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## APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Boston University, 2016-

Visiting Scholar, Initiative on Cities, 2019-20.

University Provost Career Development Professor, 2016-19.

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology, Harvard University, 2016.

Dissertation: *Essays on Place and Punishment in America*

Committee: Bruce Western (chair), Matthew Desmond, Devah Pager, Robert J. Sampson

M.A., Sociology, Harvard University, 2013.

B.A. (Hons.), Phi Beta Kappa, *magna cum laude*, Sociology, Occidental College, 2009.

## REFEREED ARTICLES

Sakoda, Ryan and Jessica T. Simes. Forthcoming. "Solitary Confinement and the U.S. Prison Boom." *Criminal Justice Policy Review*.

\*Featured in *The Atlantic Monthly* and *Marginal Revolution*.

Simes, Jessica T. 2020. "The Ecology of Race and Punishment Across Cities." *City & Community*. 19:169-90.

Western, Bruce and Jessica T. Simes. 2019. "Drug Use in the Year After Prison." *Social Science & Medicine* 235:112357.

Simes, Jessica T. 2019. "Place After Prison: Neighborhood Attainment and Attachment During Reentry." *Journal of Urban Affairs* 41:443-63.

\*Featured in *CityLab*.

Simes, Jessica T. 2018. "Place and Punishment: The Spatial Context of Incarceration." *Journal of Quantitative Criminology* 34:513-33.

Simes, Jessica T. 2009. "Does Anti-Semitism Among African Americans Simply Reflect Anti-White Sentiment?" *Social Science Journal* 46:384-89.

## BOOK MANUSCRIPT

Simes, Jessica T. *Punishing Places: The Geography of Mass Incarceration*. Under contract with University of California Press.

## BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Simes, Jessica T. 2019. Review of *Misdemeanorland: Criminal Courts and Social Control in an Age of Broken Windows Policing* by Issa Kohler-Hausmann. *American Journal of Sociology* 124:1936-38.
- Simes, Jessica T. 2019. Review of *Out-of-Control Criminal Justice: The Systems Improvement Solution for More Safety, Justice, Accountability, and Efficiency* by Daniel P. Mears. *Contemporary Sociology* 48:335-37.
- Simes, Jessica T. 2018. "Why Place Matters For Understanding – and Reversing – America's Mass Incarceration Epidemic." Scholars Strategy Network Research Brief.
- Simes, Jessica T. and Mary C. Waters. 2014. "The Politics of Immigration and Crime," Bucierius, Sandra M., and Michael Tonry, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Ethnicity, Crime, and Immigration*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Eason, John M. Jessica T. Simes, and Jienian Zheng. "Examining Race and Reentry in Rates of HIV/AIDS."
- Henderson, LeShae, Maria Abascal, and Jessica T. Simes. "The Origins of the Criminal Immigrant Stereotype."
- Hwang, Jackelyn and Jessica T. Simes. "Non-neighborhoods: Spatial Heterogeneity and Implications for Neighborhood Effects."
- Simes, Jessica T. and Jaquelyn L. Jahn. "Arrests Declined in States that Expanded Medicaid Under the Affordable Care Act." Under review.
- Simes, Jessica T., Bruce Western, and Angela Lee. "Mental Health Disparities in Solitary Confinement." Under review.
- Western, Bruce, Jessica T. Simes, and Kendra Bradner. "Solitary Confinement and Institutional Harm." Under review.

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

*External Grants, Fellowships, and Awards*

- Co-Investigator. "Incarceration and Health: Studying the Community Health Effects of Punishment and the Criminalization of Health Problems." With Bruce Western. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant, 2020-22. \$99,064.
- Co-Principal Investigator. "Collaborative Research: The Pennsylvania Solitary Confinement Study." With Bruce Western. National Science Foundation Grant 1823846/1823854, 2018-21. \$183,379.
- Winner, Graduate Student Paper Competition, Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2015.
- Architecture, Urbanism, and the Humanities Grant, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 2015. \$3,000.
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention, 2009, 2010.
- Phi Beta Kappa Ritter Graduate Fellowship, 2009.

John Kenneth Galbraith Scholar, Harvard University, 2008.

*Internal Grants, Fellowships, and Awards*

Boston University Initiative on Cities COVID Research-to-Action Grant, 2020. \$8,000.

Templeton Award for Excellence in Student Advising and Mentoring, College of Arts and Sciences, Boston University, 2020.

Morris Faculty Research Grants, Boston University Department of Sociology, 2019. \$1,500.

Boston University Initiative on Cities Early Stage Urban Research Grant, 2018. \$10,000.

Boston University Provost's Career Development Professorship, 2016-19. \$75,527.

Morris Faculty Research Grants, Boston University Department of Sociology, 2017. \$5,234.

Center for American Political Studies Research Grant, Harvard University, 2016. \$896.

Program in Criminal Justice Research Grant, Harvard Kennedy School, 2015. \$1,200.

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University, 2014-15.

Taubman Center Urban Dissertation Fellowship, Harvard University, 2014.

Institute for Quantitative Social Science Summer Research Grant, Harvard University, 2014. \$2,600.

Multidisciplinary Program in Inequality & Social Policy Fellowship, Harvard University, 2013-14.

Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston Policy Fellowship, Harvard University, 2011.

Presidential Information Technology Fellowship, Harvard University, 2010-11.

INVITED TALKS

"Confronting Systemic Racism"

Boston University Initiative on Cities, June 23, 2020, Boston, MA.

"Mental Health Disparities in Solitary Confinement"

Department of Sociology, Northwestern University, May 4, 2020, Evanston, IL.

"Punishing Places: The Geography of Mass Incarceration"

Department of Sociology, University of Texas–Austin, November 7, 2019, Austin, TX.

"Punishing Places: Estimating Community-Level Impacts of Incarceration"

Pre-American Sociological Association Workshop on Criminal Justice Research. Columbia University Justice Lab, August 9, 2019, New York, NY.

"Race, Place, Poverty and Outcomes: Exploring Intersectionality in Criminal Justice"

Boston College School of Social Work, February 7, 2019, Chestnut Hill, MA.

"Boston and Mass Incarceration"

Boston City Hall Inequality Speaker Series, November 1, 2018, Boston, MA.

"Excess Punishment"

In Our Backyards Research Symposium, Vera Institute of Justice, October 24-25, 2018, New

York, NY.

“The Geography of Mass Incarceration in the United States”

Futures of Sentencing and Incarceration Workshop, University of Queensland, July 30-August 1, 2018, Brisbane, Australia.

“Understanding Solitary Confinement”

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Webinar, July 19, 2018.

“Mass Incarceration and Communities: The Consequences of Data Silos”

Boston University Data Science Day, January 26, 2018, Boston, MA.

“Dynamics of Neighborhood Disadvantage and Imprisonment”

Neil A. Weiner Research Speaker Series, Vera Institute of Justice, February 24, 2017, New York, NY.

Poverty, Violence, and the Policy Response, MacArthur Foundation Research Conference, January 27-28, 2017, Cambridge, MA.

“Neighborhood Attainment After Prison”

Department of Sociology Colloquium, University of Massachusetts-Boston, September 21, 2016, Boston, MA.

National Science Foundation Prisoner Reentry and Reintegration Workshop, April 14-15, 2016, Newark, NJ.

Aage Sorensen Memorial Conference, April 24-26, 2015, Princeton, NJ.

“Place and Punishment: The Spatial Context of Incarceration”

Aage Sorensen Memorial Conference, April 12, 2012, Stockholm, Sweden.

#### SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Mental Health Disparities in Solitary Confinement”

American Sociological Association, August 8-11, 2020, San Francisco, CA.

“Correlated Adversity and the Spatial Pattern of Imprisonment”

Eastern Sociological Society, March 14-17, 2019, Boston, MA.

“Solitary Confinement and the U.S. Prison Boom” (with Ryan Sakoda)

American Sociological Association, August 11-14, 2018, Philadelphia, PA.

“The Ecology of Race and Punishment”

American Sociological Association, August 12-15, 2017, Montreal, CN.

“Neighborhood Attainment After Prison”

American Society of Criminology, November 16-22, 2015, Washington, D.C.

American Sociological Association, August 22-25, 2015, Chicago, IL.

“Non-Neighborhoods: Beyond the Neighborhood Construct” (with Jackelyn Hwang)

American Sociological Association, August 22-25, 2015, Chicago, IL.

“Place and Punishment: The Spatial Context of Incarceration”

American Sociological Association, August 17-20, 2012, Denver, CO.

TEACHING

*Graduate*

Deviance and Social Control, Boston University, Fall 2016, 2017

Proseminar: Sociological Methods, Boston University, Fall 2018, 2020

*Undergraduate*

Crime and Justice, Boston University, Spring 2018, 2019, 2020

Sociological Methods, Boston University, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

Sociological Theory, Harvard University, Spring 2012

Urban Inequality in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Harvard University, Spring 2016

ADVISING

*Graduate*

Heather Mooney, Dissertation chair

Taylor Cain, Dissertation committee member

Meaghan Stiman, Dissertation committee member

*Undergraduate*

Carrie Sheehan, Honors thesis advisor

Erin Tichenor, Honors thesis advisor

Elizabeth Burke, Honors thesis committee member

Claire Lawry, Honors thesis committee member

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

National Science Foundation Sociology Panel, 2020.

Program Chair, Eastern Sociological Society, 2018-19.

Secretary, Thrive Communities Reentry Program Board of Directors, 2015-18.

Participant, Participatory Justice Design Lab, U.S. Partnership on Mobility from Poverty, 2017.

Occasional reviewer, *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *City & Community*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Law & Policy*, *Law & Society Review*, *National Science Foundation*, *Political Power and Social Theory*, *Social Problems*, *Theory and Society*

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Co-Chair, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Antiracism Committee, Department of Sociology, 2020-

Organizer, Junior Sociology Faculty Research Workshop, 2019-

Member, Merit Review Committee, Department of Sociology, 2020.

Member, Emerging Scholars Program Committee, Department of Sociology, 2019-20.

Faculty Advisory Council, Initiative on Cities, 2017-20.

Member, Morris Grant Committee, Department of Sociology, 2017-18, 2020.

Diversity and Inclusion Faculty Advisory Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2019.

Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, 2018.

Organizer, *Whose Streets?* Screening and Conversation with Director Damon Davis, 2017.

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

American Society of Criminology

Eastern Sociological Society

Law and Society Association

Population Association of America

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Scholars Strategy Network

Urban Affairs Association