Claire W. Herbert

Curriculum Vitae

University of Oregon | Department of Sociology | Faculty Website

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Sociology, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, 2016
- M.A. Sociology, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, 2014
- B.S. Sociology and Political Science, University of Oregon, 2006

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2023 -	Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Oregon
2019 - 2023	Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Oregon
2016 - 2019	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Drexel University
2009 - 2016	Trainee, Population Studies Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban Sociology, Law and Society, Housing and Homelessness, Race and Colonialism, Sociology of Property, Poverty and Inequality

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Claire W. Herbert. A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality. Oakland: University of California Press.
 *Reviewed in American Journal of Sociology; Social Forces; IJURR; Contemporary Sociology; AAG Review of Books; Legalities; Space and Culture; Métropoles; Journal of Law, Property, and Society; Buildings & Landscapes: Journal of the Vernacular Architecture Forum

Russian Translation *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* Moscow: New Literary Observer. In Production.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles *denotes current or former student

- 2025 Lesley Jo Weaver, **Claire W. Herbert**, Dylan J. Podrabsky*, and Mackenzie L. Ní Flainn*. "Co-Opting the 'Public' in Public Health: Homelessness and the Specious Logic of Discretionary Displacement in a Mid-Sized U.S. City." *Journal of Critical Public Health*. https://doi.org/10.1080/09581596.2025.2455492
- 2024 **Claire W. Herbert** and Amanda Ricketts*. "Resisting and Reclaiming: Squatting as Contentious Urban Politics in the U.S." *Social Problems*. Online view: https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spae023
- 2023 **Claire W. Herbert** and Michael Brown. "Race, Property, and Erasure in the Rust Belt: Viewing Urban Changes through a Binocular Colonial Lens." *Du Bois Review.* 20(2):311-332. https://doi.org/10.1017/S1742058X23000061
- 2022 **Claire W. Herbert**, Noah Durst, and Deyanira Nevárez Martínez. "A Typology of Informal Housing in the United States: Lessons for Planners." *Journal of Planning Education and Research*. 44(3):1912-1923. https://doi.org/10.1177/0739456X221136502
- 2021 **Claire W. Herbert** and Jay Orne. "No Lawless Place: Foregrounding Property in Sociology." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World* 7(12):1-12. https://doi.org/10.1177/23780231211045448
- 2018 **Claire W. Herbert.** "Squatting for Survival: Precarious Housing in a Declining U.S. City." *Housing Policy Debate* 28(5):797-813. https://doi.org/10.1080/10511482.2018.1461120.
- 2018 **Claire W. Herbert**. "Like a Good Neighbor, Squatters are There: Property and Neighborhood Stability in the Context of Urban Decline." *City and Community* 17(1):236-258. https://doi.org/10.1111/cico.12275
- 2015 **Claire W. Herbert**, Jeffrey D. Morenoff, and David J. Harding. "Homelessness and Housing Insecurity Among Former Prisoners." *Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 1(2):44-79. https://doi.org/10.7758/rsf.2015.1.2.04
- 2015 **Claire W. Herbert** and Martin J. Murray. "Building from Scratch: New Cities, Privatized Urbanism and the Spatial Restructuring of Johannesburg after Apartheid." *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 39(3):471-494. https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-2427.12180
- David J. Harding, Jeffrey D. Morenoff, and **Claire W. Herbert**. "Home is Hard to Find: Neighborhoods, Institutions, and the Residential Trajectories of Returning Prisoners." *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 647(1):214-236. https://doi.org/10.1177/0002716213477070

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters *denotes current or former student

- Amanda Ricketts* and **Claire W. Herbert**. "Squatters Unite! Leveraging Land and Housing Occupations in Philadelphia." In *Dispatches from the Threshold:*Tenant Power in Times of Crisis edited by Rae Baker and Alexander Ferrer.

 Fernwood Publishing.
- 2023 **Claire W. Herbert.** "Informal Housing in the U.S.: Variation and Inequality among Squatters in Detroit." In *The Sociology of Housing: How Homes Shape Our Social Lives* edited by Brian McCabe and Eva Rosen. <u>University of Chicago Press</u>.

Other Publications *denotes current or former student

- 2025 Nicole DuBois, **Claire W. Herbert**, and E. Mae Sowards*. "Criminalizing Homelessness Worsens the Crisis, Research Shows." Research Brief. *National Alliance to End Homelessness*. https://endhomelessness.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/CriminalizingWorsensTheCrisis_NAEH_2-4-25.pdf [Equal authorship]
- 2025 Nicole DuBois, **Claire W. Herbert**, and E. Mae Sowards*. "Criminalization of Homelessness Harms Individual and Public Health." Research Brief. *National Alliance to End Homelessness*. https://endhomelessness.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/CriminalizationIsHarmful_NAEH-2-4-25.pdf [Equal authorship]
- 2025 Nicole DuBois, **Claire W. Herbert**, and E. Mae Sowards*. "Criminalization of Homelessness Fails to Improve Individual and Public Safety." Research Brief. *National Alliance to End Homelessness*. https://endhomelessness.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/CriminalizationFailsToImproveSafety_NAEH_2-4-25.pdf [Equal authorship]
- Team of 10 experts writing for Public Justice. "Brief of 57 Social Scientists with Published Research on Homelessness as Amici Curiae in Support of Respondents." Amicus Brief No. 23-175, delivered to the Supreme Court of the United States regarding Grants Pass v Johnson. https://www.supremecourt.gov/DocketPDF/23/23-175/306641/20240403145657027_23-175%20Amicus %20Brief.pdf
- 2021 **Claire W. Herbert.** Book Review. "Squatters in the Capitalist City: Housing, Justice, and Urban Politics," by Miguel A. Martínez. *City and Community* 20(2):185-186. https://doi.org/10.1177/15356841211015951
- 2019 **Claire W. Herbert**. Book Review. "Ours to Lose: When Squatters Became Homeowners in New York City," by Amy Starecheski. *American Journal of Sociology* 124(5):1590-1592. https://doi.org/10.1086/701664

- 2018 **Claire W. Herbert**. Book Review: "Creative Urbanity: An Italian Middle Class in the Shade of Revitalization," by Emanuela Guano. *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 47(2):182-183. https://doi.org/10.1177/0094306118755396n
- 2016 **Claire W. Herbert**, Jeffrey Morenoff, David Harding, and Liam Purvis. Policy Brief. "Residential Instability among the Formerly Incarcerated." *National Poverty Center* 42:1-3. http://www.npc.umich.edu/publications/policy_briefs/brief42/

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS drafts available, *denotes current or former student

Claire W. Herbert and Michael Brown. "Colonial Logics in Rust Belt Revitalization: Rethinking State-Led Gentrification." [R&R, Under Review]

Haisu Huang* and **Claire W. Herbert**. "RVs as Informal, Post-Disaster Housing: Feasibility, Stress, and the Pull of Rural Place." [Under Review]

Claire W. Herbert, Lesley Jo Weaver, Dylan J. Podrabsky*, and Emma Singleton*. "When Penalties are Framed as Protections: Street-Level Bureaucrats and the Expansion of Homeless Governance in the U.S." [Under Review]

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2022 Wulf Teaching Professorship in the Humanities, Oregon Humanities Center, University of Oregon [July 2022 March 2023] \$8,500
- 2021 Scholar in Residence, Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, University of Oregon [2021 2022] \$10,000
- 2013 Mary Malcomson Raphael Fellowship, Center for the Education of Women, University of Michigan [Aug 2013 – Aug 2014] \$35,000
- 2010 Population Studies Research Traineeship, National Institute of Aging, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan [Aug 2010 Aug 2011] \$21,180
- 2009 Population Studies Research Traineeship, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan [Aug 2009 - Aug 2010] \$20,976

GRANTS

- 2024 Consumer Justice Research Grant, University of Oregon School of Law: Government Protections for People Excluded from the Housing Market in Oregon: HB 3115 and Measure 110, \$28,647
- 2022 National Science Foundation, Law and Science Program (Co-PI): *Informality and Inequality in the Global North: Regulation, Non-Compliance, and Enforcement in US Land Use and Housing Law,* \$395,000

- 2022 Sociological Initiatives Foundation: Linking Research to Action Grant for *When Home is Illegal: Reducing the Harms of Unsheltered Homelessness* \$19,992
- 2021 Marquina Award (with graduate student Amanda Ricketts), Department of Sociology, University of Oregon \$2,500
- 2021 Faculty Research Grant, Center for the Study of Women in Society, University of Oregon \$6,000
- 2018 Drexel Faculty Development Fund (co-awardee) for Sociology Speaker Series \$7,800
- 2015 Rackham Graduate School Travel Grant, University of Michigan \$800 (also awarded 2014, 2014, 2011, 2011)
- 2015 Law and Society Association Conference Grant \$300
- 2015 Department of Sociology Small Grant, University of Michigan \$400
- 2014 Rackham Graduate School Candidate Research Grant, University of Michigan \$3,000
- 2013 Department of Sociology Block Grant, University of Michigan \$3,000
- 2013 Dissertation Research Grant, Dept. of Sociology, University of Michigan \$2,500
- 2011 Rackham Graduate School Pre-Candidate Research Grant, University of Michigan \$1,500
- 2011 Center for Afro-American and African Studies African Initiatives Research Grant, University of Michigan \$4,000

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS PENDING

- 2024 American Council of Learned Societies. Book project *When Home is Illegal: Unsheltered Homelessness in America*. \$60,000 requested.
- 2024 National Science Foundation, Sociology Program. (Co-PI) *Institutions, Property Relations, and the Uneven Risks and Rewards of Homeownership.* \$980,000 requested.

AWARDS

- 2023 Tykeson Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Oregon \$2,500
- 2015 Mark Chesler Diversity & Social Justice Paper Award, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan \$500
- 2013 Sociology Department Nomination, Mary Malcomson Raphael Fellowship, University of Michigan

- 2010 Rackham Summer Award, University of Michigan \$4,000
- 2009 Eita Krom Award, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan \$1,500

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Keynote Plenary. *Innovations and Solutions for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness*. National Alliance to End Homelessness. Los Angeles, February 27.
- 2024 *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* University of Missouri. St. Louis, March 21.
- 2023 Special Session: The New Sociology of Housing: Precarity, Policy and Place. American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 20.
- A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality. Princeton-Mellon Research Forum on the Urban Environment, Princeton University. Princeton, April 11.
- 2020 *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* Department of Sociology, Wayne State University. Detroit, November 13.
- 2019 "Squatters and Homesteaders: Understanding Variation in Informal Housing Practices in the U.S." Sociology of Housing Conference, Georgetown University. Washington, D.C. October 3-4.
- 2019 "Urban Informality and Urban Decline." When Cities Won't Grow Workshop. University of Michigan Dearborn. Detroit, April 8-9.
- 2019 *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* Detroit School Series. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, February 22.
- 2017 "Survival Squatting and the Politics of Erasure in Detroit." Panel on Repression and Resistance. Department of Social Inquiry. University of Wisconsin. Superior, March 24.
- 2014 "Homeless and Housing Insecurity among Former Prisoners." With Jeffrey D. Morenoff and David J. Harding. Russell Sage Foundation Conference on Severe Deprivation in America. New York City, October 30-31.
- 2011 "City Doubles: Re-Urbanism in Africa." With Martin J. Murray. Faces of the City Series, School of Architecture and Planning, University of the Witwatersrand. Johannesburg, South Africa, July 5.

INVITED CAMPUS PRESENTATIONS

2025 *Government Protections for People Excluded from the Housing Market.* Consumer Justice Grant Roundtable, University of Oregon. Eugene, February 20.

- 2024 A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality. Law School Colloquium Series, University of Oregon. Eugene, October 3.
- 2024 "Informal Housing in the US: The Trouble with Toleration in Detroit and Eugene." Housing and Homelessness Working Group, University of Oregon. Eugene, January 22.
- 2023 "The Colonial Dynamics of Rust Belt Revitalization." Department of Planning, Public Policy, and Management Colloquium, University of Oregon. Eugene, February 16.
- 2022 "Informal Housing in the United States." Consumer Protection Symposium. University of Oregon Law School. Eugene, November 4.
- 2022 "Mass Incarceration and the Housing Crisis." Keynote for Week Against Mass Incarceration, National Lawyers Guild UO Chapter. Eugene, February 28.
- 2021 "The Politics of Erasure: Rethinking the Dynamics of Race, Property, and Displacement in Rust-Belt Revitalization." Department of Geography Colloquium, University of Oregon. Eugene, October 21.
- 2021 "Housing Instability and Eugene's Vulnerable Populations." Ideas on Tap Speaker Series, Museum of Natural and Cultural History, University of Oregon. Eugene, March 3.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Organizing and Service

- 2024 Session Organizer. "Interdisciplinarity and Urban Sociology." Community and Urban Sociology Section. American Sociological Association. Montreal, Canada, August 9-13.
- 2023 Organizer. Author-Meets-Reader for *Stacked Decks: Building Inspectors and the Reproduction of Urban Inequality* by Robin Bartram. Urban Affairs Association. Nashville, April 26-29.
- "How Policy and Enforcement Shape Unsheltered Homelessness in Lane County." Panel Organizer and Moderator. Wayne Morse Center for Law and Policy, University of Oregon. Eugene, April 29.
- 2021 Organizer and critic. Author-Meets-Critic for *Manufactured Insecurity: Mobile Home Parks and American's Tenuous Right to Place* by Esther Sullivan. Pacific Sociology Association. March 18-21. [Remote]
- 2019 Panel Organizer. "Informal Housing in the United States." Urban Affairs Association. Los Angeles, April 24-27.
- 2018 Symposia Organizer. "Toward a Sociology of Property, Regulation, and Land Use." (five speakers). Drexel University. Philadelphia, Fall 2018 Spring 2019.

- 2017 Presider. Homelessness and Affordable/Fair Housing. Symposium on The Future of Housing Policy in the U.S. University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, September 15.
- 2017 Panel Organizer. Housing Regular Sessions (three panels). American Sociological Association. Montreal, Canada, August 15-18.

Presentations

- 2024 "Protecting the 'Public' Good: Contradictions in Authority Justifications for Homeless Sweeps." Urban Affairs Association. New York, April 24-27. [co-authored]
- 2023 Seeing the Rust Belt through a Binocular Colonial Lens: Race, Property, and Erasure. American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 17-21.
- 2023 Informality in the United States: Challenges and Contributions to Just and Equitable Cities. Colloquy Session Panelist. Urban Affairs Association. Nashville, April 26-29.
- 2022 "Resisting and Reclaiming: Property Occupations by Homeless Mothers in Three U.S. Cities." RC21. Athens, Greece, August 26-28.
- 2022 "Resisting and Reclaiming: Property Occupations by Homeless Mothers in Three U.S. Cities." American Sociological Association. Los Angeles, August 5-9.
- 2022 "Resisting and Reclaiming: Property Occupations by Homeless Mothers in Three U.S. Cities." Law and Society Association. Lisbon, Portugal, July 13-16.
- 2022 Author for Author-Meets-Critic session for *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* Urban Affairs Association. D.C., April 12-15.
- 2021 "Diagnosing Problems and Envisioning Solutions: Property Occupations in Philadelphia during the Pandemic." Geographies of Law Conference, University of Turin, Italy. December 13-14. [Remote]
- 2021 Author for Author-Meets-Critic session for *A Detroit Story: Urban Decline and the Rise of Property Informality.* Law and Society Association. May 26-30. [Remote]
- 2021 "Formalizing Tent Communities: Homelessness and Stop-Gap Measures (during the Pandemic)." Pacific Sociological Association. March 18-21. [Remote]
- 2020 "The Social Life of Property." American Sociological Association. August 8-11. [Remote]
- 2020 "The Social Life of Property." Law and Society Association. May 28-31. [Remote]
- 2019 "A Typology of Squatting in Detroit: Informal Housing Practices in a Declining City." Urban Affairs Association. Los Angeles, April 24-27.

- 2018 "Rethinking Gentrification in the Context of Urban Decline: Settler Colonialism, Racialization, and Erasure." American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 11-14.
- 2018 "Squatting for Survival: Precarious Housing in a Declining U.S. City." American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 11-14.
- 2018 "Erasing Squatters, Welcoming Homesteaders: How Detroit's New Property Regulatory Schema Reproduces Inequality." American Association of Geographers. New Orleans, April 10-14.
- 2018 "Squatters or Homesteaders? The Unequal Outcomes of Regulating Property Informality in Detroit." Urban Affairs Association. Toronto, April 4-7.
- 2018 "Are you squatter or homesteader? How Race, Class and Place-Based Inequalities Shape Urban Informality in Detroit." Eastern Sociological Society. Baltimore, February 22-25.
- 2017 "Settler Colonialism in Detroit and the Politics of Erasure: Theorizing Pre-Gentrification in Declining Cities." American Sociological Association. Montreal, August 12-15.
- 2017 "Politics of Erasure in Detroit: Rethinking Gentrification's 'Displacement' in the Context of Urban Decline." Urban Affairs Association. Minneapolis, March 19-22.
- 2017 "Squatting for Survival: Informal Housing in Declining U.S. Cities." Urban Affairs Association. Minneapolis, March 19-22.
- 2017 "Squatting for Survival: Informal Housing in Declining U.S. Cities." Eastern Sociological Society. Philadelphia, February 23-26.
- "Like a good neighbor, squatters are there: Property and Neighborhood Stability in the Context of Urban Decline." American Sociological Association. Seattle, August 20-23.
- 2016 "Politics of Erasure in Detroit: The Conditions for the Possibility of Gentrification in a Post-Industrial City." Society for the Study of Social Problems. Seattle, August 19-21.
- 2015 "The Ethos of Care: Assessing the (Non-legal) Right to Property in Detroit." American Sociological Association. Chicago, August 22-25.
- 2015 "Defining Resistance in Detroit: Intentionality and the Tactic-Strategy Dichotomy." Law and Society Association. Seattle, May 28-31.
- 2014 "The Right to Squat: Legal Consciousness and the Legitimation of Illegal Activities in Detroit." American Sociological Association. San Francisco, August 16-19.

- 2014 "Detroit and the Ethics of Property Re-Appropriation." Law and Society Association. Minneapolis, May 29-June 1.
- 2011 "Solidifying the Right to Space: Consequences of the New Privatized African City." Society for the Study of Social Problems. Las Vegas, August 19-21.
- 2011 "New Cities from Scratch: Public-Private Partnerships and Imagined Private Cities in Africa." American Association of Geographers. Seattle, April 12-16.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Sociology, University of Oregon

Urban Sociology (Fall 2024)

Introduction to Deviance, Control and Crime (Winter & Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)

Community and Crime (Winter 2020, Spring 2022, Winter 2024)

Housing and Homelessness (Spring 2021, Spring 2022)

Research Methods (Winter 2021, Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Winter 2025)

Sociology of Property (Winter 2023)

Sociology of Property [Graduate level] (Winter 2023, Fall 2024)

Clark Honors College, University of Oregon

Honors Housing and Homelessness (Fall 2020, Winter 2025)

Department of Sociology, Drexel University

Introduction to Sociology (Winter 2017, Winter 2018, Winter 2019)

Honors Introduction to Sociology (Winter 2019)

Urban Sociology (Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Spring 2019)

Housing and Homelessness (Winter 2018)

Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality (Spring 2019)

Department of Sociology, University of Michigan

Sociological Research Methods (Summer 2015)

Public Health - Project Community (Fall 2012, Winter 2013)

Criminal Justice - Project Community (Winter 2012)

Gender & Sexuality - Project Community (Winter 2012)

Education - Project Community (Fall 2011)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Appointments and Committees

Associate Editor, Socius, 2023 - 2025

Associate Editor, Sociological Perspectives, 2020-ongoing

Activist Scholar Award Committee, Urban Affairs Association, 2018–2020

Policy Consulting (volunteer)

2024 City of St. Louis – vacancy

2024 National Alliance to End Homelessness - unsheltered homelessness

Peer Reviewer

Environment & Planning E (2024)

University of North Carolina Press (2024)

City & Community (2024, 2023, 2022

2017)

Du Bois Review (2024)

IJURR (2024, 2024)

Sociological Perspectives (2023, 2022, 2021)

Social Problems (2023, 2020, 2017, 2014)

Sociological Forum (2023, 2022)

Socius (2024, 2023, 2022)

Journal of Urban Affairs (2022)

Oxford University Press (2022)

NSF Law & Science (2024, 2022, 2017)

Polity Press (2021)

University of Chicago Press (2021)

Cities (2021)

Progress in Human Geography (2020)

Journal of Economic and Social Geog (2020)

Housing Studies (2019, 2018)

Housing and Society (2019)

Law and Social Inquiry (2019)

Crime and Delinquency (2019)

Housing Policy Debate (2017)

City and Society (2016)

Law and Society Review (2015)

American Journal of Sociology (2014)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Grant Reviewer, Center for the Study of Women in Society, University of Oregon, Winter 2025

Advisory Committee, Human Subjects Research Board, University of Oregon, 2024-2025

- Co-Chair, Housing and Homelessness Impact and Innovation Hub, University of Oregon, 2024-2025
- Advisory Board Member, Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, University of Oregon, 2023-2026
- SAIL Volunteer [Summer Academy to Inspire Learning, pre-college program for underrepresented high school students], University of Oregon, Summer 2022, Summer 2023
- Scholar in Residence Reviewer, Wayne Morse Center, University of Oregon, Winter 2023
- CAS Dean's Poster Award Reviewer, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Oregon, Spring 2022

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon, 2024-2025

Ad Hoc Climate Committee, Chair, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon, 2023 – 2024

Executive Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon, 2022 – 2023

Library Liaison, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon, 2020-2021

Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon, 2019-2021

Urban Concentration Curriculum Committee, Department of Sociology, Drexel University, 2017–2019

Research Committee, Department of Sociology, Drexel University, 2016–2019

Acting Communications Committee Chair, Graduate Employees Organization, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, 2010

Solidarity and Political Action Committee Chair, Graduate Employees Organization, University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, 2009–2010

Sociology Department Union Steward, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, 2008-2009

MENTORSHIP AND ADVISING

Graduate Students:

Amanda Ricketts, PhD Candidate Student in Sociology (Comps and Dissertation Committee Member)

Mahindra Mohan Kumar, PhD Student in Sociology (Dissertation Committee Member, Master's Paper and Comps Chair)

Katie Clarke, PhD Student in Sociology (Comps Committee Member)

Mae Sowards, PhD Student in Sociology (Primary Advisor)

Adam Morse, PhD in Geography (Dissertation Committee Member) - Defended 2022

Jason DeHaan, PhD Student in Sociology (Dissertation Committee Member) - Defended 2024

Undergraduate Students:

Katy Morris (Provost Research Fellowship; Sociology Honors Thesis Advisor), Summer 2024, 2024-2025

Zoe Green (Clark Honors College Thesis Advisor), 2023-2024

Emma Singleton (DucksRISE Research Fellowship), Summer 2023

Sara Sheahan (Sociology Honor's Thesis Advisor), 2022-2023

Olivia Viorst (Clark Honors College Thesis Advisor), 2022–2023

Taylor Hurt (Clark Honors College Thesis Advisor), 2022-2023

Adriana Grant (Sociology Honors Thesis Co-Advisor), 2021–2022

Anna Nguyen (Clark Honors College Thesis Committee Member), 2021–2022

Shawn Gutierrez (Dean's Research Award), 2021

Claire O'Connor and ASUO Senate, UO Basic Needs Program, 2020–2022

Claire Francis (Sociology Honors Thesis Advisor), 2020–2021

Roxie Holt (Sociology Honors Thesis Advisor), 2019–2020

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Respite Care Provider, Department of Human Services, Lane County, OR

Volunteer with the Incarcerated Archive, a creative arts program and online-archive of work by incarcerated people from across Michigan. 2012–ongoing https://www.hamtramckfreeschool.org/incarcerated-archive/

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association, section memberships: Crime, Law and Deviance; Community and Urban Sociology; Racial and Ethnic Minorites; 2014–ongoing

Law and Society Association, research network Socio-legal Approaches to Property, 2014–ongoing

Urban Affairs Association, 2017–ongoing Pacific Sociology Association, 2019–ongoing Eastern Sociological Society, 2017–2019

SELECT MEDIA COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Quoted/Referenced

Real Stories, Real Solutions (2025), Oregonian (2024), Christian Science Monitor (2024), Streetlight (2024), The Daily Emerald (2021, 2022), Billy Penn [Philadelphia] (2021), Yes! Magazine (2019), Huffington Post (2018), The Philadelphia Citizen (2016), Crains Detroit (2016), Bloomberg (2016)

Interviews/Scholarship Coverage

- CAS News, University of Oregon. April 22, 2024. https://cas.uoregon.edu/cas-sociologist-joins-amicus-brief-supreme-court
- UO Today, Oregon Humanities Center. May 10, 2021.
 https://www.listennotes.com/podcasts/uo-today/uo-today-interview-claire-yrvFcmzRJ3n/
- New Books Network. December 1, 2020. https://newbooksnetwork.com/a-detroit-story
- Michigan Daily. February 24, 2019. https://www.michigandaily.com/campus-life/sociology-professor-presents-research-property-informality-detroit/
- American Sociological Association. "Who are you? Squatters can actually help a neighborhood." ScienceDaily. August 21, 2016. www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2016/08/160821093148.htm
- Top of Mind with Julie Rose, BYU Radio. September 7, 2016. https://www.byuradio.org/e4f6cf56-2eb8-4232-acbe-7f36e9ab14e6
- Against the Grain Radio, KPFA Radio. July 7, 2015. https://kpfa.org/episode/against-the-grain-july-7-2015/