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**APPOINTMENTS**

2023- New York University, Gallatin School for Individualized Study  
Assistant Professor/Faculty Fellow  
NYU Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

**EDUCATION**

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2023 Brown University, Ph.D. in Sociology  
Dissertation: *Wards of Action: Fantasy and Social Change in Newark, New Jersey*  
Committee: José Itzigsohn (chair), Josh Pacewicz, Laura López Sanders  
  
Preliminary Examination Areas:  
*Sociological Theory*  
*Political Economy of Development and Globalization*

2021 School of Criticism and Theory, Cornell University: Certificate in interdisciplinary theory awarded July 2021.

2019 Brown University, M.A. in Sociology

2014 Harvard College, A.B. in Government, cum laude

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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2015-2017 Peace Corps Volunteer, Dominican Republic  
2013-2014 Teacher, Charlestown High School. Boston, MA

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Sociological theory, race and ethnicity, urban sociology

**GRANTS AND AWARDS**

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*External*

2022 New York University Faculty First Look, scholar

2021 NSF Doctoral dissertation research improvement grant (\$16,000)

2018 Ford Fellowship, Predoctoral Diversity Fellowship, Honorable Mention

2018 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program, Honorable Mention

*Internal*

2023 *Brown University*  
Beatrice and Joseph Feinberg Memorial Award (\$500)

2022 Cogut Institute for the Humanities Graduate Student Fellowship, alternate

2021 CSREA America Graduate Student Research Grant (\$700)

- 2020 Graduate Program in Development Summer Research Grant (\$1000)
- 2020 Summer Mentored Research Fellowship—Dr. Paget Henry (\$2000)
- 2020 Cogut Tuition Fellowship Award (\$4500)
- 2019 Beatrice and Joseph Feinberg Memorial Award (\$105)
- 2019 International Travel Grant (\$700)
- 2019 Graduate Program in Development Summer Research Grant (\$2000)
- 2018-2019 Graduate Program in Development Fellow
- 2018 Joukowsky Summer Research Travel Grant (\$800)
- 2018 Tinker Foundation Grant for Summer Fieldwork Research (\$3500)

### **WORKING PAPERS**

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Wishing for a Country You’ve Never Seen: How Fantasy Shapes Social Movements. *Upcoming submission to Sociological Theory*

Negotiating Definitions of Home and Community on the Mainland and on the Island: Puerto Rican Social Movements, 1970-1980. *Co-authored paper in progress.*

### **REVIEW ARTICLES**

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Dos Santos, Karolina. 2021. Review of *Revolution Around the Corner: Voices from the Puerto Rican Socialist Party in the United States* by José E. Velázquez, Carmen V. Rivera, and Andrés Torres. *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 7(4):603-604.

Dos Santos, Karolina. 2021. Discussion of *The Sociology of W.E.B. Du Bois: Racialized Modernity and the Global Color Line* by José Itzigsohn and Karida Brown. *The CLR James Journal* 27(1/2): 377-389.

### **PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP**

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- 2021 Newarker Article, “Wards of Action: African American and Latino Citymaking in Newark, New Jersey.” Available [here](#)
- 2016 Community Census for Batey Libertad, Dominican Republic. Organized the first census for my Peace Corps site of 653 people on the Haitian-Dominican border.
- 2014 Dos Santos, K.M.: Documenting the Pathway to College. *College advising guide for undocumented students: Undocumented Resources*. Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling. Available [here](#)

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2023 “Voices from Within the Veil: Replacing Tocqueville with the Political Philosophy of Free African Americans,” Situating Ideas and Their Worlds Roundtable. Comparative Historical Section Mini-Conference. Philadelphia, PA.
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- 2023 “Wishing for a Country You’ve Never Seen: How Fantasy Shapes Social Movements,” Mobilizing for Justice, Rights, and Protections Amidst Backlash Panel. SSSP 2023 National Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 “Excavating a Sociological Theory of Fantasy,” Roundtable. ASA 2022 National Meeting: Comparative Historical Section. Los Angeles, CA.
- 2022 “Wards of Action: Excavating a Sociological Theory of Fantasy,” New York University Faculty First Look Conference. New York, New York.
- 2022 “Du Boisian Sociology and the Graduate Student Experience,” Invited talk at the Contemporary Sociological Theory course at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 2021 “Reproduction of Racial Hierarchies in the Global South through Immigration”, Invited talk at the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Santiago, Chile.
- 2019 “The Modern Racial State: Chile as a Case Study.” Invited talk at the Brown-MIT Development Conference. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- 2018 “Differentiated Treatment: Immigration in Santiago, Chile.” Invited talk the Watson Institute, Brown University, Providence, RI.
- 2018 “Differentiated Treatment: Immigration in Santiago, Chile.” Invited talk at the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Santiago, Chile.

## TEACHING

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- Spring 2023** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 0010: Introduction to Sociology, Dr. Lisa di Carlo
- Fall 2023** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 1260: Market Research, Dr. Carrie Spearin
- Spring 2022** *Adjunct Professor, Kean University Sociology 1000: Introduction to Sociology*
- Spring 2020** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 0300: Inequalities and Health, Dr. Susan Short
- Fall 2020** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 1270: Race, Class, and Ethnicity, Dr. José Itzigsohn
- Spring 2020** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 0010: Introduction to Sociology, Dr. Michael Kennedy
- Fall 2019** Teaching Assistantship, Sociology 1010: Classical Sociological Theory, Dr. Paget Henry
- Fall 2019** Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, *Certificate in Teaching*

## SERVICE

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- 2021-2022** Diversity Advisory Board, Graduate Student Representative, Brown University
- 2020-2021** Teaching Assistantships Committee, Sociology Department, Brown University
- 2019-2020** Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Sociology Department, Brown University

2018-2019 Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Sociology Department, Brown University

2017-2018 Diversity Advisory Board, Graduate Student Representative, Brown University

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### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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American Sociological Association, Du Boisian Scholars Network, Sociologists for Women in Society, Eastern Sociological Society, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Newark History Society, New Jersey Historical Society

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### SKILLS

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*Language:* Native speaker of Spanish and Portuguese; Full fluency in Haitian Creole; French fluency in reading and writing.

*Data Management and Analysis:* Atlas.ti, ArcGIS

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### FIELD EXPERIENCE

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<b>Santiago, Chile</b>	Ethnography, semi-structured and in-depth interviewing
<b>Newark, New Jersey</b>	Archival analysis, historical ethnography, ArcGIS spatial mapping

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### REFERENCES

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**José Itzigsohn**, Brown University,  
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**Josh Pacewicz**, Brown University,  
[pacewicz@brown.edu](mailto:pacewicz@brown.edu)

**Laura López-Sanders**, Brown University  
[laura\\_lopez-sanders@brown.edu](mailto:laura_lopez-sanders@brown.edu)