

Dr. Stephanie Marie Baran

Education

2014 to December 2019	University of Wisconsin Milwaukee	Milwaukee, WI
Ph.D. Sociology	Dissertation published with Rowman & Littlefield : Lexington Books 2022: <i>Food Insecurity in an American City: Intersections of Race, Gender and Precarity</i> .	Research: Perceptions of welfare recipients, case managers and poverty organizations in Milwaukee.
Chair: Dr. Aneesh Aneesh		
2010 to June 2013	DePaul University	Chicago, IL
Master of Arts in Sociology.		
M.A Thesis		
“ <i>Parsing White Supremacy: Exploratory Study of Political Affiliation and Gender and Racial Beliefs</i> ” – Published to Heathwood Institute and Press, 2014.	Committee Chairs, Dr. Traci Schlesinger and Dr. Roberta Garner	
2003 to 2007	Loyola University	Chicago, IL
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with minors in Spanish, Women’s Studies and Gender Studies		
Study abroad – Puebla, Mexico	Dean’s List recognized student	

Areas of Specialization

Anti-racism, Racism, White Supremacy, Nutritional Redlining, Policing, Food Insecurity, Poverty, Inequality, Theory, Body and Embodiment, Feminism/Global Feminism, LGBTQ+ Studies, Marxism, Qualitative and Quantitative Methodology

Research Grants

\$2000 Grant to complete qualitative coding for the Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management (BOEM) using MaxQDA software

Awards and Accomplishments

Advisor for XULA Sociology Club
Co-Advisor of the Social Justice Coalition, XULA
Teacher Award for Bridge Students, Nicholls State University
Mentor for Undergraduate Research Symposium, “The Carryover Effect of Stereotype Threat on Women”, Madeline Fruehe, 2019.
LGBT+ Studies Advisory Board, 2018
Campus-Wide Common Read Facilitator, 2018
American Sociological Association Marxist Sociology, Public Engagement Liaison, Appointed 2018
UWM Online and Blended Teaching Certificate, 2018
UWM Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Award, March 2018
American Sociological Association Marxist Sociology, Graduate Representative, Elected 2017-2019
Professor Watch List, Turning Point USA, 2017
Chancellor’s Grant Recipient, 2014

Teaching Experience

August 2024 to present **Xavier University of Louisiana** **New Orleans, LA**
Assistant Professor, Sociology

- Sociology 1010 – Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2024)
- Sociology 2020 – Introduction to Criminology (Fall 2024, Spring 2025)
- Sociology 2500 – Reading and Writing for Sociology (Fall 2024)
- Sociology 4080/WMST 4080 – Race, Class and Gender (Spring 2025)
- Sociology 4800 – Crime and Social Justice Seminar (Spring 2025)

January 2024 to present **University of New Orleans** **New Orleans, LA**
Instructor, Sociology

- Sociology 1051 – Introduction to Sociology

August 2020 to March 2024 **Nicholls State University** **Thibodaux, LA**
Instructor, Sociology

- Sociology 151 – Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024)
- Sociology 201 – Social Problems (Fall 2022, Spring 2022)
- Sociology 204 – Cultural Diversity of the US (Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024)
- Sociology 225 – Social Research 1 (Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2023, Fall 2023)
- Sociology 372 – Sociology of Villains (Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Online, Spring 2023)
- Sociology 372 – Sociology of Gender (Summer 2021, Online)
- Sociology 372 – Self-care and Social Justice (Summer 2021, Online)
- Sociology 372 – Sociology of Policing (Fall 2021, Fall 2023)
- Sociology 372 – Homelessness & Poverty (Spring 2022, Spring 2024)
- Sociology 372 – LGBTQ+ Studies (Fall 2021, Fall 2023)
- Sociology 395 – Racial and Ethnic Minorities (Spring 2021, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)
- Sociology 490 – Capstone (Spring 2021, Online)

August 2019 to December 2019 **Pacific University** **Forest Grove, OR**
Visiting Assistant Professor

- Sociology 304 – Criminological Theory (Fall 2019)
- Sociology 366 – Deviance (Fall 2019)
- Sociology 301 – Introduction to Statistical Theory (Fall 2019)

August 2014 to August 2019 **University of Wisconsin Milwaukee** **Milwaukee, WI**
Instructor - LGBT+ Studies

- LGBT 200 – Introduction to LGBT+ Studies (Online Summer 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019)
 - Focus on LGBT+ history, pre/post-Stonewall, theory, advocacy

Instructor - Sociology

- Sociology 224 – American Minority Groups (Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019)
 - Focus on theory, scholars and writers of color, white supremacy and privilege

- Sociology 376 – Modern Sociological Theory (Online Summer 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018)
 - Focus on sociologists of color, feminist theory, intersectionality, theory application

Teaching Assistant

- Sociology 361 Research Methods (Online Spring 2015)
Dr. Marcus Britton, Supervising Professor
- Sociology 361 Research Methods (Fall 2014)
Dr. Noelle Chesley, Supervising Professor

UWM Professional Service

Diversity Services Intern ***UWM Libraries*** ***Milwaukee, WI***

- Facilitate research workshops for Milwaukee area middle and high school students
- Design library exhibits that have an intersectional focus
- Create events for Library Student User Services
- Assist in creating employee diversity events
- Member of the Library Diversity Advisory Committee

Teaching Experience

March 2017 to October 2018 **Upper Iowa University** **West Allis, WI**

Instructor - Sociology

- Sociology 240 – Sociological basics and introduction to theory (Spring 2017, Summer 2017, Fall 2017, Winter 2018)
- Anthropology 110 – Anthropological basics and introduction to culture, groups and norms (Spring 2018)

June 2014 to August 2014 **Prairie State College** **Chicago Heights, IL**

Instructor - Sociology

- Sociology 101 – Sociological basics and introduction to theory (Summer 2014)

August 2013 to August 2014 **Kankakee Community College** **Kankakee, IL**

Instructor - Sociology

- Sociology 101 – Sociological basics and introduction to theory (Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Summer 2014)
- Sociology 103: Race and Ethnicity (Spring 2014)

Research Assistantship

June 2015 – October 2015 **BMoC/My Brother's Keeper Initiative** **Milwaukee, WI**

- Qualitative project researching local, statewide and national initiatives targeting men of color
 - Focus on education, jobs, transportation, housing and resources

Works in Progress

- Death Practices in New Orleans (in progress)
- Sexualities and Stigma in Pole Fitness and Occupation Prestige (working title)
- Ecofeminism contribution for an edited volume featuring Alice Walker (in progress)
- Cultural Diversity Textbook, Cognella (in process)

Publications

Living on the Edge: Food Insecurity in an American City

Lexington Books, an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield: New York, January 15, 2022

Journal Articles

Baran, Stephanie. 2018. "Policing Poverty: An Exploratory Study of Police Misconduct Rates in 30 U.S. Cities". *Epolis* 10: 1-24.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Laestadius, L., Deckers, J., & Baran, S. 2018. Food crimes, harms and carnist technologies. In Gray A. & Hinch R. (Eds.), *A handbook of food crime: Immoral and illegal practices in the food industry and what to do about them* (pp. 295-312). Bristol: Policy Press at the University of Bristol.

Baran, S. 2017. Visual patriarchy: PETA advertising and the commodification of sexualized bodies. In Vakoch D.A. & Mickey S. (Eds.), *Women and Nature?: Beyond Dualism in Gender, Body, and Environment* (pp. 65-78). Routledge: New York.

Other Publications

"Access to Parlay: Freedom of Speech" Heathwood Institute and Press, February 2015

"Scars, Womanness, and Motherhood" Feministing.com, May 2014

Public Sociology

Interview with Wisconsin Public Radio *The Morning Show*. April 10, 2019.

Research Partnership with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Conference Session Organizer

- **American Sociological Association** – August 2019 – Marxist Sociology Roundtable Organizer – 5 Sessions
- **American Sociological Association** – August 2018 – Marxist Sociology Roundtable Organizer – 5 Sessions
 - Queer Capitalisms: Examining the Strange, Unusual and Excluded
 - Trampling on Trump: Sociological Examinations of Trump, U.S. Expansion, and Inequality
 - Ecological and Class Entanglements in Capitalism
 - Intersections of Race, Gender, and Poverty Under Capitalism
 - Political Economy and World Systems

Conferences & Presentations

- **Southern Sociological Society** – April 2021, April 2022, April 2023, April 2024
- **Midwest Sociological Society** – March 2021, April 2023
- **Society of the Study of Social Problems** – August 2019 – Critical Dialogue – "More Than the Bare Minimum: How White Women Ethnographers Can Avoid Whitewashing Research"
- **Midwest Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference** – April 2019 – Panel Presentation – "It's a Longstory: Relationship Development in Queer Video Games"

- **Wisconsin Sociological Association** – October 2017 – Panel Presentation – “When Anonymity Erases Humanity: Examining Online Discourse About Benefit Recipients”
- **American Sociological Association** – August 2017 – Roundtable presentation – “Symbolic Annihilation and Violence: An Exploratory Analysis of Online Discourse About Welfare Recipients”
- **Society of the Study of Social Problems** – August 2017 – Panel Presentation – “How Online Anonymity Fuels Systematic Oppression: Using Symbolic Annihilation and Violence to Analyze Welfare Recipient Discourse”
- **Midwest Sociological Society** – March 2017 – Panel Presentation – “Understanding Humanity in the News: Examining Welfare Recipient Discourse”
- **Midwest Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference** – 2017 – Volunteer Coordinator
- **American Sociological Association** – August 2016 – Roundtable presentation – “Exploratory Study of Right and Left-Wing Political Affiliation and its Effects on Color-Blind Ideology”
- **Society of the Study of Social Problems** – August 2016 – Panel Presentation – “Racism: Is it Just a Right-Wing Phenomenon? An Exploratory Study of Left-Wing Party Affiliation and Color-blind Ideologies”
- **WPC 17** – April 2016 – Workshop entitled “Exploring the Interconnectivity of Capitalism and White Supremacy”
- **Midwest Sociological Society** – March 2016 – Panel Presentation – “Visualized Patriarchy: PETA and the Intersections of Race, Class and Gender”
- **American Sociological Association** – August 2015 – Roundtable presentation – “Advertising and PETA: Sexualization and Objectification in Social Justice Causes”
- **Society of the Study of Social Problems** – August 2015 – Panel Presentation – “Policing Poverty: An Exploratory Study of Police Misconduct in 30 U.S. Cities”
- **University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Graduate Student Colloquium** – April 2015 – “PETA and Visual Patriarchy”
- **WPC 16** – April 2015 – Presentation - “Visual Patriarchy and Overt Sexual Objectification”
- **Public Sociology Conference, George Mason University** – Panel Presentation – October 2014 – “Social Justice Activism and the Approach to PETA: How Can We Better Assess Our Activist Allegiance?”
- **Association of Humanist Sociology Conference** – October 2014 – Workshop entitled “Racism as Accessory: How Capitalism and Consumerism Make Cultural Co-optation the norm.”
- **WPC 15** – March 2014 – 2 workshops at Madison Conference entitled “Racism as Accessory: How Capitalism and Consumerism Make Cultural Co-optation the norm.”
- **Eastern Sociological Society** – Annual Meeting 2014 - Thesis Roundtable – “Parsing White Supremacy: Exploratory Study of Political Affiliation and Gender and Racial Beliefs”
- **DePaul University Undergraduate Research Panel Presider** – May 2013 – Juvenile Crime and Prisons

Completed Graduate Coursework

- Course work: Advanced Statistics, Data Analysis, Qualitative Methods, Sociology of Social Networks

- Seminars: Critical Geographies of Race, Institutional Theory, Sociological Instruction, Sociology of Inequality, Place Stratification, Social Policy and Change, Social Deviation, Street Gangs, Advanced Introduction to Sociology, Gender and Society, Sociological Perspectives, Sociology of Social Movements, Intergroup Relations, Racism and Resistance, Independent study: Problems of Contention, Research Paper Instruction, Teaching Sociology, Classical and Modern Theory, Social Research, Sociology of the Body, Queer Theory, Sociology of Culture

Graduate Travel Grants

Received \$1,000 in travel grants from UWM

Received \$400 travel grant from Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD)

Relevant Skills

SPSS and STATA statistical programs, Design Program Canva

Managing courses on the Desire to Learn (D2L), Angel, Canvas and Blackboard course systems

Professional Memberships

Alpha Kappa Delta, American Sociological Association, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Midwest Sociological Society, Southern Sociological Society