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Curriculum Vitae
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Education

- Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley (expected 2018).
Designated Emphasis: Global Metropolitan Studies.
Dissertation: “Managing Marginality: Homeless Seclusion and Survival”
Committee: Loïc Wacquant (chair), Armando Lara-Milan. Nancy Scheper-Hughes, Teresa Gowan (external).
Qualifying Examinations: Social Theory (Michael Burawoy, chair), Urban Sociology (Loïc Wacquant and Dick Walker), Poverty (Margaret Weir).
- M.A. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2013. “The New Logics of Homeless Seclusion: A Comparative Study of Homeless Encampments in the Western United States.”
- M.A. Social Anthropology, Central European University, 2010.
- B.A. Economics, Bard College, 2008.

Research and Teaching Interests

Urban Sociology; Poverty, Penalty, and the Welfare State; Politics of Homelessness and Housing; Contemporary and Classical Social Theory, State Theory; Ethnography, Qualitative Methods, Community Action Research.

Articles and Book Chapters

2016. with Emily Rosenman. “Engels in the Crescent City: Revisiting the Housing Question in Post-Katrina New Orleans.” *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies*, 15(3), 616-638.
2016. with M. Rosaldo, J. Seim, and B. Shestakovsky. “Living Theory: Principles and Practices for Teaching Social Theory Ethnographically.” *Teaching Sociology*, 12(1), 1-12.
2015. with Manuel Lutz. “The Roots and Implications of the United States’ Homeless Tent Cities.” *City*, 19 (5), 689-701.
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.
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.

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

Works in Progress

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

"Pervasive Penalty: How the Criminalization of Homelessness Perpetuates Poverty." Under review. with Dilara Yarbrough. (Available upon request).

"Complaint Oriented Policing." Under review. (Available upon request)

"Between Street and Shelter: Homeless Seclusion in San Francisco." In J. Flint and R. Powell (eds.), *Rethinking Urban Inequality: Class, Ethnicity and State in the Polarized Metropolis*. London: Palgrave. In progress.

"Fighting Anti-Homeless Laws through Participatory Action Research: Reflections from the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness' Criminalization Study." with Dilara Yarbrough and Lisa Marie Alatorre. In S. Greenbaum and P. Zinn (eds), *Outside the Ivory Tower: Collaborative Research and Community Action*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press. In progress.

Policy and Public Scholarship

(Co-Editor) with Miranda Smith and Thomas Gilbert. 2017. "The Roots and Implications of the Trump Election." *Berkeley Journal of Sociology*. 61: 23-42.

(Article) 2015. "Tent City, America." *Places: Public Scholarship of Architecture, Landscape and Urbanism*. December.

- Featured in The Baltimore Sun, BoingBoing, Digg, Corey Doctrow. Appearance on WFFA Dallas Evening News.

(Article) 2015. "Evicting the Evicted: The Spurious Rationales of 'Homeless Sweeps.'" *Progressive Planning Magazine*. Fall, 29-32.

(Essay) 2015. "Sheltering those in Need: Architects Confront Homelessness." Introductory Essay for the 2016 Berkeley Prize Essay Competition. UC Berkeley, College of Environmental Design.

(Report) with Dilara Yarborough and the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness, 2015. "Punishing the Poorest: How San Francisco's Criminalization of Homelessness Perpetuates Poverty." SF Coalition on Homelessness. San Francisco.

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

(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."

(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.

(Op-Ed) 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*. 58: 23-42.

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

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

(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 over a dozen local news reports.

Presentations and Talks

Homelessness

"Homeless Encampments in Perspective"

- A series of three lectures and policy roundtables on homeless encampments in relation to welfare restructuring, criminalization, and affordable housing. Invited Lecture. West Coast Poverty Center. University of Washington, Seattle. 2017.

"The New Logics of Homeless Seclusion: 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 Sociology Department. Invited Lecture. Moraga, CA. 2015.
- 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, CA. 2013.
- Journal of Urban Affairs Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. 2013.
- University of Minnesota Graduate Seminar on Ethnography. Invited Lecture. St. Paul, MN. 2013.
- American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. 2012.
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Regular Session, Poverty Section. Las Vegas, NV. 2011.
- Spaces and Flows: An international conference on urban and extraurban studies. University of California, Los Angeles, CA. 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 Critic, discussant of 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.

Community Action Research

“Revaluating Expertise and Reversing Stigma: A Community Action Research Approach to Empirical Legal Studies.” with Dilara Yarbrough.

- UC Berkeley and Sciences Po Mini-Conference, “Social Solidarity.” 2016.
- UC Berkeley School of Social Work, Annual Social Justice Symposium. 2016.
- UC Berkeley Human Rights Fellows Conference. Boalt School of Law. 2015.
- UC Hastings Law School Graduate Seminar. 2015.

Public Presentations

“Towards a Compassionate City”

- Co-organizer and Presenter of a three-night public symposium comprised of three panel discussions @ the Storefront Lab in San Francisco’s Mission District on interim solutions to homelessness: <http://www.storefrontlab.org/towards-a-compassionate-city/>. San Francisco, CA. 2016.

“New Logics of Homeless Seclusion” interview on KPFA’s Radio Program “Against the Grain” with C.S. Sung. March, 2016.

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

- Presentations of research made to thirteen city agencies and commissions, all eleven city supervisors, six state senators, investigators of the US Department of Justice examining San Francisco’s police department, and over a dozen community forums. 2015-Ongoing.

“Coping with Tent City”

- Metropolitan Dallas Homeless Alliance’s “Hard Conversations” Series. A public forum on the issue of encampments by the city’s continuum of care, service providers, and city officials. Dallas, TX. 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. 2015.

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

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

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

- Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Fellow, UC Berkeley Law School and Center for the Study of Law and Society, 2017-2018.
 - UC Berkeley Dissertation Completion Grant, 2016-2017.
 - National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, 2016.
 - Leo Lowenthal Grant, UC Berkeley Sociology Department, 2016.
 - UC Global Metropolitan Studies Summer Research Fellowship, 2015.
 - UC Berkeley Sociology Social Justice Fellowship, 2015.
 - UC Berkeley Human Rights Fellowship, UC Berkeley Law School. 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.
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- UC Berkeley Sociology Alumni Prize for Public Sociology. For publications and presentations to a wide-range of audiences beyond academia on homelessness research. 2016.
 - 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 Paper award for *New Logics of Homeless Seclusion*. 2010.
 - Central European University Department of Social Anthropology Academic Achievement Award. (Highest ranked student in Department, 2010).
 - Leon Botstein Award. Highest interdisciplinary achievement in graduating class of Bard College. 2008.

Teaching and Mentoring

University of California Berkeley

- Instructor of Record for Divided Cities, Spring 2018.
- Instructor of Record for Poverty Ethnography, Fall 2016 and Fall 2017.
- Instructor of Record for Advanced Workshop in Qualitative Methods, Summer 2014.
- Graduate Instructor for Contemporary Social Theory (Burawoy), Spring 2014.
- Graduate Instructor for Classical Social Theory (Burawoy), Fall 2013.
- Graduate Instructor for Urban Sociology (Reed), Spring 2013.
- Honors Thesis Mentor, Urban Studies, 2013, 2014.
- Honors Thesis Mentor, Sociology, 2012.
- Reader for Economic Sociology, 2012 (Fligstein); Sociology of Poverty (Sanchez-Jankowski), 2011, 2015, 2016.

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.

Policy Experience

- Member of the San Francisco Police Department Community Task Force on Homelessness, 2017-present
- Advisory Board member of the Saint Francis Transitional Village, 2015-present

- Member of the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness Human Rights Workgroup, 2014 – present.
- Consultant on legal cases regarding destruction of Homeless people’s property and fines and fees with ACLU in Seattle and LLCR in San Francisco, 2016-2017.
- Researcher at the San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, 2016.
- Consulted on temporary shelter policy development in Oakland and San Francisco through the Goldman School of Policy @ UCB, 2015.
- Edited Policy briefs by University of Seattle Homeless Advocacy Project and Berkeley Law Policy Advocacy Clinic 2015 - present.
- 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.

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

- Managing Editor and Co-Founder of the revised online-first Berkeley Journal of Sociology. 2012-2014. 2016-2017. Editorial Collective Member, Berkeley Journal of Sociology, 2010-ongoing
- Reviewer for City and Community, Law and Society, Sociological Compass, and Urban Affairs Review.
- Jury Member for the Berkeley Prize Essay Competition. UC Berkeley, College of Environmental Design, 2016.
- Coordinator of Center for Ethnographic Research Speakers Series, 2013 – ongoing.
- Coordinator of Departmental Conference, “Critical Approaches to Financialization,” 2013.
- Berkeley Journal of Sociology Conference Organizer: 2011, 2012.
- Director of the Sociology Graduate Workshop, 2011.

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).