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EDUCATION

- PhD, Sociology** 2017-2024 (expected)
Department of Sociology, Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago
Certificate: Advanced Quantitative Methods
- MA, Sociology** 2017-2018
Department of Sociology, Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago
- BS, Computer Science** 2010-2014
Computer Science Department, School of Engineering, Stanford University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Organizations • Nonprofits • Political Sociology • Race & Ethnicity • Urban Sociology
Immigration • Computational Sociology • Mixed Methods.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

Shachter, Simon Y., and Carrie R. Oelberger (equal authorship). 2021. "National Sovereignty and Transnational Philanthropy: The Impact of Countries' Foreign Aid Restrictions on U.S. Foundation Funding." *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 32: 204-219.

Oelberger, Carrie R., Jesse Lecy, and Simon Y. Shachter. 2020. "Going the Extra Mile: The 'Liabilities of Foreignness' in U.S. Foundation International Grantmaking to Local NGOs." *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, 49(4): 776-802.

Under Review

Ternullo, Stephanie, and Simon Y. Shachter. "Old Patronage in the New Deal: How did Urban Machines Exploit the Local Administration of New Deal Programs?"
R&R at Studies in American Political Development

Shachter, Simon Y., Donghyun Kang, and James Evans. "Symbolically Saving Lives: How Nonprofit Funding of Biomedical Research Sacrifices Public Money and Health."

Working Papers (manuscript available)

Shachter, Simon Y. "The Double-Consciousness of an Organizational Field: Chinese Organizations in the U.S., 1850-1911."

Shachter, Simon Y. “‘A Grand Mingling of Barbaric Splendour:’ The Local Formation of Identity and Capital in West Coast Cities, 1894-1909”

Shachter, Simon Y., Eric Chandler, Kiran Misra, and Robert Vargas. “Police Havens: The Private Pathways of Police Power.”

Shachter, Simon Y., and Carrie R. Oelberger. “Elite Ecosystem Effects: How the Structure of Elite Philanthropy Shapes the Field of International NGOs”

Oelberger, Carrie R., and Simon Y. Shachter. “The Structure of Field Learning: Exploration and Exploitation in International Grantmaking.”

Non-Peer Reviewed Press and Publications

“The Creation of an Elite Civil Society: Civil Society Formation in Los Angeles, 1890-1900.” 2022. Community and Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association 35(2).

“Simon Shachter Receives the Student Collections Award.” 2022. Seaver Center for Western History.

“University of Chicago PhD Student Discovers Swedish Roots in Oregon.” 2022. Swedish Roots in Oregon

Datasets

Shachter, Simon Y. 2021. "AWS 990 Full File Index," V5. Harvard Dataverse.
<https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BYJAPN>. UNF:6:a/2x0ebrKW0KbOZhO+T6UQ== [fileUNF]
Key to access all nonprofit tax forms stored in Amazon Web Services. The key provided by Amazon only provides access to about 75% of the forms.

DISSERTATION

The Cities that Immigrants Built: The Creation of Civil Society in West Coast Cities, 1855-1910

What was the role of immigrant organizations in building the political institutions of cities and civil societies on the West Coast? I have digitized novel quantitative datasets and spent a full year collecting archival documents from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, and Seattle. I find that racialization on the West Coast was local and contingent. The racialization of communities had changed the number and types of organizations ethnic communities built. My book additionally describes how these community organizations imprinted themselves onto lasting urban political institutions that are visible today.

GRANTS

Henderson Research Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago	2023
Selected Participant, Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society Graduate Workshop, Chapman University	2023
UChicago Urban Doctoral Fellowship, Mansueto Institute for Urban Innovation, University of Chicago	2022-2023
Selected Participant, International Society for Third Sector Research International Conference PhD Seminar	2022

Natural History Museum Student Collections Award, Natural History Museum, Los Angeles County 2021-2022
Allison Davis Research Grant Award, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago 2021-2022
Student Advancement and Diversity Grant, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago 2019
Division of Social Sciences Fellowship, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago 2017-2024

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Founding the Multi-Ethnic City: Ethnic Civil Society Networks in Portland and Seattle, 1888-1909

- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 2023
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, July 2023
- Chapman University, Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society, June 2023
- West Coast Nonprofit Data Conference, April 2023

Police Havens: The Private Pathways of Police Power

- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 2023

“A Grand Mingling of Barbaric Splendour:” The Local Formation of Identity and Capital in West Coast Cities, 1894-1909

- Comparative-Historical Mini-Conference, August 2023
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, July 2023

The Double-Consciousness of an Organizational Field: Chinese Organizations in the U.S., 1850-1911

- Association for Research on Nonprofit and Voluntary Associations Annual Conference, November 2022
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, July 2021

The Cities that Immigrants Built: The Creation of Civil Society in West Coast Cities, 1855-1910

- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 2022
- International Society for Third Sector Research International Conference, July 2022
- New Directions Workshop (sponsored by University of Minnesota), May 2022
- Problem-Solving Sociology Dissertation Proposal Workshop, May 2020

Symbolically Saving Lives: How Nonprofit Funding of Biomedical Research Sacrifices Public Money and Health

- University of Michigan, Institute for Research on Innovation & Science, April 2021

Elite Ecosystem Effects: How Elite Philanthropy Wields Power to Shape the Ecosystem of International NGOs

- The Nonprofit Sector Handbook Emerging Scholars Workshop, October 2020
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 2020
- Association for Research on Nonprofit and Voluntary Associations Annual Conference, November 2019

Foundations and Federalism: How Foundations' Political Activity Varies across Levels of Government

- Association for Research on Nonprofit and Voluntary Associations Annual Conference, November 2019

The Structure of Field Learning: Exploration and Exploitation in International Grantmaking

- University of Southern California, Center of Philanthropy and Public Policy Philanthropy and Social Change Symposium, March 2019

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant

Statistical Methods of Research I Winter 2020
Prof. Stephen Raudenbush, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago

Introduction to Causal Inference Winter 2020
Profs. Guanglei Hong and Kazuo Yamaguchi, Departments of Sociology and Comparative Human Development, University of Chicago

Sociological Theory Fall 2019
Prof. Kimberly Hoang, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago

Applications of Hierarchical Linear Models Spring 2019
Dr. Marshall Jean, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago

Strategic Philanthropy 2014-2016
Laura Arrillaga-Andreessen, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University

Course Designer

Women & Leadership 2016-2017
Laura Arrillaga-Andreessen, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University

Giving 2.0: The MOOC 2014-2015
Laura Arrillaga-Andreessen, Coursera, Online: www.coursera.org/learn/philanthropist

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

UChicago Justice Project, University of Chicago (Prof. Robert Vargas) 2022-2023
Gathered, processed, and coded data on police-related nonprofits. Managed research assistants in collecting of qualitative data.

Graduate Research Assistant

Knowledge Lab, University of Chicago (Prof. James Evans) 2020-2021
Analyzed data on the Institute for Research & Innovation in Science and built linkages across multiple datasets. Supported colleagues' projects with coding support and other feedback.

Faculty Research Association

Nonprofit Open Data Collective, Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions, Arizona State University (Prof. Jesse Lecy) 2019
Built concordance files to analyze nonprofit 990 forms and build comprehensive datasets for public use.

Case Writer 2014-2017
Stanford Graduate School of Business, Stanford University (Laura Arrillaga-Andreessen)
Supported the writing of business school cases for courses on philanthropy. Interviewed subjects, supported writing, and created teaching guides.

Research Assistant 2011-2014
Stanford Center for Philanthropy and Civil Society, Stanford, CA (Prof. Woody Powell)
Supported research efforts by faculty, graduate students, and practitioners at the center. Primary work was collecting data on the business orientation in measurement by and for nonprofit organizations.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Workshop Organizer 2021-2023
New Directions Workshop, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota

Associate Editor/Manuscript Associate Board Member 2019-2021
American Journal of Sociology, University of Chicago

Chair 2019-2020
Society for Social Research (PhD Government), Sociology, University of Chicago

Committee Member 2019-2020
Faculty Mentorship Committee, Sociology, University of Chicago

Workshop Coordinator 2018-2020
Politics, History, and Society Workshop, Sociology, University of Chicago

Chair 2019
Spring Institute (Department Student Conference), Sociology, University of Chicago

Workshop Coordinator 2018-2019
Money Markets, and Governance Workshop, Sociology, University of Chicago

Reviewer for: *American Journal of Sociology*, *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Data retrieval and processing programming languages: R, Python, SQL, Matlab.
Social entrepreneurship and nonprofit management. Founded and later served as the Board Chair and occasional interim executive director of a nonprofit, YCore, 2014-2023

REFERENCES

Elisabeth Clemens University of Chicago clemens@uchicago.edu (773) 834-4746	Carrie Oelberger University of Minnesota oelberger@umn.edu (612) 625-5947	Robert Vargas University of Chicago robvargas@uchicago.edu (773) 834-3586	Nicole Marwell University of Chicago marwell@uchicago.edu (773) 702-1132
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