R&R)

Desmond, Matthew, and Carl Gershenson, "Who Gets Evicted? Assessing Individual, Neighborhood, and Network Factors"

Desmond, Matthew, and Adam Travis, "Political Consequences of Survival Strategies among the Urban Poor"

Working Papers

"Extreme Disadvantage: Conceptualization and Measurement," commissioned by the *Annual Review of Sociology* (with Robert Sampson and Bruce Western)

"Do More Evictions Lead to Higher Crime? Neighborhood Consequences of Forced Displacement," commissioned by *Evidence and Innovation in Housing Law and Policy* (New York: Cambridge University Press), edited by Lee Fennell and Benjamin Keys

"Exploiting the Inner City: Poverty, Profit, and Property" (with Nathan Wilmers)

Essays and Editorials

Desmond, Matthew, "Poverty by Design," *New York Times*, March 6, 2016.

Desmond, Matthew, "Forced Out," *The New Yorker*, February 8 & 15, 2016.

Desmond, Matthew, "Evictions: A Hidden Scourge for Black Women," *Washington Post*, June 16, 2014.

Desmond, Matthew, "Fighting Wildfires, Processing Death," *New York Times*, July 6, 2013.

- Desmond, Matthew, "Tipping the Scales in Housing Court," *New York Times*, November 29, 2012.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Housing Crisis in the Inner City," *Chicago Tribune*, April 18, 2010.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Who's Helping the Evicted?" *Everyday Sociology*, June 13, 2009.
- Desmond, Matthew, "The Real W-2 Problem is Stagnant Pay," *Wisconsin State Journal*, April 11, 2008.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Bottoms Up," *Contexts* 8 (2009): 69-71.
- ◆ Nominated for the Claude S. Fisher Award for Excellence in *Contexts*
- Desmond, Matthew, "The Lie of Heroism," *Contexts* 7 (2008): 56-58.

Policy Reports

- Desmond, Matthew. 2010. *Evictions in Milwaukee County 2008 – 2009: Estimating the Impact of Aid from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act*. Commissioned by Community Advocates, Milwaukee, WI.

Surveys Designed

- Milwaukee Rental Property Owners Survey (MRPOS), 2015. Principal Investigator.
- Milwaukee Area Renters Study (MARS), 2009-2011. Principal Investigator.
- Milwaukee Eviction Court Study (MECS), 2011. Principal Investigator.

Awards

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| 2015 | MacArthur Fellow, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation |
| 2015 | Clark Award, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University |
| 2014 | Distinguished Article Award (honorable mention), American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Law |
| 2014 | Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship, Best Award, American Sociological Association Section on Race, Gender, and Class |
| 2014 | John Hope Franklin Prize "to recognize exceptional scholarship in the field of Race, Racism, and the Law," Law and Society Association |

- 2013 Oliver Cromwell Cox Award for Best Article, American Sociological Association Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities
- 2013 Jane Addams Award for Best Article, American Sociological Association Section on Community and Urban Sociology
- 2011 Wisconsin Fair Housing Network Partnership Award
- 2011 Lumpkin Dissertation Award, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2010 Nominated for the Claude S. Fisher Award for Excellence in *Contexts*
- 2009 Max Weber Award for Distinguished Scholarship, American Sociological Association Section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work Best Book Prize
- 2009 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy, Eli Ginzberg Award, “for a project involving solutions to major health and welfare problems in urban settings”
- 2009 University of Wisconsin Graduate School, Multicultural Graduate Network, Graduate Student Mentor Award
- 2008-09 University of Wisconsin System Institute on Race and Ethnicity Graduate Scholars Associates
- 2008 C. Wright Mills Award Finalist, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2008 Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award for Outstanding Research in Social Studies, University of Wisconsin—Madison
- 2007 James D. Thompson Award, American Sociological Association Section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work Best Graduate Student Paper
- 2006 Distinction, Preliminary Examination in Comparative-Historical Sociology
- 2004 University of Wisconsin-Madison Innovation in Teaching Award
- 2004 Excellence in Teaching by a Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology
- 2004-05 Institute for Research on Poverty Graduate Research Fellow

Active Grants & Fellowships

- 2016 W.T. Grant Scholars Program, “When the State Takes Your Children: How Child Protective Services System Changes Young Families,” \$350,000

- 2015 National Science Foundation, “IBSS: Global Urbanization and Housing Affordability: Poverty, Property, and the City” (#1520103), Principal Investigator, \$1,000,000
- 2015 Joint Center for Housing Studies, Student Research Assistant Support Grant, “Neighborhood-Level Consequences of Eviction,” \$4,000
- 2014 Ford Foundation, “Justice and Poverty Project,” Co-PI with Bruce Western, \$500,000

Past Grants & Fellowships

- 2015 Harvard University Office of Undergraduate Education, Course Innovation Funds for Sociology 177: Poverty in America, \$2,300
- 2014 Russell Sage Foundation, “Severe Deprivation in America: Journal Issue and Conference,” \$65,000
- 2014 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, Junior Faculty Research Assistance Grant, \$2,500
- 2013 Malcolm Wiener Center for Social Policy, “Milwaukee Area Renters Study,” \$7,000
- 2012 Malcolm Wiener Center for Social Policy, “Eviction and the Reproduction of Urban Poverty,” \$7,000
- 2010 The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, “Milwaukee Area Renters Study,” \$300,000
- 2010 The William F. Milton Fund, Harvard University, “Eviction and the Reproduction of Inner-City Poverty,” \$39,965
- 2009 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy, “Eviction and the Reproduction of Inner-City Poverty,” \$5,000
- 2008 The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, “Eviction and the Reproduction of Inner-City Poverty,” \$152,000
- 2008 Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship, National Research Council of the National Academies, \$21,000
- 2008 National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant, “Doctoral Dissertation Research: The Dynamics of Eviction in the Inner-City Housing Market,” \$7,500
- 2008 American Philosophical Society Franklin Research Grant, “The Dynamics of Eviction in Inner-City Milwaukee,” \$5,000
- 2007 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Doctoral Dissertation

- Research Grant, "The Causes and Consequences of Eviction," \$25,000
- 2007 Institute for Research on Poverty Dissertation Grant, "The Causes and Consequences of Eviction," \$2,000

Grants Under Review

William F. Milton Fund, "Eviction in America: Law, Housing, and Poverty," \$49,523

Conference Papers

- Desmond, Matthew, "Parenting in Poverty," American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 22-25, 2015.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Kristin Perkins, "Are Housing Choice Voucher Holders Being Overcharged?" Urban Affairs Association, Miami, April 8-11, 2015.
- Desmond, Matthew, Carl Gershenson, and Barbara Kiviat, "Forced Relocation and Residential Instability among Urban Renters," Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, March 21, 2015.
- Desmond, Matthew, "Stability Costs too Much: Poor Families, Eviction, & the Affordable Housing Crisis," American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Presidential Plenary Panel, San Francisco, August 18, 2014.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Kristin Perkins, "Housing and Household Instability," Population Association of American, Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, May 2, 2014.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Andrew Papachristos, "Police Brutality and Legal Cynicism: The Beating of Frank Jude," American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York: August 9 – 13, 2013.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Tracey Shollenberger, "Poverty, Housing, and the Mechanisms of Neighborhood Selection," American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York: August 9 – 13, 2013.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Andrew Papachristos, "Police Brutality and Legal Cynicism: The Beating of Frank Jude," Workshop on Violence at the Urban Margins, University of Texas at Austin, April 4 – 5, 2013.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Tracey Shollenberger, "A Mechanism-Based Model of Neighborhood Selection: Why and How Poor Families Move," Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Baltimore, November 9 -10, 2012.

- Desmond, Matthew, and Rachel Kimbro, “The Effects of Eviction on Poor Mothers,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Denver: August 17-20, 2012.
- Desmond, Matthew, “Disposable Ties and the Urban Poor,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta: August 13-17, 2010.
- Desmond, Matthew, “Eviction and the Feminization of Urban Poverty,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco: August 8-11, 2009.
- Emirbayer, Mustafa, and Matthew Desmond, “Race and Reflexivity,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco: August 8-11, 2009.
- Desmond, Matthew, “Eviction and the Reproduction of Urban Poverty,” Urban Ethnography: Its Traditions and Its Future, Yale University, April 24-26, 2008.
- Desmond, Matthew, and Ruth López Turley, “Staying Home for College: An Explanation for the Hispanic-White Education Gap,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York City: August 11-14, 2007.
- Desmond, Matthew, “The Incompetent Dead,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal: August 11-14, 2006.
- Desmond, Matthew, “Becoming a Firefighter,” Eighth Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago: April 15, 2006.
- López Turley, Ruth, and Matthew Desmond, “Contributions to College Costs by Married and Divorced Parents,” Institute for Research on Poverty Seminar, Madison: December 8, 2005.
- López Turley, Ruth, and Matthew Desmond, “Contributions to College Costs by Married and Divorced Parents,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia: August 13-16, 2005.
- Desmond, Matthew, “The Logic of Risk: Tracing the Firefighting Habitus,” Second Annual Putting Bourdieu to Work Conference, Berkeley: May 12-13, 2005.

Distinguished Lectures & Keynote Speeches

- “Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City”
 University of Wisconsin—Madison, Alumni Keynote, March 2, 2016
 Arizona State University, Distinguished Alumni Lecture, April 7, 2016
 Rutgers University, Social Science Dean’s Distinguished Lectureship, April 13, 2016
 Distinguished Lecture in Sociology, WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Germany, May 9, 2016
- “The American Affordable Housing Crisis: Eviction, Exploitation, Poverty, and Survival”
 Featured Speaker at the launch of the Center for Poverty and Social Research, Columbia University, May 21, 2015

“Risky Ethnography: Five Seductions”

Keynote Speaker, *Risk, Safety, and Security in an Anthropological Perspective*
University of Aarhus, Denmark, September 6, 2011

“Locked Up and Locked Out: Eviction, Race, and Poverty in the Inner City”

Keynote Speaker, McGee Lecture Series: Marquette University, October 11, 2010

Invited Presentations

“Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City”

American Library Association, Boston, MA, January 9, 2016

Nieman Foundation, Harvard University, February 10, 2016

Marquette University Law School, On the Issues, March 1, 2016

Malcolm Wiener Center, Harvard Kennedy School, March 3, 2016

PNC Bank and A Wider Circle, Washington, DC, March 4, 2016

Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, March 9, 2016

Carter Presidential Library, Atlanta, March 10, 2016

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, March 15, 2016

University of Chicago, March 15, 2016

New England Independent Booksellers Association, March 18, 2016

London School of Economics, March 21, 2016

Library of Philadelphia, April 14, 2016

Johns Hopkins University, March 21, 2016

Chicago Humanities Festival, May 15, 2016

“Poverty, Power, and Pragmatism”

Pragmatism and Sociology, University of Chicago, August 21, 2015

“Housing, Poverty, and the Law”

The Yale Law School, April 2, 2015

Harvard Law School, March 23, 2015

Bucknell University, October 1, 2010

“The American Affordable Housing Crisis: Eviction, Exploitation, Poverty, and Survival”

University of California—Davis, Center for Poverty Research, November 20, 2015

The Ohio State University, Form/Huber Colloquium, October 9, 2015

University of Bern, Switzerland, September 16, 2015

University of Chicago, School of Social Service Administration, April 30, 2015

University of Chicago, Department of Sociology, April 29, 2015

Yale University, Department of Sociology, April 3, 2015

National Low Income Housing Coalition Legislative Forum, Washington, D.C., March 1, 2015

New York Law School, Housing Justice Forum, December 5, 2014

University of Washington, Sociology Colloquium, May 13, 2014

West Coast Poverty Center, Seattle, May 12, 2014

University of Georgia, Sociology Colloquium, April 11, 2014

Brown University, Sociology Colloquium, March 11, 2014

Governance and the Politics in the Changing American City, Harvard, October 11, 2013
Inequality Reexamined: Conference in Honor of Christopher Jencks, Harvard, October 11, 2013
Stanford University, Sociology Colloquium, October 17, 2013
University of Pennsylvania, Sociology Colloquium, October 23, 2013

“The Disparate Impact of Eviction”

Housing Justice Network Annual Meeting, San Francisco, October 16, 2013

“The Role Research on Policy”

Australian National University, March 19, 2013

“Managing Economic Uncertainty through Better Governance”

Australian National University, March 18, 2013

“Housing Court, the Economics of Rental Housing, and the Quality of Life in NYC”

New York City’s Housing Court at 40: Controversies, Challenges, and Prospects for the Future,
March 11, 2013

“Mechanisms of Neighborhood Selection: Why and How Poor Families Move”

University of Queensland, Australia, March 20, 2013

Northwestern, Department of Sociology Colloquium, February 28, 2013

NYU Law School, Law, Economics, & Politics of Urban Affairs, February 13, 2013

UCLA, Department of Sociology, February 8, 2013

Harvard School of Public Health, December 13, 2012

“The Problem of Technocratic Democracy”

MIT, Department of Anthropology, December 7, 2012

“The Milwaukee Area Renters Study”

Center for Housing Policy, Chicago, October 26, 2012

“Exploiting the Inner City”

MIT-Harvard University, Economic Sociology Seminar, February 20, 2013

Yale University, Symposium on Inequality, September 7, 2012

University of York, Research Seminar: Symbolic Power and Urban Inequality, May 31, 2012

“Race in the European Imagination”

Counsel for European Studies, Boston, March 23, 2012

“Relational Ethnography”

University of Chicago, Department of Sociology, April 29, 2015

UCLA, Department of Sociology, February 9, 2013

University of Amsterdam, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, September 9, 2011

“The Incompetent Dead”

University of Freiburg, Institute for Advanced Studies, September 12, 2011

University of Aarhus, Denmark, Dept. of Anthropology and Ethnography, September 6, 2011

“The Ethnographer and The Scholar”

University of Wisconsin—Madison, December 3, 2012

Rice University, Department of Sociology, October 6, 2011

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas: August 21, 2011

Second Boston Community Meeting of Field Researchers, MIT, May 21, 2011

“Unpolicing the Urban Poor: Consequences of Third-Party Policing on Inner-City Women”

University of California—Berkeley, Boalt Law School, April 8, 2013

American Civil Liberties Union, National Headquarters, New York, February 14, 2013

Max Planck-Sciences Po Center, Paris, January 21, 2013

University of Wisconsin—Madison, Department of Sociology, December 3, 2012

University of Chicago, Department of Sociology, November 26, 2012

King’s College London, Department of Management, May 30, 2012

Organizational Studies Seminar, MIT Sloan School of Management, April 29, 2011

Organizational Behavior Seminar, Harvard Business School, February 14, 2011

Harvard Law School, March 7, 2011

“Disposable Ties and the Urban Poor”

Sociology Colloquium, Rice University, October 7, 2011

Poverty and Marginality in the Americas, University of Texas at Austin, April 1, 2011

Center for Wealth and Inequality Seminar Series, Columbia University, February 10, 2011

Sociology Colloquium, The State University of New York at Buffalo, October 18, 2010

Sociology Colloquium, Brandeis University, November 4, 2010

“Eviction and the Reproduction of Urban Poverty”

Harvard Law School, Faculty Colloquium, March 25, 2013

Cultures et Sociétés Urbaines, Université de Paris, June 4, 2012

London School of Economics, Sociology Department, May 29, 2012

University of California at Berkeley, Sociology Colloquium, March 20, 2012

University of Amsterdam, Sociology & Anthropology Colloquium, September 8, 2011

University of Texas—Austin, Sociology Colloquium, September 10, 2009

University of Michigan, Sociology Department, November 2, 2009

Duke University, Sociology Department, November 9, 2009

Harvard University, Sociology Department, November 16, 2009

Rice University, Sociology Department, November 19, 2009

Purdue University, Sociology Colloquium, April 20, 2009

Ethnography Workshop, Northwestern University, March 31, 2009

“Are Poor Women Bearing the Brunt of the Eviction Crisis?”

Institute for Research on Poverty, April 24, 2009

“Making Workers Deployable”

British Sociological Association Annual Conference, Coventry, UK, March 28-30, 2008

Teaching & Advising

Harvard University

Graduate Courses

Sociology 204: Classical Theory
Sociology 234: Ethnographic Fieldwork
Sociology 310: Qualifying Paper Workshop

Undergraduate Courses

Sociology 97: Tutorial in Social Theory
Sociology 177: Poverty in America
Social Studies 98md: Race in America
Social Studies 98na: The American Ghetto

Visiting Courses

“Poverty in America,” University of Bern, Switzerland (September 14-18, 2015)

Dissertation Committees

Jasmin Sandelson (Chair)
Monica Bell
Eva Rosen
Ekédi Mpondi-Dika
David Hureau
Jessica Simes
Phoenix Chi Wang
Katie Derzon
Joe Krupnick
Thomas Wooten

Qualifying Paper Committees

Jasmin Sandelson (Chair), Distinction
Adam Travis (Chair)
Monica Bell
Blythe George
Jonathan Mijs
Kelley Fong

Undergraduate Theses Chaired

Madeline Halimi, Social Studies, 2015 (*Magna Cum Laude*)
Tianhao He, Sociology, 2015 (High Honors)

Gillian Slee, Social Studies, 2016
Paige Woods, Social Studies, 2016

Graduate Research Assistants

Weihua An
Carl Gershenson
Barbara Kiviat
Ekédi Mpondo-Dika
Kristin Laurel Perkins
Andreja Siliunas
Tracey Shollenberger
Adam Travis
Nathan Wilmers

Undergraduate Research Assistants

Samarth Gupta
Barbara Halla
Luke Heine
Elizabeth Lopez
Natalie Nogueira
Alondra Ramirez
Jasmin Salazar
Juhwan Seo
Gillian Slee
Dustin Swonder
Christina Tapiero
Lily Velona
Akshay Verma
Change Wang
Karoline Xu

Service

Harvard University

University-Wide

Faculty Fellow, Pforzheimer House, 2013 –
Standing Committee on Research Policy, 2015 –
Winter Session Presentation on Writing a Senior Thesis, 2013, 2014
Hoopes Prize Social Science Committee, 2012, 2014
Steering Committee, Qualitative Social Science at Harvard, 2012

Departmental

Department of Sociology, General Written Examination Committee, 2015
Department of Sociology, Committee on Undergraduate Degrees, 2015
Department of Sociology, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2012, 2014
Department of Sociology, Junior Search Committee, 2012
Department of Sociology, Website Committee, 2012
Department of Sociology, Committee on Higher Degrees, 2013-14, 2014-15
Kennedy School of Government, Social Policy Graduate Admissions Committee, 2012, 2016

Professional

Consulting Editor, *American Journal of Sociology*, 2015–
Editorial Board, *Sociological Theory*, 2011– 2014

John Hope Franklin Prize Committee Chair, Law and Society Association, 2015
ASA Session Organizer: Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility: Extreme Poverty, Annual Meeting, 2014
Cox Article Award Committee Chair, ASA Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, 2014
Lifetime Achievement Award Committee, ASA Section on Community and Urban Sociology, 2014
Max Weber Award Committee, ASA Section on Organizations, Occupations, & Work, 2010
Thompson Award Committee, ASA Section on Organizations, Occupations, & Work, 2008

Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Social Forces*, *Demography*, *University of Chicago Press*, *Oxford University Press*, *University of California Press*, *Russell Sage Foundation*, *W. T. Grant Foundation*, *Sociology of Education*, *Sociological Theory*, *City and Community*, *Ethnography*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Men & Masculinities*, *Du Bois Review: Social Science Research on Race*, *Sociological Methods and Research*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *Law and Social Inquiry*, *International Journal of Crime, Law, and Justice*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Housing Policy Debate*

Community

Research Consultant (pro bono), Columbia Legal Services, Seattle, WA, 2014 -
Research Consultant (pro bono), ACLU, New York City, NY, 2013 -
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