

# EMILY BARRETT

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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. Community, Research and Action, Vanderbilt University** 2020– 2025

Advisor: Dr. Sara Safransky

Graduate Certificate in College Teaching, Center for Teaching

**M.A. Geography, University of Kentucky** 2018– 2020

Advisor: Dr. Matthew W. Wilson

Graduate Certificate in Digital Mapping, New Maps Plus

**B.A. Anthropology and Geography, Syracuse University** 2012– 2016

Renée Crown Honors Scholar, summa cum laude

Semester abroad: Bahçesehir University, Istanbul, Turkey, Spring 2014

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant, Reparative Cities, Vanderbilt University** 2020 – 2023

Supervised by Dr. Sara Safransky

**GIS Specialist, Vanderbilt University** 2022

Supervised by Dr. Maury Nation

**Research Assistant, Mapshop, University of Kentucky** 2018 – 2020

Supervised by Dr. Matthew W. Wilson

Partnered with local taskforce on issues of neighborhood transition, affordable housing, and precarity. Analyzed census data to identify and map community indicators of gentrification.

**Urban GIS Intern, Syracuse Community Geography, Syracuse University** 2015 – 2016

Supervised by Dr. Jonnell A. Robinson

Funded by Mary-Ann Shaw Center for Leadership Intern Scholarship (\$1,000)

Liaised with community organizations to collaborate on research questions and provide GIS and cartographic assistance. Project topics included: environmental justice, infrastructure, and neighborhood assets.

## PUBLICATIONS

### ARTICLES

Barrett, Emily. *Under review*. “Unseeing racism: Examining the securitization of whiteness at the intersections of regimes of data and participation”. *Planning Theory & Practice*.

Barrett, Emily and Sara Safransky. *Under review* “Towards People’s Budgets: Public Economic Geography for Movement Building”. *Professional Geographer*.

Barrett, Emily and Sara Safransky, Gavin Crowell-Williamson and B Balmer. *Under review*. “Reimagining budget studies”. *Urban Studies*.

Barrett, Emily and Amber J. Bosse. 2021. "Community geography for precarious researchers: Examining the intricacies of mutually beneficial and co-produced knowledge". *GeoJournal*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10708-020-10358-2>

#### BOOK REVIEWS

Barrett, Emily. 2022. "The new urban ruins: Vacancy, urban politics and international experiments in the post-crisis city edited by Cian O'Callaghan and Cesare Di Felicianantonio". *Social & Cultural Geography*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14649365.2022.2114144>

Barrett, Emily. 2019. "Gay, Inc.: The non-profitization of queer politics by Myrl Beam". *Antipode*. Part of Queer Geographies book review symposium (organized by Jack Gieseeking and Erin Clancy). <https://antipodeonline.org/2019/05/30/queer-geographies-symposium/>

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Barrett, Emily and Matthew W. Wilson. 2019. "Mapshop: Learning to map, Mapping to Learn." *Living Maps Review*. No. 6. <http://livingmaps.review/journal/index.php/LMR/article/view/166>

Barrett, Emily. 2016. "Street Trees and Social Deprivation: An Investigation into Environmental Justice Using GIS in Syracuse, New York". Community Report. Ed. Jonnell Robinson. Syracuse Community Geography Program.

Barrett, Emily. 2015. "Circa 1894". Ed. Jonnell Robison. City of Syracuse Innovation Team. <http://www.innovatesyracuse.com/blog/circa1894>

#### GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Peabody Equity, Diversity, Inclusion (EDI) Small Grant, Vanderbilt University (\$500)
- 2020 AAG Digital Geographies Specialty Group (DGSG) Small Grant for Racial Justice in Digital Geographies (\$200)
- 2019 Community Geography Conference Fellow (\$850)
- 2019 Student Government Organizational Grant, co-grantee with E. Clancy, E. Sperandio, I. Spangler & O. Meyer, University of Kentucky (\$750)
- 2018 Research Fellowship, Department of Geography, University of Kentucky (\$16,650)
- 2014 Clinton Small Harris Scholarship, Syracuse University (\$3,000)

#### NOT FUNDED

- 2023 SSRC Data Fluencies Dissertation Grants. Project: Worldbuilding with budgets: Contesting financialization and racialized uneven development in Nashville, TN
- 2022 ACLS/Mellon Innovation Fellowship. Project: Budget Dreams: Contesting financialization and uneven development in Nashville, TN
- 2020 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship. Project: Making data do good: Examining the construction of good data in participatory research

#### AWARDS & HONORS

- 2020 AAG Applied Geography Specialty Group research award (\$100)
- 2018 Wimberly C. Royster Graduate Excellence Award (\$6,000)

- 2016 National Council for Geographic Education / American Association of Geographers Excellence of Scholarship Award
- 2016 Honorable Mention for Honor's Thesis in the Social Sciences Category (\$250)
- 2016 Syracuse Scholar, College of Arts and Sciences Finalist
- 2015 Undergraduate Anthropology Gordon Bowles Essay Writing Prize (\$100)

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 "Contesting urban financialization: Organizing for community benefits and the rights of displaced tenants in Nashville, TN". Urban Affairs Annual Conference, Nashville, TN.
- 2023 "Critical Budget Studies: Understanding People's Budgets through care and abolition." Accounting for Space: Critical accounting / critical geography mini conference. Toronto, ON. Presented with Sara Safransky.
- 2023 "Code enforcement as policing". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- 2022 "Pipelines, not pipe dreams: Examining financialization narratives and activist demands in Nashville, TN". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, virtual meeting.
- 2021 "Reparative Budgeting: A radical reconceptualization of value and care". Negotiating Social Futures: The politics of land development and value capture during and after COVID-19, virtual workshop. Presented with Sara Safransky.
- 2021 "Examining uneven power relations in community-engaged GIS". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, virtual meeting.
- 2020 "Doing critical GIS: Examining collaborative data practices for social justice in Lexington, KY". Dimensions of Political Ecology, Lexington, KY
- 2019 "Participatory politics: Informing neighborhood housing strategies". Workshop on Community Geography, Atlanta, GA

### PANELS

- 2022 "A public economic geography for the 21st century". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, virtual meeting.
- 2021 "Digital and Racial Justice in Digital Geographies". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, virtual meeting.

### CONFERENCE & EVENT LEADERSHIP

- 2023 "Financialization and the Economics of Gentrification". Gentrification and displacement: An international dialogue, Boston University (session chair and co-organizer)
- 2023 "Create your own academic website: A professional development workshop". Department of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University.
- 2022 "Data activism for social and environmental justice". Department of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University (panel co-organizer)
- 2021 "A video lexicon for Community Geography". American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, virtual meeting (session co-organizer)

- 2020 "Power and positionality in Community Geography: An open discussion on the moments of success and failure in participatory research." American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Denver, CO (panel co-organizer) \*cancelled due to COVID
- 2020 "Community Geography: Guided poster session." American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Denver, CO (panel co-organizer) \*cancelled due to COVID
- 2019 Critical pedagogy and professional development workshop, Department of Geography, University of Kentucky (event co-organizer)
- 2019 Undergraduate career night, Department of Geography, University of Kentucky

#### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 "Syracuse's Historic Water System 1892-1896: A lesson on the Relevancy of Archives". ACC Meeting of the Minds Undergraduate Research Symposium, Syracuse, NY

#### IN ATTENDANCE

- 2019 Dimensions of Political Ecology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
- 2018 Upstate Data Summit, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

#### INVITED TALKS

- 2023 "GIS and Participatory Mapping" in HOD 8810: Community Inquiry (Dr. Beth Shinn and Dr. Doug Perkins). Department of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University.
- 2023 "Evictions & Right to Counsel in Nashville, TN" in LAW 6879: Housing Law Clinic (Dr. Jennifer Prusak).
- 2022 "GIS and Participatory Mapping" in HOD 8810: Community Inquiry (Dr. Beth Shinn and Dr. Ashmeet Oberoi). Department of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University.
- 2022 "Affordable housing & evictions in Nashville, TN" in LAW 6879: Housing Law Clinic (Dr. Jennifer Prusak). Presented with Kay Bowers, NOAH. Vanderbilt University Law School.
- 2021 "Many maps, few Stories: Using GIS to identify vulnerable neighborhoods". Kentucky Association of Mapping Professionals, virtual conference. Keynote presentation with Dr. Matthew W. Wilson.
- 2021 Panelist, "Trailblazing women at Vanderbilt University", Student Center for Social Justice and Identity, Vanderbilt University.
- 2020 "Understanding affordable housing in Lexington, KY" in GEO 309: Introduction to GIS (Ian Spangler). Department of Geography, University of Kentucky.

#### PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 "Evictions in Davidson County". Nashville Metro Government, Affordable Housing Committee. Presented with KT Wiley, with contributions from Action Research class.
- 2022 "Mapping affordable housing with community organizers". Nashville Metro Government, Division of Affordable Housing. Presented with Isaac Swafford, Stand Up Nashville.
- 2019 "Understanding transitions in Lexington, KY". LFUCG Neighborhoods in Transition Taskforce, Lexington, KY. Presented with Dr. Matthew W. Wilson.

## **JOURNAL PEER REVIEW**

2023 International Journal of Cartography  
2023 Cartography and Geographic Information Science  
2022 Journal of Community Psychology  
2021 Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **WORKSHOPS**

2023 QGIS workshop: Mapping Prejudice in Nashville's infrastructure

### **TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS**

2023-24 Understanding Organizations, Vanderbilt University  
2020-23 Small Group Behavior, Vanderbilt University (6 semesters)  
2019-20 Digital Mapping, University of Kentucky (2 semesters)

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

2021-23 Research Assistant, StandUp Nashville & East Bank Working Group

## **SERVICE**

2023-24 Student representative, AAG Digital Geographies Specialty Group  
2022-23 CRA Peer mentor, Vanderbilt University  
2021-22 CRA Graduate Student Association, Vanderbilt University  
2020-21 Steering committee member, Community Geographies Collaborative  
2019-20 Secretary, Geography Graduate Student Union, University of Kentucky  
2018-19 Undergraduate Committee, University of Kentucky  
2018-20 Conference Volunteer, Dimensions of Political Ecology, University of Kentucky  
2018-19 Treasurer, Geography Graduate Student Union, University of Kentucky  
2013-16 Peer Advisor, College of Arts & Sciences, Syracuse University  
2015-16 President, Undergraduate Anthropology Club, Syracuse University

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2017-18 Neighborhood Planner, Home Headquarters, Syracuse, NY  
2016-17 AmeriCorps VISTA, Community Prosperity Initiative, Syracuse, NY  
2015-16 Graphic Designer, Routledge Publishing, New York, NY

## **AFFILIATIONS**

Association of American Geographers  
Urban Affairs Association