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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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**City University of New York**

2020- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Lehman College  
Director, Trust Lab, Lehman College (2022-)  
Faculty Affiliate, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research (2021-)

**EDUCATION**

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**Columbia University**

2020 Ph.D., Sociology  
2012 M.P.A., Urban and Social Policy

**Cheyney University of Pennsylvania**

2008 B.S., Business Administration

**RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS**

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Race & Ethnicity, Social Inequality, Sociology of Education, Urban Sociology, and Law & Society

**PUBLICATIONS**

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**Refereed Journal Articles**

2021 DiPrete, Thomas A. and Brittany N. Fox-Williams. "The Relevance of Inequality Research in Sociology for Inequality Reduction." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World* 7: 1-30.

2019 Fox-Williams, Brittany N. "The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact." *Sociological Forum* 34(1): 115-37.  
\* 2017 Graduate Student Paper Award, Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems.

**Encyclopedia Entries**

2017 Fox-Williams, Brittany N. and R. L'Heureux Lewis-McCoy. "Race and Education." In *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by G. Ritzer. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

**Manuscripts Under Review**

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. and Lisbeth Loft. "Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact."

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. “Intersectional and Contextual: A Multilevel Framework of Racial Inequality in Student-Teacher Trust.”

### **Manuscripts in Preparation**

Fox-Williams, Brittany N. “Trust Matters: A Relational Metric of Teacher Effectiveness.”

### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

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#### **External**

- 2022 Co-Principal Investigator, Trinity Church Wall Street Grant for “Outcomes of Social Service Provision on the Reentry Process in New York City” (PI: Van Tran) - \$200,000
- 2022 Trust Director, National Science Foundation Engineering Research Center Grant for “Center for Smart Streetscapes (CS3)” (PI: Andrew Smyth) - \$1,037,558 subaward
- 2021 Principal Investigator, Russell Sage Foundation and Gates Foundation Pipeline Grant for “School Context and the Racialized Trust Perspectives of Black Youth” - \$29,702
- 2019 MDRC Gueron Scholars Program Doctoral Fellowship - \$5,000
- 2017 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant for “Race, Achievement and Trust in Student-Teacher Relationships” - \$11,786

#### **Internal**

- Fall 2023 Distinguished CUNY Scholar Fellowship, Advanced Research Collaborative, CUNY Graduate Center - \$18,000
- Spr. 2023 CUNY Faculty Fellowship Publication Program - \$4,500
- 2023 Principal Investigator, PSC-CUNY Enhanced Research Award for “Getting to Trust: Race, Relationships, and Inequality in Urban Schools” - \$12,000
- 2022 Co-Principal Investigator, PSC-CUNY Trad B Research Award for “Revealing the Hidden Curriculum in Data Science Research Programs” (Co-PI: Jennifer Laird) - \$5,995
- 2021 Principal Investigator, PSC-CUNY Trad B Research Award for “School Context and the Racialized Trust Perspectives of Black Youth” - \$4,530
- 2017-18 Fellowship in Academic Administration, Columbia Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Office of Academic Diversity - \$4,000

### **PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

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#### **Invited Talks and Seminars**

- 2023 “Designing a Mixed Methods Study of Race & Trust in Urban Schools.” Qualitative Mixed Methods Series, Department of Sociology, Graduate Center, CUNY, New York, NY (May)
- 2022 “Race, Trust, and Inequality in Urban Schools.” Sociology Days Speaker Series, Department of Sociology, Hunter College, CUNY, New York, NY (Nov.)
- 2022 “Heterogeneous Youth Stigma Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). Fragile Families Working Group, Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ (Oct.)

- 2021 “Race, Trust, and Inequality in Urban Schools.” Emerging Voices in Sociology Speaker Series, Department of Sociology, Tufts University, Medford, MA (Nov.)
- 2020 “Avoiding Harm and Maintaining Dignity: How Black Youth Navigate Police Encounters in NYC.” Activism in Academia Working Group, The Center for the Humanities, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY (Dec.)
- 2019 “Race, Trust, and Student–Teacher Relationships in NYC Public Schools.” K-12 Education Policy Group, MDRC, New York, NY (Aug.)

### Invited Conference Presentations

- 2023 “Reducing Inequality in America” (with Thomas DiPrete). Thematic Session: “Solving Problems That Have Never Been Solved.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Aug.)

### Other Conference Participation

- 2023 Presider and Co-Organizer, Special Session: “Black Youth Agency Across Social Contexts.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Aug.)
- 2023 “Blurred Boundaries: Reconstructing Teacher Authority in the Age of Social Emotional Learning” (with Ixchel Bosworth, Jacqueline Brown, and August G. Smith). American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Aug.)
- 2023 “School Context and the Racialized Trust Perspectives of Black Youth.” Russell Sage Foundation and Gates Foundation Pipeline Grant Conference, Chicago, IL (Mar.)
- 2023 Author-Meets-Critics Session for Jessica Halliday Hardie’s *Best Laid Plans: Women Coming of Age in Uncertain Times*. Eastern Sociological Society Conference, Baltimore, MD (Feb.)
- 2022 “Heterogeneous Youth Mental Health Responses in the Aftermath of Involuntary Police Contact” (with Lisbeth Loft). American Sociological Association Meeting, Los Angeles, CA (Aug.)
- 2021 “Feeling Vibes and Building Bonds: Student-Educator Trust from the Perspectives of Black Youth.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Virtual Conference (Aug.)
- 2020 “Race Matters: Student–Teacher Trust in NYC Middle Schools.” American Sociological Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA (Aug.) [panel canceled due to COVID-19]
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Meeting, Montreal, QC (Aug.)
- 2016 “Learning the Rules of Engagement: Youth Cultural Capital and Police Contact in NYC.” Understanding Global and Local Inequalities Sociology Graduate Student Conference, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY (Apr.)
- 2015 “Reducing Youth Inequality: What American Scholarship Can Learn from the European Experience” (with Thomas DiPrete). International Sociological Association-RC28 Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (Aug.)
- 2015 “Racing Uptown: Racial and Ethnic Demographic Changes in Upper Manhattan” (with R. L’Heureux Lewis-McCoy). Critical Perspectives on Puerto Ricans and Dominicans in the U.S. Conference, Hunter College, New York, NY (May)
- 2013 “Residential Mobility and Neighborhood Context: Race, Poverty, and Child Development.” Association of Black Sociologists Meeting, New York, NY (Aug.)

### Campus or Departmental Talks

- 2021 “Building Trust in the Classroom: Lessons from Black Youth in NYC Public High Schools.” Writing Across the Curriculum Faculty Seminar, Lehman College, CUNY, Bronx, NY (Dec.)
- 2019 “Race, Trust, and Student–Teacher Relationships in NYC Public Schools.” Diversity Research Collective Symposium, Columbia University, New York, NY (May)
- 2017 “The Rules of (Dis)engagement: Black Youth and Their Strategies for Navigating Police Contact.” Diversity Research Collective Symposium, Columbia University, New York NY (Apr.)
- 2015 “Coming of Age in the Broken Windows City.” Race, Ethnicity and Migration Workshop, Columbia University, New York, NY (Apr.)

### TEACHING

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#### Lehman College, CUNY, Department of Sociology

Advanced Methods of Social Research (Fall 2020 – Spring 2023)

#### Columbia University, Department of Sociology

Race, Crime and Law – Instructor of Record (Summer 2018, 2020)  
 Sociology of Schools, Teaching and Learning – Teaching Assistant (Spring 2019)  
 Workshop on Wealth and Inequality – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)  
 Master’s Thesis Seminar – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2014)  
 Race and Place in Urban America – Teaching Assistant (Fall 2013)

#### Columbia University, Leadership Alliance Summer Research Program

Social Science Research and Design – Instructor of Record (Summer 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018)

### DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

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#### City University of New York

- 2020- Member, Science of Learning and Teaching Seminar Committee, School of Natural and Social Sciences, Lehman College
- 2020- Member, Colloquium Committee, Department of Sociology, Lehman College

#### Columbia University

- 2017-19 Co-facilitator, Diversity Research Collective, GSAS Office of Academic Diversity
- 2015 Co-organizer, Craft of Ethnography Conference, Department of Sociology
- 2014-15 Co-chair, Community Service Committee, Columbia GSAS Students of Color Alliance

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- 2023-26 Elected Member of Section Council, Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association
- 2022-23 Co-organizer, Special Session: “Black Youth Agency Across Social Contexts,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (with Dialika Sall)
- 2022-23 Mentor, Mentoring Program, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2022-23 Mentor, Relationships and Mentoring Program, Association of Black Sociologists

- 2022-23 Member, James Coleman Award for Best Article Committee, Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association
- 2021-22 Member, James E. Blackwell Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Section, American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Chair, Mentoring Pairing Program Committee, Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association
- 2020-21 Member, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section, American Sociological Association

Peer Reviewer for *American Sociological Review*, *Du Bois Review*, Russell Sage Foundation

## **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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American Educational Research Association  
American Sociological Association  
Association of Black Sociologists  
Eastern Sociological Society  
New York City Reducing Inequality Network  
Society for the Study of Social Problems