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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

City University of New York

2020- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Lehman College
Director, Trust Lab, Lehman College (2022-)
Faculty Affiliate, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research (2021-)

EDUCATION

Columbia University

2020 Ph.D., Sociology
2012 M.P.A., Urban and Social Policy

Cheyney University of Pennsylvania

2008 B.S., Business Administration

RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS

Race & Ethnicity, Social Inequality, Sociology of Education, Urban Sociology, and Law & Society

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2021 DiPrete, Thomas A. and Brittany N. Fox-Williams. "The Relevance of Inequality Research in Sociology for Inequality Reduction." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World* 7: 1-30.
- 2019 Fox-Williams, Brittany N. "The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact." *Sociological Forum* 34(1): 115–37.
* 2017 Graduate Student Paper Award, Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems.

Encyclopedia Entries

2017 Fox-Williams, Brittany N. and R. L'Heureux Lewis-McCoy. "Race and Education." In *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by G. Ritzer. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. "Intersectional and Contextual: A Multilevel Framework of Racial Inequality in Student-Teacher Trust."

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. "Trust Matters: Relational Dimensions of Teacher Effectiveness and Student Achievement."

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. "Feeling Vibes and Building Bonds: Student-Teacher Trust from the Perspectives of Black Youth."

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. and Lisbeth Loft. "Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact."

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External

2022 NSF Engineering Research Center Grant for "Center for Smart Streetscapes (CS3)," Role: Trust Director (with Jennifer Laird and Andrew Smyth) - \$1,037,558

2021 Russell Sage Foundation Pipeline Grant for "School Context and the Racialized Trust Perspectives of Black Youth," Role: PI - \$29,702

2019 MDRC Gueron Scholars Program Doctoral Fellowship - \$5,000

2017 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant for "Race, Achievement and Trust in Student-Teacher Relationships" - \$11,786

Internal

2022 PSC-CUNY Traditional B Research Award for "Revealing the Hidden Curriculum in Data Science Research Programs," Role: Co-PI (with Jennifer Laird) - \$5,995

2021 PSC-CUNY Traditional B Research Award for "School Context and the Racialized Trust Perspectives of Black Youth," Role: PI - \$4,530

2017-18 Fellowship in Academic Administration, Columbia Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Office of Academic Diversity - \$4,000

2017 Matching Travel Grant, Columbia University GSAS - \$400

2017 Cornerhouse Travel Grant, Columbia University Department of Sociology - \$250

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2019 Alternate, American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship Program
- 2017 Graduate Student Paper Award Winner, Society for the Study of Social Problems Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division
- 2014 Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship
- 2013 Alternate, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship
- 2012-17 Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellowship, Columbia University Department of Sociology

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

- 2022 “Race, Trust, and Inequality in Urban Schools.” Sociology Days Speaker Series, Department of Sociology, Hunter College, CUNY (Nov.)
- 2022 “Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). Fragile Families Working Group, Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ (Oct.)
- 2021 “Race, Trust, and Inequality in Urban Schools.” Emerging Voices in Sociology Speaker Series, Department of Sociology, Tufts University, Medford, MA (Nov.)
- 2021 “The Relevance of Inequality Research in Sociology for Inequality Reduction” (with Thomas DiPrete). From Understanding Inequality to Reducing Inequality Virtual Forum, Institute of Human Development and Social Change, NYU, New York, NY (Oct.)
- 2020 “Avoiding Harm and Maintaining Dignity: How Black Youth Navigate Police Encounters in NYC.” Activism in Academia Working Group, The Center for the Humanities, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY (Dec.)
- 2019 “Race, Trust, and Student–Teacher Relationships in NYC Public Schools.” K-12 Education Policy Group, MDRC, New York, NY (Aug.)

Conference Participation

- 2022 “Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). American Sociological Association Meeting, Los Angeles, CA (Aug.)

- 2022 “Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). Society for the Study of Social Problems Meeting, Los Angeles, CA (Aug.)
- 2022 “Should I Tell Anyone? Heterogeneous Youth Mental Health Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). Centre for Criminological Research Annual Conference, University of Alberta, Canada (Mar.)
- 2021 “Feeling Vibes and Building Bonds: Student-Educator Trust from the Perspectives of Black Youth.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Virtual Conference (Aug.)
- 2021 “Feeling Vibes and Building Bonds: Student-Educator Trust from the Perspectives of Black Youth.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Meeting, Virtual Conference (Aug.)
- 2020 “Race Matters: Student–Teacher Trust in NYC Middle Schools.” American Sociological Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA (Aug.) [panel canceled due to COVID-19]
- 2020 “Race Matters: Student–Teacher Trust in NYC Middle Schools.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Meeting, San Francisco, CA (Aug.) [panel canceled due to COVID-19]
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Meeting, Montreal, QC (Aug.)
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Association of Black Sociologists Meeting, Montreal, QC (Aug.)
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Feb.)
- 2016 “Learning the Rules of Engagement: Youth Cultural Capital and Police Contact in NYC.” Understanding Global and Local Inequalities Sociology Graduate Student Conference, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY (Apr.)
- 2015 “Reducing Youth Inequality: What American Scholarship Can Learn from the European Experience” (with Thomas DiPrete). International Sociological Association-RC28 Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Aug.)
- 2015 “Racing Uptown: Racial and Ethnic Demographic Changes in Upper Manhattan” (with R. L’Heureux Lewis-McCoy). Critical Perspectives on Puerto Ricans and Dominicans in the U.S. Conference, Hunter College, New York, NY (May)
- 2013 “Residential Mobility and Neighborhood Context: Race, Poverty, and Child Development.” Black Doctoral Network Conference, Philadelphia, PA (Oct.)
- 2013 “Residential Mobility and Neighborhood Context: Race, Poverty, and Child Development.” Association of Black Sociologists Meeting, New York, NY (Aug.)

Campus and Departmental Talks

- 2021 “Building Trust in the Classroom: Lessons from Black Youth in NYC Public High Schools.” Writing Across the Curriculum Faculty Seminar, Lehman College, CUNY, Bronx, NY (Dec.)
- 2019 “Race, Trust, and Student–Teacher Relationships in NYC Public Schools.” Diversity Research Collective Symposium, Columbia University, New York, NY (May)
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Diversity Research Collective Symposium, Columbia University, New York NY (Apr.)
- 2015 “Coming of Age in the Broken Windows City.” Race, Ethnicity and Migration Workshop, Columbia University, New York, NY (Apr.)

TEACHING

Lehman College, CUNY, Department of Sociology

Advanced Methods of Social Research (Fall 2020 – Fall 2022)

Columbia University, Department of Sociology

Race, Crime and Law – Instructor of Record (Summer 2018, 2020)

Sociology of Schools, Teaching and Learning – Teaching Assistant (Spring 2019)

Workshop on Wealth and Inequality – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)

Master’s Thesis Seminar – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2014)

Race and Place in Urban America – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2013)

Columbia University, Leadership Alliance Summer Research Program

Social Science Research and Design – Instructor of Record (Summer 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018)

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Lehman College, CUNY

2020- Member, Science of Learning and Teaching Seminar Committee, School of Natural and Social Sciences, Lehman College

2020- Member, Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, Lehman College

Columbia University

- 2017-19 Co-facilitator, Diversity Research Collective, GSAS Office of Academic Diversity
- 2015 Co-organizer, Craft of Ethnography Conference, Department of Sociology
- 2014-15 Co-chair, Community Service Committee, Columbia GSAS Students of Color Alliance

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal Reviewer: *Du Bois Review*

- 2022-23 Mentor, Mentoring Program, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2022-23 Mentor, Relationships and Mentoring Program (RAMP), Association of Black Sociologists
- 2022-23 Member, James Coleman Paper Award Committee, Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association
- 2021-22 Member, James E. Blackwell Graduate Student Paper Award, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Section, American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Coordinator, Mentoring Pairing Program, Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Member, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section, American Sociological Association

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Educational Research Association
American Sociological Association
Association of Black Sociologists
Eastern Sociological Society
Society for the Study of Social Problems

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Consultant

- 2022 - All Stars Project
- 2021- #DegreesNYC
- 2021-22 Research Alliance for New York City Schools, NYU Steinhardt
- 2019-21 MDRC, K-12 Education Policy Area

Corporate Positions

- 2008-10 Commercial Banking Credit Analyst, HSBC North America, Philadelphia, PA