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*Curriculum Vitae*  
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PhD Candidate of Sociology  
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**Education**

- Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley (expected 2018).  
*Designated Emphasis:* Global Metropolitan Studies.  
*Dissertation:* “Managing Marginality: Homeless Regulation and Survival in San Francisco”  
Committee: Loïc Wacquant (chair), Armando Lara-Milan. Nancy Scheper-Hughes, Teresa Gowan.  
*Field Exams:* Social Theory (Michael Burawoy), Urban Sociology (Loïc Wacquant and Dick Walker), Poverty (Margaret Weir).
- M.A. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2013.
- M.A. Social Anthropology, Central European University, 2010.
- B.A. Economics, Bard College, 2008.

**Research and Teaching Interests**

Urban Sociology, Comparative Urban and Regional Studies; Poverty, Penalty, and the Welfare State; Contemporary and Classical Social Theory, State Theory, and Political Economy; Ethnography, Qualitative Methods, Community Action Research.

**Publications**

(Article) Forthcoming. “Tent City Urbanism: The Resurgence of Homeless Camps in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.” *Places*.

(Article) with Emily Rosenman. Forthcoming. “Engels in the Crescent City: Revisiting the Housing Question in Post-Katrina New Orleans.” *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies*.

(Article) with Manuel Lutz. 2015. “The Roots and Implications of the United States’ Homeless Tent Cities.” *City*, 19 (5).

(Article). 2014. “The New Logics of Homeless Seclusion: A Comparative Study of Homeless Encampments in the Western United States.” *City and Community*, 13(4), 285-309.

(Book Chapter) 2013. “The Housing Question of Disaster Reconstruction: Rebuilding New Orleans on the Tenants of an Ownership Society.” In E. Murphy and N. Hourani (eds.), *The Housing Question: Tensions, Continuities, and Contingencies in the Modern City*. Ashgate Press.

(Book Chapter) with Zoltan Gluck. 2012. "The Homeless Question of Occupy." In *Occupy!: Scenes from Occupy America*. New York: Verso Press.

(Book Review) 2010. *Central European University Journal of Political Science*: Loic Wacquant, *Punishing the Poor: The Neoliberal Government of Social Insecurity* (London: Duke University Press, 2009), 365 pp.

### **Works in Progress**

(Article) R&R with *Environment and Planning D: Space and Society*. "Toward a Political Ecology of Disaster: The Urbanization of Neoliberalism in New Orleans."

(Article) with M. Rosaldo, J. Seim, and B. Shestakovsky. to be submitted to *Teaching Sociology*. "Teaching Theory Ethnographically."

(Article) with Documentary Photographer Ian Martin. to be submitted to *Visual Anthropology*. "Homeless by Law: The Perverse Effects of Jessica's Law."

### **Selected Presentations and Talks**

#### Homelessness

"The New Logics of Homeless Containment: A Comparative Study of Large-Scale Homeless Encampments in the Western US."

- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Regular Session, Welfare State Section. Chicago. 2015.
- St. Mary's College, Urban Sociology Course. Invited Lecture. Moraga. 2014.
- Research Committee on Urban and Regional Development (RC21) of the International Sociological Association, section on "Urban Camps in a Global Perspective." Berlin, DE. 2013.
- American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Los Angeles. 2013.
- Journal of Urban Affairs Annual Meeting. San Francisco. 2013.
- University of Minnesota Graduate Seminar on Ethnography. Invited Lecture. St. Paul. 2013.

"Islands of Marginality: The Roots of the Resurgence of Large-Scale Homeless Encampments"

- American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco. 2012.
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Regular Session, Poverty Section. Las Vegas. 2011.
- Spaces and Flows: An international conference on urban and extraurban studies. University of California, Los Angeles. 2011.

"Homeless by Law: Crafting a Photo-ethnography of California's Transient Sex-Offenders."

- UC Berkeley Center for Urban Ethnography "Images from the Field" lecture series. 2011.

Author Meets Critics with Teresa Gowan, *Hobos, Hustlers, and Backsliders*. Ann Lucas Lecture Series, San Jose State University. 2011.

#### Disaster and the Housing State

"The Housing Question of Disaster Reconstruction: Proudhon in New Orleans."

- American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, section on "Revisiting the Housing Question." New York City. 2012.

“Towards a Critical Geography of Disaster Reconstruction.”

- Journal of Urban Affairs Annual Meeting. New Orleans. 2011.

“The Housing Question of Disaster Reconstruction: Homeownership as the Sine Qua Non of Citizenship.”

- Conference, “Infrastructures of Home and City: The Problem of Housing in Modern Urban Society.” Panel on “Right to the City.” Global Urban Studies Program, Michigan State University. 2010.

“Toward a Political Ecology of Disaster: The Urbanization of Neoliberalism in New Orleans.”

- Conference, “A Brief History of Environmental Neoliberalism.” World Ecology Research Group, Lund University, Sweden. 2010.

### **Fellowships, Grants, and Awards**

- UC Global Metropolitan Studies Dissertation Fellowship, 2015.
- UC Berkeley Sociology Social Justice Fellowship, 2015. Community Action Research Grant.
- UC Berkeley Human Rights Fellowship, UC Berkeley Law School. In collaboration with Dilara Yarbrough, UCSD, and the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness, 2015.
- [Sociological Initiatives Foundation Grant](#). Community Action Research Grant in collaboration with Dilara Yarbrough, UCSD, the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness. 2015.
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow, 2011-2015.
- Berkeley Sociology Department Graduate Fellowship, 2010.
- Central European University Graduate Fellowship, 2008.
- Thomas J. Watson Fellowship (Declined), 2008.
  
- UC Berkeley Sociology Alumni Prize for Public Sociology. With the Berkeley Journal of Sociology Editorial Collective for the revised and revamped online first publication. 2015.
- UC Berkeley Teaching Effectiveness Award, 2015.
- UC Berkeley Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, 2014.
- Spaces and Flows Conference Graduate Scholar Award, UCLA. Paper award for *New Logics of Homeless Seclusion*. 2010.
- CEU Department of Social Anthropology Academic Achievement Award. Highest ranked in Department. 2010
- Leon Botstein Award. Highest interdisciplinary achievement in graduating class of Bard College. 2008.

### **Teaching & Mentoring**

*University of California Berkeley*

- Instructor of Record for Advanced Workshop in Qualitative Methods, 2014.
- Graduate Instructor for Contemporary Social Theory (Burawoy), 2014.
- Graduate Instructor for Classical Social Theory (Burawoy), 2013.
- Graduate Instructor for Urban Sociology (Reed), 2013.
- Honors Thesis Mentor, Urban Studies, 2013, 2014.
- Honors Thesis Mentor, Sociology, 2012.
- Reader for Economic Sociology (Fligstein) and Sociology of Poverty (Sanchez-Jankowski), 2011-2012.

*Other*

- Survey and Interview Training for community based research, San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness, 2015.
- College Prep instructor, Eastern Correctional Facility. Bard Prison Initiative, 2006-2008.

### **Civic/Public Sociology**

#### *Journalism, Essays, and Cultural Criticism*

(Essay) 2015. “Sheltering those with Nothing: Architects Confront Homelessness.” Introductory Essay for the 2016 Berkeley Prize Essay Competition. UC Berkeley, College of Environmental Design.

(Article Series) 2015. “Punishing the Poorest.” *Street Sheet*. San Francisco. Six articles for San Francisco’s Homeless Street newspaper based on the research report published with Dilara Yarbrough and the SF Coalition on Homelessness.

(Commentary) 2014. “Four Fallacies of the Jungle Eviction.” *BeyondChron*. San Francisco.

- Republished in the *Street Spirit, KQED Forum*. Cited on *Alternet, Truthout, California Planning and Development Report, Planetizen*.

(Co-Editor) with Manissa McCleave Maharawal. 2014. “Struggles for the Public University.” *Berkeley Journal of Sociology*.

(Essay) 2014. “The Magical Bum: The Cinematic Paradox of Positive Portrayals of Homelessness.” *The State of Things Film Journal*. Los Angeles.

(Book Review) 2013. *California Historical Society Magazine*. Mark Wyman, *Hoboes: Bindlestiffs, fruit tramps, and the harvesting of the west*. (New York: Hill and Wang, 2010), 336 pp. & Art Hazelwood, *Hobos to Street People: Artists Responses to Homelessness from the New Deal to the Present*. (San Francisco: Freedom Voices, 2011).

(Article) with Zoltan Gluck. 2012. “Rearticulating the Struggle for Education.” *The Occupy Gazette*. New York: N+1 Publishing.

(Article) 2012. “Occupy Academia!” *London School of Economics’ Impact Blog*.

(Editor) 2012. “Understanding Occupy: Perspectives of the Social Sciences.” *Berkeley Journal of Sociology*.

#### *Policy*

(Policy Report) with Dilara Yarborough and the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness, 2015.

“Punishing the Poorest: How San Francisco’s Criminalization of Homelessness Perpetuates Poverty.”

- Dedicated articles on the report published in the San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco Weekly, the San Francisco Bay View, and the Huffington Post.

(Policy Brief) with Dilara Yarborough and the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness, 2015. “How ‘Quality of Life’ Enforcement Affects Homelessness” for California State Senate Bill SB608 “The Right to Rest Act.”

(Policy Report) 2010. “Tent Cities in America: A Pacific Coast Report.” National Coalition for the Homeless. Washington DC.

- Cited on *NBC, CBS, Newsweek, The Huffington Post, Atlantic Cities, Daily Telegraph* (London), *United Nations Newsletter, Education News*, Legislative Analysis of California Senate Bill SB608, and dozen of local news reports.

#### *Public Presentations*

“Punishing the Poorest: How Criminalization of Homelessness Perpetuates Poverty in San Francisco.”

- Presented findings at a community public release, to the San Francisco Probation Department’s Re-Entry Council, Public Defender’s Office, Mayor’s Office of Housing

Opportunity Partnerships and Engagement (HOPE), City Supervisors, Police Commission, Police Chief, District Attorney's Office. June – September, 2015.

“Coping with Tent City”

- Metropolitan Dallas Homeless Alliance's “Hard Conversations” Series. A public forum of concerned citizens, service providers, and city officials. Dallas, TX. August, 2015.

“Advocacy and Research”

- National Strategy Summit to End the Criminalization of Homelessness. Workshop with homeless activists across the US. National Coalition on Homelessness. Denver, CO. April, 2015.

“The State of San Francisco's Homeless Services.”

- A Better San Francisco Foundation. San Francisco, CA. April, 2015.

“Homeless by Law: The Perverse Effects of Jessica's Law.”

- The Berkeley Prison Law Office. Berkeley, CA. June, 2012.
- The California Sex Offenders Management Board. Sacramento, CA. June, 2012.

**Workshops and Seminars**

- Atlas TI Training Sequence participant. UC Berkeley's D-Lab, 2015.
- International Sociological Association Research Committee 21 on Urban and Regional Research summer school participant. Humboldt University, Berlin, 2013.
- Geometric Data Analysis Workshop participant. With Le Roux, Hjellbrekke, and Lebaron, 2012.
- International Journal of Urban and Regional Research Author Meets Critics participant, 2012.
- Berlin Summer School of Social Sciences participant. Humboldt University, Berlin, 2011.

**University, Editorial, and Professional Service**

*University of California, Berkeley*

- Jury Member for the 2016 Berkeley Prize Essay Competition. UC Berkeley, College of Environmental Design, 2016.
- Director of Center for Ethnographic Research Speakers Series, 2013-2014.
- Director of Departmental Conference, “Critical Approaches to Financialization,” 2013.
- Managing Editor and Co-Founder of the revised online-first Berkeley Journal of Sociology. 2012-2014.
- Berkeley Journal of Sociology Conference Organizer: 2011, 2012.
- Director of the Sociology Graduate Workshop, 2011.
- Editorial Collective Member, Berkeley Journal of Sociology, 2010-ongoing.

*Central European University*

- Student Representative to the Provost, 2009-2010.
- Social Anthropology Representative to the Student Senate, 2009-2010.

*Bard College*

- Editor of the Bard Journal of Social Research, 2006-2008.
- Student representative of Economics Department faculty search committee, 2008.
- Social Studies Representative of Educational Policies Committee, 2005-2007 (Chair, 2007).

**Other Professional Activities**

- Research Associate at the National Coalition for the Homeless. 2009-2010.

- Project Manager at the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development in the division of multi-family housing new construction, New York, NY. 2008-2009.
- Community Planner with ACORN and the Broadmoor CDC, New Orleans, LA. 2007-2008.