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ACADEMIC & ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

2023 – 2024	Interim Head, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago
2021 – present	Professor of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago
2014 – 2021	Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago
2013 – 2019	Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago
2008 – 2014	Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Illinois, Chicago
2008 – present	Affiliation with Gender & Women’s Studies, University of Illinois, Chicago
2009 – 2012	Research Associate, Department of Sociology, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

EDUCATION

August 2008	Ph.D. in Sociology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Dissertation: “The Bio-Politics of HIV/AIDS in Post-Apartheid South Africa” Winner of the 2009 American Sociological Association Dissertation Award
2001	M.A. in Sociology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
1999	D.E.A. in Gender Studies, Université de Paris VIII, St. Denis-Vincennes
1997	B.A. from George Washington University in Self-Designed Major: Race, Class and Gender; Minors: Sociology and English; Graduated with Honors, <i>summa cum laude</i>

AREAS of SPECIALIZATION:

Social Theory; Science & Knowledge; Sociology of Health/Medicine; Sociology of Culture; Global & Transnational Sociology; Race, Class & Gender; Ethnography

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2024. *Emergency: COVID-19 and the Uneven Valuation of Life*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

- Reviewed in *Nature* (<https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-025-00458-9>).
- Author Meets Critics Session: 2025 Eastern Sociological Society

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2021. *The Western Disease: Contesting Autism in the Somali Diaspora*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

- Winner: 2022 Robert K. Merton Book Award, Science, Knowledge and Technology Section, American Sociological Association
- Author Meets Critics Sessions: 2021 Social Science and History Association Meetings and 2022 Eastern Sociological Society
- Reviewed in: *American Journal of Sociology*, *Sociology of Health & Illness*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*
- Interview Conducted for: *Journal of the Anglo-Somali Society*, Issue 70, 2021(pages 49-52)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2013. *Ancestors and Antiretrovirals: The Biopolitics of HIV/AIDS in Post-Apartheid South Africa*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

- Honorable Mention, Theory Prize, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
- Honorable Mention, Robert K. Merton Award, Science, Knowledge and Technology Section, ASA
- Honorable Mention, Eliot Freidson Outstanding Publication Award, Medical Sociology, ASA
- Author Meets Critics Sessions: 2013 Social Science and History Association Meetings and 2015 American Sociological Association Meetings
- Reviewed In: *American Journal of Sociology*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Journal of World Systems Research*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, *International Journal of Advanced Health Science*, *African Affairs*, *African Studies Review*, *African Studies Quarterly*, *USAID*, *Transcriptions*, *International Journal of African Historical Studies*

Peer Reviewed Articles

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, AJ Golio, and Cal Lee Garrett. 2025. "The Risks of Renting on the Margins: Housing Informality and State Legibility in the COVID-19 Pandemic." *American Sociological Review* 90,1: 88-113. DOI: [10.1177/00031224241307343](https://doi.org/10.1177/00031224241307343)

- Highlighted in Marxist Sociology blog: <https://marxistsociology.org/2025/02/the-risks-of-renting-on-the-margins/>

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2024. "The Entangled Emergencies of COVID-19." *Sociological Theory* 42, 2 (June): 97-113. <https://doi.org/10.1177/07352751241247567>

Garrett, Cal Lee and Claire Laurier Decoteau. 2023. "Data Citizenship: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19 and Beyond." *Big Data & Society* 10(2): <https://doi.org/10.1177/20539517231213821>

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Paige L. Sweet. 2023. "Vaccine Hesitancy and the Accumulation of Distrust." *Social Problems* 71,4: 1231-1246. <https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spad006>

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Cal Lee Garrett. 2022. "Disease Surveillance Infrastructure and the Economisation of Public Health." *Sociology of Health & Illness* 44: 1251-1269.

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Meghan Daniel. 2020. "Scientific Hegemony and the Field of Autism." *American Sociological Review* 85, 3: 451-476.

- Winner: 2022 Star Nelkin Award, Science, Knowledge and Technology Section, American Sociological Association

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2018. "Conjunctures and Assemblages: Approaches to Multicausal Explanation in the Human Sciences." *Political Power and Social Theory* Volume 34 (Critical Realism, History and Philosophy in the Social Sciences): 89-118.

Peer Reviewed Articles, continued

- Sweet, Paige and Claire Laurier Decoteau. 2018. "Contesting Normal: The DSM-5 and Psychiatric Subjectivation." *BioSocieties* 13 (1): 103-122.
- Honorable Mention: 2020 Star Nelkin Award, Science, Knowledge & Technology Section, American Sociological Association
- Underman, Kelly, Paige Sweet, and Claire Laurier Decoteau. 2017. "Custodial Citizenship in the Omnibus Autism Proceedings." *Sociological Forum* 32, 3: 544-565.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2017. "The 'Western Disease': Autism and Somali Parents' Embodied Health Movements." *Social Science & Medicine* 177: 169-176.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2017. "Learning to See Otherwise." *Ethnography*, 18, 1 (Special Issue: Between Theory and Social Reality in Ethnography): 68-75.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2017. "The AART of Ethnography: A Critical Realist Explanatory Research Model." *Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour* 47, 1: 58-82.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2016. "'You Can't Eat Love': 'Getting By' in South Africa's Transactional Sexual Economy." *American Journal of Cultural Sociology* 4, 3: 289-322.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2016. "The Reflexive *Habitus*: Critical Realist and Bourdieusian Social Action." *European Journal of Social Theory* 19, 3: 303-321.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Paige L. Sweet. 2016. "Psychiatry's Little Other: The DSM-5 and Debates over Psychiatric Science." *Social Theory and Health* 14, 4: 414-435.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Kelly Underman. 2015. "Adjudicating Non-knowledge in the Omnibus Autism Proceedings." *Social Studies of Science* 45, 4: 471-500.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2013. "Hybrid Habitus: Toward a Post-Colonial Theory of Practice." *Political Power and Social Theory, Volume 24 (Postcolonial Sociology)*: 263-293.
- Winner, Junior Theorist Prize, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
 - Winner, 2014 Outstanding Author Contribution, Emerald Publishing
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2013. "The Crisis of Liberation: Masculinity, Neoliberalism and HIV/AIDS in Post-Apartheid South Africa." *Men and Masculinities* 16, 2 (June): 139-159.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2013. "Exclusionary Inclusion and the Normalization of Biomedical Culture" *American Journal of Cultural Sociology* 1, 3: 403-430.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2008. "The Specter of AIDS: Testimonial Activism in the Aftermath of the Epidemic." *Sociological Theory* 26, 3 (September): 230-257.

Works Under Review

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, Cal Lee Garrett, Tirza Ochrach-Konradi. *Revise & Resubmit*. “Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis.” *Social Science & Medicine*.

Journal Issue

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Paige L. Sweet, Co-editors. Forthcoming 2025. Special Issue: Stratified Medicalization. *Social Science & Medicine*.

Public Sociology

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Kim D. Ricardo. 2025. “What if Feds Move to Restrict Mifepristone?” *Chicago Sun Times* (February 21), Letter to the Editor. <https://chicago.suntimes.com/letters-to-the-editor/2025/02/21/feds-mifepristone-rfk-jr-columbus-statues-puppets-trump-musk-bлагоjevich>.

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, Cal Lee Garrett, Cynthia Brito, Fructoso Basaldua and Iván Arenas. 2021. *Deadly Disparities in the Days of COVID-19: How Public Policy Fails Black and Latinx Chicagoans*. State of Racial Justice Policy Report. Chicago IL: Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy. Available for download here: <https://irrpp.uic.edu/state-of-racial-justice/reports/>.

- Report featured in Thometz, Kristen. 2022. UIC Report Details Failures of Public Policy Responses to COVID-19 in Chicago. WTTW/PBS, 3/4/22. <https://news.wttw.com/2022/03/04/uic-report-details-failures-public-policy-responses-covid-19-pandemic-chicago>

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2021. “Why Are Poor Americans Resisting the Vaccine? Because COVID is the Least of Their Problems.” Opinion, *Newsweek*, 11/5/21. <https://www.newsweek.com/why-are-poor-americans-resisting-vaccine-because-covid-least-their-problems-opinion-1646515>.

Decoteau, Claire Laurier and Cal Lee Garrett. 2022. “To protect vulnerable Chicagoans, rental assistance must recognize informal arrangements.” Opinion, *Chicago Tribune*, 1/5/22. <https://www.chicagotribune.com/opinion/commentary/ct-opinion-rental-assistance-chicago-informal-arrangements-20220104-ww76wqmslfektaam64nrrub6xi-story.html>.

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2022. “COVID may no longer feel like a crisis. But the social emergency it created is far from over.” Opinion, *San Francisco Chronicle*, 3/31/22. <https://www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/COVID-may-no-longer-feel-like-a-crisis-But-the-17040885.php>.

Book Chapters

Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2021. “The Other as Real, Imagined, and Political.” Pp. 527-540 in *Handbook of Classical Sociological Theory*, edited by Seth Abrutyn and Omar Lizardo. Springer International Publishing.

Book Chapters, continued

- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2020. "Critical Realism and Contrastive Ethnography: The Curious Case of Autism in Somali Refugee Communities" Pp. 160-182 in *Beyond the Case: Competing Logics and Practices of Comparative Ethnography*, edited by Corey M. Abramson and Neil Gong. Oxford University Press.
- Decoteau, Claire Laurier. 2017. "Poststructuralism Today," Pp 251-277 in *Social Theory Now*, edited by Isaac Reed, Monika Krause and Claudio Benzecry. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Book Reviews and Other Publications

- 2025 Notes from the Chair of the Theory Section (ASA).
<https://asatheory.com/current-newsletter/>.
- 2024 "Lewis A Coser Award Lecture: The Entangled Emergencies of COVID-19,"
Perspectives: Newsletter of the ASA Theory Section, 45, 1.
<https://www.asanet.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Theory-2024-Spring.pdf>.
- 2024 Book Review: *An Epidemic of Uncertainty: Navigating HIV and Young Adulthood in Malawi* by Jenny Trinitapoli. *Social Forces*
- 2023 Notes from the Chair of Global and Transnational Sociology (ASA),
"Reflections on Epistemic Contestations and Global Epidemics," Winter
Newsletter:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/11Jv4hb2l3gwUeaNKJiShv2YQd1IDxvI5/view>.
- 2018 Book Review: *Bioinsecurities: Disease Interventions, Empire, and the Government of Species* by Neel Ahuja. *Technology and Culture* 59: 480-482.
- 2016 Book Review: *AIDS: Between Science and Politics* by Peter Piot. *Journal of the History of Science Society* 107, 3: 680-681.
- 2015 "Only 10% Human: Gut Bugs and the Curious Prevalence of Autism among Somali Refugees." *Perspectives*, Theory Section Newsletter, Volume 37, Number 2: <http://www.asatheory.org/newsletter/only-10-human-gut-bugs-and-the-curious-prevalence-of-autism-among-somali-refugees>
- 2013 Book Review: *Religion and AIDS in Africa* by Jenny Trinitapoli and Alexander Weinreb. *American Journal of Sociology* 119, 1 (July).
- 2011 Book Review: *Developing Partnerships: Gender, Sexuality and the Reformed World Bank* by Kate Bedford. *Journal of World-Systems Research* 17, 1: 253-6.
- 2011 Encyclopedia Entries: "Winnie Madikizela-Mandela"; "Ruth First"; "Lillian Ngoyi"; "Helen Joseph." *Encyclopedia of South Africa*. Boulder: Lynne Rienner.

AWARDS

- 2024 Distinguished Researcher of the Year Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
Profile Spotlight:
<https://today.uic.edu/claire-decoteau-distinguished-researcher/>
- 2023 Robin M. Williams, Jr. Distinguished Lecturer, Eastern Sociological Society

AWARDS, continued

2022	Lewis A. Coser Memorial Award for Theoretical Agenda Setting, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
2022	Robert K. Merton Award, Section on Science, Knowledge and Technology, American Sociological Association
2022	Star Nelkin Award, Section on Science, Knowledge and Technology, American Sociological Association
2020	Honorable Mention, Star Nelkin Award, Section on Science, Knowledge and Technology, American Sociological Association
2018	Graduate Mentoring Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
2016	Honorable Mention, Theory Prize, Theory Section, ASA
2016	Honorable Mention, Robert K. Merton Award, Section on Science, Knowledge and Technology, American Sociological Association
2014	Honorable Mention, Eliot Freidson Outstanding Publication Award, Section on Medical Sociology, American Sociological Association
2014	Junior Theorist Award, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
2011-2012	Teaching Recognition Award, Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning
2011	R. Stephen Warner Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, UIC
2009	American Sociological Association Dissertation Award

GRANTS

2024-2025	Society of Family Planning, Traveling to Care Award, "Abortion on the Move: Navigating the Fractured Reproductive Healthcare Landscape." Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$248,091
2024-2025	UIC Awards for Creative Activity, "Abortion on the Move: Navigating the Fractured Reproductive Healthcare Landscape." Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$23,440
2024-2025	Policy and Social Engagement Fellowship, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, UIC, "Abortion on the Move: Navigating the Fractured Reproductive Healthcare Landscape." Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$10,000
2024-2027	Postdoctoral Fellowship Co-Supervisor for Imane Kostet, Flemish Research Council, "Negotiating Ethno-Racialised Understandings of Autism," € 299.640,00.
2024	Committee on Social Science Research, UIC. Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$5,000
2022	UIC Awards for Creative Activity, "Social Autopsy of COVID-19 in Chicago." Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$17,111

GRANTS, continued

2021	Committee on Social Science Research, UIC. Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$5,000
2020-2022	Center for Clinical & Translational Studies, Pilot Grant, UIC, “Social Autopsy of COVID-10 in Chicago.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$60,000
2020-2021	Institute for Policy and Civic Engagement, Civic Engagement Research Fund, UIC, “Social Autopsy of COVID-19 in Chicago.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$20,000
2020-2021	Policy and Social Engagement Fellowship, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, UIC: “Social Autopsy of COVID-19 in Chicago.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$10,000
2020-2021	UIC Awards for Creative Activity Program, “Ebola and Crisis Decision-Making.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$15,000.00
2020-2021	National Science Foundation/American Sociological Association, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, “The Safe Children Act: Interagency Collaboration and the Governance of Youth in the Commercial Sex Trade.” Principal Investigator (Faculty Sponsor): Claire Decoteau, Co-Principal Investigator (Graduate Student): Haley Volpintesta. Amount: \$15,600.
2019-2020	National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, “Surveillance and Citizenship for People on Pretrial Release.” Principal Investigator (Faculty Sponsor): Claire Decoteau, Co-Principal Investigator (Graduate Student): Erin Eife. Amount: \$15,990.
2018-2019	National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, “Medical System-State Collaborations.” Principal Investigator (Faculty Sponsor): Claire Decoteau, Co-Principal Investigator (Graduate Student): Katharine McCabe. Amount: \$11,036.00
2015-2016	National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, “Understanding the Medicalization of Domestic Violence.” Principal Investigator (Faculty Sponsor): Claire Decoteau, Co-Principal Investigator (Graduate Student): Paige Sweet. Amount: \$11,999.00
2014-2016	National Science Foundation (Award 1423025). “Variations in Meaning and Community Response to Illness.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$193,972.00

GRANTS continued

2014-2015	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy Faculty Scholar Grant, “The Western Disease”: The Enigma of Autism within the Somali Refugee Population.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$5,000.00
2012-2013	Research Grant Support Program, Social Sciences, UIC, “Ukuphanda/’Getting By’: South African Women in the Informal Economy.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$7,000.00
2012	Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline, American Sociological Association and National Science Foundation, “Opening Pandora’s Box: The Vaccine-Autism Controversy and the Social Construction of American Biomedicine,” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$7,000.00
2011-2012	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, Faculty Scholar Grant, “Ukuphanda/’Getting By’: South African Women in the Informal Economy.” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$5,000.00
2011-2012	Research Grant Support Program, Social Sciences, UIC, “Opening Pandora’s Box: The Vaccine-Autism Controversy and the Social Construction of American Biomedicine,” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$7,300.00
2011-2012	Office of Social Science Research, Seed Grant, UIC, “Opening Pandora’s Box: The Vaccine-Autism Controversy and the Social Construction of American Biomedicine,” Principal Investigator: Claire Decoteau. Amount: \$3,677.00

FELLOWSHIPS

2021-2022	Public Voices Fellow, The Op-Ed Project
2021-2022	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, Faculty Fellowship, UIC
2019-2020	Faculty Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, UIC
2018-2019	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, Faculty Fellowship, UIC
2015-2016	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, Faculty Fellowship, UIC
2012-2013	Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, Faculty Fellowship, UIC
2010-2011	Faculty Fellow, Great Cities Institute, University of Illinois at Chicago
2006-2007	Research Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan
2005-2006	Visiting Researcher, Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WISER), University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa
2005-2006	Mary Malcomson Raphael Fellow, Center for the Education of Women, University of Michigan
2003-2004	Global Ethnic Literatures Fellowship, University of Michigan
2000-2001	International Institute Graduate Seminar, University of Michigan

FELLOWSHIPS, continued

2000 Women's Health in the City of Accra, Ghana, Summer Research Initiative
 1999-2000 Rackham Regent's Fellowship, University of Michigan

INVITED SPEAKER (past 5 years)

24 February 2025 Invited Speaker, Colloquium Series, University of California, Berkeley
 "Emergency: COVID-19 and the Uneven Valuation of Life."
 29 January 2025 Invited Speaker, Frontiers in Sociology series, Columbia University.
 "Emergency: COVID-19 and the Uneven Valuation of Life."
 1 May 2024 Robin M Williams Jr Lecture, Eastern Connecticut State University
 18 April 2024 Invited Speaker: Still Hustlin': An Ethnographer's Convening, Virtual
 Workshop
 3 April 2024 Robin M Williams Jr Lecture, Nassau Community College, New York, NY
 2 March 2024 Keynote Speaker, Robin M Williams Jr Lecture, Eastern Sociological Society,
 Washington DC
 4 December 2023 Invited Panelist, The Wuhan Lockdown, A Discussion about COVID-19 in
 China and the US, Virtual Panel
 22 September 2022 Invited Speaker, Global Ethnographies on the Cutting Edge, University of
 Chicago
 23 April 2022 Keynote Speaker, Eighth Annual Amber Buckley-Shaklee Conference,
 University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana
 15 April 2022 Invited Speaker, Colloquium, "The Western Disease: Contesting Autism in the
 Somali Diaspora," Tulane University, New Orleans
 24 February 2022 Invited Speaker, UCAN Chicago, "Deadly Disparities in the Time of COVID-
 19: How Public Policy Fails Black and Latinx Chicagoans."
 1 & 9 December 2021 Principal Investigator Presentation, Institute for Research on Race and Public
 Policy, COVID-19 Report Launch, UIC
 15 October 2021 Panelist on Creating Health Equity: Transformational Opportunities in a Post-
 Pandemic World panel, UIC Law Braun Symposium on Health Equity
 22 September 2021 Sociology Colloquium Speaker, "Social Autopsy of COVID-19 in Chicago,"
 UIC
 1 April 2021 Invited Panelist, East/West Faculty Research Mixer, UIC
 11 March 2021 Invited Panelist, Vaccinations in the Age of COVID, Culture & Contemporary
 Life Talk Series, Culture Section, American Sociological Association
 26 February 2021 Invited Speaker, Health Disparities and Structural Racism, Endemic/Epidemic,
 Medical Humanities & Social Medicine Series, 2020-2021, Johns Hopkins
 University
 4 December 2020 Invited Speaker, Beyond the Case: Comparative Ethnography During COVID-
 19, Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, University of California,
 Berkeley: "Contrastive Ethnography & Critical Realism"
 4 November 2020 Invited Speaker, Medicine & Its Objects, University of Chicago: "The
 Microbiome and Postcolonial Critique"

INVITED SPEAKER (past 5 years), continued

- 19 August 2020 Invited Speaker, Department of Medical Education, Research Seminar, UIC: “The ‘Western Disease’: Epistemic Contestations over Autism in the Somali Diaspora”
- 22 October 2019 Fellow Lecture, Institute for the Humanities (UIC): “The ‘Western Disease’: Epistemic Contestations over Autism in the Somali Diaspora”
- 26 September 2019 Invited Speaker, Graduate Student Colloquium (chosen collectively by the graduate students for an annual lecture), Department of Sociology, University of Virginia: “The ‘Western Disease’: Epistemic Contestations over Autism in the Somali Diaspora”
- 18 April 2019 Invited Speaker, “The ‘Western Disease’: Epistemic Contestations over Autism in the Somali Diaspora,” University of Colorado, Boulder
- 14 March 2018 Invited Speaker, “The ‘Western Disease’: Epistemic Contestations over Autism in the Somali Diaspora,” UIC Colloquium Series
- 15 November 2017 Invited Panelist on Globalizing Ethnography, Northwestern University

CONFERENCES (past 5 years)

- November 2024 Social Science History Association, Toronto, Canada
Organizer & Presenter: Stratified Medicalization and Health Inequality
- August 2024 American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada
Organizer: Book Forum, Gowri Vijayakumar’s *At Risk*
Organizer: Regular Social Theory Session
Organizer: Critical Sociology of Palestine/Israel
- November 2023 Social Science History Association, Washington DC
Paper: Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis
Paper: Experiencing Slow Emergencies versus Sacrificial Exclusion
Panelist on Book Panel, *Moral Minefields*, by Dromi and Stabler
- August 2023 American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA
Cosier Lecture: Emergency: COVID-19 and the Uneven Valuation of Life
Global Pandemics and Medical Sociology Invited Session
Discussant for Junior Theorists Symposium
Panelist for Data & Society, “Data Citizenship: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19”
- March 2023 Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore MD
Paper: The Risks of Renting on the Margins: Housing Informality during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- November 2022 Social Science History Association, Chicago IL
Panelist: The Data-Fix: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19
Critic: Managing Medical Authority by Daniel Menchik
- August 2022 American Sociological Association, Los Angeles
Presidential Panel: Understanding Vaccine Refusal, “Epistemic Communities and Racialized Vaccine Distrust”
Presidential Panel: A Sociology of Contagion, “COVID Emergencies”
Panelist: Technopolitics and Scientific Knowledge in a World in Crisis

CONFERNECES (last five years), continued

- March 2022 Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA
Author Meets Critics Panel on *Western Disease*
Panelist: “The Data Fix: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19”
- November 2021 Social Science History Association Meetings (Hybrid Event, Philadelphia)
Author Meets Critics Panel on *Western Disease*
Author Meets Critics Panel on *On the Heels of Ignorance*
Author Meets Critics Panel on *Mobilizing Mutations*
Author Meets Critics Panel on *Model Cases*
Panelist, “COVID Emergencies: Acute Crises, Slow Emergency, and the Uneven Valuation of Life”
Panelist, “From HIV/AIDs Infrastructure to COVID-19 Rapid Response”
- October 2021 Contentious Science, Bordeaux, France (Hybrid Event)
Panelist, “From HIV/AIDs Infrastructure to COVID-19 Rapid Response: The Reconfiguration of Public Health Expertise During Crisis”
- August 2021 American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL (Virtual Event)
Panel, “Theorizing Crisis”; Paper: “COVID Emergencies: Acute Crises, Slow Emergencies and the Uneven Valuation of Life”
Paper: “Vaccine Skepticism and the Accumulation of Distrust”
- August 2020 American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA (Virtual Event)
Presidential Panel, Sociological Perspective on COVID-19, “Techno-Politics and the Uneven Valuation of Life”
Theory Section, Globalizing Social Theory, “A Postcolonial Theory of Autism
- February 2020 Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA
Discussant for Panel on Exclusionary Inclusion in Health Governance
- November 2019 Social Science History Association, Chicago IL
Paper: “A Postcolonial Theory of Autism”
- August 2019 American Sociological Association, New York City, NY
“Boundary Battles in the Field of Autism,” Science, Knowledge & Technology Section, panel on “Genetics, Identity and Other Controversies”
- March 2019 Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA
Invited Panelist: Promise and Pitfalls of Pharmaceuticals
- November 2018 Social Science History Association, Phoenix, AZ
Organizer and Presenter: Panel on Expertise; Paper: “The Field of Autism”
- November 2017 Social Science History Association, Montreal, Canada
Organizer: Bourdieu and Science Studies; “The Field of Autism Science”
Critic for Author Meets Critics on Aaron Panofsky’s *Misbehaving Science*
Discussant: New Perspectives on Critical Realism
- August 2017 Beyond Positivism Conference, Montreal, Canada
Plenary Speaker

COURSES TAUGHT**Graduate**

Classical Sociological Theory
 Contemporary Sociological Theory
 Sociology of the Body

Undergraduate

Sociological Theory
 Medical Sociology
 Global Health

ADVISING**Chair of Completed PhD Dissertations**

Cal Lee Garrett (Graduated 2024), Assistant Professor of Sociology at Wake Forest University
 Meghan Daniel (Graduated 2024), Program Director, Chicago Abortion Fund
 Sarah Steele (Graduated 2023), Post-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Victoria
 Erin Eife (Graduated 2021), Assistant Professor of Criminology, George Mason University
 Luca Delbello (Graduated 2021), Assistant Professor of Sociology, ESIC University, Spain
 Katharine McCabe (Graduated 2020), Assistant Professor of Women's and Gender Studies, Bucknell University
 Jialin Li (Graduated 2020), Assistant Professor of Sociology, Monmouth College
 Paige Sweet (Graduated 2018), Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES and SERVICE**National Professional Service**

2024-2026 Deputy Editor, *American Sociological Review*
 2024-2027 Senior Editor, *Theory and Social Inquiry*
 2024-2025 Chair, Theory Section, ASA
 2024-2025 Chair-Elect, Science, Knowledge & Technology section, ASA
 2023-2024 Chair-Elect, Theory Section, ASA
 2024 Book Workshop Participant, Amy Zhou: *Unequal Worlds of Care*, Barnard University
 2022-2023 Corresponding Editor, *Theory & Society*
 2022-2023 Chair, Global & Transnational Sociology, ASA
 2022-2024 Editorial Board, *American Sociological Review*
 2021-2022 Chair, Best Scholarly Paper Award, Global and Transnational Sociology, ASA
 2021-2022 Chair-Elect, Global & Transnational Sociology, ASA
 2020-2023 Publications Committee, Social Science History Association
 2020-2023 Secretary/Treasurer of Theory Section, ASA
 2019-present Editorial Board Member, *Qualitative Sociology*
 2017-2020 Secretary/Treasurer of Science, Knowledge & Technology Section, ASA
 2017-2019 Publications Chair and Council Member, Medical Sociology, ASA
 2017 Organizer, Realist Ethnography Symposium, Critical Realism Network, UIC
 2017 Science, Knowledge & Technology, Robert K Merton Award Committee, ASA
 2017 Theory Section, Newsletter Committee (Chair), ASA
 2017-2019 Culture Network Representative, Social Science History Association
 2015-2017 National Science Foundation, Sociology Dissertation Panel
 2015-2017 Critical Realism Network, Ethnography Working Group Organizer
 2015-2016 Best Scholarly Book Award Committee, Global & Transnational Sociology, ASA

National Professional Service, continued

- 2014-2017 Theory Council, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
 2015-2018 Editorial Board Member, *Contemporary Sociology*
 2013-2018 Editorial Board Member, *Social Problems*
 2012-present Editorial Board Member, *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*
 2012-2015 Advisory Board, *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State and Society*
 2015 Organizing Committee, Science, Knowledge & Technology mini-conference
 2015 Chair, Junior Theorist Award Committee, Theory Section, ASA
 2014 & 2015 Reviewer: Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship
 2011-2014 Newsletter Editor, *Perspectives*, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
 2011-2014 Roundtable Organizer, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
 2013 Nominations Chair, Global & Transnational Sociology Section, ASA
 2013 Comparative Historical Section, ASA, Reinhard Bendix Student Paper Award Committee
 2012 Conference Abstract Reviewer, XIX International AIDS Conference
 2010 Organizer of the Junior Theorists Symposium, American Sociological Association
 Article written in *Perspectives*, Social Theory newsletter.
 2008-Present External Reviewer for the *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Sociological Theory*, *Social Problems*, *Gender & Society*, *Social Science & Medicine*, *Social Studies of Science*, *Sociology of Health & Illness*, *Contexts*, *European Journal of Social Theory*, *BioSocieties*, *Social Theory & Health*, *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*, *Journal of Health Politics*, *Journal for the Theory of Social Behavior*, *Global Public Health*, *Policy & Law*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Global Public Health*, *Men & Masculinities*, *Social Politics*, *Technology & Society*, and the *British Journal of Sociology*

University Service

- 2025 Committee on Social Science Research
 2024 Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program, reviewer
 2024-present UIC Network for Global Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity
 2023-2024 Interim Head
 2021-present Honors College, Faculty Fellow
 2020-2021 Search Committee Chair, Bridge to Faculty Postdoctoral Fellowship in Race & Health
 2019 Rue Bucher Memorial Award Selection Committee
 2018-2019 Search Committee Member, Head of Sociology Search
 2017-2018 Search Committee Member, Critical Feminist Science and Technology Studies (UIC)
 2016-2017 Advisory Committee, Embodied Inequalities Series, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (UIC)
 2013-present Health & Society Working Group Co-Organizer, Institute for Humanities (UIC)
 2010-present Interdepartmental Concentration in Women's Health, Executive Board and Faculty Advisor, University of Illinois at Chicago
 2014-2019 UIC Graduate College Awards Committee for the Behavioral/Social Sciences
 2014-2015 Co-Chair, Search Committee for Political Economy & Globalization Sociology position, Chancellor's Cluster Initiative, University of Illinois

University Service, continued

2014-2015 Search Committee, Disability & Race position, Chancellor's Cluster Initiative, UIC
 2012-2013 Chancellor's Cluster Initiative, Racialized Body Search Committee, UIC
 2012-2013 Engendering Change Conference, Faculty Liaison, University of Illinois
 2012-2015 Faculty Senate, University of Illinois at Chicago
 2010-2012 Election Committee, College of Literature, Sciences and the Arts, UIC
 2008 IIE Fulbright Scholarship Review Board, Graduate College, University of Illinois

Department Service

2024-2025 Graduate Undergraduate Research Mentoring Program Advisor
 2024-2025 Awards Committee Chair
 2024-2025 Advisory Board
 2021-2023 Colloquium Committee, Sociology Department, UIC
 2020-2022 Faculty Advisory Board member, Sociology Department, UIC
 2011-2019 Graduate Admissions Committee, Sociology Department, University of Illinois
 2011-2012 Faculty Coordinator, 14th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference, UIC
 2011-present Faculty Coordinator, Global & Transnational Sociology specialization, UIC
 2011 10-year Program Review Committee, Sociology Department, University of Illinois
 2009-2011 Advisory Board, Sociology Department, University of Illinois
 2009-present Organizer: Science, Knowledge & Culture Reading Group

LANGUAGE

French: Diploma verifying fluency from Institut Parisien; Paris, France

Zulu: Certificate of Intermediate Level Proficiency; University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association, Sections: Theory; Science, Technology & Knowledge; Culture; Medical; Global & Transnational; Comparative Historical; Body & Embodiment; Mental Health

Society for the Study of Social Problems
 Social Science History Association
 Society for Social Studies of Science
 Eastern Sociological Society

African Studies Association
 Sociologists' AIDS Network
 National Women's Studies Association