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## Academic Appointments and Affiliations

- 2017- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh
- 2018- Faculty Affiliate, Center for Race and Social Problems University of Pittsburgh
- 2018-2019 Kinder Scholar, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University

## Education

- 2017 Ph.D. Sociology, Rice University, Houston, Texas
- 2013 M.A. Sociology, Rice University, Houston, Texas
- 2010 B.A. Sociology, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois

## Research Interest

Urban Sociology, Race and Ethnicity, Inequality and Mobility, Quantitative Methodology

## Publications\*

### *Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*

*forthcoming* **Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. "[The Increasing Effect of Neighborhood Racial Composition on Housing Values, 1980-2015.](#)" *Social Problems*. DOI: 10.1093/socpro/spaa033

2019 **Howell, Junia** and Alannah Caisey.\* "[What We Need is Education: Differentiating the Mechanisms Contributing to Persistent Racial Inequality of Education.](#)" *Phylon: The Clark Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture*. 56 (1): 58-80.

**Howell, Junia** and James R. Elliott. "[Damage Done: The Longitudinal Impacts of Natural Hazards on Wealth Polarization in the United States.](#)" *Social Problems*. 66(3): 448-467. DOI: 10.1093/socpro/spy016

Honorable Mention, 2019 Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award,  
*Environmental Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association.*

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\* Denotes student coauthor at time of submission

**Howell, Junia.** [“The Truly Advantaged: Examining the Effects of Privileged Places on Educational Attainment.”](#) *The Sociological Quarterly*. 60(3): 420-438. DOI: 10.1080/00380253.2019.1580546

**Howell, Junia.** [“The Unstudied Reference Neighborhood: Towards A Critical Theory of Empirical Neighborhood Studies.”](#) *Sociology Compass*. 13(1): e12649. DOI: 10.1111/soc4.12649

**Howell, Junia.** [“Neighborhood Effects in Cross-Atlantic Perspective: A Longitudinal Analysis of Impacts on Intergenerational Mobility in the United States and Germany.”](#) *Urban Studies*. 56(2): 434-451. DOI: 10.1177/0042098018798731

Honorable Mention, 2019 Urban Studies Best Article, *Urban Studies*.

2018 Smiley, Kevin T., **Junia Howell**, and James R. Elliott [“Disasters, Local Organizations and Poverty in the United States, 1998 to 2015.”](#) *Population and Environment*. 40(2): 115-135. DOI: 10.1007/s11111-018-0304-8

**Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. [“Neighborhoods, Race, and the Twenty-First-Century Housing Appraisal Industry.”](#) *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. 4(4): 473-490. DOI: 10.1177/2332649218755178

**Howell, Junia** and Michael O. Emerson. [“Preserving Racial Hierarchy amidst Changing Racial Demographics: How Neighbourhood Racial Preferences Are Changing While Maintaining Segregation.”](#) *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 41(15): 2770-2789. DOI: 10.1080/01419870.2017.1398833

2017 Elliott, James R. and **Junia Howell**. [“Beyond Disasters: A Longitudinal Analysis of Natural Hazards’ Unequal Impacts on Residential Instability.”](#) *Social Forces*. 95(3): 1181-1207. DOI: 10.1093/sf/sow086

**Howell, Junia** and Michael O. Emerson. [“So What ‘Should’ We Use? Evaluating the Impact of Five Racial Measures on Markers of Social Inequality.”](#) *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. 3(1):14-30. DOI: 10.1177/2332649216648465

2015 Timberlake, Jeffrey M., **Junia Howell**, Amy Baumann Grau, and Rhys H. Williams. [“Who ‘They’ Are Matters: Effects of Immigrant Stereotypes on Public Assessments of the Impact of Immigration.”](#) *The Sociological Quarterly*. 56 (2): 267-299. DOI: 10.1111/tsq.12076

#### *Other Refereed Works*

2019 **Howell, Junia**, Marie Skoczylas and Shatae’ DeVaughn\* [“Living While Black: Policing the Everyday Actions of African Americans in White Spaces.”](#) *Context*. 18(2): 68-69. DOI: 10.1177/1536504219854724

**Howell, Junia** and James R. Elliott. "[As Disaster Costs Rise, So Does Inequality.](#)" *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*. 4: 1-2.  
DOI: 10.1177/2378023118816795

2016 **Howell, Junia.** "Ideologies." In *(Un)Making Race and Ethnicity: A Reader*, edited by Michael O. Emerson, Jenifer Bratter and Sergio Chavez. New York, New York: Oxford University Press.

**Howell, Junia.** "Thinking Strategically." In *(Un)Making Race and Ethnicity: A Reader*, edited by Michael O. Emerson, Jenifer Bratter and Sergio Chavez. New York, New York: Oxford University Press.

### *Book Reviews*

2020 **Howell, Junia.** "[The Dream Revisited: Contemporary Debates about Housing, Segregation, and Opportunity](#)," edited by Ingrid Gould Ellen and Justin Peter Steil (Columbia University Press, 2019). *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*. 49(4): 361-362. DOI: 10.1177/0094306120930218k.

2019 **Howell, Junia.** "[Recovering Inequality: Hurricane Katrina, the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906, and the Aftermath of Disaster](#)," by Steve Kroll-Smith (University of Texas Press, 2018). *Social Forces*. DOI: 10.1093/sf/soz031.

**Howell, Junia.** "[In Lady Liberty's Shadow: The Politics of Race and Immigration in New Jersey](#)," by Robyn Magalit Rodriguez (Rutgers University Press, 2017). *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 42(3): 477-479. DOI: 10.1080/01419870.2018.1499950.

### *White Papers, Technical Reports, and Policy Briefs*

2019 **Howell, Junia**, Sara Goodkind, Leah Jacobs, Dominique Branson and Elizabeth Miller. 2019. "[Pittsburgh's Inequality across Gender and Race](#)." Gender Analysis White Papers. City of Pittsburgh's Gender Equity Commission. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.24443.46883

2016 O'Connell, Heather A. and **Junia Howell.** "[Disparate City: Understanding Rising Levels of Concentrated Poverty and Affluence in Greater Houston](#)." Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University. DOI: 10.25611/s8s0-egss

2014 **Howell, Junia.** "[Community Survey Report and Proposed Action Steps](#)." Community Safety Initiative: Helping Our Own Development, Southeastern Houston Transformation Alliance and Agape Development.

2012 Emerson, Michael O., Jenifer Bratter, **Junia Howell**, P. Wilner Jeanty, and Mike Cline. "[Houston Region Grows More Racially/Ethnically Diverse, With Small Declines in Segregation: A Joint Report Analyzing Census Data from 1990, 2000, and 2010](#)." Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University. DOI: 10.25611/bjy0-nr0n

*Opinion Editorials, Featured Blog Post and Other Writings*

- 2020      **Howell, Junia.** "[Defunding the Police Is Only Step One.](https://journalsblog.sagepub.com/blog/guest/defunding-the-police-is-only-step-one)" *SAGE Journal Blog*. 6 July (https://journalsblog.sagepub.com/blog/guest/defunding-the-police-is-only-step-one).
- Howell, Junia.** "[We Can't Wait Until Coronavirus Is Over to Address Racial Disparities.](https://www.citylab.com/perspective/2020/04/coronavirus-racial-inequality-health-care-test-data-equity/610174/)" *CityLab*. 22 April (https://www.citylab.com/perspective/2020/04/coronavirus-racial-inequality-health-care-test-data-equity/610174/).
- 2019      **Howell, Junia.** "[Yes, Pittsburgh; Its Racism.](https://www.publicsource.org/yes-pittsburgh-its-racism/)" *PublicSource*. 23 September (https://www.publicsource.org/yes-pittsburgh-its-racism/).
- Howell, Junia.** "[How The US System Of Neighborhood-Based Service Provision Can Trap People In Poverty.](https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2019/05/16/how-the-us-system-of-neighborhood-based-service-provision-can-trap-people-in-poverty/)" *London School of Economics' U.S.A. Politics and Policy Blog*. 16 May (https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2019/05/16/how-the-us-system-of-neighborhood-based-service-provision-can-trap-people-in-poverty/).
- Howell, Junia** and James R. Elliott. "[Climate Change Isn't Hurting Everyone: White Middle Class Americans Benefit From Natural Disasters.](http://www.wipsociology.org/2019/03/07/climate-change-isnt-hurting-everyone-white-middle-class-americans-benefit-from-natural-disasters/?platform=hootsuite)" *American Sociological Association's Works in Progress*. 8 March (http://www.wipsociology.org/2019/03/07/climate-change-isnt-hurting-everyone-white-middle-class-americans-benefit-from-natural-disasters/?platform=hootsuite).
- 2018      **Howell, Junia.** "[Neighbourhood Effects in Cross-Atlantic Perspective: A Longitudinal Analysis of Impacts on Intergenerational Mobility in the United States and Germany.](https://www.urbanstudiesonline.com/resources/resource/neighbourhood-effects-in-cross-atlantic-perspective-a-longitudinal-analysis-of-impacts-on-intergenerational-mobility-in-the-united-states-and-germany/)" *Urban Studies Journal Blog*. 25 October (https://www.urbanstudiesonline.com/resources/resource/neighbourhood-effects-in-cross-atlantic-perspective-a-longitudinal-analysis-of-impacts-on-intergenerational-mobility-in-the-united-states-and-germany/).
- Howell, Junia.** "[Hurricane Season Not Only Brings Destruction and Death But Rising Inequality Too.](https://theconversation.com/hurricane-season-not-only-brings-destruction-and-death-but-rising-inequality-too-102085)" *The Conversations*. 24 August (https://theconversation.com/hurricane-season-not-only-brings-destruction-and-death-but-rising-inequality-too-102085).
- Reprinted in *Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Houston Chronicle, U.S. News and World Report, USA Today, San Francisco Gate, Univision, WHYY Radio, Alternet, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, My San Antonio, Connecticut Post, Stamford Advocate, Casper Star Tribune, Garn Press, International Business Times, Common Dreams, Idaho Press, Daily Beast, Sunburg News, Newss Club, Globob, Truthout, Science Daily, Saeed Valadbaygi, Nation of Change, Inverse, LatinoUSA, City Metric, Davar*

## Grants

- 2020 Korver-Glenn, Elizabeth (PI), **Junia Howell** and Ellen Whitehead (Co-PIs). “How Rental Property Management Shapes Social and Economic Inequality.” *Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Authority Grant*. \$49,855.
- 2019 **Howell, Junia**, Curtis Brown, and Jeffery Stern. “Addressing Inequities in Disaster Mitigation and Response Programs” *Columbia University’s Columbia World Problems Project Development*. \$15,000.
- Howell, Junia**. “Racial Residential Segregation: Measures, Methods, and Meanings,” *University of Pittsburgh’s Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences’ Type I Third Term Research Stipend*. \$4,000.
- 2018 Goodkind, Sara, **Junia Howell**, Elizabeth Miller and Leah Jacobs. “Intersectional Analysis of the City of Pittsburgh,” *City of Pittsburgh’s City wide Gender Analysis*. \$40,000.
- Howell, Junia**. “The Role of Local Government in Allegheny County’s Neighborhood Transformation from 1986 to 2018,” *University Center for Social and Urban Research*. \$10,000.
- Howell, Junia**. “Determining Value, Defining Worth: How Contemporary Home Appraisals Drive Racial Inequality.” *Center on Race and Social Problems Pilot Grant*. \$10,000.
- 2016 **Howell, Junia**. Rice University Department of Sociology Travel Grant. \$750.
- Howell, Junia**. Kinder Institute for Urban Research Travel Grant. \$500.
- 2015 **Howell, Junia**. Rice University Department of Sociology Travel Grant. \$750.
- 2014 **Howell, Junia**. “Fostering Opportunities: The Role of Policy, City Characteristics, and Urban Spatial Segmentation on the Intergenerational Transmission of Socioeconomic Status,” *Wagoner Foreign Study Scholarship*. \$7,500.
- Howell, Junia**. “Fostering Opportunities: Policies, City Characteristics, and Segregation’s Impact on Intergenerational Socioeconomic Status,” *Rice University’s Social Science Research Institute Dissertation Improvement Grant*. \$2,500.

## Fellowships and Honors

- 2018 Faculty-Student Collaborative Research Award. “Determining Value, Defining Worth: How Contemporary Home Appraisals Drive Racial Inequality.”
- 2017 Princeton Society of Fellows, Finalist.

Graduate Instructor of Record Award, Finalist. Rice University.

2013 Scholarship for Social Psychology—Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program, University of Michigan. \$3,500.

Walter and Helen Hall Graduate Paper Prize for a Methodological Contribution—  
Rice University  
*Introducing the Index of Segregation: A Multi-Group Segregation Measure.*

## Presentations and Panels

### *Invited Talks*

2020 **Howell, Junia.** “The Impact of Disasters on Wealth Inequality in the U.S.” *National Emergency Management Association (NEMA)’s 2020 Emergency Management Policy and Leadership Forum.*

**Howell, Junia.** [“Winners and Losers: How Natural Disasters and Our Responses to Them are Enriching the Privileged and Devastating the Marginalized.”](#) *Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.*

**Howell, Junia.** “Constructing Space: How Race Continues To Shape Cities.” *Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.*

2019 **Howell, Junia.** “What’s Missing From the Conversation?: Including White Advantage Space in Discussion of Neighborhood Inequality.” *University of Washington’s West Coast Poverty Center, Seattle, Washington.*

**Howell, Junia.** “The Myth of the Black Ghetto and Its Middle Class Exodus: Black Residential Distribution Patterns from 1960 to 2015.” *The Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania.*

**Howell, Junia.** “The Myth of the Black Ghetto and Its Middle Class Exodus: Black Residential Distribution Patterns from 1960 to 2015.” *Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Houston, Texas.*

2018 **Howell, Junia.** “Inequality: The Centrality of Appraisals in Persistent Wealth, Educational, Income and Neighborhoods.” *Carnegie Mellon University’s Center for Economic Development, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.*

**Howell, Junia.** “Selecting Reimagined Variables: Using Empirical Evaluation Technics to Choose Measures of Race, Poverty and Inequality” *Society for Epidemiological Research, Baltimore, Maryland.*

**Howell, Junia.** “Damages Done: The Longitudinal Impacts of Natural Hazards on Residential Mobility, Wealth Polarization and Community in the United States” *Carnegie Mellon University Environmental Humanities Research Seminar, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.*

### *Invited Panels*

- 2020 “Black Lives Matter (In Disasters, Too): The Intersection of Race and Policy in Disasters.” *American Bar Association’s Virtual Disaster Symposium*.
- 2018 “The 21st Century American City: Habitats of Contact.” *PennState Behrend Public Policy Fund*, Erie, Pennsylvania.

### *Conference Presentations\**

- 2019 **Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. “The Increasing Effect of Neighborhood Racial Composition on Housing Values across the U.S., 1990-2010.” *American Sociological Association*. New York City, New York.
- Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. “The Increasing Effect of Neighborhood Racial Composition on Housing Values across the U.S., 1990-2010.” *Federal Reserve System’s Biennial Community Development Research Conference Renewing the Promise of the Middle Class*. Washington, D.C.
- Howell, Junia** and Candice Robinson.\* “The Myth of the Black Middle Class Exodus: Where the Black Middle Class Has Lived, Invested, and Engaged from 1960 to 2015.” *Population Association of America*, Austin, Texas.
- Howell, Junia**. “Policing the Mundane: How White Space Heightens Racial Disparities in Arrest Rates for Minor Offences, 1980 to 2015.” *Population Association of America*, Austin, Texas.
- 2018 **Howell, Junia**, Marie Skoczylas and Dalton Dornish\*. “The Role of White Residential Segregation and Policing Policies on White-Black Differential Drug Arrest Rates.” *American Sociological Association*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Smiley, Kevin T. **Junia Howell** and James R. Elliott. “Disasters, Local Organizations, and Poverty in the United States, 1998 to 2015.” *American Sociological Association*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Howell, Junia** and Christina Ong\*. “Moving Out ≠ Moving Up: The Divergent Influence of Ethnic Enclaves on Asian, Latinx, Black and White Residents.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Howell, Junia** and Alannah Caisey\*. “Separate and Unequal: Racialized Tracking and the Perpetuation of Educational Inequality.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. “Priced out: How Urbanization and Segregation Drive Neighborhood Racial Inequality in Home Values.” *Population Association of America*, Denver, Colorado.

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**Howell, Junia.** “The Tipping Point: An Examination of Poverty Concentration Measurement Validity and Reliability for Neighborhood Effects Research.” *Population Association of America*, Denver, Colorado.

**Howell, Junia.** “Harnessing the 21st Century Data Revolution in Sociological Instruction.” *North Central Sociological Association*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Caisey, Alannah\* and **Howell, Junia.** “The Racialized ‘Talented Tenth’: How Gifted and Talented Tracking Is Racialized and Perpetuates Educational Inequality.” *Clark Atlanta University’s Symposium Examining Race and Economic Inequality*, Atlanta, Georgia.

2017 **Howell, Junia** and James R. Elliott. “Wealth Polarization and Natural Hazards: A Longitudinal Analysis of the Cumulative Effects on Inequality.” *American Sociological Association*, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2016 **Howell, Junia.** “What Type of Racial Segregation Drives Socioeconomic Inequality? A Review of the Empirical Evidence.” *Racial Segregation Conference—Innovations in the Measurement and Analysis of Racial Segregation*, College Station, Texas.

Elliott, James R. and **Junia Howell.** “The Cumulative Effect of Natural Hazard Exposure on Socioeconomic Inequality.” *American Sociological Association*, Seattle, Washington.

**Howell, Junia** and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. “Neighborhood Racial Biases in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Housing Appraisals.” *Urban Affairs Association*, San Diego, California.

2015 **Howell, Junia.** “Demystifying the Great and Powerful Oz? A Cross-National Comparison of Neighborhood Effects on Socioeconomic Mobility.” *American Sociological Association*, Chicago, Illinois.

**Howell, Junia.** “Beyond Neighborhoods: The Role of City Segregation on Economic Mobility.” *Urban Affairs Association*, Miami, Florida.

2014 **Howell, Junia.** “Racialization Not Assimilation: The Racialized Residential Segmentation of Latino and Asian Immigrants.” *Urban Affairs Association*, San Antonio, Texas.

2013 Smiley, Kevin and **Junia Howell.** “The Preference Paradox: Sprawl versus Urbanism” *Urban Affairs Association*, San Francisco, California.

2012 Timberlake, Jeffrey M., **Junia Howell**, Amy Baumann Grau, and Rhys H. Williams. “Effects of Immigrant Stereotypes on Public Assessments of the Impact of Immigration.” *American Sociological Association*, Denver, Colorado.



## Teaching Experience

### *Instructor*

- 2020 Capstone Research Practicum (SOC 1500), University of Pittsburgh, Spring.
- 2019 Race and Ethnicity (SOC 2035), University of Pittsburgh, Fall.  
Race around the World (SOC 1364), University of Pittsburgh, Fall.  
Pittsburgh Area Study (SOC 1277), University of Pittsburgh, Spring.
- 2018 Introduction to Social Statistics (SOC 2201), University of Pittsburgh, Fall.  
Urban Sociology (SOC 0444), University of Pittsburgh, Fall.  
Urban Sociology (SOC 0444), University of Pittsburgh, Spring.
- 2017 Urban Sociology (SOC 0444), University of Pittsburgh, Fall.
- 2016 Social Statistics (SOC 382), Rice University, Spring.

### *Graduate Advising*

- 2020 Committee Member. Comprehensive Exam. Carolina Hernandez.  
Committee Member. Dissertation. Alana Fields.
- 2019- Committee Member. Dissertation. Sarah Lawrence Langman.

### *Undergraduate Advising*

- 2018-2019 Chair. Bachelors of Philosophy Honor's Thesis. Olivia Kelley. "Photovoice in Pittsburgh: Identifying Community Assets Through the Eyes of Young People."
- 2017-2018 Chair. Undergraduate Honor's Thesis. Dalton Dornish. "Offense, Enforcement, or Space?: Investigating Factors Driving Racially Disparate Drug Arrest Rates."

## Quantitative Skills and Data Management Projects

### *Additional Quantitative Training*

- 2013 Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program, University of Michigan (Maximum Likelihood Estimation; Advanced Maximum Likelihood Estimation; Longitudinal Data Analysis; Social Network Analysis).

### *Contracted Data Management*

- 2020 **Howell, Junia.** Livability Rankings for Metropolitan Areas. *CityLab*.
- 2013 **Howell, Junia.** Geocoded and Created Contextual Data Set for the Portrait of American Life Survey (PALS) Waves 1 and 2.

- 2012 **Howell, Junia** and Rose Medeiros. Created Longitudinal Attrition Weights and Corresponding Documentation for the Portrait of American Life Survey (PALS) Wave 2.

### *User Written Statistical Packages*

- 2018 **Howell, Junia**. Isolation. *Stata*. Finds the Isolation inequality index for all observations in the data set or within each bysort group.
- 2016 **Howell, Junia**. Gini. *Stata*. Finds the Gini inequality index for observations within a particular sub-group and saves it in a new variable.
- 2015 **Howell, Junia**. Information. *Stata*. Finds Theil's (1972) Information (H) index for all observations in the data set or within each bysort group.
- 2013 **Howell, Junia**. Segregation. *Stata*. Finds the Segregation or Dissimilarity Index for all observations in the data set or within each bysort group.
- 2012 **Howell, Junia**. Entropy. *Stata*. Finds Theil's (1972) Entropy index for each observation or for a given group and saves it in a new variable.

### *Computer Languages and Programs*

Stata; R; Excel; ArcGIS; Python; SAS

## Community Engagement

### *Multimedia Products*

- 2020 **Howell, Junia**. Wrote and Produced. "[Is Redlining Really Over? A Closer Look at U.S. Housing Reopens Old Questions about Racism.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y42pKillJBU&t=5s)"  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y42pKillJBU&t=5s>)  
[Shared on Twitter](#); Watched over 10,000 times
- 2019 **Howell, Junia**. Wrote and Produced. "[Disasters and FEMA aid Exacerbate Racial Inequality.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3YiXWYxI3U)" (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3YiXWYxI3U>)
- 2018 **Howell, Junia**. Wrote and Produced. "[What is a "Normal" Neighborhood? The Unstudied Reference Neighborhood.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y42pKillJBU&t=5s)"  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y42pKillJBU&t=5s>)

### *News Media Appearances*

- 2020 Interviewed. Katherine Khashimova Long's "[Language In Seattle-Area Rental Ads Divides Neighborhoods Along Racial Lines, UW Study Finds.](https://www.seattletimes.com/business/real-estate/language-in-seattle-area-rental-ads-divides-neighborhoods-on-racial-lines-uw-study-finds/)" *Seattle Times*. 7 September (<https://www.seattletimes.com/business/real-estate/language-in-seattle-area-rental-ads-divides-neighborhoods-on-racial-lines-uw-study-finds/>)
- Interviewed. Thomas Frank's "[Disaster Loans Foster Disparities in Black Communities.](http://www.eenews.net/stories/1063477407)" *E&E News*. 30 June ([www.eenews.net/stories/1063477407](http://www.eenews.net/stories/1063477407))

Interviewed. Marcus Harrison Green's "[Coronavirus Recovery Can't Lead To a More Gentrified Seattle.](https://crosscut.com/2020/04/coronavirus-recovery-cant-lead-more-gentrified-seattle)" *Crosscut* 8 April (https://crosscut.com/2020/04/coronavirus-recovery-cant-lead-more-gentrified-seattle)

Interviewed. "[We Are Here.](https://luminarypodcasts.com/listen/roxane-gay-and-dr-tressie-mcmillan-cottom/hear-to-slay/we-are-here/787387bc-8c69-4995-81a5-9a41f2680385)" *Hear to Slay with Roxane Gay and Dr. Tressie McMillan Cottom*. Season 1 Episode 34. 28 January. (https://luminarypodcasts.com/listen/roxane-gay-and-dr-tressie-mcmillan-cottom/hear-to-slay/we-are-here/787387bc-8c69-4995-81a5-9a41f2680385).

Interviewed. Sharon Zhang's "[Australia's Fires Show How Wealth Inequality Compounds Climate Disasters.](https://truthout.org/articles/australias-fires-show-how-wealth-inequality-compounds-climate-disasters/)" *Truthout* 18 January (https://truthout.org/articles/australias-fires-show-how-wealth-inequality-compounds-climate-disasters/)

Interviewed. Emily Bamforth's "[Cleveland Is The Worst Metropolitan Area For Black Women, New Study Shows. Why?](https://www.cleveland.com/news/2020/01/cleveland-is-the-worst-metropolitan-area-for-black-women-new-study-shows-why.html)" *Cleveland.com* 17 January (https://www.cleveland.com/news/2020/01/cleveland-is-the-worst-metropolitan-area-for-black-women-new-study-shows-why.html)

Data Analysis. Brentin Mock's "[What 'Livability' Looks Like for Black Women.](https://www.citylab.com/equity/2020/01/best-cities-black-women/604384/)" *CityLab*. 9 January (https://www.citylab.com/equity/2020/01/best-cities-black-women/604384/)

Featured in Tanya A. Christian's "[Data Is In: These Are The Best Cities For Black Women](https://www.essence.com/news/best-metro-areas-black-women/)" *Essence* (https://www.essence.com/news/best-metro-areas-black-women/); Dawn Onley's "[Study Analyzed The Best And Worst U.S. Cities for Black Women to Live](https://thegrio.com/2020/01/10/study-analyzed-the-best-and-worst-u-s-cities-for-black-women-to-live/)" *The Grio*. (https://thegrio.com/2020/01/10/study-analyzed-the-best-and-worst-u-s-cities-for-black-women-to-live/)

2019 Quoted. Paul Martino's "[Pittsburgh Has A Problem with Institutional Racism': Pittsburgh City Councilman Wants To Declare Racism A Public Health Crisis](https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2019/12/05/councilman-ricky-burgess-wants-to-declare-racism-a-public-health-crisis/)" *CBS Pittsburgh*. 5 December (https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2019/12/05/councilman-ricky-burgess-wants-to-declare-racism-a-public-health-crisis/)

Quoted. "[Racism as a Public Health Crisis Focus of City Council Meetings.](https://www.post-gazette.com/local/city/2019/12/05/Racism-public-health-crisis-Pittsburgh-city-council-Burgess-Lavelle-inequality-gender-race/stories/201912050123)" *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. 5 December (https://www.post-gazette.com/local/city/2019/12/05/Racism-public-health-crisis-Pittsburgh-city-council-Burgess-Lavelle-inequality-gender-race/stories/201912050123)

Interviewed. Brentin Mock's "[Why Pittsburgh Is the Worst City for Black Women, in 6 Charts](https://www.citylab.com/equity/2019/09/black-women-pittsburgh-mortality-poverty-racism-jobs-police/598291/)" *CityLab* 20 September (https://www.citylab.com/equity/2019/09/black-women-pittsburgh-mortality-poverty-racism-jobs-police/598291/)

Featured Segment. Damon Young's "[Pittsburgh Is the Worst City in America for Black People. Here's How It Can Get Better](https://verysmartbrothas.theroot.com/pittsburgh-is-the-worst-city-in-america-for-black-peopl-1838218551)" *The Root* 18 September (https://verysmartbrothas.theroot.com/pittsburgh-is-the-worst-city-in-america-for-black-peopl-1838218551)

Featured on [Rickey Smiley Morning Show 19 September](#)

Live Radio Interviewed. [Lynne Hayes-Freeland](#). *CBS Pittsburgh Radio KDKA*. 18 September.

Interviewed. Jon Delano's "[Peduto, Gender Equity Commission Present Findings On Pittsburgh's Gender And Racial Inequality](#)." *CBS Pittsburgh*. 17 September (<https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/video/4168392-peduto-gender-equity-commission-present-findings-on-pittsburghs-gender-and-racial-inequality/>)

Interviewed. Kathleen J. Davis's "[Maternal Mortality Rates For Black Women In Pittsburgh Higher Than In Most Other U.S. Cities](#)" *Pittsburgh's NPR Station*. 17 September (<https://www.wesa.fm/post/maternal-mortality-rates-black-women-pittsburgh-higher-most-other-us-cities#stream/0>).

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2020 Equity in Disaster Aid. *FEMA National Advisory Council*. Washington, D.C.

2019 Racial and Gender Inequity. *StrivePartnership*. Cincinnati, Ohio

Equitable Development Initiative. *Lone Star Legal Aid*. Houston, Texas.

Reallocating Recovery Aid, Promoting Equity. *State Emergency Managers*. Richmond, Virginia.

2014 Community Safety Initiative: Helping Our Own Development. *Southeastern Houston Transformation Alliance and Agape Development*. Houston, Texas.

2013 Community Needs Survey and Demographic Markers. *Agape Development*. Houston, Texas.

2012 Poverty and Homelessness Services Evaluation. *City Gospel Mission*. Cincinnati, Ohio.

### *Committees*

2018 It's All About the Youth—A Six Week Series on the Lives of Youth in the Hill District, Schenley Heights Community Development Program and Grace Memorial, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

### *Workshops and Webinars*

- 2020 “Towards a Culture of Inclusion.” *Pittsburgh Legal Diversity & Inclusion Coalition*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 2019 “Pittsburgh’s Inequality Across Gender and Race.” *United Way Leadership Team*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- “The Disaster of Disaster Aid.” *Institute for Diversity and Inclusion in Emergency Management*, Savannah, Georgia.
- “Pittsburgh’s Inequality Across Gender and Race.” *Chatham University Women’s 5th Annual Pittsburgh Gender Equity Symposium*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- “Pittsburgh’s Violence: Seen and Unseen.” *YWCA’s Week Without Violence*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- “Strangers in a Strange Land: Redefining the Foreigner, the Nations, and the Land.” *Embrace All Conference*, Rochester, New York.
- “More Than Just Disasters: How Natural Hazards Exacerbate Racial, Gender, and Wealth Inequalities.” *Northern California Grantmakers*, San Francisco, California.
- “How Natural Disasters Are Effecting Affordable Housing and Inequality.” *Florida Housing Coalition Hurricane*, Tallahassee, Florida.
- 2018 “Gentrification in Pittsburgh Neighborhoods—Comparing Methods and Measurement.” *Pittsburgh Community Reinvestment Group’s Community Development Summit*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 2016 “Using Census and American Community Survey Data for Nonprofit Analysis and Fundraising.” *Agape Development*, Houston, Texas.

### *Professional Practitioner Experience*

- 2010-2011 Youth and Young Mothers Community Engagement. Cincinnati, Ohio.
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### Institutional Service

2019-2020 Co-Chair, Speaker and Works-In-Progress Series. *Department of Sociology*. University of Pittsburgh.

2018- Chair, Intergroup Relations Research Advisory Panel. *Center on Race and Social Problems*. University of Pittsburgh.

2018-2019 Committee Member, Department Climate and Vision Committee, *Department of Sociology*. University of Pittsburgh.

2018-2019 Committee Member, Teaching Committee, *Department of Sociology*. University of Pittsburgh.

2017-2018 Committee Member, Graduate Committee, *Department of Sociology*. University of Pittsburgh.

2012 Rice University Undergraduate Sociology Paper Contest Judge.

### Trainings and Workshops

2019 "Issues in Data Bias: Teaching and Learning Notes from Cathy O'Neil's Weapons of Math Destruction," *Provost's Diversity Institute for Faculty Development*, 14 May.

### Service to the Discipline

2020 Committee Member, Robert E. Park Book Award. *Community and Urban Sociology Section* of the American Sociological Association.

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