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Education

Northwestern University
Ph.D in Political Science, in progress
M.A in Political Science, 2016
M.A in Public Policy and Administration, 2014

Illinois Institute of Technology
B.S in Political Science, 2012
B.S in Psychology, 2012

Research Interests

Policing, urban politics, African American politics, quantitative methods

Specialized Training

University of Michigan, *Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research* (ICPSR), 2015
Northwestern University, *Introduction to Programming for Big Data Bootcamp*, 2015

Research Experience

Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University for Dr. Wesley G Skogan (2016)
Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University for Dr. Traci Burch (2015)

Publications

Working Papers

“Policing for Profit: Raising Revenue through the Criminal Justice System”

“Spillover: Policing, Legitimacy, and Local Government”

Research Projects

“Pattern and Practice: Racial Justice and the Politics of Police Reform” (dissertation)

Academic Honors and Fellowships

Summer Methods Grant (2017)
Minar Memorial Summer Award (2015)
Summer Methods Grant (2015)
Graduate Fellow in Legal Studies (2015)
University Fellowship, Northwestern University (2014)

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University

- Political Science 210: Empirical Methods of Research
- Political Science 221: Urban Politics
- Political Science 230: Introduction to Law in the Political Arena
- Political Science 327: African American Politics

University Service

Survey Coordinator, Graduate Leadership and Advocacy Council, Northwestern University (2017-Present)
Social Chair, Queer Pride Graduate Student Association, Northwestern University (2015 – 2016)
Vice President, Black Graduate Student Association, Northwestern University (2014 – 2015)

Invited Lectures and Presentations

“The Politics of Mass Incarceration,” Invited lecture presented at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, May, 2017

Skills

Software: R, STATA, SPSS, Python (beginner)

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association
Midwestern Political Science Association
American Society of Criminology
Social Science History Association
Association of Public & Policy and Management