

# David Joseph-Goteiner

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*Research interests:* work, technology, culture, economic sociology, organizations, theory

*Teaching experience:* introduction to sociology, methods, theory, work, digital ethnography

## EDUCATION

**University of California, Berkeley**

Ph.D., Sociology, May 2026 (expected)

Dissertation Title: “Time and Money Well Spent? The Moral Economy of Platform Work”

Dissertation Committee: Heather Haveman and Calvin Morrill (co-chairs), Marion Fourcade

**École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris**

M.A., Sociology, 2018

Highest Honors (*mention très bien*)

**Yale University**

B.A., American Studies, 2014

*Cum Laude*, Honors in Major

## PUBLICATIONS

**Joseph-Goteiner, David.** 2024. “[From Degrees to Dimensions: Accounts of Workers’ Socio-Economic Dependence on Platforms.](#)” *Socius* 10: 1-12.

\* 2023 Early Career Workshop Award, Society for Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)

Haveman, Heather, **Joseph-Goteiner, David** and Danyang Li. 2023. “[Institutional Logics: Motivating Action and Overcoming Resistance to Change.](#)” *Management and Organizations Review* 19: 1152-1177.

Rigal, Alexandre and **David Joseph-Goteiner** (equal authorship). 2021. “[The Globalization of an Interaction Ritual Chain: ‘Clapping for Carers’ During the Conflict Against COVID-19.](#)” *Sociology of Religion* 82(4): 471-493.

\* 2023 Herbert Blumer Prize, University of California Berkeley

**Joseph-Goteiner, David** and Neil Fligstein. “[Social Structure and Organizations.](#)” In J. Ritzer (Ed.) the *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology, Second Edition*, 2020.

## PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

**Joseph-Goteiner, David.** “Exploitation via Delaborization: Taking Paid Surveys as Participation, Gossip, or Work?” *Socio-Economic Review*: Revise and Resubmit.

**Joseph-Goteiner, David.** “Turning Morally Ambiguous Work into Moral Monies: Narratives of Prolific Participants.” *British Journal of Sociology*.

## OTHER ACADEMIC WRITING

**Joseph-Goteiner, David.** 2025. “[Book Review: Side Hustle Safety Net How Vulnerable Workers Survive Precarious Times](#) by Alexandra J. Ravenelle (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2023).” *Work and Occupations*. 52(2), 311-313.

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS

### *Research*

|         |                                                                       |          |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 2025    | American Cultures, Engaged Scholar Fellowship (UC Berkeley)           | \$1,500  |
| 2023-24 | Dissertation Fellowship (UCB)                                         | \$26,000 |
| 2023    | Summer Writing Grants for Advanced Students (UCB)                     | \$5,000  |
| 2021-22 | Lowenthal Fellowship (UCB)                                            | \$26,000 |
| 2014    | Pickins Prize, Outstanding Thesis in African-American Studies (Yale)  | \$1,000  |
| 2014    | Richard Hegel Prize for a Senior Essay on New Haven (Yale University) | \$500    |

### *Teaching, Mentorship, and Service*

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|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 2024-25 | Discovery Initiative Teaching Innovation Grant (UCB)         | \$8,000 |
| 2024    | Outstanding Graduate Student Peer Mentor Award (UCB)         | \$1,000 |
| 2010    | The Princeton Prize in Race Relations (Princeton University) | \$1,000 |

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Instructor of Record*

|         |                                                                                   |
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| 2025-26 | <a href="#">“A Collective Ethnography of Digital Platform Work”</a> (36 students) |
| 2024    | <a href="#">“Platform Work and Inequality in the U.S”</a> (15 students)           |

### *Graduate Student Instructor*

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| 2020-21 | “Social Theory,” Faculty Instructor: Michael Burawoy (100 students)         |
| 2020    | “Sociological Methods,” Faculty Instructor: Daniel Schneider (50 students)  |
| 2019    | “Introduction to Sociology,” Faculty Instructor: Sandra Smith (50 students) |

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Sustaining as a Survey Taker via Work Games: Distraction and Traction.” American Sociological Association, Chicago.
- ““Collective Ethnography”: Hands-On Learning and Applied Research with Undergraduates.” American Sociological Association, Chicago.
- “A Collective Ethnography of Platform Work.” (co-presented with six undergraduates). Pacific Sociological Association, San Francisco.
- “Becoming a Professional Survey Taker via Work Games: Traction and Distraction.” Eastern Sociological Association, Boston.
- 2024 “Discontinuous Time: Platform Work and Microscopic Boundaries between Work and Leisure.” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Limerick.
- “From Objective Degrees to Dimensions and Processes.” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Limerick.
- “Follow the Digital Money: How Platform Workers are Embedding with Platform Income.” American Sociological Association, Montreal.
- 2023 “Extra Money for Whom? Earmarking Rational and Relational Needs with Platform Money.” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Rio de Janeiro.
- “Symbolic Breaks: Time On and Off of a Labor Platform.” American Sociological Association, Philadelphia.
- 2020 “Disaggregating Civil Society’s Decline: The Deviant Case of the Thriving YMCA.”

American Sociological Association, online.

“Towards a Global Ritual: Diffusion of Culture in Unsettled Times.” Pacific Sociological Association, online.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “‘Your Mileage May Vary’: Platform Workers’ Evaluations of Wage Fairness.” Labor Tech Research Group, moderated by Winifred Poster (University of Washington, St. Louis) and Joy Ming (Cornell University).
- 2023 “In Search of Meaningful Breaks.” SHIFT Project qualitative group, co-run by Daniel Schneider (Harvard University) and Kristen Harknett (UC San Francisco).

## WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Becoming a Professional Survey Taker via Work Games: Traction and Distraction.” Problem Solving Ethnography Workshop, moderated by Paul Lichterman (University of Southern California) and Ji-won Lee (University at Albany – State University of New York).
- 2024 “From Dimensions to Degrees: Platform Work as a Financial Mechanism.” Precarity & Inequality Lab, Department of Sociology and Department of Management and Organizations, Boston University.
- 2023 “Platform Money in Between Paychecks: A Problematic Solution to Income Volatility.” Problem Solving Sociology Coffee Hour. Co-organized by Monica Prasad (Northwestern) and Ji-won Lee (University at Albany – State University of New York).
- “Dimensions of Dependence: Platform Work as a Financial Mechanism.” Organized by Vadim Radaev (HSE) and Kadir Uysal (HSE). Laboratory for Studies in Economic Sociology, Higher School of Economics.
- “Symbolic Breaks: Time On and Off of a Labor Platform.” Precarity & Inequality Lab, Department of Sociology and Department of Management and Organizations, Boston University.
- “Dimensions of Dependence: Platform Work as a Financial Mechanism.” Early Career Workshop. Moderated by Carolyn Chen (City College New York) and Timur Ergen (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies). Society for Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Rio de Janeiro.
- “Earmarked as Extra: When Platform Income Becomes ‘Beer Money’” Gender and Sexualities Workshop, UC Berkeley.
- 2020 “Disaggregating Civic Decline: Explaining a Deviant Case and Local Variation.” Organized by Neil Fligstein (UC Berkeley). Center for Culture, Organizations, and Politics, UC Berkeley.

## SERVICE

- 2025 Reviewer: *Socio-Economic Review*, *Work & Occupations*, *Competition & Change*. Co-organizer, “Navigating Insecurities: Precarity, Crisis, and Paths to Solidarity Mini-Conference,” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Montreal Mentor, Sociology Equity Inclusion Diversity Mentorship Initiative, UC Berkeley Co-organizer, “The Lonely Ethnographers’ Collective,” UC Berkeley
- 2024 Session Organizer, “Wearing Multiple Hats: Researching, Teaching, Advising, and Criticizing in LaborTech,” Labor Tech End-of-Year Conference, online

Mentor, Social Sciences Research Pathways, UC Berkeley  
Member, Gender and Sexualities Workshop, UC Berkeley  
Graduate Student Participant, Economy and Society Initiative, UC Berkeley

2023 Instructor, Summer Undergraduate Research Program, UC Berkeley

2021-25 Member, Precarity & Inequality Lab Workshop, Boston University

2020-24 Co-organizer and participant, Writing and Accountability, Department of Sociology, UC Berkeley

2020-22 Mentor for Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, UC Berkeley

## RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

2019-22 Professor Marion Fourcade, “The Great Online Migration: Public Schools and Platforms in COVID-19”

2018-22 Professor Michael Burawoy, “Public Sociology at UC Berkeley”

## MEMBERSHIPS

2020- American Sociological Association Sections: Economic Sociology, Organizations, Occupations and Work (OOW), Science, Knowledge, and Technology (SKAT),  
Culture, Theory

2022- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics

2024- Eastern Sociological Association

## RELEVANT SKILLS

**Languages:** French (fluent), Turkish and Italian (elementary)

**Citizenship:** United States, French (E.U.)

**Software:** Stata, MAXQDA, Qualtrics

## REFERENCES

**Heather Haveman**, Professor of Sociology and Business, UC Berkeley. [haveman@berkeley.edu](mailto:haveman@berkeley.edu).

**Calvin Morrill**, Stefan A. Riesenfeld Distinguished Professor of Law & Professor of Sociology (affiliated faculty), UC Berkeley. [cmorrill@berkeley.edu](mailto:cmorrill@berkeley.edu).

**Marion Fourcade**, Professor of Sociology, UC Berkeley. [fourcade@berkeley.edu](mailto:fourcade@berkeley.edu).