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Education

June 2019

Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, *summa cum laude*
Where: Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
GPA: 3.88 of 4.0
Certificate in Statistics and Machine Learning
Phi Beta Kappa

Honors Thesis

April 2019

Advisor: Mitchell Duneier
Title: “The Real Ones: A Qualitative Analysis of Low-Income Student Dining Workers at an Elite University”

Fellowships and awards

- Princeton AlumniCorps Project 55 Fellowship (2019-2020)
- Kenneth Christopher Harris '65 Memorial Award (2019)
- Fred Fox Class of 1939 Fund (2018)
- Class of 1978 Foundation Grant (2017)

Employment

*August 2019—
Present*

Position: Research Specialist II
Where: The Eviction Lab, Princeton University

I worked as a researcher in the Eviction Lab at Princeton University to examine and manage almost twenty years of national eviction data, working closely with post-doc fellows and Prof. Matthew Desmond to conduct quantitative research on the nation’s eviction crisis. I used R programming and other quantitative tools to provide statistical expertise in several on-going research projects.

Employment

*August 2018—
Present*

Position: Global Service Intern
Where: HOPE *worldwide*

I worked as a global service intern to organize, coordinate, and lead two-week service trips involving over thirty volunteers working with

at-risk youth in Philadelphia, PA. I was part of the monitoring and evaluation team to evaluate the efficacy of past programs and to develop a logical framework to determine data flow and quality using quantitative and qualitative data.

Publications

Hepburn, Peter, **Renee Louis**, and Matthew Desmond. “Racial and Gender Disparities among Evicted Americans.” Forthcoming. *Sociological Science*.

- *ACLU News & Commentary*: “Clearing the Record: How Eviction Sealing Laws Can Advance Housing Access for Women of Color.”

Hepburn, Peter, **Renee Louis**, and Matthew Desmond. *Eviction Tracking System: Version 1.0*. Princeton: Princeton University, 2020. www.evictionlab.org

- **Renee Louis**, Alieza Durana, and Peter Hepburn. “Preliminary Analysis: Eviction Claim Amounts During the COVID-19 Pandemic”. www.evictionlab.org
- Peter Hepburn and **Renee Louis**. “Preliminary Analysis: Shifts in Eviction Filings from CARES Act to the CDC Order”. www.evictionlab.org
- Peter Hepburn and **Renee Louis**. “Preliminary Analysis: Eviction Filings During and After Local Eviction Moratoria”. www.evictionlab.org

In Progress

Hepburn, Peter, **Renee Louis**, and Matthew Desmond. “The Cost of Eviction: Money Judgments in Eviction Cases”.

- *The New York Times*: “Many Renters Who Face Eviction Owe Less Than \$600”

Leung, Lillian & **Renee Louis**. “Evictions and Housing Instability in Ethnic Enclaves”.

Hepburn, Peter, **Renee Louis**, and Matthew Desmond. “Gentrification and Evictions”.

Other Research

February 2018—
May 2018

Project: Examining perceptions of inequality

Advisor: Hannah Waight & Adam Goldstein

Contributions:

I worked as a research assistant to clean, harmonize, and analyze more than forty years of survey data on perceptions of inequality using Stata and R programming. The resulting manuscript, currently

under review, is titled “Decline of the Sociological Imagination? Social Change and Perceptions of Economic Polarization in the United States, 1966-2013”.

Extracurricular activities

- **McGraw Peer Tutor, Princeton University:** Provided weekly tutorials for undergraduates in statistics and R programming. (February 2018—May 2019)
- **Residential College Advisor, Princeton University:** Provided guidance and advice to undergraduate students in residential colleges, working with the Director of Student Life, Peer Academic Advisors, and Resident Graduate Students to plan events throughout the year. (August 2018—May 2019)

Computer skills

R, Stata, Python, L^AT_EX
Microsoft Office