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**EDUCATION**

University of Michigan Ann Arbor Ann Arbor, MI

M.A. Sociology September, 2020

Ph.D. Candidate

Indiana University Bloomington, IN

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology May, 2017

Certificate, Political and Civic Engagement

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Race/Ethnicity, Racial-Formation, Family Studies, Cultural Sociology, Political Sociology, Comparative-Historical Sociology

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

September 2018-December 2018 **Graduate Student Instructor,**

Intro to Sociology (302): Health and Society

Professor: Sarah Burgard, Ph.D.

June 2016-July 2016 **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, Introduction to Sociology: Racism as a Social Problem

Professor: Pamela Barboy Jackson, Ph.D.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

July 2019- July 2020 **Researcher**, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan.

Advisor: Karyn R. Lacy, Ph.D.

Research Title: *Black-White Interracial Marriage in Contemporary America.*

May 2019- Present **Research Assistant**, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan

Principle Investigator: Alford Young, Ph.D.

Research Title: *Archbishop’s Leadership Project Study*

July 2015-May 2017 **Research Assistant**, Sociology and Social Psychology Lab, Indiana University

Director: Stephen Benard, Ph.D.

July 2015-May 2017 **Research Assistant**, Sociology and Social Psychology Lab, Indiana University

Director: Stephen Benard, Ph.D.

May 2016- August 2016 **Researcher**, Robert E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Scholars Program, Indiana University

Advisor: Pamela Braboy Jackson, Ph.D.

Research Title: *Social Networks among Indianapolis Indiana’s Black Middle Class*

January 2016- October 2016 **Researcher**, Department of Sociology, Indiana University

Advisor: Pamela Braboy Jackson, Ph.D.

Research Title: *Network Structures of the American Black Middle Class*

June 2015- July 2014 **Research Assistant**, Sociological Research Practicum, Indiana University

Advisor: Brian Powell, Ph.D.

Research Title: *Counted Out: Same-Sex Relations and Americas’ Definitions of Family.*

**PRESENTATIONS AND COLLOQUIA**

October 2019 “Color-blind Admissions: Black Student Self-Narration in U.S. University Admissions Processes.” University of Amsterdam’s *Center for Globalization Studies 6th Annual Conference: “Racial Orders, Racist Borders”*. Amsterdam, Netherlands

October 2018 “Black/White Interracial Families in the Colorblind Era.” NSF-GRFP & Ford Fellowship applications presented and workshopped at the University of Michigan *Race and Racial Identities Workshop*. Ann Arbor, MI

February 2018 “Interracial Families & the Cultural Consequences of Post-Racial Ideology in the 21st Century.” NSF-GRFP application presented and workshopped at the University of Michigan *Social Movements and Political Protest Workshop*. Ann Arbor, MI

August 2016 “Network Structures of the Black Middle Class in the Contemporary United States.” Paper presented at McNair Symposium at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

September 2016 “Network Structures of the Black Middle Class in the Contemporary United States.” Paper presented at MKN McNair Heartland Research Conference, Kansas City, MO

October 2016 “Bridging the Campus-Community Gap via Student Involvement.” Workshop authored with Lisa-Marie Napoli and presented at NCDD 2016: National Conference on Dialogue & Deliberation, Boston, MA

**AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS**

2019 National Science Graduate Research Fellowship (138K)

2017 Rackham Merit Doctoral Fellowship ($78K)

2016 Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Scholar ($8500)

2016 Hutton Honors College PACE Program Award ($500)

2015 Cox Research Fellow ($100K)

- Four year, annually renewing, total cost of attendance Indiana University Bloomington foundation merit-based award.

2015 Newman Civic Fellow Award

- Honors inspiring college student leaders who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities across the country through service, research, and advocacy.

2013 Cox Engagement Scholar ($100K)

- Four year, annually renewing, total cost of attendance Indiana University Bloomington foundation merit-based award.

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

August 2015- Jan. 2016 **Lead ACE, Center of Innovative Teaching and Learning**, Office of Service Learning, Indiana University.

* Advised and manage 40 IUB ACE non-profit liaisons.
* Developed teaching content and minor program policy.

August 2013- May 2015 **Advocate for Community Engagement (ACE)**, IUB service-learning coordinator for local Bloomington non-profit Monroe County United Ministries, which provides emergency food supplies and low-income childcare.

* Liaised with IU Professor to coordinate service-learning course goals and objectives for students
* Presented on behalf of MCUM to perspective agency service-learners and or IU volunteers.
* Oriented and trained service learning and volunteers in MCUM emergency food pantry and within the childcare program.
* Managed day –to—day service learning and IU volunteer operations.

**LEADERSHIP**

September 2018- May 2019 **Graduate Student Workshop Organizer**, Social Movements and Political Protest Workshop.

* This formal research workshop provides graduate students and faculty the opportunity to share in-progress research among a group of scholars of varying levels within the Political Sociology community at the University of Michigan.

September 2018- May 2019 **Graduate Professionalization Student Chair**, University of Michigan Department of Sociology—"Graduate School and Beyond” series coordinator.

-In this role I am responsible for the coordination and operation of professionalization programing for graduate students within the department. Including practice job talks for PhDs heading to the job market. Assembling faculty panels on topics such as “publishing”, “writing the dissertation”, and “navigating academia”. As well as organizing a multi-day “Career Day” which is designed to showcase academic and non-academic pathways for current PhD students.

September 2018- May 2019 **Graduate Student Recruitment Chair,** University of Michigan Department of Sociology.

Marsh 2016- May 2017 **Aeon** (board Member), 95th Board of the Society of Aeons

* A hand selected 12 student research board appointed by Indiana University’s President. Board member collectively identify three major university wide research agendas, conduct multi-methodological research, and produce extensive policy recommendations to the President and his office at the end of the academic year. The proposed recommendations are often times swiftly implemented. Aeons are credited with historic university and community changes such desegregating Bloomington businesses, establishing what is now known as the IU student government, and increasing the full time enrollment maximum form 12 credit hours to 18 credit hours helping to rapidly increase student completion rates. The board is an honor few students are ever selected to experience.

Jan 2014- May 2017 **Council Member**, Political and Civic Engagement Certificate Program Advisory Council, Indiana University

**VOLUNTEER WORK**

2005-2017 **Volunteer**, Gilead House, Kokomo, IN

**CERTIFICATIONS**

2015 **Facilitation Practitioner**, Political and Civic Engagement Program, Indiana University

**REFERENCES**

**Jaeeun Kim, Ph.D.** (Primary Advisor)

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