

EMILY BARRETT

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EDUCATION

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

Committee: Dr. Sara Safransky (chair), Dr. Emily Rosenman, Dr. Ashley Carse,
Dr. Jyoti Gupta, and Dr. Stacy Curry-Johnson

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 – 2024

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

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)

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

Barrett, Emily and Sara Safransky. 2024. "Reimagining the municipal economy: The emancipatory politics of the people's budget movement". *Urban Studies*.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/00420980241231439>

Barrett, Emily and Sara Safransky. 2023. "Towards people's budgets: Public economic geography for movement building". *Professional Geographer*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/00330124.2023.2275307>

Barrett, Emily. 2023. "Unseeing racism: Naming whiteness at the intersections of regimes of data and participation". *Planning Theory & Practice*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14649357.2023.2279654>

Barrett, Emily and Amber J. Bosse. 2022. "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 Giesecking 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>

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)

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

- 2024 "Expertise and ethics in community mapping". Innovative and ethical practices and pedagogies in the social sciences: Geospatial data, validity and fairness, virtual conference. Presented with Dr. Matthew W. Wilson.
- 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 Dr. 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 Dr. 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

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.

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

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)

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