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## EDUCATION

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### UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Ph.D. candidate, degree expected June 2011, Department of Sociology.

- Dissertation: *Cosmopolitan Courts & Strange Laws: Judicial Globalization and the Resistance to Foreign Law.*
- Special Field Exam Areas: (1) Social Change: globalization of law; (2) Qualitative Methods

### NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

J.D., Juris Doctor degree. May 1999.

- Julius Miner Moot Court, 1998 Top Five Written Appellate Brief
- Frederick Douglass Moot Court, Black Law Students Association

### PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

A.B., Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology, *cum laude*. June 1996.

- Thesis: *Searching For Connections: Examining Homosexual Male Chat Services*

## SCHOLARSHIP

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### ARTICLE

“*Lawrence v. Texas* as an Eighth Amendment Case: Sodomy and the Evolving Standards of Decency”, *15 Wm. & Mary J. Women & L.* 633 (2009).

### WORKS IN PROGRESS

- *Where In The World Is Brown v. Board of Education?: Cosmopolitan Innovation and the Denationalization of an American Civil Rights Case*
- *Legal but Persecuted: Prostitution in Tanzania*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Adjunct.** Columbia College, Autumn 2006 to present.

- Course Taught: *Introduction to Sociology*
- Surveying various sociology topics for undergraduates (25 students). Created syllabus, administer and grade midterm & final exams, and reaction papers.

**Adjunct.** Illinois Institute of Technology, Autumn 2008 to December 2009.

- Courses Taught
  - *Contemporary Issues in Constitutional Law*

- *Law in American Society*
- *Introduction to Legal Analysis*

**Lecturer.** University of Chicago. Autumn 2003 to Autumn 2008.

- Courses Taught:
  - *Race as Property*
  - *Sexuality and Human Rights*
  - *Contemporary Global Issues*
- Designed new seminars for undergrad and graduate students in the Comparative Race, Human Rights, and International Studies programs. Advised and graded final paper projects. Led discussion and evaluated student presentations (5-20 students).

**Teaching Assistant.** University of Chicago.

- *Sexuality: Identity and the Life Course.* Department of Comparative Human Development. Professor Bertram Cohler. Spring 2008.
- *Contemporary Issues in Human Rights.* Human Rights Program. Lecturers Bernadine Dohrn and Susan Gzesh. Spring (2002 – 2005).
- *Globalization: Theoretical and Empirical Elements.* Department of Sociology. Professor Saskia Sassen. Autumn 2003.
- *Transnationalism in a Post-Colonial World.* International Studies Concentration. Professor Lisa Wedeen. Winter (2002 & 2003).
- *The Regulation of Vice.* Department of Economics/Public Policy Concentration. Senior Lecturer Jim Leitzel. Spring (2000 - 2002).

## P R E S E N T A T I O N S

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### PAPERS

*Lawrence v. Texas as an Eighth Amendment Case: Sodomy and the Evolving Standards of Decency.* Crime and Punishment Workshop. University of Chicago Law School. February 22, 2008.

*Towards a Conceptualization of Cosmopolitan Courts.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, regular session (sociology of law section). August 11, 2007.

*Bathhouses as Commercial Sexual Landscapes.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, refereed round table on Sexualities, Space and Place (sexualities section). August 16, 2002.

*The McDonalds of Gay Sex? Bathhouses and Globalization.* Transnational Tools: Theories and Methodologies of Globalization conference (Fourth Annual Globalization Conference) sponsored by the University of Chicago, May 4, 2002.

*Electronic Space and the Digital Divide: A Theoretical Look at the Issues and Borders Surrounding Inequality in Electronic Space.* Panel entitled: Internet- Inner City. Envisioning Globalization conference (Third Annual Globalization Conference) sponsored by the University of Chicago. May 19, 2001.

*Legal but Persecuted: The State of Commercial Sex Work in Tanzania.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, refereed round table on Women, Identity and Law (sociology of law section). August 16, 2000.

### **GUEST LECTURER, PANELIST, DISCUSSANT**

Discussant. *Mitigated Forms of Personhood as Death-deifying Constructs: Race and Gender in the Case of Wanda Jean Allen.* Paper by Brackette F. Williams. The Reproduction of Race and Racial Ideologies Workshop. Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture at the University of Chicago. November 29, 2007.

*Understanding Judicial Restraint.* Guest lecture in course: *Environmental Public Policy.* University of Chicago. February 2005 and November 2006.

Discussant. *From Jineteras to Raperas: Constructions of Race, Gender, and the Body in Cuba.* Mellon Dissertation Dialogues Roundtable. Washington University. June 12, 2004.

*Health and Human Rights.* Guest lecture in course: *Human Rights III: Contemporary Issues in Human Rights.* Human Rights Program. University of Chicago. May 21, 2003.

*The Legal History of Affirmative Action: What's Really Going On?* Panelist for *Teach-In on the History, Context, and Importance of Affirmative Action.* University of Chicago. May 15, 2003.

*Grounding the Oscars: A Socio-Historical Understanding of Halle Berry's 2002 Academy Award for Best Actress.* Panelist for *The Oscars Revisited or Noche de los Negros* sponsored by the University of Chicago Race/Film Group. April 16, 2003.

Discussant. "Can the US do anything about Sex Trafficking in Asia?" paper by Victor Boutros. Sponsored by the Human Rights Workshop. University of Chicago. May 8, 2002.

*Bush v. Gore: An Analysis of the Supreme Court Decision.* Guest lecture in course: *Symposium on Politics: What Can We Learn From the 2000 Election?* Department of Political Science. University of Illinois at Chicago. February 20, 2001.

*The Regulation of Tobacco and Internet Vice: Prostitution, Gambling and Pornography.* Guest lecture in *The Regulation of Vice.* Department of Economics. University of Chicago. Spring (2000 & 2001).

### **HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS**

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- Lectureship in Race and Ethnic Studies. Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture at the University of Chicago. 2008-09.
- Social Science Research Council, Mellon Mays Doctoral Research Grant, 2005.
- International Studies Prize Lectureship, University of Chicago, 2004.
- Mellon Dissertation Seminar Summer Fellow, 2004.
- Human Rights Lectureship, University of Chicago, 2003.
- 2003 Places OnLine Best Web Site Award, Association of American Geographers, for team project "Journey Through the Calumet" at <http://www.fieldmuseum.org/calumet>.

- University of Chicago Trustees Fellow, 1999-2005.
- Dean's List, Northwestern University School of Law, 1998 and 1999.
- Top Five Appellate Brief Julius Miner Moot Court, Northwestern School of Law, 1998.
- National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow Honorable Mention, 1996.
- Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellow, 1994-1996.
- Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholar, 1992-1996.

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

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Book Review Editorial Board Member. *American Journal of Sociology*. 2002-2004.

Manuscript Referee. *American Journal of Sociology; Law and Social Inquiry*.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Sociological Association

Association of Black Sociologists

Law and Society Association

## **LANGUAGE**

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Spanish- Intermediate knowledge.

French- Reading knowledge.

Swahili- Basic conversational phrases.

## **REFERENCES**

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Saskia Sassen (dissertation committee chair), Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology.  
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New York, NY  
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