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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Boston University, July 2016 to present.

Visiting Scholar, Initiative on Cities, Boston University, August 2019 to present.

Associate Research Scholar, Justice Lab, Columbia University, March 2018 to present.

University Provost Career Development Professor, Boston University, 2016–2019.

Research Fellow, Program in Criminal Justice Policy and Management, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, 2016–2018.

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.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

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

Simes, Jessica T. Forthcoming. "The Ecology of Race and Punishment Across Cities." *City & Community*.

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 *The Atlantic's CityLab*: "Released Prisoners Struggle to Establish Neighborhood Connections," by Richard Florida.

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 CHAPTER

Simes, Jessica T. and Mary C. Waters. 2014. "The Politics of Immigration and Crime," Bucerius, Sandra M., and Michael Tonry, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Ethnicity, Crime, and Immigration*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.

BOOK REVIEWS

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.

REPORTS

Simes, Jessica T. 2018. "Why Place Matters For Understanding – and Reversing – America's Mass Incarceration Epidemic." Scholars Strategy Network Research Brief.

Simes, Jessica T. 2011. "Institution Length of Stay." Massachusetts Department of Correction Report. Publication No. 12-220-DOC-01.

IN PROGRESS

Eason, John M. Jienian Zheng, and Jessica T. Simes. "Imprisonment, Reentry, and HIV/AIDS Across the Rural-Urban Continuum in Arkansas"

Hwang, Jackelyn and Jessica T. Simes. "Non-neighborhoods: Spatial Heterogeneity and Implications for Neighborhood Effects."

Simes, Jessica T., Jaquelyn Jahn, Seth J. Prins, and Sandhya Kajeepeta. "Health Policy is Criminal Justice Policy? The Affordable Care Act and the Potential for Criminal Justice Reform."

Simes, Jessica T., Bruce Western, and Angela Lee. "Mental Health Disparities in Solitary Confinement."

Western, Bruce, Jessica T. Simes, and Kendra Bradner. “Solitary Confinement and Institutional Harm.”

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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

Co-Principal Investigator. “Workplace Misconduct: Consequences for Employment and Inequality.” With Sanaz Mobasseri. Boston University Human Resources Policy Institute Research Award, 2019. \$9,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Collaborative Research: The Pennsylvania Solitary Confinement Study.” With Bruce Western. National Science Foundation Grant 1823846/1823854, 2018–2020. \$183,379.

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

Boston University Provost’s Career Development Professorship, 2016–2019. \$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.

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.

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

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University, 2014–2015.

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 and Social Policy Fellowship, Harvard, University, 2013–2014.

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

Presidential Information Technology Fellowship, Harvard University, 2010–11

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention, 2009 and 2010.

Phi Beta Kappa Ritter Graduate Fellowship, 2009.

John Kenneth Galbraith Scholar, Harvard University, 2008.

INVITED TALKS

“Mental Health Disparities in Solitary Confinement”

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

“Punishing Places: The Geography of Mass Incarceration”

Punishment Symposium, Columbia University, April 17–18, 2020, New York, NY.

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

“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

SO 702 Proseminar: Sociological Methods

SO 459/859 Deviance and Social Control

Undergraduate

SO 201 Sociological Methods

SO 208/230 Crime and Justice

ADVISING

Graduate

Taylor Cain, Dissertation committee member

Heather Mooney, Academic advisor

Meaghan Stiman, Dissertation committee member

Undergraduate

Elizabeth Burke, Thesis committee member

Carrie Sheehan, Honors thesis advisor

Erin Tichenor, Honors thesis advisor

EXTERNAL SERVICE

Program Chair, Eastern Sociological Society, 2018–2019.

Secretary, Thrive Communities Reentry Program Board of Directors, 2015–2018.

Participant, Participatory Justice Design Lab, U.S. Partnership on Mobility from Poverty, February 15, 2017. Washington, D.C.

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

BOSTON UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Faculty Advisory Council, Initiative on Cities, 2017–Present.

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

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

Member, Morris Grant Committee, Department of Sociology, 2017–2018.

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