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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

Ph.D., Urban Planning & Development

Expected May 2026

- Dissertation: *Cities in the Age of Remote Work: investigating work-from-home's impacts on urban decline and the spatial structure*
- Committee members: Elizabeth Currid-Halkett, Manuel Castells, Dowell Myers, Jorge De La Roca

M.U.P., Master of Urban Planning

May 2021

- Concentration: Transportation Planning
- Advisor: Genevieve Giuliano

Haverford College

Haverford, PA

B.A., Growth and Structure of Cities

May 2015

- Thesis: *San Francisco's Tech Commuter Shuttles: private influence, grassroots mobilization and commodification in the neoliberal city*
- Advisors: Gary W. McDonogh, Carola Hein

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

- **Randazzo, M.** (2025). Remote Work or Covid-19? Disentangling the causes of urban population decline. (*Under Review*).
- **Randazzo, M.**, & Currid-Halkett, E. (2025). Rethinking the Urban–Rural Divide: Economic Growth in America's Heartland. *Economic Development Quarterly*, 39(2), 124–135.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/08912424241310872>.

Reports & Policy Briefs

- Boarnet, M. G., Comandon, A., Rodnyansky, S., **Randazzo, M.**, & Wang, B. (2024). *The Impact of Remote Working on Job and Housing Location in the Bay Area–Central Valley Region*.
https://www.metrans.org/assets/research/to64_finalreport_0908.pdf.
- Giuliano, G., Boarnet, M., Jaller, M., Franco, W., Binder, R., Dexter, S., Fang, J., Moctezuma, D., Pahwa, A., **Randazzo, M.**, & Wang, B. (2020). "Improving Environmental Justice and Mobility in Southeast Los Angeles." *Technical report sponsored by the State of California Office of Planning and Research/California Strategic Growth Council*.
https://www.researchgate.net/publication/375416381_Improving_Environmental_Justice_and_Mobility_in_Southeast_Los_Angeles.

Opinion Articles

- Currid-Halkett, E., & **Randazzo, M.** (2023, September 17). Opinion: Rural California isn't what you think it is. *Los Angeles Times*. <https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2023-09-17/rural-california-divide-urban-metro-cities>.

INVITED TALKS

University of Southern California, professor of record: Dowell Myers

Los Angeles, CA

- Lecture title: “Digital Revolution: cities in the internet age” Apr. 10, 2025
- Course title: The Urban Context for Policy and Planning (PPD 245)

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Zube Lecture Series

Amherst, MA

- Lecture title: “Cities in the Age of Remote Work: telecommuting, demographic shifts, and the changing spatial structure in post-Covid America” Feb. 27, 2025
- Recording available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pb9JcMxopcE>.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **American Association of Geographers (AAG)**: “Cities in the Age of Remote Work: donut effects, demographic shifts, and development in post-Covid America.” Detroit, MI – Annual Meeting, 2025.
- **Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP)**: “Demographics & donuts: parsing remote work’s impacts on the metropolitan spatial structure.” Seattle, WA – Annual Conference, 2024.
- **Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP)**: “Re-imagining Rural Development: economic growth in America’s Heartland.” Chicago, IL – Annual Conference, 2023.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

- *Teaching Assistant*, Real Estate Fundamentals, RED 362
 - Instructor: Jorge De la Roca Spring 2024
 - Instructor: Mary Lynne Boorn Spring 2023
 - Instructor: Mary Lynne Boorn Fall 2022

Bryn Mawr College

Bryn Mawr, PA

- *Teaching Assistant*, Form of the City, CITY 190
 - Instructors: Anooradha Siddiqi & Jeffery Cohen Spring 2024

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Guggenheim Fellowship, PI: Elizabeth Currid-Halkett

Aug. 2023–present

- Sourcing, imaging, and analyzing Sanborn Fire Insurance maps from 1888–2005 to investigate the spatial economic evolution of US cities.

Pacific Southwest Region UTC, PI: Marlon Boarnet

Feb.–Aug. 2024

- A Caltrans funded study of post-Covid residential mobility in California; consisted of spatial econometric analysis of Census population and migration data.

Advanced Introduction to Digital Society, Author: Manuel Castells

Jan.–Dec. 2023

Published June 10, 2024; Edward Elgar Publishing

- Descriptive research into the extent of teleworking behavior and its consequences on spatial organization.

The Overlooked Americans, Author: Elizabeth Currid-Halkett

Jan. 2022–Mar. 2023

Published June 6, 2023; Basic Books

- Data analysis and graphical representation of county sector employment data to assess the characteristics of economic development in rural America.

METRANS Transportation Center, PI: Genevieve Giuliano

Feb. 2020–Aug. 2021

- Quantified and demonstrated the harmful impacts of goods movement on communities in the Southeast Los Angeles region; funded by the State of California Office of Planning and Research/California Strategic Growth Council.

NSF Grant Proposal, PIs: Genevieve Giuliano, Marlon Boarnet, & Maged Dessouky May 2020

- Produced a written critical literature review of ridesharing research for a planning grant proposal submitted to the National Science Foundation (NSF).

County of Maui, Hawaii, PI: Genevieve Giuliano Apr. 2020

- Produced a written critical literature review on employer-led transportation demand management for the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization.

SELECTED GRANTS AND AWARDS

Dissertation Fellowship, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy	2024–2025
Graduate School Fellowship, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy	2021–2022
Outstanding Master's Student of the Year Runner-Up, Pacific Southwest Region UTC	2020
Case Study Prize Runner-Up, Global Planning Educators Interest Group (GPEIG)	2020
Dean's Merit Scholarship, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy	2019–2021
Bolton Senior Thesis Award Finalist, Bryn Mawr College	2015
Research Award, Bryn Mawr College	2015
Academic Honor Roll, Centennial Conference	2015

SKILLS

- Research:** quantitative and qualitative methods, causal inference, econometrics, spatial analysis, exploratory data analysis, survey design.
- Data Processing and Analysis:** Python, Stata, QGIS, ArcGIS, ArcMap, Microsoft Excel, R, Tableau
- Design:** Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign, Microsoft PowerPoint, Sketch

SERVICE

Independent Research Mentorship Remote
Thesis Advisor Fall 2025

- Provided research guidance to students on their undergraduate thesis as part of the Growth and Structure of Cities major at Bryn Mawr College.

USC Mentorship for an Accessible Price (MAP) Los Angeles, CA
Applicant Mentor Fall 2019, 2025

- Mentored prospective Master of Urban Planning students from historically underrepresented communities on the application process, providing guidance on program selection, application materials, and career objectives.

Coalition for a Responsible Community Development (CRCD) Los Angeles, CA
Data Analytics and Performance Metrics Consultant Jul. 2024–Apr. 2025

- Developed an organizational economic impact measure in collaboration with CRCD's data analytics team, assessing direct and indirect effects for internal optimization and donor/partner communications.

USC Associated Students of Planning and Development (ASPD) Los Angeles, CA
Alumni Outreach Chair Aug. 2020–May 2021

- Led outreach efforts and organized events to connect master's students with professionals working in urban planning.

USC Price Office of Career Services Los Angeles, CA
Resume Peer Advisor Spring 2020

- Delivered one-on-one resume guidance for 15+ master's degree candidates, consisting of content optimization, formatting improvements, and strategic positioning.

MEMBERSHIP & AFFILIATION

- Association of Collegiate Schools and Planning (ACSP)
- American Association of Geographers (AAG)
- Association of Pacific Coast Geographers (APCG)

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fehr and Peers

- Urban Planning Consultant – Intern

Los Angeles, CA

May–Aug. 2021

METRANS Transportation Center

- Managing Director
- Senior Product Manager

Los Angeles, CA

Aug. 2020–Aug. 2021

Feb.–Aug. 2020

REFERENCES

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