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EDUCATION

- 2022-Present PhD, Sociology – University of California, Berkeley
Title: “Policing While Policed: Negotiating Reentry and Security Work in California.”
Committee: David J. Harding, Armando Lara-Millán, Osagie K. Obasogie
- 2022 MA, Sociology – University of California, Berkeley
Title: “Spit Happens: Pandemic Policing, Spit Hoods, and the Pathogen Weaponization Hypothesis”
Committee: Tianna S. Paschel and Osagie K. Obasogie
- 2018 B.A. (Special Honors), Sociology – University of Texas at Austin
 Bridging Disciplines Research Certificate: Human Rights and Social Justice

PUBLICATIONS

- 2022 Fischer, Claude and **Xavier Durham**. 2022. “Forms of Group Involvement: Alternatives to the Standard Question.” *Sociological Perspectives* 65(4): 1 – 23.
- 2019 **Durham, Xavier**. 2019. “Marielle Franco and the Brazilian necropolis: Assassination and after lives.” *Rapport Center for Human Rights and Justice: Human Rights Commentary*. June 4, 2019 (<https://law.utexas.edu/humanrights/projects/marielle-franco-and-the-brazilian-necropolis-assassination-and-after-lives/>).
- 2018 **Durham, Xavier**. 2018. “The Anti-Black Pendulum: The Racial Limitations of Foucault’s Panopticism and Penal Reform in Brazil.” *The Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Journal* 2018. 16 – 20.
- 2018 **Durham, Xavier**. 2018. “Racialized Surveillance, Policing, and Social Control in Brazil.” *Texas Undergraduate Research Journal*. 17(1): 1 – 13.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Durham, Xavier. 202X. “Carceral Networking and Penal Liminality: A Case Study of Security NGOs.”

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2025 Center for the Study of Law and Society (CSLS) Graduate Student Paper Award (Honorable Mention)

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2025 Summer Dissertation Writing Grant for Advanced Arts and Humanities and Advanced Social Sciences, Berkeley Graduate Division, University of California, Berkeley

- 2025 LSA Early Career/Graduate Student Workshop Grant, Law and Society Association (LSA)
- 2024 RSF Dissertation Research Grant, Russell Sage Foundation (RSF)
- 2024, 2025 Berkeley Connect Summer Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2023-24 Berkeley Connect Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2022-24 ISSI Graduate Fellowship, Institute for the Study of Societal Issues (ISSI), University of California, Berkeley
- 2023 IRLE Graduate Student Research Award, Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE), University of California, Berkeley
- 2023 Black Studies Collaboratory Summer Research Grant, Department of African American and African Diaspora Studies, University of California, Berkeley
- 2020-23 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation (NSF)
- 2021, 2022 Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant, Mellon Mays Graduate Initiative Program, Social Science Research Council
- 2021-22 Black Graduate Collective Development Fellowship, Office for Graduate Diversity, University of California, Berkeley
- 2021-22 Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Fellowship, Berkeley Law School, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018-20 Berkeley Graduate Research Fellowship, Berkeley Graduate Division, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018 Barbara Harlow Human Rights and Social Justice Scholarship, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice, University of Texas at Austin
- 2017-18 Department of Sociology Honors Program, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2017-18 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016-18 Henry Benjamin Decherd and Isabelle Thomason Decherd Scholarship, Texas Exes, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016-18 Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin
- 2015-18 Rapoport Service Scholarship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2017 Princeton Summer Undergraduate Research Experience Fellowship, Princeton University
- 2017 Undergraduate Competitive Scholarship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2017 Rapoport-King Honors Thesis Scholarship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2017 Alpha Kappa Delta—Sociological Honors Society

- 2017 Undergraduate Research Grant, College of Undergraduate Studies, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016 Undergraduate Research Grant, Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016 African Diaspora in the Americas Scholarship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016 Black Diaspora in Rio de Janeiro Scholarship, College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 “What Our Work Means Today,” Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship End-of-Year Celebration, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- 2023 “A Brief History of Policing and Its Mutations,” SOCIOL 149: Tracking the Penal State, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- 2023 “When the Policed Become Police: The Political Economy of Reentry in California,” Black Studies Collaboratory Small Grantee Symposium, Berkeley, CA
- 2023 “How to Design and Navigate Ethnographic Data Gathering,” Center for Ethnographic Research Summer Workshop in Qualitative Research Methods, Berkeley, CA
- 2023 “Carceral Networking and Precarious Labor: Prisonization, Capital, and a New Urban Policing in San Francisco,” Breaking Barriers, Building Community, Berkeley, CA
- 2022 “Spit Happens: Pandemic Policing and the Weaponization Hypothesis,” Creating Connections Consortium Summit, Virtual
- 2021 “Things no one told me about graduate school,” Creating Connections Consortium Summit, Virtual

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Policing While Policed: Negotiating Security Work in California.” Carceral Political Economy in the Era of ‘Late’ Mass Incarceration, New York, NY.
- 2025 “Policing While Policed: Negotiating Security Work in California.” Global Meeting on Law and Society, Chicago, IL.
- 2024 “Underwritten, Overlooked: Amplifying Successful Writing Mentorship in Undergraduate Pathway Programs,” Conference on Diversity, Equity, and Student Success: What Unites Us, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2023 “Carceral Networking and Precarious Labor: Prisonization, Capital, and a New Urban Policing in San Francisco,” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 “Public Perceptions, Private Police: A Case Study of Institutional and Non-Institutional Responses to Security Demand,” Global Meeting on Law and Society, Lisbon, PT.
- 2020 “Private Police and the Delegated Security State,” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA (Virtual).
- 2019 “Black Mirrors, Black Windows: an invitation to reflexivity on epistemological approaches to surveillance processes and technology,” Eyes on Surveillance: (In)security in Everyday Life, Baltimore, MD

- 2018 “Violence on the Market: Race and the Privatization of Police and Surveillance Technology in Urban Brazil,” Social Science Research Council Summer Mellon Conference, New York, NY
- 2018 “Policing and Race: Criminal Justice Surveillance in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil,” Black Communities, A Conference for Collaboration, Durham, NC
- 2017 “Surveillance and Incarceration: The Genesis of Racialized Policing in Brazil,” Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program 2017 Southeast Regional Conference, Austin, TX
- 2017 “The Casa de Correção: Racial Violence and Control in Brazil,” National Diversity in STEM Conference, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2017 “The Anti-Black Assemblage: Racialized Surveillance, Policing and Social Control in Brazil,” Leadership Alliance National Symposium, Hartford, CT
- 2017 “Insecurity, Policing, and Social Control in Brazil,” College of Liberal Arts Dean’s Reception, Austin, TX
- 2017 “Insecurity, Policing, and Social Control in Brazil,” College of Liberal Arts Honors Poster Presentation, Austin, TX

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – 24 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program, Writing Coordinator, University of California, Berkeley
- 2016 – 17 Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, Alternative Breaks Trip Leader, University of Texas at Austin

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 – 25 Getting into Graduate School (GiGS), Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2024 – 25 Berkeley Connect, Lead Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2024 Berkeley Summer Connect, Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2023 – 24 Berkeley Connect, Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2022 – 25 Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, Social Science Research Pathways Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2020 – 25 Navigating Cal, Application Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018 – 24 Department of Sociology, Honors Thesis Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2022 – 24 Berkeley Underground Scholars Initiative, Graduate Student Tutor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2020 – 23 Navigating 2 Cal (Nav2Cal): Undergraduate Matriculation Program, Application Support Leader, University of California, Berkeley
- 2020 – 22 Berkeley Sociology Summer Research Scholars Program, Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2020 – 21 Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program in Sociology, Graduate Student Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2019 – 20 Bridging Disciplines Program, Alumni Mentor, University of Texas at Austin

- 2016 – 17 Division for Diversity and Community Engagement, Gateway Mentor, University of Texas at Austin
- 2015 New Student Services, Orientation Advisor, University of Texas at Austin

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2025 San Francisco Encampment Sweep Survey Project, University of California, Los Angeles – Department of Sociology, PI: Chris Herring
- 2022-23 Tennessee v. Garner Research Project, University of California Berkeley School of Law PI: Osagie K. Obasogie
- 2021-22 Domestic Politics, Foreign Surveillance: Chinese Dataveillance in the Global South, Social Science Matrix. PI: Seyi Olojo
- 2020-21 Scaling Undergraduate Research Through Tiered Mentoring, Department of Sociology, PI: David J. Harding
- 2018-19 UCNETS: UC Berkeley Social Networks Research Group, PI: Claude Fischer
- 2018 Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice, Texas Law School, Advisor: Karen Engle
- 2017 Leadership Alliance—Princeton Summer Undergraduate Research Experience (PSURE), Advisor: Miguel Centeno
- 2016 African Diaspora in the Americas Study Abroad Program, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Advisor: João H. Costa Vargas

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2023 “Sociology of Race and Ethnicity Graduate Student Conference” Co-Organizer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2022-23 Sociology Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Leadership Team Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2021-23 Editing Board Member, Berkeley Journal of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2019-23 Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality Workshop Organizer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018-23 Sociologists of Color and Allies Lead Organizer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2022 Anti-Black Racism and Social Inclusion Tenure-Track Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2021-22 Independent Advisory Board on Police Accountability and Community Safety, Office of the Chancellor, University of California, Berkeley
- 2021-22 Sociology Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Community Building Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley

- 2020-22 Berkeley Sociology Summer Research Scholars Program Associate Director, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2021 “Analysis Pending Revolution: A Survey of Abolition in Practice” Conference Co-Organizer, Graduate Assembly, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018-21 Graduate Assembly Delegate, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2018 “Anti-Black Violence Across the Americas” Conference Co-Organizer, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
- 2016-17 Sociology in Action, President, University of Texas at Austin
- 2016-17 Sociological Insight, Editing Board Member, University of Texas ay Austin

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2025-Present Association of Black Sociologists (ABS)
- 2024-Present The Policy Academies (TPA)
- 2023-Present Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE), University of California, Berkeley
- 2022-Present Law and Society Association (LSA)
- 2020-Present Institute for the Study of Societal Issues (ISSI), University of California, Berkeley
- 2017-Present American Sociological Association (ASA)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST