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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor

University of Texas at Austin, Department of Sociology

August 2022—

Postdoctoral Researcher

Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG)

2020 - 2022

EDUCATION

Columbia University, New York

PhD in Sociology

2020

M.A. in Sociology

2016

University of California, San Diego

M.A. in Latin American Studies (Concentration in International Migration)

2011

New York University, New York

B.A., Summa Cum Laude, English and Latin American Studies

2009

DISSERTATION

Dissertation Title: *Positional Uncertainty: Contingent Workers Seeking a Place in Unstable Times*

**Robert K. Merton Best Dissertation Award*, Department of Sociology at Columbia University

Committee: Gil Eyal (Sponsor), Deborah Becher, Adam Reich, Rachel Sherman, and Van Tran

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Work and Inequality, Futures of Work, Gig Economy, Economic Sociology, Cultural Sociology, Migration, Globalization, Social Theory, Time and Space in the Labor Process

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2021 **Griesbach, Kathleen.** "Unequal Reach: Cyclical and Amplifying Ties Among Agricultural and Oilfield Workers in Texas." *Work and Occupations* OnlineFirst.
- 2020 Milkman, Ruth, Luke Elliott-Negri, **Kathleen Griesbach**, and Adam Reich. "Gender, Class, and the Gig Economy: The Case of Platform-Based Food Delivery." *Critical Sociology* 1-16.
- 2019 **Griesbach, Kathleen**, Adam Reich, Luke Elliott-Negri, and Ruth Milkman. "Algorithmic Control in Platform Food Delivery Work." *Socius* 5: 1-15.
Reprinted in *Working in America* (Routledge), 2023
- 2018 **Griesbach, Kathleen.** "Dioquis: Being without doing in the migrant agricultural labor process." *Ethnography* 21(4): 481-505.

- 2011 **Griesbach, Kathleen.** “Local-Federal Immigration Enforcement in North Carolina: Mapping the Criminal-Immigration Overlap.” *Norteamérica* 6.

UNDER REVIEW

Griesbach, Kathleen. “No Beach Time: Heterogeneous Temporalities of Unstable Work.”
Revise & Resubmit

Griesbach, Kathleen. “Double Framings: Accounting for Insecure Work.” **Revise & Resubmit**

IN PREPARATION

Griesbach, Kathleen. *Stretched Thin: Weathering Unstable Work in Urban and Rural America.* **Book in preparation.**

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 Caron, Cathleen, **Kathleen Griesbach**, Ursula Roldan & Roxanne Sandoval. “Guatemala’s Implementation of the ICRMW: Emerging Effects” (Book Chapter). In *Shining New Light on the UN Migrant Worker Convention*. Pretoria, South Africa: Pretoria University Law Press.
- 2014 **Griesbach, Kathleen.** “Southern States” (Encyclopedia Entry). In *Undocumented Immigrants in the United States Today: An Encyclopedia of Their Experiences*. Ed. Anna Ochoa O’Leary. Westbrook: ABC-CLIO-Greenwood.
- 2011 García, Angela, **Kathleen Griesbach**, Jessica Andrade, Cristina González, and Guillermo Yrizar Barbosa. “Pressure from the Inside: The Effects of State-Level Immigration Policies for Tlucitapenses in Oklahoma and California” (Book Chapter). In *Recession without Borders: Mexican Migrants Confront the Economic Downturn* edited by David FitzGerald, Rafael Alarcon, and Leah Muse-Orlinoff. La Jolla, CA and Boulder, CO: CCIS and Lynne Rienner Publishers.
- 2010 **Griesbach, Kathleen.** “A Program at Odds with Federal Immigration Powers” (Op-Ed). *The Raleigh News & Observer*.

RESEARCH FEATURED IN MEDIA

- 2019 “At the Mercy of An App: Workers Feel the Instacart Squeeze.” *National Public Radio*, November 25, 2019. <https://www.npr.org/2019/11/25/778546287/at-the-mercy-of-an-app-workers-feel-the-instacart-squeeze?live=1>.
- 2019 “Instacart Hounds Workers to Take Jobs that Aren’t Worth It.” *Bloomberg Businessweek*, July 15, 2019. <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-07-15/instacart-hounds-workers-to-take-jobs-that-aren-t-worth-it>.

PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

- 2022 “Double Framings: Accounting for Insecure Work.” Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Labor/Labor Movements for Justice in the US Session, Los Angeles, California.
- 2021 “Space and Inequality in Precarious Work.” Paper Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Space and Place: Boundaries and Meanings of Place Session, via Zoom.
- 2021 “Double Framings: Consequences of Spatial and Temporal Uncertainty for Identity, from Platform to Classroom.” Paper Presented at the First Joint Conference between the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies and the Socioeconomic Transformations Observatory of the MPIfG in Chile, Whither Democratic Capitalism? via Zoom.
- 2020 “Zombie Time and Overwork: Contingent Work, Time Struggle, and the Challenges of Coordination.” Paper Presented at the Work and Family Researchers Network Conference, Symposium: Risks and Realities of Work Schedules Today, via Zoom.
- 2020 “When Bonds Become Bridges: Cyclical and Extended-Release Ties Among Agricultural and Oilfield Workers in Texas.” Paper Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Economic Sociology Regular Session, Identities, Relationships, and Labor Markets, via Zoom.
- 2019 “Dead Time and Overwork: The Time Struggles of Contingent Work.” Paper Presented at the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Meeting, Out of Sync: Disordered Temporalities and Temporal Conflicts in Contemporary Capitalism Mini-Conference, New York, New York.
- 2018 “Tight Times: Time Struggle and the Role of the “Customer” in Adjunct and Platform Work.” Paper Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2018 “I Always Go with My *Compañeros*: Social Networks among Borderlands Migrant Agricultural Workers.” Paper Presented at the International Labour Process Conference, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2017 “We’re Losing Time: Laboring and Waiting Among Borderlands Agricultural Workers.” Paper Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, August.
- 2016 “Migrant Agricultural Workers of the Texas Rio Grande Valley: Liminal Labor Across Borders.” Paper presented at the International Labour Process Conference, Berlin, Germany.

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

UT Austin

2023 (Spring)	Introduction to the Study of Society
2023 (Spring)	Interview Methods (Graduate Course)
2022 (Fall)	Introduction to the Study of Society

<i>Columbia University</i>	
2018, 2020 (Summer)	Social Theory
2019 (Fall Semester)	Work, Life, Time and Space: From the Factory to the Gig Economy
2017 (Summer)	The Social World

Teaching Assistant*Columbia University*

Spring 2018, 2020	Sociology of Work and Gender (Undergraduate). Professor Teresa Sharpe.
Fall 2017	Designs of Social Research (PhD). Professor Joshua Whitford.
Spring 2017	The Social World (Undergraduate). Professor Teresa Sharpe.
Fall 2016	Organizing Innovation (Undergraduate). Professor David Stark.
Spring 2016	Social Theory (Undergraduate). Professor Deborah Becher.
Fall 2015	Global Urbanism (Undergraduate). Professor Saskia Sassen.

University of California, San Diego

2010- 2011	Culture, Art and Technology Undergraduate Writing Program, Sixth College
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Writing Consultant

Fall 2016- Spring 2020	Columbia University Writing Center
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Faculty Advisor

2016 - 2019	INCITE Summer Social Sciences Program, Columbia University
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FELLOWSHIPS

2020	Lindt Dissertation Fellowship, Alternate, Columbia University GSAS
2019-20	Teaching Scholar, Columbia University GSAS
2018-19	Innovative Center for Theory and Empirics (INCITE) Fellowship, Columbia University
2017-18	Nell P. Eurich and Maurice Lazarus Fellowship, Columbia University
2014-19	Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellowship, Columbia University
2011-12	Fulbright English Teaching Fellowship, Madrid, Spain, Fulbright Commission
2009-10	Graduate Student Researcher, Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies, UC San Diego

GRANTS AND AWARDS (SELECTED)

2021	Robert K. Merton Best Dissertation Award, Department of Sociology at Columbia University
2019	ASA Labor and Labor Movements Section Best Student Paper Award Honorable Mention
2018	ASA Student Forum Travel Award
2017	Alex Inkeles Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Paper, Columbia University
2016	Stanley Spivack Memorial Fund Award, Columbia University
2016	Lazarus Prize for Scholastic and Community Work, Columbia University
2015	Graduate Student Research Grant, Columbia University
2010	UC Center for New Racial Studies Research Grant, University of California

- 2010 Institute for International, Comparative, and Area Studies Travel Grant, UC San Diego
- 2010 Mexican Migration Field Research Program Internship Stipend, UC San Diego
- 2009 Latin American Studies Prize, NYU Department of Spanish & Portuguese
- 2008 James Kock Undergraduate Research Grant, New York University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (SELECTED)

- 2023 Committee, Burt Student Paper Award, Economic Sociology Section of ASA
- 2023 Co-Organizer, “Work Processes” section panel, Organizations, Occupations, and Work Section of ASA
- 2022 Co-Organizer, “Prospects and Limits of Platform Control: Relating Algorithmic Management to Worker Agency.” In-person Max Planck Institute Workshop. May 5 and 6.
- 2021 Co-Organizer, “Disrupted Times: Crisis, Temporal Inequalities, and the Capitalist Time Regime” Mini-Conference, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Conference
- 2021 Invited Talk, Northeastern Research Group on Managing the Algorithmic Workplace
- 2020 Guest Lecture, “Sociology of the Gig Economy”, Hunter College
- 2020- Consultant, Needs Assessment, Texas RioGrande Legal Aid
- 2019-20 Discussant and Presenter, NYLON Workshop, NYU
- 2019 -20 Peer Observation Program, Columbia University Center for Teaching and Learning
- 2017-18 Lead Teaching Fellow, Columbia University Center for Teaching and Learning
- 2017 Panelist, “Stopping Sexual Violence in the Fields”, with the Coalition of Immokalee Workers and Jennifer Hirsch, November 17
- 2016-17 Graduate Student Representative, Department of Sociology, Columbia University
- 2015-16 Discussant and Presenter, Race, Ethnicity, and Migration (REM) Workshop, Columbia University (Participant 2014-2020)
- 2015 Co-Organizer, Graduate Conference on Race, Ethnicity, and Migration, Columbia University
- 2010 Organizer, Graduate Symposium, Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies (CILAS), UC San Diego

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

- American Sociological Association
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics
- Work and Family Researchers Network
- Research Group, Sociology of Markets, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies

AD HOC REVIEWER

- American Sociological Review, Critical Sociology, Demography, European Journal of Sociology, Journal of Cultural Economy, Sociological Forum, Social Networks, Social Problems, Socio-Economic Review, Strategic Organization, Time and Society, Work and Occupations*

LANGUAGES

- English –Native language
- Spanish – Speak, read, and write fluently

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Brownsville, Texas
Paralegal and Outreach Advocate

2012-14

Fulbright Commission, Madrid, Spain
English Teaching Assistant – *IES Villa de Vallecas*

2011-12