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- | EMPLOYMENT** ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Communication & Media | Digital Studies Institute | University of Michigan | 2020 – Present
- FACULTY FELLOW
Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society | Harvard University | 2019 – 2020
- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Sociology & Anthropology | Susquehanna University | 2017 – 2020
- RESEARCH ASSOCIATE
Center on Conflict and Development | Texas A&M University | 2015 – 2017
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- | EDUCATION** TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
2017 | PhD, Sociology
- TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
2012 | BA, American Studies
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| BOOK

- Proposal Under Review Williams, Apryl. *Call Me Master: Race, Gender, and Algorithmic Inequality in Online Dating*

| EDITED BOOKS

- November 2019 Laura Robinson, John Baldwin, Heloisa Pait, Jeremy Schulz, Apryl Williams, Jenny Davis, and Gabe Ignatow (Eds.) *Theorizing the Digital: Social Theory & Digital Culture*. In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communications: Communication and Information Technologies Annual*.
- November 2018 Apryl Williams, Ruth Tsuria and Laura Robinson. (Eds.) *Media and Power in International Contexts: Perspectives on Agency and Identity*. In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communications: Communication and Information Technologies Annual*.
- July 2017 Laura Robinson, Jeremy Schulz, Apryl Williams, Pedro Aguiar, John Baldwin, Antonio C. La Pastina, Monica Martinez, Sonia Virginia Moreiro, Heloisa Pait, and Joseph Straubhaar (Eds.) *Brazil: Media from the Country of the Future*. In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communications: Communication and Information Technologies Annual*.
- March 2016 Laura Robinson, Jeremy Schulz, Shelia R. Cotton, Timothy M. Hale, Apryl Williams, and Joy Hightower. (Eds.) *New Media Cultures*. In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communications: Communication and Information Technologies Annual*.
- November 2015 Laura Robinson, Shelia R Cotton, Jeremy Schulz, Timothy M. Hale and Apryl Williams. (Eds.) *Digital Distinctions & Inequalities*. In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communications: Communication and Information Technologies Annual*.

**| REFEREED
JOURNAL
ARTICLES**

- September 2020 Miller, Gabe, Guadalupe Marquez, Apryl Williams and Verna M. Keith. "Black Social Media Use and Discrimination: Sites of Oppression and Expression"
- January 2019 Williams, Apryl, Zaida Bryant* & Christopher Carvell*. "Uncompensated Emotional Labor, Racial Battle Fatigue, and (In)Civility in Digital Spaces" * Student Coauthors
Sociology Compass
- July 2017 Tkach, Ben & Apryl Williams (co-first authorship). "Mobile (In)security? Exploring the Realities of Mobile Phone Use in Conflict Areas" *Information, Communication & Society*
- April 2017 Williams, Apryl & Vanessa Gonlin. "I Got All My Sisters with Me (on Black Twitter) Second Screening of *How to Get Away with Murder* as a Discourse on Black Womanhood"
Information, Communication & Society
- February 2017 Williams, Apryl. "*Fat People of Color*. Creating Counter-narratives Online" *Social Sciences*
- May 2015 Williams, Apryl & Beatriz Aldana Marquez. "The Lonely Selfie King: Selfies and the Conspicuous Prosumption of Gender and Race" *International Journal of Communication*

**| BOOK
CHAPTERS**

- June 2018 Mueller, Jennifer C., Apryl Williams and Danielle Dirks. "Racism and Popular Culture" In *The Handbook of the Sociology of Racial and Ethnic Relations*. Pinar Batur and Joe Feagin. (Eds.) *Invited for publication in the 10th Anniversary edition.
- November 2016 Williams, Apryl. "On Thursdays We Watch Scandal | Reflections of IRL Community Ties on Black Twitter" In *Digital Sociologies*. Jessie Daniels, Karen Gregory, Tressie McMillan Cottom. (Eds.)
- March 2016 Williams, Apryl. "You've been catfished | An Analysis of Postemotionalism in 'Reality' Television and Audience Response on Twitter" In *Emerald Studies in Media and Communication*. Laura Robinson et al. (Eds.)

**| AWARDS &
GRANTS**

- 2019 Natalie Allon Research Award, Sociologists for Women in Society, \$2,400
- 2019 Faculty Research Grant, Susquehanna University, \$1,000
- 2016 Ruth Schaffer "Best Graduate Student Paper" Award, Texas A&M University, \$1,000
- 2015 USAID Global Development Lab & Buffet Foundation Research Grant, \$2,500
- 2015 Research Related Travel Grant, Texas A&M University, \$7,500
- 2014 International Research Travel Grant, Texas A&M University, \$3,500
- 2013 Research Related Travel Grant, Texas A&M University \$5,000