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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR   2023-
Department of Black Studies | Frederick Douglas Institute

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, PRESIDENTIAL POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW   2021-2023
Department of African American Studies | Ida B. Wells Just Data Lab

EDUCATION

Yale University, Ph.D.   2021
Sociology and African American Studies
Dissertation: High Rise: Poverty, Policing, and Crisis in American Public Housing (*with distinction*)

Yale University, M.A.   2017
Sociology and African American Studies

Princeton University, Exchange Scholar   2017
Sociology and African American Studies

Boston College, B.A. (*magna cum laude)*   2014
Sociology

RESEARCH AREAS

Racial Inequality; Housing & Neighborhoods; Policing; Space & Place; Ethnography; Punishment; Social Movements

PUBLICATIONS

Books:
McHarris, Philip. Forthcoming 2024. *Beyond Policing*. Legacy Lit.

McHarris, Philip. "Brick Dreams: The Unfinished Project of Public Housing." *Book Proposal Under Review*

Peer-Reviewed Articles:
Vargas, Robert and Philip McHarris. 2017. "Race and State in City Police Spending Growth: 1980 to 2010."
Sociology of Race and Ethnicity 3(1): 96–112.

McHarris, Philip. "Policed: Spatial Criminalization, Public Housing, and Policing in New York City" (*In Preparation)*

Book Chapters:
"Disrupting Order: Race, Class, and the Origins of Policing," in *Violent Order: Essays on the Nature of Police* eds.
 David Correia and Tyler Wall. Haymarket Press (2021).

Selected Essays and Other Publications:
"Why We Have Police: Race, Class, and Labor Control." Literary Hub, 2021

"Policing Black Freedom", Black Perspectives – AAIHS, 2021

"The long tension between the Second Amendment and Black gun ownership." Washington Post (*Book Review)*, 2021

"The Spillover Effects of Police Violence." 2020. *Social Psychological Revie*w, Autumn 2020, 22(2): 11-14.

"The Police Killed George Floyd. Redirect Their Funding Elsewhere." *New York Time,* 2020.

"Why does the Minneapolis police department look like a military unit?." *Washington Post*, 2020.

"Public Housing Residents May Be Some Of The Hardest Hit By COVID-19 Outbreak." *Essence*, 2020.

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

Video:
HBO x Axios. [Reimagining Public Safety](#)
TIME. [Minneapolis: How One City Can Reimagine The Future Of Public Safety](#)
CNN. [Imagining Alternatives to Policing](#)
ABC. [How the Black Lives Matter Movement is changing America](#)
Al Jazeera. [The George Floyd Story](#)

Written:
TIME. [America's Policing System Is Broken. It's Time to Radically Rethink Public Safety](#)
LA Times. [LAPD responds to a million 911 calls a year, but relatively few for violent crimes](#)
CNN. [There's a growing call to defund the police. Here's what it means](#)
ABC, FiveThirtyEight. [Is Police Reform a Fundamentally Flawed Idea?](#)
Huffington Post. [Why Protesters In Minneapolis Are Facing Militarized Law Enforcement](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, University of Rochester
"Black Geographies" Undergraduate. (Fall 2023)

Teaching Fellow, Yale University
"Ethnography of the African American Community" Undergraduate. (Fall 2020; Fall 2016)
"Workshop in Urban Ethnography" Graduate. (Fall 2020)

Instructor, Southern Connecticut State University
"Introduction to Research Methods" Undergraduate. (Spring 2017)
"Qualitative Research Methods" Graduate. (Spring 2017)

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

21st Century Dissertation Prize, Yale University	2023
Supporting Diverse Voices: Book Proposal Development Grant, Princeton University Press	2022
Princeton University, Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship	2021
Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Dissertation Distinction Designation	2021
Digital Education Innovation Grant, Yale University	2019
System Dynamics Learning Lab, Google	2018

Camp Grant, Yale University Sociology Department	2017
Conference Travel Grant, Yale University Sociology Department	2017
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2015
Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship	2015
Institution for Social and Policy Studies Fellowship, Yale University	2015
Social Science and Policy Forum Predissertation Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania	2015
Scholar of the College, Boston College	2014
Sociology Honors Program, Boston College	2014
American Sociological Association Honors Program	2013
COS Fund Travel Grant, Boston College	2013
31st Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Award, Boston College	2013
Dean's Scholar, Boston College	2013
Sophomore Scholar, Boston College	2012
Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Boston College	2012
McGillycuddy-Logue Travel Grant, Boston College	2012
Amanda V. Houston Traveling Fellowship, Boston College	2012

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

"Policing, Criminalization, and Alternatives to Public Safety," Department of Sociology, University of California–Irvine (Guest Lecture, 2022); Swarthmore College (Guest Lecture, 2022); Department of Political Science, University of Chicago (Guest Lecture, 2021)

"Policed: Criminalization and the Policing of Public Housing," Urban Ethnography Workshop, Yale University (2020); Department of Sociology, University Illinois (2020)

"Policing Inequality: Race, Place, and Police Spending" Reimagining / Reinventing Police Conference, University of Chicago (2020); The Future of Public Safety, University of Southern California (2020)

"The Sociology of Housing Disadvantage," Urban Ethnography Workshop, Yale University (2019)

"Disrupting Order: Race, Punishment, and the Construction of Mass Policing," American Political Science Association Annual Association, Annual Meeting (2017)

"Race, Inequality, and Identity in Higher Educational Outcomes" (2015) American Sociological Association

"The Social Structure of Immigration Enforcement: Immigration and the Growth of Police Expenditures 1980-2010," (with Dr. Robert Vargas), Harvard University, Immigration Workshop (2014)

AFFILIATIONS

American Association off Geographers
American Sociological Association, Member
Association of Black Sociologists, Member
African American Intellectual History Society, Member

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

R, Stata, NVivo, ArcGIS, Survey Methods, Community-Based System Dynamics, Spanish (Fluency)