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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Sociology, McGill University	2018-
Postdoctoral Scholar, Stanford University, Departments of Computer	2017-2018
Science, Education, and Linguistics	

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#### **EDUCATION**

PhD Sociology, University of Chicago	2017
MPP, Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago	2007
BA in Mathematics, Reed College	2003

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social networks, status, culture, computational methods, mathematical models, statistical methods

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

McMahan, Peter, Adam Slez, and John Levi Martin (2019). "Local Network Regressions" Socius 5.

McMahan, Peter and James Evans (2018). "Ambiguity and Engagement" American Journal of Sociology 124(2): 860-912.

McMahan, Peter (2016). "Like Family: Network Coevolution and the Emergence of Altruism" Journal of Mathematical Sociology 40(2): 112:122.

Small, Mario Luis, Vontrese Deeds Pamphile, and Peter McMahan (2015). "How Stable Is the Core Discussion Network?" Social Networks 40 (January): 90-102.

Padgett, John F, Peter McMahan, and Xing Zhong. 2012. "Economic Production as Chemistry II." In The Emergence of Organizations and Markets, edited by John F Padgett and Woody Powell. Princeton University Press.

McMahan, Peter (2008). "Cohesive Blocks Algorithm", 'igraph' package for R statistical environment.

# **TEACHING**

Networks and Social Structures, McGill University	2020-
Sociology of Science, McGill University	2019-
Quantitative Methods 2, McGill University	2019-
Sociological Perspectives, McGill University	2018-
Computing for Social Sciences, University of Chicago	2011-2015

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Benjamin Bloom Fellowship, University of Chicago, Division of Social Sciences	2016-2017
Associate Editor, American Journal of Sociology	2013-2014
Manuscript Board, American Journal of Sociology	2012-2013
Academic Fellowship, University of Chicago, Division of Social Sciences	2009-2014
Academic Fellowship, University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Studies	2005-2007

## Workshops and Conferences

# McGill Centre on Popuulation Dynamics: Social statistics & Population Dynamics Seminar series

Creative destruction: the structure and consequences	2019, Montreal, Quebec
of scientific curation	

#### McGill School of Computer Science Colloquium

Discovering group status structures using	2019, Montreal, Quebec
conversational data	

## Sunbelt Conference (International Network of Social Network Analysts)

Setting the Tone: How Talk Reveals Relational Structures of Power	2019, Montreal, Quebec
Creative Destruction: The Structure and Consequences of Scientific Curation	2018, Utrecht, Netherlands
Adolescent Status Hierarchies	2014, Saint Petersburg Beach, FL
Ambiguity and Knowledge Fragmentation	2013, Hamburg, Germany
Evolution of Cooperation: A Networked Model of Natural Selection	2012, Redondo Beach, CA

## Canadian Sociological Association annual conference

Setting the Tone: How Talk Reveals Relational	2019, Vancouver, British Colombia
Structures of Power	

## American Sociological Association annual conference

Adolescent Status Hierarchies	2015, Chicago, IL
Ambiguity and Knowledge Fragmentation	2012, Denver, CO

# MEDIA APPEARANCES

Interviewed in Fleerackers, Alice. 2020. "Uncertainty in Science Communication: Include It or Lose It?" *ScienceBorealis.ca Blog*. May 4, 2020. https://blog.scienceborealis.ca/uncertainty-in-science-communication-include-it-or-lose-it/.