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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

*Cornell University*

Associate Professor, Department of Government, 2020-

Co-director, Cornell Center for Health Equity, 2020-

Co-director, Politics of Race, Immigration, Class and Ethnicity (PRICE) initiative, 2020-

Assistant Professor, Department of Government, 2013-2020

*University of Michigan*

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research, 2011-2013

## ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

*Cornell University*

Graduate Field Member: Public Affairs, Africana Studies

Affiliate: American Studies Program, Center for the Study of Inequality, Roper Center for Public Opinion

## EDUCATION

*University of Chicago*

Ph.D., Political Science, 2011

*University of Chicago*

M.A., Political Science, 2006

*Princeton University*

A.B., Politics, 2003

*Certificates in African-American Studies, American Studies and Political Theory*

## BOOKS

*Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism, and Unequal Politics*. 2018. New York: Cambridge University Press.

- Winner of the 2019 Virginia Gray Best Book Award (APSA State Politics & Policy Section)
- Finalist for 2019 [PROSE](#) Award for Excellence in the Social Sciences (Association of American Publishers)
- Featured in the *Washington Post*, *Jacobin Magazine*, *Pacific Standard Magazine*, *New Books Network*, *Vox*, *Talk Poverty* and NPR (Wisconsin, Buffalo, Syracuse).
- Cited in *Slate Magazine*, *The Atlantic*, *Think Progress*, *Stamford Advocate*, *Michigan Law Review*
- Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *Journal of Politics*, *Publius*
- “Author Meets Critics” panel at 2018 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

*Uncivil Democracy: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Inequality* (with Mallory SoRelle). In Progress.

## ARTICLES

“From Margins to Center: A Bottom Up Approach to Welfare State Scholarship” with Chloe Thurston and Mallory SoRelle. Forthcoming at *Perspectives on Politics*.

“The Affordable Care Act and Polarization in the United States” with Julianna Pacheco and Jake Haselswerdt. 2020. *RSF: The Russell Sage Journal of the Social Sciences* 6(2).

“Race, Politics, and the Affordable Care Act.” 2020. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* 45(4).

“What’s Policy Got to Do with It? Race, Gender and Economic Inequality in the United States” with Margaret Brower. 2020. *Daedalus* 149(1):100-118.

“Medicaid and the Policy Feedback Foundations for Universal Healthcare.” 2019. *ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences* 685(1): 116-134.

“Power from the Margins: Grassroots Mobilization and Urban Expansions of Civil Legal Rights.” 2019. *Urban Affairs Review* (doi.org/10.1177/1078087419855677).

- Featured on [No Jargon Podcast](#) (2019)

“Policy Feedback in a Racialized Polity.” 2019. *Policy Studies Journal* 47(2): 423–450.

- [Observatory of International Research \(OIR\)](#) #7 trending paper in political science published in March 2019 (out of 979 published political science papers).

“Disenrolled: Retrenchment and Voting in Health Policy” with Jake Haselswerdt. 2019. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* 44(3): 423-454.

“Social Class as Racialized Political Experience.” 2017. *The Forum* 15(1): 93–110.

“People, Places, Power: Medicaid Policy Concentration and Local Political Participation.” 2017. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* 42(5): 865–900.

“Race, Poverty and the Redistribution of Voting Rights.” 2016. *Journal of Poverty and Public Policy* 8(2): 106–128.

- Winner of Rodney G. Higgins Best Faculty Paper Award (NCOBPS).
- Top frequently downloaded *Poverty & Public Policy* articles in 2016-17.
- Cited in [The Nation](#)
- Featured on [No Jargon Podcast](#) (2016)

“Neighborhood Disorder and Local Participation: Examining the Political Relevance of ‘Broken Windows.’” 2013. *Political Behavior* 35(4): 777–806.

- Featured in *London School of Economics (LSE) American Politics and Policy Blog*

## EDITED JOURNAL ISSUES

Virtual Special Issue on Racial Justice. *Policy Studies Journal*. 2020.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

“Gentrification, Demobilization and Participatory Possibilities” with Diane Wong in Richard Hays (ed.) *Neighborhood Change and Neighborhood Action: The Struggle to Create Neighborhoods that Serve Human Needs*. 2018. Lexington, MA: Lexington Books.

“African American Women: Intersectionality in Politics” with Cathy J. Cohen and Andrew Dilts in Henry L. Gates Jr. et al. (eds.) *Oxford Handbook of African American Citizenship, 1865-Present*. 2012. New York: Oxford University Press.

“Minority Report: Kanye West, Barack Obama and Political Alienation” with Cathy J. Cohen in *Democracy Remixed: Black Youth and the Future of American Politics*. 2010. New York: Oxford University Press.

## PUBLIC ESSAYS, POLICY REPORTS & RESEARCH BRIEFS

“Grounding, Frameworks and Challenges: An Introduction to the PSJ Virtual Special Issue on Racial Justice.” *Policy Studies Journal*. 2020.

“The Case for a Right to Counsel in Housing Court.” Report for *The Justice Collaborative Institute*. 2020.

“The Politics of Disenfranchisement: Ideas and Action.” 2017. *Theory in Action* 10(4): 10-19.

“The Attitudes and Behavior of Young Black Americans: A Research Summary,” with Cathy J. Cohen et al. in J. Q. Adams and Pearlie Strother-Adams (eds.) *Dealing with Diversity: The Anthology, Edition 2*. 2008. Dubuque, IA: Kendal-Hunt Publishing, 2008.

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROCESS

“The Politics of Personal Crisis” with Christopher Ojeda and Jake Haselswerdt (under review).

“Varieties of U.S. State Level Democracy” with Jake Grumbach and Phil Rocco (preparing for submission).

“It’s Like Night and Day:’ How Bureaucratic Encounters Vary Across WIC, SNAP, and Medicaid” with Carolyn Barnes and Emily Rains (preparing for submission).

## AWARDS, HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS (EXTERNAL)

Outstanding Leader Honoree, [Queens Community House](#) (2019)

Virginia Gray Best Book Award, APSA State Politics and Policy Section (2019)

[PROSE](#) Award for Excellence in Social Sciences (Finalist), Association of American Publishers (2019)

Outstanding Reviewer Award, *Political Research Quarterly* (2019)

Emerging Poverty Scholars Fellowship, Institute for Research on Poverty (2018)

Nancy Weiss Malkiel Scholar Award, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (2018)

Early Career Award, Midwest Women's Caucus for Political Science (2018)  
Rodney G. Higgins Best Faculty Paper Award, NCOBPS (2015)  
Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholars Postdoctoral Fellowship (2011-2013)  
Clarence N. Stone Scholar Award, APSA Urban Politics Section (2010)  
Byran Jackson Dissertation Research Award, APSA Urban Politics Section (2010)  
Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (2010-2011)  
Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship (2006-2009)  
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention (2006)

### **AWARDS, HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS (INTERNAL)**

Junior Faculty Champion Award, Cornell Office of Inclusion & Student Engagement (2019)  
Kendall S. Carpenter Memorial Advising Award, Cornell University (2018)  
Institute for Social Sciences Faculty Fellowship, Cornell University (2018)  
Engaged Faculty Fellows Award, Cornell University (2016)  
Herbert I. Flournoy Fellowship, Cornell University (w/Erica Salinas, Joshua Meyer-Gutbrod (2015)  
Grodzins Prize Lectureship, University of Chicago (2011)  
Doolittle-Harrison Fellowship, University of Chicago (2010)  
Trustees Fellowship, University of Chicago (2004)

### **GRANTS (EXTERNAL)**

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, "Health Equity at the Nexus of Medicaid and WIC" with Carolyn Barnes—\$400,526 (2020-2021)  
Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Authority Award, "Medicaid and the Political Marginalization of the Poor"—\$26,859 (2014-2015)  
National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, "The Politics of Help Seeking in Marginalized Populations"— \$12,000 (2008-2010)

### **GRANTS (INTERNAL)**

Engaged Opportunity Grant, Cornell University w/Lara Parrilla (2020)  
Engaged Opportunity Grant, Cornell University with Shorna Allred (2019)  
Engaged Curriculum Grant, Cornell University with Joe Margulies & Paula Ioanide (2019)  
Engaged Opportunity Grant, Cornell University (2018)  
Center for the Study of Inequality Faculty Research Grant, Cornell University (2017)  
Institute for Social Sciences Small Grant, Cornell University (2017)  
Engaged Curriculum Grant, Cornell University with Joe Margulies & Mary Katzenstein (2015)

Affinito-Stewart Research Grant, Cornell University (2015)

Institute for Social Sciences Small Grant, Cornell University (2014)

Provost's Summer Research Grant, University of Chicago (2007)

Center for Public Policy in Diverse Societies Research Grant, University of Michigan (2012)

Race Studies Grant, University of Chicago (2006)

## **INVITED ACADEMIC TALKS AND SEMINARS (2015-2020)**

### **2020** (*\*Virtual Talks*)

**University of Michigan**, Ford School of Public Policy. January 2020. "Uncivil Polity, Unequal Democracy: Civil Legal Institutions, Democratic Citizenship, and Public Policy."

**Washington University in St. Louis**, Department of Political Science. February 2020. "Uncivil Polity, Unequal Democracy: Civil Legal Institutions, Democratic Citizenship, and Public Policy."

**Johns Hopkins University**, Department of Political Science. February 2020. "Uncivil Polity, Unequal Democracy: Civil Legal Institutions and Democratic Citizenship."

**University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill**, Public Policy and Political Science. February 2020. "Uncivil Democracy: Civil Legal Institutions, Democratic Citizenship, and Public Policy."

**University of Southern California**, Sol Price School of Public Policy. March 2020. "Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism, and Unequal Politics."

**Indiana University\*** Indiana Health Law Review Symposium. October 2020. "Health Equity through Empowerment: Housing Insecurity and Civil Legal Institutions."

**University of California, San Diego\*** Race, Ethnicity and Politics (REP) workshop. October 2020. "The Racial Politics of Civil Legal Institutions."

**University of California, Berkeley\*** American Politics Workshop. October 2020. "Civil Legal Institutions and Political Empowerment."

**Duke University\*** Global Inequality Research Initiative Seminar. November 2020. "Politics, Inequality, Pandemic."

**Boston University\*** American Politics Workshop. November 2020. "Housing Insecurity, Civil Legal Institutions, and Political Empowerment."

### **2019**

**Texas A&M**, Ethics and Political Science Workshop Series. January 2019. "Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Institutions: Does 'Justice' Matter in Political Science?"

**Boston University**, School of Public Health Dean's Symposium. February 2019. "Death, Dying and Inequality."

**Webster University**, Department of History, Politics & International Relations Capstone book speaker. February 2019. "Health Equity & Democracy in the United States."

**Duke University**, Sanford School of Public Policy & Department of Political Science. March 2019. “The Uncivil Polity: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Institutions.”

**University of California, Berkeley** Center for Research on Social Change. March 2019. “The Uncivil Polity: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Institutions.”

**Princeton University** Center for the Study of Democratic Politics. March 2019. “The Uncivil Polity: Race, Poverty and Unequal Legal Protection in the American States.”

**University of Chicago**, American Politics Workshop. April 2019. “The Uncivil Polity: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Inequality.”

**University of Pennsylvania**. Department of Political Science. May 2019. “Uncivil Democracy: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Inequality.”

**University of California, Riverside**. Blum Initiative on Global and Regional Poverty. May 2019. “Poverty, Power and Civil Justice.”

**University of Washington**, West Coast Poverty Center. June 2019. “The Uncivil Polity: Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Inequality.”

**Tufts University**, APSA Institute for Civically Engaged Research. June 2019. “Engaged Research: Possibilities and Pitfalls.”

**Tufts University**, Frontiers of Democracy Conference. June 2019. “Health Equity and Democracy.”

**Colby College**, Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs. September 2019. “Engaging Race, Strengthening Community, Sustaining Democracy.”

**Ithaca College**, Department of Health Promotion and Physical Education. October 2019. “Health Equity and Democracy.”

**University of Wisconsin, Madison**, Institute for Research on Poverty. October 2019. “Poverty, Power and Civil Justice.”

**University of Wisconsin, Madison**, Political Science. October 2019. “Power, Politics and Civil Legal Policies.”

**Duke University**, Sanford PhD Distinguished Lecture. November 2019. “Policy and Power: How Medicaid Shapes Democracy.”

**University of California, Merced**, Department of Political Science. December 2019. “Race, Poverty and Civil Legal Inequality.”

## 2018

**Brown University**, Taubman Center, Anton Lippit Conference on Urban Affairs. January 2018. “Civilizing the City: The Politics of Civil Legal Justice for Urban Denizens.”

**Syracuse University**, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. February 2018. “Medicaid, Democracy and Inequality.”

**Yale Law School**, American Constitution Society. February 2018. “Public Policy, Political Institutions and Race Class Subjugated Communities.”

**University of Rochester**, Health Services Research Program. February 2018. “Medicaid, Democracy and Political Inequality.”

**Princeton University**, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics. February 2018. “The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.”

**California State University at East Bay**, Health Sciences Program. March 2018. “Health, Equity and Democracy.”

**University of Minnesota**, Department of Political Science. March 2018. “Diversity in Political Science: Recognizing Modes of Discipline and Power.”

**John Carroll College**, Annual Woelfl Lecture in Public Policy. April 2018. “Taking a Knee, Marching for Our Lives: Political Engagement in an Era of Inequality.”

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**, Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Program. June 2018. “Health Policy and Democracy: Linking Research to Engagement.”

**Indiana University**, McKinney School of Law. July 2018. “The Politics and Policy of the Opioid Crisis.”

**Emory University**, Department of Political Science. October 2018. “Uncivil Polity: The Politics of Unequal Access to Civil Legal Representation.”

**Brown University**, Taubman Center Seminar Series. November 2018. “Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism and Unequal Politics.”

**Johns Hopkins University**, Workshop on Inequality and Social Policy. December 2018. “Uncivil Polity: The Politics of Unequal Access to Civil Legal Representation.”

## 2017

**Yale University**, Political Science. January 2017. “Medicaid, Poverty & American Democracy: How Federalist Policies Make Unequal Politics.”

**Associated Colleges of the St. Lawrence Valley**, Keynote conference speaker. February 2017. “Marginalization and Disenfranchisement.”

**Northwestern University**, Race, Ethnicity and Politics Workshop. February 2017. “The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.”

**Columbia University**, Political Science, American Politics Workshop. September 2017. “The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.”

**University of Pennsylvania**, Center for the Study of Ethnicity, Race and Immigration. October 2017. “Race and the 2016 Election: A Policy Lens.”

**University of Michigan**, Political Scientists of Color Fall Lecture (Center for Political Studies). October 2017. “The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.”

**University of California Berkeley**, School of Law Conference on Federalism. November 2017. “Federalism and Participatory Democracy.”

**Harvard University**, Center for American Political Studies. November 2017. “The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.”

## 2016

**Syracuse University**, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. November 2016. “A Political and Policy Analysis of the 2016 National Election.”

**American University**, Metropolitan Policy Center Urban Speaker Series. March 2016. “Gentrification and Political Destabilization.”

## 2015

**Penn State University**, Center for American Political Responsiveness. February 2015. “Poverty and Inequality: Critical Connections, Key Distinctions.”

**Syracuse University**, Center for Qualitative and Multi-Method Inquiry. May 2015. “Thoughts on the Pre-Registration of Research Designs.”

## INVITED PUBLIC TALKS AND PANELS (2015-present)

“Health Justice: Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy.” **American University**. October 2020.

“Critical Race Perspectives on the Use of Research Evidence.” **William T. Grant Foundation**. October 2020.

“2020 and the Summer of Activism: What Changed? And What Didn’t?” **University of Denver Center on American Politics**. October 2020.

“Intersecting Pandemics: COVID-19, Racism, Addiction & Poverty.” **Tompkins County Office of Human Rights**. September 2020.

“Racism, Equity and Change.” Aligning Early Childhood and Medicaid Convening, **Center for Healthcare Strategies**. September 2020.

“Medicaid and Health Equity.” **National Governors Association Center for Best Practices**. August 2020.

“Take Racism Out of Healthcare!” **Texas Organizing Project**. July 2020.

“COVID-19 and Political Science Research Agendas.” **Institute for Qualitative and Multimethod Research**. July 2020.

“Race, Rebellion and Pandemic in the United States” **Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum—German American Center**. June 2020.

“The Politics of COVID-19.” **Weill Cornell Medical College**. June 2020.

“Health Equity and Democracy” (Keynote). **Health Management Associates**. May 2020.



Panelist, “Racial Dynamics of COVID-19.” **University of California, Irvine School of Social Sciences**. May 2020.

“COVID-19 and the Dynamics of Race and Othering.” **SNF Agora Institute**. April 2020.

“African-Americans and the Coronavirus: At the Intersections of Policy, Politics and Public Health.” **National Conference of Black Political Scientists** Town Hall. April 2020.

Health Care Unscrambled Legislative Breakfast (Keynote). **Georgians for a Healthy Future**. January 2020.

“Evidence Based Approaches to Poverty Alleviation.” **GovLabPHL**. January 2020.

“Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism, and Unequal Politics (Keynote).” **Build Initiative**. November 2019.

“Health Equity and Democracy” (Keynote). **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**. September 2019.

“Realizing Democracy: Reimagining the Relationship among Civil Society, Government, and the Economy.” **Ford Foundation** Center for Social Justice. September 2019.

“Medicaid, Democracy and Health Equity” (Keynote). **The Aspen Institute**. August 2019.

“The Deterioration of the Social Safety Net.” **CHI St. Josephs Children’s Hospital**. June 2019.

“The Multigenerational Possibilities of Prison Education.” **New York State Capitol**. April 2019.

“Filer-Voter: An Experiment Testing Voter Registration at Tax Time.” **Brookings Institution**. April 2019.

“Combating a Climate of Hate.” **Tompkins County Office of Human Rights**. February 2019.

“Race, Gender and American Politics.” **Brooklyn Historical Society & Social Science Research Council**. January 2019.

“Patients at the Table.” **Healthcare Value Hub** Annual Conference. November 2018.

“Why Medicaid Matters to Democracy: The Ripple Effects of Barriers to Care” (Keynote). **Kentucky Voices for Health** Annual Conference. October 2018.

“Fighting for Medicaid, Fighting for Democracy.” **Pennsylvania Health Access Network (PHAN)** Annual Conference. October 2018.

“Unequal States: Medicaid Policy, Practice, and Politics.” **Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)** Webinar. October 2018.

“Health Equity and Democracy.” High Road Fellowship Faculty Speaker Series. **Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site**. June 2018.

[“The State of Federal Social Welfare Policy Under the Trump Administration.”](#) **New York City Bar Association Social Welfare Law Committee**. May 2018.

[“Democracy Between the Lines: Medicaid, Federalism and the People’s Trust.”](#) **New America Foundation** Political Reform and Family-Centered Social Policy Programs. May 2018.

“Ensuring Access for All.” (Keynote). **Tampa Bay Healthcare Collaborative** Meeting. May 2018.

[“Poverty, Race and Public Policy: A Community Dialogue.”](#) **Open Partnership Education Network (OPEN)** and **Pinellas Technical College**. May 2018.

“Medicaid: Supporting Vulnerable Families in New York.” **NY State Capitol**. April 2018.

“Engaging Medicaid Beneficiaries: Why Race and Place Matter” (Keynote). **Community Catalyst Center for Consumer Engagement in Health Innovation**. February 2018.

“Medicaid and Resilient Democracy” (Keynote). **California Association of Public Hospitals and California Health Care Safety Net Institute**. December 2017.

“Healthcare Advocacy in a Fragmented Democracy” (Keynote). **Community Catalyst, Southern Health Partners** Annual Meeting. October 2017.

“Race, Poverty and Political Empowerment.” **Alfred Street Baptist Church**. October 2016.

“Poverty and Democracy.” **Auburn Correctional Facility**. September 2015.

## **PUBLIC WRITING**

[What we have to lose with Trump: Black lives and our health](#), *The Grio* (2020).

[George Floyd’s Killing was Just the Spark. Here’s what Really Made the Protests Explode](#), *Washington Post* (2020)

[How Responding to the Coronavirus is Making the Safety Net for Gig Workers Less Flimsy](#), *San Francisco Chronicle* and over 23 other news outlets via *The Conversation* (2020).

[The Politics of Medicaid Policy and Racial Justice](#), *Data for Progress Blog* (2019).

[The 2019 Government Shutdown is Just the Latest Reason Why Poor People Can't Bank on the Safety Net](#), *Salon* and over 25 other news outlets via *The Conversation* (2019).

[The Politics and Policy of Racism in American Healthcare](#), *Vox* (2018).

[How Trump's Medicaid Restrictions Will Stop People from Voting](#), *TalkPoverty* (2018).

[People who get Medicaid are made to feel powerless](#), *Washington Post* (2017).

[Why We Shouldn't Drug Test Poor People \(w/Julilly Kohler-Hausmann\)](#), *New York Times* (2017).

[Playing Offense on Voting Rights](#), *The American Prospect* (2017).

[How Access to Public Assistance Impacts Political Participation](#), *TalkPoverty* (2016).

[How to Address Disparities? Prioritizing Participatory Research and Practice](#), *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Human Capital Blog* (2014)

[Perceptions of Risk and Social Disorder Can Have a huge Impact on Local Political Engagement](#), *London School of Economics American Politics and Policy Blog* (2013).

[Health Care, Inequality & Dr. King: Reflecting on Our Priorities](#), *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Human Capital Blog* (2012).

## **MEDIA COMMENTARY (PODCAST, RADIO, TELEVISION & PRINT)**

Radio, "[Coping with COVID-19](#)" WBAI 99.5 FM, New York City (2020).

Podcast, "[Will Americans Hold Government Accountable for Its Pandemic Response?](#)" Politics in Question (2020).

Podcast, "[All praise, no pay.](#)" Today Explained by Vox (2020).

Podcast, "[The Connection Between Medicaid and Democracy.](#)" Policy 360 Podcast (2019).

Podcast, "[How Medicaid and Obamacare Drive Voting.](#)" Science of Politics Podcast (2019).

Podcast, "[Inequality, Public Policy and Democracy.](#)" Doing Translational Research Podcast (Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research), Episode 30 (2019).

Podcast, "[Groundbreakers, part 1.](#)" No Jargon Podcast, Episode 175 (2019).

Television, [Ivory Tower](#). Season 16: episodes 36, 37, 40, 42. WCNY/PBS (2020).

Television, [Ivory Tower](#). Season 15: episode 35; Season 16 episodes 6 & 14. WCNY/PBS (2019).

Podcast, "[Fragmented Democracy.](#)" The Michael Brooks Show (2019).

Podcast, "[Fragmented Democracy.](#)" The Death Panel Podcast, Episode 21 (2019).

Podcast, "[The State of the Union.](#)" To the Point. KCRW/NPR (2019).

Podcast, [“Fragmented Democracy.”](#) The Majority Report with Sam Seder (2019).

Podcast, [“Fixing Medicaid in a Fragmented Democracy.”](#) Trending Globally. Watson Institute, Brown University (2019).

Podcast, [“The Politics of Medicaid.”](#) Off-Kilter Podcast (2018).

Television Panelist, [Ivory Tower](#) . Season 15: episodes 15, 23 & 26. WCNY/PBS (2018).

Podcast, [“Medicaid, Federalism, and Democracy.”](#) DIY Democracy, episode 24 (2018).

Radio, [“Cornell Speaker Series on Health Equity and Democracy.”](#) WBFO/NPR (2018).

Radio, [“Fragmented Democracy.”](#) Jim Brown’s Common Sense (2018).

Radio, [“How Medicaid Impacts The Political Participation of Beneficiaries.”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio *Central Time* (2018).

Podcast, [“The Week in Medicaid.”](#) The Week in Health Law, episode 134 (2018).

Radio, [“The Future of SNAP Under the Trump Administration.”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio *Central Time* (2018).

Print, [The Medicaid Patchwork](#), *Jacobin Magazine* (2018).

Print, [How Unstable Medicaid Programs Discourage Recipients from Engaging with Politics](#), *Pacific Standard Magazine* (2018).

Radio, [“Jamila Michener on the Campbell Conversations.”](#) WRVO/NPR (2018).

Podcast, [“Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism, and Unequal Politics.”](#) New Books in Political Science Podcast (2018).

Audio Commentary, [“Medicaid Explained: Why It’s Worse to Be Sick in Some States than Others.”](#) Vox (2017).

Radio, [“Wisconsin Seeking Mandatory Drug Testing for Medicaid Applicants.”](#) Wisconsin Public Radio’s *Central Time* (2017).

Television, POTUS 2016 with Brian Lehrer. [“Voting While Black.”](#) CUNY TV (2016).

Podcast, [“Expanding Voting Rights.”](#) For CounterSpin Podcast (2016).

Podcast, [“The Overlooked Section.”](#) No Jargon Podcast, Episode 35 (2016).

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (2014-PRESENT)

“The American State and the Limits of Public Policy” with Kanika Khanna and Adrienne Scott. Presented at the American Political Science Association (Virtual) Annual Meeting (2020).

“The Political Economy of Civil Legal Inequality.” Presented at the American Political Science Association (Virtual) Annual Meeting, Virtual (2020).

“The Uncivil Polity: Race, Class and Civil Legal Inequality.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico (2020).

“Varieties of U.S. State Level Democracy.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (2019).

“The Justice Gap: Explaining Unequal Access to Civil Legal Representation in the States” with Mallory SoRelle. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL & the Annual State Politics and Policy Conference State College, PA & the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (2018).

“Policy Feedback and Public Administration: Comparing People Processing and People Changing Bureaucracies” with Carolyn Barnes (Duke University). Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Chicago, IL (2017).

“Civil Legal Conflict and the Unequal City.” Presented (by invitation)—at the American Political Science Association Mini-Conference The New Urban Politics: Changing Cities and Fresh Perspectives, San Francisco, CA (2017).

“Seeing the Invisible: When, How and Why States Pay Attention to Poverty.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL & the Annual State Politics and Policy Conference, Dallas, TX (2016).

“Race, Poverty and Federalism in the United States.” Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (2016).

“People, Places, Power: Medicaid Concentration and Local Political Participation.” Presented at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Investigator Awards Meeting, San Diego, CA (2016).

“People without Places? Federalism and Medicaid Policy in Urban Context” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (2016).

“Gentrification and Political Destabilization” (with Diane Wong). Presented at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, Miami, FL (2015).

“Fighting For Medicaid, Resisting the State, Engaging Politics.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (2014).

“Race and the Redistribution of Voting Rights: Explaining State Compliance with Section 7 of the NVRA.” Presented at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Wilmington, DE (2014).

## **RESEARCH TALKS (INTERNAL)**

“Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism and Unequal Politics.” Olin Library Chats in the Stacks Series (2019).

“Health Equity and Democracy.” Cornell University Institute on Health Economics, Health Behaviors and Disparities (2018).

“College for All? Differential Public Attitudes Toward College in Prison.” With Anna Haskins Cornell University Center for the Study of Inequality (2018).

“People, Places, Power: Medicaid Concentration and Local Political Participation.” Cornell University Department of City and Regional Planning (2016).

“The Racialized Politics of Poverty in the American States.” Cornell University Latino Studies Program (2016).

“Seeing the Invisible: When, How and Why States Pay Attention to Poverty.” Cornell University Center for the Study of Inequality (2016).

“Race, Poverty, and the Redistribution of Voting Rights.” Cornell University, Africana Studies Center (2016).

“Gentrification and Political Destabilization” (with Diane Wong). Cornell University Center for the Study of Inequality (2015).

“Fighting for Medicaid, Resisting the State, Engaging Politics.” Cornell University Politics, Sandwiches and Comments (2015).

“Contextualizing Politics on the Margins: The Case of Medicaid.” Cornell University Institute on Health Economics, Health Behaviors and Disparities (2014).

## **ON CAMPUS / CORNELL RELATED ENGAGEMENT**

Moderator, “Planning, Public Health, and Responses to COVID-19.” Cornell AAP Webinar (2020).

Panelist, Destroying or Deploying the Deep State.” American Democracy Collaborative (2020).

Moderator, “Systemic Racism and Health Equity.” Cornell Center for Health Equity (2020).

Panelist, “Health, Inequality and Pandemics.” Institute for Comparative Modernities Webinar Series (2020)

Speaker, “Social Justice: What it is and Why it Matters.” Upward Bound Saturday Academy (2019)

Panelist, “Using Social Media to Promote Your Research.” Office of Faculty Development (2019)

Panelist, “Structural and Spatial Inequalities” Cornell Community Development Institute (2019)

Seminar Facilitator, “Civic Engagement and American Democracy.” Warrior Scholars Project (2019)

Speaker, “Poverty and Punishment in the United States.” Cornell Adult University Lecture (2019)

Speaker, “A Life of More than You Can Imagine.” Mortar Board Honor Society ‘Last Lecture’ (2019)

Speaker, "Policy Feedback as a Tool for Political Change." Cornell Roosevelt Institute (2019)

Panelist, "Voting Rights and Voter Suppression in the United States." Pi Sigma Alpha (2019)

Speaker, "Work, Passion and Living A Fulfilled Life." Hans Bethe House Speaker Series (2019)

Co-facilitator, Engaged Learning Workshop. Office of Engagement Initiatives (2019)

Speaker, "School-to-Prison Pipeline." Cornell Mentors for Incarcerated Youth Mini-lecture (2019)

Speaker, "Reflections on Mass Incarceration." Ujamaa Residential College (2018)

Speaker, "Professional, Personal, Political." Becker House Speaker Series (2018)

Speaker, "Poverty, Race and Public Policy" Phi Sigma Pi "Chime In" Series (2018)

Seminar Facilitator, "Civic Engagement and American Democracy." Warrior Scholars Project (2018)

Plenary Speaker, [Future Professors Institute](#). Office of Inclusion and Student Engagement (2018)

Speaker, Merrill Presidential Scholars Ceremony. Office of Student and Campus Life (2018)

Speaker, Commencement Ceremony. Department of Government (2018)

Panelist, Mass Incarceration and the Family. Sponsored by the F-Word (2018)

Panelist, Race, Policy and the 2018 Elections. Cornell Institute for Public Affairs (2018)

Speaker, "Centering the Marginalized in Academia." West Campus Speaker Series (2017)

Panelist, Puerto Rico's Place in Today's Political Climate. Puerto Rican Student Association (2017)

Panelist, New Faculty Orientation: Research in Social Sciences. Office of Faculty Development (2017)

Panelist, "Engaged Teaching at Cornell." Engaged Curriculum Grant Institute (2017)

Speaker, "Felony Disenfranchisement." Cornell Debate Camp (2017)

Speaker, Prospects for American Democracy Conference. Cornell Law School (2017)

Speaker, "Crime, Prisons, Education and Justice." Cornell Trustees Council Meeting (2017)

Speaker, "Asking Hard Questions." Cornell Mentors for Incarcerated Youth mini-lecture (2017)

Workshop Leader, "Politics and Resistance." Telluride Association Winter Program (2017)

Panelist, "On Academic Transitions." Cornell Public Service Center Upward Bound Program (2017)

Discussant, Justin Gest's *The New Minority*. Cornell Institute for European Studies (2016)

Speaker, "Political Participation When Democracy Goes Wrong" Cornell Debate Camp (2016)

Panelist, History in the Making: The 2016 Election. Cornell Class of 1864 Event (2016)

Panelist, Race and Gender in the 2016 Election. Cornell Democrats (2016)

Panelist, Red States, Blue States, Bruised Nation. Cornell Reunions (2016)

Panelist, Intersectional Feminisms on Campus. Cornell Women's Collective (2016)

Panelist, Reclaiming Our Democracy. U.S. Public Interest Research Group (2016)

Speaker, "Should the Government Do *Less* to Help the Poor?" Cornell Political Union (2016)

## **TEACHING**

The Politics of Poverty in the U.S. (undergraduate lecture)

The Politics of Public Policy in the U.S. (undergraduate lecture)

Prison, Politics, Policy (undergraduate lecture)

The Politics of the 'Inner City' (undergraduate seminar)

Incarceration and Self-Reflection (undergraduate seminar)

Race and Ethnicity in American Politics (graduate seminar)

Poverty and Social Policy (graduate seminar)

Behind Bars: Inequality and Mass Incarceration (Cornell Adult University seminar)

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Committee on the Creation of the Cornell School of Public Policy (2020-)

College of Arts & Sciences Diversity and Equity Committee (2020-2023)

Search Committee, Department of Policy Analysis and Management Race & Public Policy Search (2020)

Faculty Senate Representative (2019-)

Advisory Board, Cornell Prison Education Program (2015-2018; 2020-2023)

Faculty Advisory Board, Cornell Institute for Public Affairs (2019-)

Search Committee, Center for the Study of Inequality Faculty Search (2018-19)

Kendall S. Carpenter Award Committee (2019)

Advisory Board, Institute for Social Sciences (2018-)

Advisory Committee, Roper Center Health Opinions Database (2018-)

Member, Presidential Task Force on Campus Climate (2017-2018)

Mentor, McNair Scholars Program (2017-2020)

Faculty Advisor, Cornell Mentors for Incarcerated Youth/Students for Students (2017-)

Application Reviewer, Engaged Faculty Fellows Program (2017; 2018; 2019)

Advisory Board, College Scholars Program (2016-)

Faculty Advisor, College Scholars Program (2015-)

Curriculum Committee, Cornell Prison Education Program (2015-2017)

Mentorship Committee (Chair), Cornell Prison Education Program (2017)

Admissions Reviewer, Cornell Prison Education Program (2016; 2017; 2019)

Application Reviewer, McNair Scholars Program (2017, 2018)

Small Grant Review Committee, Institute for Social Sciences (2016)

Faculty Representative, Cornell Community Bill of Rights Working Group (2015)



Faculty Application Reviewer, Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Admissions (2014)

## **DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

Fall Forum Planning Committee (2020)

Cornell Representative, APSA Ralph Bunche Summer Institute Recruitment Fair (2019, 2020)

Undergraduate Committee (2019)

Graduate Admissions Committee (2014-2017)

American Politics Exam Committee, Government Department (2017)

Third Year Colloquium Facilitator (2015-2017)

PSAC Workshop Organizer, Government Department (2016-17)

Steering Committee, Public Policy Minor (2016-)

Co-Organizer, Minor in Crime, Prison, Education and Justice (2016-)

## **SERVICE**

### *Leadership*

Chair, Cornell Prison Education Program Advisory Board (2020-2023)

Co-Leader, Scholars Strategy Network Finger Lakes Chapter (2017-)

Co-Director, Cornell Center for Health Equity (2020-)

Co-Director, Politics of Race, Immigration, Class & Ethnicity (PRICE) Initiative (2020-)

Executive Board Member, Scholars Strategy Network (2019-)

### *APSA Section Executive Council Member*

Health Politics & Policy (2012-2014; 2018-2020)

Public Policy Section (2018-2021)

Urban and Local Politics Section (2018-2020)

State Politics and Policy (2016-2018)

### *Committee Chair*

MPSA Women's Caucus Outstanding Professional Achievement Award (2018)

APSA Public Policy Section Excellence in Mentoring Award (2019)

APSA Race, Ethnicity and Politics (REP) Best Book Award Committee (2020)

### *Committee Member*

APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession (2019-2022)

APSA Class and Inequality Section Diversity & Inclusion Committee (2019-2020)

APSA State Politics and Policy Diversity & Inclusion Committee (2018-2021)

APSA Public Policy Nominating Committee (2016)

APSA Urban Politics Section Nominating Committee (2015)

APSA Byran Jackson Dissertation in Ethnic and Racial Politics Award Committee (2011, 2014, 2019)

MPSA Lucius Barker Award Committee for best paper on Race, Ethnicity & Politics (2012)

APSA Best Paper on Public Policy Award Committee (2014)

APSA Aaron Wildavsky Enduring Contribution Award Committee (2015)

*Editorial Board Member*

American Political Science Review (2020-)  
Journal of Public Policy (2020-)  
State Politics and Policy Quarterly (2020-)  
Policy Studies Journal (2019-)  
Politics & Gender (2019-)  
Political Research Quarterly (2018-)  
Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law (2018-)  
Milbank Quarterly (2020-)

*Grant/ Book Proposal Reviewer:* Social Science Research Council; Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; Oxford University Press; Cambridge University Press; Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council; Temple University Press; Vanderbilt University (book manuscript workshop for Allison Anoll).

*Manuscript Reviewer:* American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Dubois Review; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Health, Politics, Policy and Law; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Policy; Journal of Race, Ethnicity and Politics; Law and Social Inquiry; Milbank Quarterly; Political Behavior; Policy Studies Journal; Political Research Quarterly; Urban Affairs Review.

*Conference/ Panel Organizer:* “Getting Free: Race and Abolition” virtual panel organized for Politics of Race, Immigration, Class and Ethnicity (PRICE) Initiative; “Systemic Racism and Health Equity” virtual panel organized for Cornell Center for Health Equity; “Expanding the Margins of the Welfare State,” workshop at Northwestern University co-organized with Chloe Thurston and Mallory SoRelle (May 2019); 52nd Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC) co-organized with Sergio Garcia Rios (September 2018); APSA panel “Navigating the Periphery: The Politics of Unequal Access in Marginal Communities” co-organized with Mallory SoRelle (August 2018); APSA “Author Meets Critics” panel for Domingo Morel’s *Takeover* (August 2018).

*Conference Roundtable Participant (Invited):* “The Politics of Evidence in Medicaid” (APSA 2020); “Health Policy and Democratic Discontent” (APSA 2018); “Gender Inequality in the U.S.: Beyond Political Representation” (APSA 2016); “Early Career at Research Institutions: Getting and Keeping a Research-intensive Faculty Position” (MPSA 2016); Cathy Cohen’s *Boundaries* at 20 years (APSA 2019).

*Advisory Board Member:* APSA online column: “Issue Discussions Relevant to Women of Color and Intersectionality” (2017-)

*Mentor:* Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholars Coaching Program (2018-)

## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

Center for Healthcare Strategies, Board of Trustees

National Advisory Committee, Policies for Action, Urban Institute/Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

National Advisory Committee, Community Solutions for Health Equity, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Community Advisory Board, Rural Health Equity Training Collaborative, Cayuga Medical Center

Paradigm Project, AcademyHealth & Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Medicaid Waiver Evaluation Learning Collaborative Project, AcademyHealth  
Medicaid Advisory Group, Commonwealth Fund  
Medicaid Working Group, Scholars Strategy Network  
Data Development Committee, Ultimate Reentry Opportunity of Tompkins County  
Instructor, Five Points Correctional Facility (2016), Cayuga Correctional Facility (2017)

## **CONSULTING**

Institute for Community Health (2020-)  
MEF Associates (2019-)

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

Scholars Strategy Network (SSN)  
Poverty, Employment, and Self-Sufficiency Research Network (Institute for Research on Poverty)  
American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)  
National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS)  
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)