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**EDUCATION**

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**Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare (Expected 2027)**

***With a Designated Emphasis in Critical Theory***

University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare

*Dissertation: When Helping Hurts: Growth, Adaptation, and a Critique of Ecowelfare*

*Dissertation Committee:*

*Dr. Yu-Ling Chang, Associate Professor*

*School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

*Dr. Neil Gilbert, Distinguished Professor*

*School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

*Dr. Sharad Chari, Professor, Program Director*

*Department of Geography, Critical Theory, University of California, Berkeley*

**Certificate in Applied Data Science**

University of California, Berkeley, School of Information

**Certificate in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education**

University of California, Berkeley

**Master of Social Work**

Washington University in St. Louis, Brown School of Social Work

*Thesis: Does automatic voter registration increase voter turnout?: Difference-in-differences;*

*Concentration: Domestic Social and Economic Development*

*Specialization: Policy & Research*

**Bachelor of Social Work**

Harding University

*Thesis: "I wasn't wantin' to go in the streets": A case study of trauma and identity in chronic homelessness*

*Minor in Religious Studies*

**COMPUTATIONAL & METHODOLOGICAL SKILLS**

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**Programming, Software, & Development**

Python, R, Stata, SPSS, VSCode, RStudio, Jupyter, MAXQDA, QGIS, Git/Github, Web Development, Shiny Application Development

**Methods**

Econometrics, Causal Inference, Computational Text Analysis, Machine Learning, GIS, Qualitative Analysis, Interviews, Focus Groups, Survey Design

## RESEARCH INTEREST AREAS

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### Thematic

Ecowelfare and Ecosocial Policy, Climate Adaptation, Poverty and Inequality, Comparative Political Economy of Welfare States and Climate Change, Critical Theory

### Methodological

Econometrics, Causal Inference, Computational Social Science, Critical Theory & Qualitative Methods

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Published

#### *Journal Articles*

- Brown, C. T. & Chang, Y. L.** (2025). Hotspots of inequity in climate adaptation: Explaining the stratification of U.S. ecowelfare using space-time and machine learning analysis. *Climate*, 13(12), 244. <https://doi.org/10.3390/cli13120244>.
- Brown, C. T.** (2025). Contradictions of the ecowelfare state: The state, the human, and nature. *Capitalism Nature Socialism*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10455752.2025.2587871>.
- Brown, C. T.** (2025). Ecosocial adaptation and the care professions: A systems-ecological approach to climate risk. *Social Work in Public Health*, 1-15. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19371918.2025.2554664>.
- Brik, A. B., & Brown, C. T.** (2025). A critical review of conceptualization and measurement of social inclusion: Directions for conceptual clarity. *Social Policy and Society*, First View, 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1474746425000302>.
- Brown, C. T., & Ben Brik, A.** (2025). Welfare regime typologies: The six worlds of social inclusion. *Journal of International and Comparative Social Policy*. <https://doi.org/10.1017/ics.2024.14>.
- Ben Brik, A., & Brown, C. T.** (2025). Temporary measures or lasting reform? Examining Gulf States' evolving welfare policies in response to the global health crisis. *Social Policy & Society, First Look*, 1-25. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1474746424000630>.
- Brown, C. T., & Chang, Y. L.** (2024). Ecosocial policy and the social risks of climate change: foundations of the US ecosocial safety net. *Journal of Social Policy*, 1-20. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0047279424000126>.
- Ben Brik, A. & Brown, C. T.** (2024). Global trends in social inclusion and social inclusion policy: A systematic review and research agenda. *Social Policy & Society*, 1-24. DOI:10.1017/S147474642400054X.
- Grounder, B., & Brown, C. T.** (2024). Limitations of ecomodernist climate change mitigation: The case of the U.S. Inflation Reduction Act and the (un)just transition. *Critical Social Policy*, 45(1). <http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/02610183241281349>.

**Brown, C. T.,** Mehta, M., Ryali, M., Dong, C., Shadfar, I., Dominquez Davalos, J., Culich, A., & Suen, A. (2024). The data science discovery program: A case for data science consulting in higher education. *Stat*, 13(2). <http://doi.org/10.1002/sta4.677>.

Miller, S., Roll, S., **Brown, C. T.,** Brugger, L., & Grinstein-Weiss, M. (2024). Which side (of the balance sheet) are you on? Household financial resources and participation in the 2020 protests. *The Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*, 50(4). <https://doi.org/10.15453/0191-5096.4671>.

**Brown, C. T.,** Ocampo, M. G., Drake, B. (2022). The politics of child welfare: Are child welfare policies, budgets and functioning a red/blue issue? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 132, 106282. 10.1016/j.childyouth.2021.106282.

**Brown, C. T.,** & Harrold, J. (2021). Widowhood and mental health issues: Predictors of anxiety, depression, and PTSD among those who have been widowed. *Illness, Crisis & Loss*, 31(2). <https://doi.org/10.1177/10541373211054189>.

### ***Book Chapters***

Chang, Y. L., & **Brown, C. T.** (in press). United States: An evolving liberal welfare state—deepening workfare and fragmentation. In Wang J. S.-H. & Marx, I. (eds.), *Worlds of Welfare: Comparing Safety Nets Across the Globe*, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.

**Brown, C. T.** (in press). Ecosocial policy. In Aspalter, C. (ed.), *Elgar Research Encyclopedia of Social Policy*. Edward Elgar.

**Brown, C. T.** (in press). Computational social policy. In Aspalter, C. (ed.), *Elgar Research Encyclopedia of Social Policy*. Edward Elgar.

Hamilton, G., & **Brown, C. T.** (2025). What is environmental justice? In Rogerson, C., & Vandergrift, K. F. (eds.). *Introduction to social justice*. Solana Beach: Cognella.

Perone, A., **Brown, C. T.,** Fletcher, K., Urrutia, L. (2025). The five C's of climate change and caregiving: Moving from catastrophe to cohesive caregiving for older adults. In Pilemer, K & Ayalon, L. (eds.) *Aging and climate change*. Bristol: Policy Press.

**Brown, C. T.,** & Gilbert, N. (2024). Comparative social policy. *Encyclopedia of Social Work*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780199975839.013.879>.

**Brown, C. T.,** White, R., Pevits, A., Martin, J. (2023). Civic education and social justice: Moving toward a pedagogy of community organizing and community-based participatory methods. In Hoggan-Kloubert, T., Mabrey III, P. E., & Hoggan, C. (eds.). *Transformative Civic Education in Democratic Societies*. Michigan State University Press: East Lansing, Michigan.

White, R., **Brown, C. T.**, Pevits, A., & Martin, J. (2023). Contextualization of transformative civic education. In Hoggan-Kloubert, T., Mabrey III, P. E., & Hoggan, C. (eds.). *Transformative Civic Education in Democratic Societies*. Michigan State University Press: East Lansing, Michigan.

### ***Policy Briefs***

Davidson, T., **Brown, C. T.**, Rathbun, H., Jerolleman, A., Awbrey, M., Guerke, M., Leahy, C., Feliscar, L., Logan, A., Patton, N., & Ferreira, R. (2025). Practitioner perspectives on disaster assistance reform: A roadmap of obstacles to avoid. Full report—Part I of III. Consortium for Emergent Disaster Resilience. <https://cedrhub.org/publications/>.

Chang, Y. L., & **Brown, C. T.**, Keh, M. (2025). Geographic and racial disparities in employment, earnings, sanctions, and reentries in CalWORKs amid the COVID-19 pandemic. <https://escholarship.org/content/qt9z39r8kv/qt9z39r8kv.pdf>.

Bandaru, S., **Brown, C. T.**, Goldstein, E., Serwin, A., & Taylor P. (2021). CLT Policy Playbook. *Center for Social Development*.

### ***Journalistic***

**Brown, C. T.** (2025, Sep.). Banners across the West Coast call out Chevron's ties to genocide and climate change. *California Red, California Democratic Socialists of America*. <https://www.californiadsa.org/news/boycottchevron2025sep>.

**Brown, C. T.**, Chang, Y. L. (2024, Oct.) Ecosocial policy and the social risks of climate change: Foundations of the U.S. ecosocial safety net. *The Social Policy Blog*. <https://socialpolicyblog.com/2024/10/24/ecosocial-policy-and-the-social-risks-of-climate-change-foundations-of-the-u-s-ecosocial-safety-net/>.

**Brown, C. T.** (2023, Sep. 2). Facing climate disasters, young Americans deserve a strong 'ecosocial' safety net. *The Messenger*. <https://themessenger.com/opinion/facing-climate-disasters-young-americans-deserve-a-strong-ecosocial-safety-net>.

Rivkin-Fish, Z., Fichman, B., & **Brown, C. T.** (2021, Jul. 8). New opportunities from the Maryland Office of Statewide Broadband to connect your community to the internet. *CTC Technology & Energy*, <https://www.ctcnet.us/blog/new-opportunities-from-the-maryland-office-of-statewide-broadband-to-connect-your-community-to-the-internet/>.

**Brown, C. T.** (2020). We are the cure: How to help our democracy recover from the pandemic. *Gephardt Institute for Civic and Community Engagement*, <https://gephardtinstitute.wustl.edu/university-wide-initiatives/this-civic-moment/thiscivicmomentseries/thiscivicmoment-taylor-brown/>.

### ***Dashboards***

Chang, Y. L., Brown, C. T., & Keh, M. (2025). CalWORKs WTW Racial Equity Dashboard, Version 2. <https://fssrn.shinyapps.io/CalWORKS-WTW-Racial-Equity-Dashboard/>.

### Under Review

- Brown, C. T.**, Nepomnyashchy, L., Patel, A. S. (R&R). Is the U.S. ecosocial safety net inequitable?: Comparing the Individuals and Households and National Flood Insurance programs. *Journal of Social Policy*.
- Brown, C. T.** (R&R). Social inclusion, welfare states, and ecosocial adaptation: A global analysis. *Journal of International and Comparative Social Policy*.
- Hetling, A., Chang, Y. L., Fox-Dichter, S., **Brown, C. T.**, Gassman-Pines, A., Rothwell, D., & Nikolova, K. (R&R). A racial equity analysis of state TANF caseload trends: Examining the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Population Research and Policy Review*.
- Brown, C. T.**, Wang, J., Chang, Y.-L., Lucuix, M. B., Krmpotic, C., dos Santos Ronzoni, R., Prá, K. R. D., Peng, N., Henley, J., Lee, Y. Kajai, S., Cho, S., Colin, S., & Rodriguez, R. (under review). Fueling ecowelfare: A global comparative analysis of energy and utility assistance. Accepted Special Issue with *Social Policy & Administration*.
- Brown, C. T.** (under review). Do welfare states adapt?: Eco-social risk and welfare in European and U.S. climate adaptation plans. Accepted Special Issue with *Journal of European Social Policy*.
- Ben Brik, A., **Brown, C. T.**, Liang, Q. (under review). Social inclusion in the Middle East and Northern Africa: Methodology for the A-SCOPE Survey in 11 MENA countries.
- Awbrey, M., Davidson, T., Feliscar, L., Rathbun, H., **Brown, C. T.**, Ferreira, R. J., Leahy, C., Jerolleman, A., Logan, A., Guerke, M., Contillo, C. M., Bamba, L. A. M., Vermilyea, J., Rose, K., & Buttell, F. P. (under review). A scoping literature review on FEMA's Individuals and Households Program.

### Working Papers

- Brown, C. T.**, Dolsak, N., & Prakash, A., Adolph, C. (working). Does mitigation delay planning for adaptation? A panel analysis, 1995-2020.
- Brown, C. T.**, & Chang, Y. L. (working). Adapting the safety net: The role of climate-adapted and ecowelfare amid climate change.
- Brown, C. T.** (working). Growth, degrowth, and regrowth: The dialectic of adaptation and ecowelfare.
- Brown, C. T.** (working). Technocare: A critical theory of technology and care.
- Brown, C. T.**, Dolsak, N., & Prakash, A. (working). Climate and inequality: A distributional capacity framework for mitigation and adaptation.

**Brown, C. T.**, Rakasi, M., & Singhvi, A. (working). A divided ecowelfare state?: A network analysis of disaster capitalism and the U.S. ecowelfare state.

Chang, Y. L., **Brown, C. T.**, Keh, M. (working). Uncovering racial disparities in local welfare-to-work program responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in California.

Liang, Q., **Brown, C. T.**, & Chang, Y. L. (working). County racial distribution and racial disparities in welfare sanctions: Exploring group threat and contact theories in California's TANF system.

Grounder, B., & **Brown, C. T.** (working). Climate policy (in)equity: Analyzing private incentives under the Inflation Reduction Act for investments in climate vulnerable communities.

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

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### Grants & Fellowships

Social Welfare Departmental Doctoral Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 2022–Present  
 Dean's Scholarship in Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis, 2019–2020  
 Arkansas Governor's Distinguished Scholar, 2015–2019  
 Trustee Scholar, Harding University, 2015–2019

### Honors & Awards

Rhodes Scholarship Finalist, 2020  
 Outstanding Social Work Student, Harding University, 2019  
 Summa Cum Laude & Honors Graduate, Harding University, 2019

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Research Assistantships

2023-2025	<i>Research Assistant</i> Racial Equity in the TANF Service Delivery Path to Family Stability and Self-Sufficiency Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, University of California, Berkeley PI: Yu-Ling Chang, Ph.D.
2023-2025	Research Assistant Global Welfare Regime Project National Taiwan University and University of Hong Kong PI: Julia Shu-Huah Wang, Ph.D.
2023-2025	Research Assistant Global Social Inclusion Project Hamad Bin Khalifa University PI: Anis Ben Brik, Ph.D.

2020-2021 *Graduate Research Assistant*  
 Voter Access and Engagement Initiative  
 Center for Social Development, Washington University in St. Louis  
 PI: Gena Gunn McClendon, Ph.D. and Dr. Michael Sherraden

2019-2021 *Master's Research Fellow*  
 Gephardt Institute for Civic and Community Engagement  
 The Brown School at Washington University in St. Louis  
 Supervisor: Jillian A. Martin, Ph.D.

2018-2019 *Research Assistant*  
 Beyond Professional Identity  
 Harding University  
 PI: James Huff, Ph.D.

### **Research Fellowships**

2024-Present *Research Associate*  
 Consortium for Equitable Disaster Resilience  
 Tulane University  
 PI: Regardt Ferreira, Ph.D.

2023-Present *Senior Data Science Discovery Fellow*  
 Social Science Data Laboratory & Data Science Discovery Program  
 University of California, Berkeley

2023-2025 *Fellow*  
 Working Group in Black/Africana Critical Theory  
 University of California, Berkeley

2023-2024 *Congressional Doctoral Fellow*  
 Dr. Lenna Nepomnyaschy, Rutgers University, Social Work  
 Democracy Project  
 CSWE-SSWR-GADE Social Work Doctoral Student Policy Fellowship

Fall 2023 *Fellow*  
 PhD Workshop in Educational Institutions in Comparative Perspective:  
 Explorations in Durable Inequality  
 University of California, Berkeley & Norwegian University of Science  
 and Technology

Summer 2023 *Fellow*  
 The Summer Institute in Computational Social Science  
 University of California, Los Angeles

Summer 2023      *Fellow*  
                          Data Science for Social Justice Workshop  
                          Social Science Data Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley

## TEACHING

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### **Independent Instruction**

*Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy & School of Social Work, Tulane University*  
 Spring 2026    DRLS 6110, Research and Evaluation

*University of California, Berkeley*

Spring 2026    SOCWEL 110, Social Work as a Profession, School of Social Welfare  
                          AI-Assisted Coding in Python  
                          AI-Assisted Coding in R  
                          Python Fundamentals  
                          R for Public Health

Fall 2025      Python Fundamentals  
                          Python for Business Leaders, UC Berkeley Masters in Business Administration  
                          Program  
                          Python for Environmental Economists  
                          R Fundamentals  
                          R for Public Health  
                          AI Assisted Coding in R  
                          AI Assisted Coding in Python

Spring 2025    R Fundamentals  
                          Python Machine Learning Fundamentals, UC Berkeley Master of  
                          Computational Social Science  
                          GPT Fundamentals, UC Berkeley Master of Computational Social Science  
                          Python Data Visualization  
                          Python Web APIs  
                          Python Web Scraping

Fall 2024      Python Fundamentals  
                          Python Data Wrangling  
                          Python Data Visualization  
                          Machine Learning in Python

Summer 2024   R Fundamentals  
                          Python Fundamentals  
                          Python Data Wrangling  
                          Python Web Scraping

Spring, 2024   Institutional Review Board Fundamentals



*Harding University*

- Spring 2022 SOC 2030-03, General Sociology  
 SWK 4510-01, Field Seminar  
 SWK 4520-01, Field Placement
- Fall 2021 SWK 3300-01, Social Work Research  
 SOC 2030-04, General Sociology
- Spring 2021 SWK 4510-01, Field Seminar  
 SWK 4520-01, Field Placement

**Supervised Instruction***University of California, Berkeley*

- Fall 2025 SOCWEL 112, Social Welfare Policy
- Spring 2025 SOCWEL 112, Social Welfare Policy
- Spring 2024 SOCWEL 282B, Seminar in Social Welfare Research II
- Spring 2023 SOCWEL 116, Poverty and Economic Justice

**Guest Lectures**

- Brown, C. T.** (2024, Feb.). *Observational and quasi-experimental designs in program evaluation*. Seminar in Social Welfare Research, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley.
- Brown, C. T.** (2023, Nov.). *Social Work, Environmental Justice, and Ecosocial Policy*. Introduction to Social Welfare Policy, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley.
- Brown, C. T.** (2023, Feb. & Mar.). *Statistics in Social Science Research*. Community-Based Research, California State University, East Bay.
- Brown, C. T.** (2022, Oct.). *Introduction to Data Analysis Using SPSS*. Research-Informed Practice, University of the Pacific.
- Brown, C. T.** (2022, Mar.). *Sociology of Markets, Class, and Poverty*. Microeconomics. Paul R. Carter College of Business Administration, Harding University.
- Brown, C. T.** (2020, Nov.). *How to Influence Social and Public Policy*. Social Welfare Policies and Services II. Department of Behavioral Sciences, Harding University
- Brown, C. T., & Brown C. S.** (2021, Mar.). *Social Work Careers and Education: Lessons for BSW Graduates*. Community Practice. Department of Behavioral Sciences, Harding University.

**Brown, C. T.** (2020, Sep.). *Advising Child Welfare Administrators*. Transdisciplinary Problem Solving: Child Maltreatment Prevention. Brown School of Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis.

### **Mentorship**

Qi-Hao Liang, 2023-2024 Mark Chesler Award at University of Michigan Department of Sociology for “County Racial Distribution and Racial Disparities in Welfare Sanctions: Exploring Group Threat and Contact Theories in California's TANF System”

### **PRESENTATIONS**

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#### **Organized Panels**

Ben Brik, A., & **Brown, C. T.** (2025). Social inclusion in transition: A crossroads of conceptualization, measurement, and policy in global contexts. International Public Policy Association, 2025.

#### **Oral Presentations**

**Brown, C. T.** (2026, Jan.). Climate risk and the welfare state: Exploring the moderation of climate-adaptive welfare and ecowelfare on U.S. welfare enrollment after natural hazards. Society for Social Work Research, 2026.

Grounder, B., **Brown, C. T.** (2026, Jan.). Climate policy (in)equity: Investigating private incentives under the Inflation Reduction Act for investments in marginalized communities. Society for Social Work Research, 2026.

Chang, Y. L., **Brown, C. T.** (2026, Jan.). Investigating the welfare-to-work requirements and sanction-lifted policies following the COVID-19 pandemic through an equity lens. Society for Social Work Research, 2026.

**Brown, C. T.** (2025, Nov.). Climate risk and the welfare state: Exploring the moderation of climate-adaptive welfare and ecowelfare on U.S. welfare enrollment after natural hazards. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2025.

Chang, Y. L., **Brown, C. T.** (2025, Nov.). Investigating the welfare-to-work requirements and sanction-lifted policies following the COVID-19 pandemic through an equity lens. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2025

**Brown, C. T.**, (2025, Oct.). When helping hurts: Growth, adaptation, and a critique of ecowelfare. *Extreme Weather Events, Climate Adaptation and Eco-social Policies Colloquium, Sustainable Welfare & Eco-social Policy Network*.

Chang, Y. L., & **Brown, C. T.** (2025, Oct.). Leveraging Cal-OAR data insights to improve employment and earnings for Welfare-to-Work participants with an equity lens. *County Welfare Directors Association of California Annual Conference*.

- Brown, C. T.** (2025, June). Climate risk and the welfare state: Exploring the moderation of climate-adaptive welfare and ecowelfare on U.S. welfare enrollment after natural hazards. *Sustainable Social Policy Workshop, London School of Economics*.
- Brown, C. T.** (2025, June). Climate risk and the welfare state: Exploring the moderation of climate-adaptive welfare and ecowelfare on U.S. welfare enrollment after natural hazards. *Social Ecological Transitions Workshop, Sciences Po*.
- Perone, A., **Brown, C. T.**, Fletcher, K., Urrutia, L. (2025, June). The five C's of climate change and caregiving: Moving from catastrophic to cohesive caregiving for older and disabled adults. Transforming Care Conference.
- Brown, C. T.**, Nepomnyashchy, L., Patel, A. S. (2024, Nov.). Is the U.S. ecosocial safety net inequitable?: Comparing the Individuals and Households and National Flood Insurance programs. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2024.
- Chang, Y. L., Keh, M., **Brown, C. T.** (2024, Nov.). Analyzing racial disparities in welfare sanctions and employment outcomes: A study of welfare-to-work systems across California counties through the COVID-19 pandemic. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2024.
- Hetling, A., Chang, Y. L., Gassman-Pines, A., Nikolova, K., Rothwell, D., Fox-Dichter, S., **Brown, C. T.** (2024, Nov.). Did TANF policy changes during COVID-19 matter? An examination of TANF caseloads by race and ethnicity. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2024.
- Brown, C. T.**, & Chang, Y. L. (2024, Oct.). Ecosocial policy and the social risks of climate change: Foundations of the U.S. ecosocial safety net. Global Welfare Regime Conference at National Taiwan University.
- Hetling, A., Chang, Y. L., Gassman-Pines, A., Nikolova, K., Rothwell, D., Fox-Dichter, S., **Brown, C. T.** (2024, May). Did TANF policy changes during COVID-19 matter? An examination of TANF caseloads by race and ethnicity. Research and Evaluation Conference on Self-Sufficiency.
- Chang, Y. L., **Brown, C. T.** (2024, Jan.). Uncovering racial disparities in local welfare-to-work program responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in California. Society for Social Work Research 2024.
- Brown, C. T.**, & Chang, Y. L. (2023, Dec.). Ecosocial policy and the social risks of climate change: Foundations of the U.S. ecosocial safety net. Applying Sustainability Transition Research in Social Work Tackling Major Societal Challenge of Social Inclusion. University of Jyväskylä.

Chang, Y. L., **Brown, C. T.** (2023, Nov.). Uncovering racial disparities in local welfare-to-work program responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in California. Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2023.

### **Poster Presentations**

Davidson, T., Ferreira, R., Leahy, C., Rathbun, H., Lyttle, M., **Brown, C. T.**, & Buttell, F. (2026, Jan.). Understanding barriers to equitable disaster recovery: A concept mapping study. Society for Social Work Research, 2026

**Brown, C. T.**, Nepomnyashchy, L., Patel, A. S. (2025, Jan.). Is the U.S. ecosocial safety net inequitable?: Comparing the Individuals and Households and National Flood Insurance programs. Society for Social Work Research, 2025.

**Brown, C. T.** (2023, May). Sustainable Social Inclusion through Eco-social Policy: Bridging Transdisciplinary Approaches to Ecomodernism and Post-growth. Sustainability Science Days 2023. University of Helsinki.

**Brown, C. T.** (2023, May). Natural Hazards as Temporal Opportunities for Policy Change: Reframing Disaster Recovery as a Time to Build Post-Growth Societies. Interdisciplinary Workshop on Environmental Justice and Time. University of Stirling.

**Brown, C. T.** (2023, April). Social Work and the U.S. Eco-Social Safety Net: Opportunities to Advance Environmental Justice. Virtual Environmental Justice and Social Work Conference. Adelphi University, New York.

**Brown, C. T.** (2023, Jan.). Understanding American Welfare State Retrenchment through the Lens of Public Opinion Toward Welfare Spending. Society for Social Work Research 2023. Session ID: 14107.

**Brown, C. T.**, Huff, J. L., & Helpenstill, K. (2021). “I wasn’t wantin’ to go in the streets”: A case study of trauma and identity in chronic homelessness. *2021 International Congress for Qualitative Inquiry*.

**Brown, C. T.** (2020). Does automatic voter registration increase voter turnout?: Difference-in-differences. *Research Without Walls*. Brown School of Social Work: Washington University in St. Louis.

**Brown, C. T.** (2020). How healthy is our democracy and does it really matter?: Civic health, poverty, and inequality. *Research Without Walls*. Brown School of Social Work: Washington University in St. Louis.

### **Panel Discussant**

Social Protection for Low-Income Populations in East Asia. (2024) Association Public Policy Analysis & Management 2024.

### Roundtables

Neimanas, N., **Brown, C. T.**, Vidal, C. G., Forbes, R. (2026, Jan.). Advocacy in a policy void: Climate and environmental justice in a deregulated policy environment across governance levels. Society for Social Work Research, 2026.

### Workshops

**Brown, C. T.**, Martin, J., Pevitz, A., & Shapiro, R. (2021, June). Understanding students' voting behaviors: How to assess political engagement moving forward. *2021 Civic Learning & Democratic Engagement Meeting*.

**Brown, C. T.**, Martin, J., Pevitz, A., & Shapiro, R. (2021, October). Assessing experiences of public safety as a catalyst for community engagement. *2021 Assessment Institute, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis*.  
[https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1\\_hbdrpjjy](https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1_hbdrpjjy).

Pevitz, A., **Brown, C. T.**, Martin, J., & Shapiro, R. (2021, October). Measuring equity: An inside look at creating an instrument. *2021 Assessment Institute, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis*. [https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1\\_cqhawkki](https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1_cqhawkki).

Shapiro, R., **Brown, C. T.** (2021, June). Not just for voters: Including ineligible voters in the creation of a civically engaged campus climate. *2021 Civic Learning & Democratic Engagement Meeting*.

Shapiro, R., **Brown, C. T.**, Martin, J., Pevitz, A., & (2021, October). Graduate student civic engagement: A case study in data, assessment, and evaluation as problem solving tools. *2021 Assessment Institute, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis*.  
[https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1\\_ep1mo77u](https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/t/1_ep1mo77u).

### Webinars

Brown, C. T. (2022). Can young social workers make a difference? *2022 Student Advocacy Day, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy*.

Brown, C. T. (2022). Can young social workers make a difference? *2022 Social Work Day on the Hill, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy*.

Brown, C. T., Harris, J., Soto, J. M., Lozano, A., Jean-Louis, R., Cotlone, D., Wollen, S., & Edelman, M. (2021). Young social workers speak out on the future of democracy. *2021 Social Work Day on the Hill, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy*.

Soto, M., & Brown, C. T. (2021). Can social work save democracy? *2021 Student Advocacy Day, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy*.

Soto, M., & Brown, C. T. (2021). Can social work save democracy? *2021 Social Work Day on the Hill, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy*.

McClendon, G. & **Brown, C. T.** (2020). Local Leadership in Turbulent Times: How Ferguson Mayor Ella Jones and St. Louis County Prosecutor Wesley Bell Rose to the Challenge of Local Political Leadership.

## **PRACTICE EXPERIENCE**

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### **Professional Experience**

2025-Present	<i>Founding Executive Director</i> Center for Ecosocial Policy
2022-2023	<i>Data Science Consultant</i> Social Science Data Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley
2021-2022	<i>Senior Policy Analyst</i> CTC Technology & Energy Supervisors: Joanne Hovis, Andrew Afflerbach, Ph.D., P.E.
2021-2022	<i>Caregiver</i> Timothy Hill Children's Ranch Supervisor: Thudd Hill, MSW, MBA
2020-Present	<i>Founder and CEO</i> Brown Strategic Consulting
2020-2021	<i>Program Analyst</i> Immediate Office of the Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families Supervisor: Assistant Secretary Lynn Johnson, LCSW
2017-2019	<i>Minister</i> River City Ministry Supervisor: Steven Morris, MPP

### **Fellowship Experience**

2022-2023	<i>Congressional Intern</i> Office of Congresswoman Barbara Lee
2019-2020	<i>Legislative Aide</i> Missouri State Senate and House
2019-2020	<i>Racial Equity Fellow</i> Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis
2019-2020	<i>Graduate Policy Scholar</i> Clark Fox Institute and Social Policy Institute

- 2019 *Child Policy Fellow*  
Arkansas Governor's Office
- 2019 *Legislative Aide*  
Arkansas Division of Children and Family Services

## SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

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### Academic

The Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Work and Family, University of California, Berkeley (2022-2024)  
Dean Finalist Student Interview Panel, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley (2024)

### Peer Review

Archive of Public Health  
Family Relations: Interdisciplinary Journal of Applied Family Science  
Humanities and Social Sciences Communication  
Journal of the Sociology of Race and Ethnicity  
Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy  
Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology  
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### Professional Affiliation

Environmental Politics and Governance Mentoring Program –  
Mentor: Dr. Aseem Prakash & Nives Dolsak  
Randolph Mentoring Program  
Mentor: Dr. Tanya Brice Smith  
Scholars Strategy Network - <https://scholars.org/scholar/christopher-brown>

### Volunteer

*BSW Student Board Representative*, National Association of Social Workers-Arkansas (2018-2019)  
*Communications Director*, Ella Jones' Mayoral Task Force (2020-2022)  
*Constituent Services*, Dr. Sam Page's County Executive Campaign (2020)  
*Development Advisor and Child Care Worker*, Sparrow's Promise (2017-2022)  
*Director of Data and Strategy*, Ella Jones' Mayoral Campaign (2019-2020)  
*Communications Lead*, Climate Action Committee, East Bay Democratic Socialists of America (2025-Present)  
*Field Director*, Rep. Tommie Pierson's Missouri State Senate Campaign (2020)  
*Lead Organizer for Student Advocacy Day*, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy, (2022)  
*Leadership Team for Student Advocacy Day*, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy, (2019-2022)  
*Research and Policy Advisor*, Modern Widows Club (2020-2022)

**MEDIA INTEREST**

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