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1. Academic & Research Positions

2024-Present Assistant Professor of Sociology, Wake Forest University
2023-2024 Research Assistant, Metropolitan Planning Council (Chicago, IL)

2. Education

2024 University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), PhD Candidate (Sociology)
Dissertation: “Inequitable by Nature: Ecology, Green Space
Management, and the Naturalization of Environmental Racism in
the United States”
2019 University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), MA (Sociology)
Graduate Concentration (Gender and Women’s Studies)
2016 Seattle University, BA (Sociology with Honors, Gender Studies)

3. Research Interests

Inequality (Race, Gender, Class, Sexuality); Science, Knowledge, and Technology; Health, Illness, and Medicine; Environment; Social Theory; Community-Engaged Research

4. Grants, Awards, and Honors

2024 David P. Street Dissertation Prize, UIC Department of Sociology
2021 Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy Dissertation Research Grant
2020 Provost’s Award for Graduate Research, UIC Graduate College
2019 David P. Street Master Paper Prize, UIC Department of Sociology
2016-17 Kathleen Crittenden Recruitment Award, UIC Department of Sociology

5. Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

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

Garrett, Cal Lee (2023) “Greenwork: The Devaluation of Labor when Caring for Nature.” *City & Community* Special Issue: Environmentalizing the Urban 22(4):330-51.
(<https://doi.org/10.1177/15356841231182071>)

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, and Cal Lee Garrett (2022) “Disease Surveillance Infrastructure and the Economization of Public Health.” *Sociology of Health & Illness* 44(8):1251-69. (<https://doi-org.proxy.cc.uic.edu/10.1111/1467-9566.13514>)

Garrett, Cal Lee (2022) “Finding Natural Variation: Assembling Underdetermined Evidence of Gender Dysphoria, Doing Trans Therapeutics.” *BioSocieties* 17(1):28-52. (<https://doi-org.proxy.cc.uic.edu/10.1057/s41292-020-00201-9>)

6. Working Papers

Garrett, Cal Lee (Revise and Resubmit) “Gender Wellness: From Diagnosis to Evidence-Based Treatment in Gender-Affirming Care.” *Social Theory and Health*

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, AJ Golio, and Cal Lee Garrett. (Revise and Resubmit) “The Risks of Renting on the Margins: Housing Informality and State Legibility in the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *American Sociological Review*

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, Cal Lee Garrett, and Tirza Ochrach-Konradi. (In Preparation) “Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis.” *Social Science and Medicine*

Garrett, Cal Lee (In Preparation) “Environmental Racism: A Process of Injustice not a Pattern of Inequality.” *Social Problems*

7. Public Scholarship

Garrett, Cal Lee (2023) “Planning for Change: Lessons of Survival from Queer and Trans Lives.” *Parks Stewardship Forum* 39(2):236-244. (<https://doi-org.proxy.cc.uic.edu/10.5070/P539260965>)

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, and Cal Lee Garrett (2022) “Op-ed: To Protect Vulnerable Chicagoans, Rental Assistance Must Recognize Informal Arrangements.” *Chicago Tribune*, January 4.

Decoteau, Claire Laurier, Cal Lee Garrett, Cynthia Brito, Fructoso M. Basaldua Jr., and Iván Arenas (2021) *Deadly Disparities in the Days of COVID-19: How Public Policy Fails Black & Latinx Chicagoans*. Chicago: Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (IRRPP).

8. Books Reviewed

2020 *Conditionally Accepted: Christians’ Perspectives on Sexuality and Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights*, by Baker A. Rogers. *Gender & Society* 35(1): 138-140

2019 *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Christians: Queer Christians, Authentic Selves*, by Bronwyn Fielder and Douglas Ezzy. *Sexualities* 22(5-6): 837-838.

9. Invited Talks

- November 28, 2023 “Scientific Expertise: A Mechanism of Environmental Inequality”
Department of Sociology
Washington State University; Pullman, WA
- October 25, 2023 “Cultures of Science and the (Re)Production of Racialized Health Disparities”
Department of Sociology
Wake Forest University; Winston-Salem, NC
- May 3, 2023 “Pandemic Biopolitics: Health Equity by the Numbers”
Sociology 220: Health, Biomedicine, Culture, and Society
Instructor: Santiago J. Molina, PhD
Northwestern University; Evanston, IL
- March 2, 2023 “Unmeasured Justice: Quantifying Environmental Inequity in Greening Initiatives, Co-Opting Environmental Justice”
Science and Technology Studies
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Troy, NY
- January 30, 2023 “Unmeasured Justice: The Quantification of Environmental Racism in Green Space Initiatives”
Ford School of Public Policy
University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI

10. Selected Conference Presentations

- August 19, 2023 “Greenwork: The Devaluation of Labor in Nature as Care”
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA
- August 18, 2023 “The Data Fix: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19 and Beyond”
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA
- November 19, 2022 “Layers Not Sums: Reconciling Scientific and Community Values with Nature Conservation Maps”
Social Science History Association Meeting
Chicago, IL
- March 11, 2022 “The Data Fix: Quantifying Structural Racism in COVID-19 and Beyond” with Claire Decoteau

Eastern Sociological Society
Boston, MA

- November 7, 2021 “From HIV Safety Net to COVID Rapid Response” with Claire Laurier Decoteau
Social Science History Association Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA
- October 21, 2021 “From HIV Safety Net to COVID Rapid Response” with Claire Laurier Decoteau
Contested Science, Tricky Politics Conference
Bordeaux, France
- August 6, 2021 “Relationships that Count: How care providers and seekers, together, make evidence-based medicine gender-affirming”
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting
Virtual Meeting
- August 9, 2018 “Gender Unknown: Psychiatry, Scientific Knowledge Production, and Determining Gender”
ASA Sexualities Section Preconference
Philadelphia, PA

11. University Teaching Experience

University of Illinois at Chicago

Instructor of Record

SOC 426 Topics in Race, Ethnicity, and Gender: Race, Gender, and Science
SOC 300 Sociological Research Methods
SOC 426 Topics in Race, Ethnicity, and Gender: Environmental Injustice
SOC 451 Medical Sociology
SOC 212 Human Sexualities

Teaching Assistant

SOC 385 Introduction to Sociological Theory
SOC 225 Race and Ethnic Groups
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 245 Marriage and Families

12. Service

- 2022-23 Student Representative; Graduate Program Committee; Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2021-22 Mentor; Graduate-Undergraduate Research and Mentoring (GURM) Program; Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago

- 2021-22 Roundtable Session Organizer; Sexualities Section; American Sociological Association
- 2020-22 Committee for Anti-Racist Action; Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section; American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Student Representative; Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section Council; American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Merton Book Award Committee; Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section Council; American Sociological Association
- 2019-20 Organizer; Sociology Graduate Students Organization (SGSO); University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2019-20 Organizer; Science, Knowledge, and Culture Reading Group; University of Illinois at Chicago

13. Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association (ASA), sections:

Community and Urban Sociology; Environmental Sociology; Medical Sociology; Race, Gender, and Class; Science, Knowledge, and Technology; Sociology of Culture; Theory

Society for the Social Study of Science (4S)

Social Science History Association (SSHA)