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## **Employment**

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Assistant Professor, 2018-Present  
Department of Criminology, Law, and Justice  
Department of Sociology (by courtesy)  
University of Illinois Chicago

## **Education**

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Ph.D. in Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, 2018.  
Committee: Darnell Hunt, Robert Mare, Vilma Ortiz, Michael Stoll  
M.A. in Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, Columbia University, 2010  
B.A. in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles, 2008

## **Academic Writing**

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Kurwa, Rahim. Book in progress. *Indefensible Spaces: Policing and the Remaking of Segregation in the Antelope Valley*.

Beardall, Theresa Rocha, Rahim Kurwa, and Demar Lewis IV. "The Broken Plate of Policing: A Du Boisian Analysis of Racism and Police Violence in U.S. Cities." In progress.

Kurwa, Rahim. Forthcoming. "[Policing, Property, and the Production of Racial Segregation](#)." *The Sociology of Housing*. University of Chicago Press.

Kurwa, Rahim, and Susila Gurusami. 2022. "[Carceral Migrations: Reframing Race, Space, and Punishment](#)." *Social Service Review* 96, no. 2: 353-388.

Gurusami, Susila, and Rahim Kurwa. 2021. "[From Broken Windows to Broken Homes: Homebreaking as Racialized and Gendered Poverty Governance](#)." *Feminist Formations* 33, no. 1: 1-32.

- Honorable Mention, ASA Sex and Gender Section's Distinguished Article Award

Kurwa, Rahim. 2020. "[Opposing and Policing Racial Integration: Evidence from the Housing Choice Voucher Program](#)." *Du Bois Review: Social Science Research on Race* 17, no. 2: 363-387.

- Graduate Student Paper Award, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- Honorable Mention, Graduate Student Paper Award, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association

Kurwa, Rahim. 2020. "[The New 'Man in the House' Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers Turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.](#)" *Housing Policy Debate* 30, no. 6: 926-949.

Kurwa, Rahim. 2019. "[Building the Digitally Gated Community: The Case of Nextdoor.](#)" *Surveillance & Society* 17, no. 1/2: 111-117.

Kurwa, Rahim. 2015. "[Deconcentration without Integration: Examining the Social Outcomes of Housing Choice Voucher Movement in Los Angeles County.](#)" *City & Community* 14, no. 4: 364-391.

- Graduate Student Paper Award, Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems

## **Book Reviews and Public Scholarship**

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Digital Humanities Exhibit. [Sun Village Digital History Exhibit.](#) In progress.

Kurwa, Rahim. Forthcoming. "Review: An Equal Place: Lawyers in the Struggle for Los Angeles." *Law and Society Review*.

Op-ed: [We can't let policing become a new form of citizenship.](#) Chicago Tribune. 2022

Kurwa, Rahim. 2021. "[Review: The Upper Limit: How Low-Wage Work Defines Punishment and Welfare.](#)" *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 50, no. 1: 33-35

Guest Blog: [Policing's Role in Racial Segregation: 50 Years After the Fair Housing Act.](#) Los Angeles Social Science Forum. 2018.

## **Selected Honors**

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Honorable Mention, Distinguished Article Award, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association. 2022.

Honoring Our Professors' Excellence (HOPE) Award. UIC On-Campus Housing. 2022.

Honoring Our Professors' Excellence (HOPE) Award. UIC On-Campus Housing. 2021.

Early Career Researcher Award, Surveillance Studies Network. 2019.

Graduate Student Paper Award, Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems 2018.

Honorable Mention, Graduate Student Paper Award, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association. 2018.

Graduate Student Paper Award, Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems. 2015.

### **Selected Grants and Fellowships**

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UIC Institute for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship. 2022-2023.

Visiting Scholar, American Bar Foundation. 2021-2023.

Russell Sage Foundation Pipeline Grant. 2022.

Faculty Seed Grant and Grant Development Fund Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Committee on Social Science Research. 2021.

Faculty Fellowship, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy, University of Illinois Chicago. 2018-2019.

California Poverty and Socioeconomic Inequality Fellow, Blum Initiative for Global and Regional Poverty Studies, University of California, Riverside. 2018.

Research Grant, Blum Initiative for Global and Regional Poverty Studies, University of California, Riverside. 2017.

Dissertation Year Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles. 2017-2018.

Hoffenberg Fellowship, Center for American Politics and Public Policy, University of California, Los Angeles. 2017-2018.

Bunche Center for African American Studies Graduate Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles. 2016-2017.

### **Invited Talks and Guest Lectures**

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“Falloon’s Descendants: Policing, Property, and the Production of Racial Segregation.” Department of Criminology, Law and Society, UC Irvine. 2023.

“How Policing Became Property, and How People are Fighting Back.” UIC Institute for the Humanities. 2023.

“Policing as Property.” Drake University. 2023

“Falloon’s Descendants: Policing, Property, and the Production of Racial Segregation.” American Bar Foundation. 2023.

“Indefensible Spaces: Policing and the Remaking of Racial Segregation.” New York University. Urban Initiative. 2022

“Subsidized Housing within a Welfare Rights Framework.” University of Wisconsin, Madison. Institute for Research on Poverty. 2022

“Policing as Property.” Guest Lecture. Crime Law and the City. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado, Denver. 2022.

“Policing as Property.” Guest Lecture. Introduction to Sociology. Department of Anthropology and Sociology. Williams College. 2021.

“Redeeming the Right to Discriminate,” Race Workshop, Duke University. 2021.

Panelist, “Radical Reimagining: The Carceral State and Abolitionist Responses.” Northwestern Journal of Law and Social Policy Symposium. 2021.

“Civil Rights in the Militarized Desert.” UCLA Urban Sociology Working Group. 2021.

“The New Man in the House Rules” Guest Lecture. Social Welfare Policy and the Safety Net. Lafayette College, Department of Anthropology and Sociology. 2020.

Guest Lecture, “Policing and Racial Segregation” UIC Law School Fair Housing and Fair Lending Seminar. 2020.

“Policing at the Frontier of Fair Housing.” UIC Law School. (*cancelled due to COVID*). 2020

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” Newberry Library Gender and Sexuality Seminar (*cancelled due to COVID-19*). 2020

(with Susila Gurusami) “Carceral Migration as Theory and Method: The Sociologies of Race, Space, and Legal Punishment.” Newberry Library Borderlands Seminar. 2020.

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” Sociology of Housing Conference, Georgetown University. 2019.

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” Housing Justice in Unequal Cities Conference, Los Angeles. 2019.

“Policing to Segregate: Sketching the Contours of an Eviction Regime in Suburban Los Angeles.” Blum Initiative for Global and Regional Poverty Studies.” University of California, Riverside. 2017.

## Conference Presentations

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“The Sun Village Digital History Exhibit.” UIC Digital Humanities Conference: Recovery & Community: Multiethnic Digital Humanities. 2022

“Falloon’s Descendants: Policing, Property, and the Production of Racial Segregation.” Society for the Study of Social Problems. Los Angeles. 2022.

“Residential Segregation and Muslims in the United States.” Law and Society Association. Chicago. 2021.

“Carceral Migration as Theory and Method.” Society for the Study of Social Problems. New York. 2019.

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” American Sociological Association, New York. 2019.

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” Law and Society Association, Washington D.C. 2019.

“The New ‘Man in the House’ Rules: How the Regulation of Housing Vouchers turns Personal Bonds into Eviction Liabilities.” Urban Affairs Association, Los Angeles. 2019.

“Policing to Segregate: Sketching the Contours of an Eviction Regime in Suburban Los Angeles.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia. 2018.

“How Race and Poverty Have Driven Changes in Housing Voucher Distributions Since the Great Recession.” American Sociological Association, Montreal. 2017.

“From Racial Resentment to Racial Rejection: How Local Residents Veto Voucher Movement to their Neighborhoods.” Urban Affairs Association, Minneapolis. 2017.

“Geographic Mobility and the Persistence of Racial Residential Inequality.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Seattle. 2016.

“Housing Vouchers and the Re-Concentration of Poverty in Suburbs.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago. 2015.

“The Social Experiences of Tenants in the New Age of Public Housing: Comparing Outcomes in the Voucher Program to Findings in Mixed-Income Developments.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco. 2014.

“Desegregation and the Persistence of Inequality.” Critical Ethnic Studies, Chicago. 2013.

“Barriers to Integration for Section 8 Voucher Users in Los Angeles County.” American Sociological Association, New York. 2013.

## **Courses Taught**

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Undergraduate: Race, Class, Gender, and the Law; Introduction to Poverty Law; Criminology, Law, and Justice in American Cities; Race and Ethnicity in American Life; Social Stratification.

Graduate: Mapping Policing and Punishment; Processes and Institutions.

## **Service to the University**

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Honors College Mentor, 2020-2023

Faculty Guide, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences “First at LAS” Program, 2021-2022

Department Curriculum Committee, 2021-2022

Department Hiring Committee, 2021

Department Social Media Committee, 2019-2021

Department Graduate Committee, 2018-2021

Rue Bucher Award Committee, 2019-2020

## **Service to the Profession**

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Editorial Board, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, 2023-2025

Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award, Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association, 2023

Chair, Poverty, Class and Inequality Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2021-2023

Mentor, Surveillance Studies Network

Mentor, AI Accountability Network, Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting, 2022-2023

Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Poverty, Class and Inequality Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2020

Harrington Award Committee, Poverty, Class and Inequality Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2019

Reviews: *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *City & Community*, *Du Bois Review*, *Housing Policy Debate*, *Frontiers in Public Health*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Social Problems*, *Sociology Compass*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Surveillance and Society*, *Urban Affairs Review*