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EMPLOYMENT

CUNY Queens College New York, NY 2023 - present
Department of Sociology, Assistant Professor

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 2020 - 2023
School of Public and International Affairs, Postdoctoral Research Associate

EXTERNAL AFFILIATION

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 2023 - 2024
School of Public and International Affairs, Visiting Scholar

EDUCATION

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
Ph.D in Sociology (Advisors: Kathryn Edin, Stefanie DeLuca) 2020
M.A. in Sociology 2017

Columbia University, New York, NY
M.A., International Educational Development 2015

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
B.A., Art, Art History 2007

BOOK

Jang-Trettien, Christine. Speculating Inequality: Real Estate Investments in Racially-Segregated Baltimore (under contract with Oxford University Press)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Gomory, Henry, Andrew Messamore, **Christine Jang-Trettien**, and Philip Garboden. 2024. "Beyond Scale: Legal, Organizational, and Economic Factors that Shape Landlord Behaviors and Tenant Housing Experiences." *Journal of Urban Affairs* <https://doi.org/10.1080/07352166.2024.2427632>

Jang-Trettien, Christine. 2024. "Concealed Exchanges: Relational Work in Racially-Segregated Housing Markets." *Social Forces* 103(2):802-820 <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/soae082>

- Interviewed by *Washington Post*, *Rolling Stone Magazine*, [Shelterforce](#)

Jang-Trettien, Christine and Daniel Bolger. 2024. "Racialized Administrative Burden in Disability Assistance Programs in Two Rural Counties." *Social Service Review* 98(3):446-481 <https://doi.org/10.1086/730819>

Jang-Trettien, Christine. 2022. "House of Cards: Informal Housing Markets and Precarious Pathways to Homeownership in Baltimore." *Social Problems* 69(4):928-951 <https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spab004>

- Best Graduate Student Paper Award, American Sociological Association (ASA) Community and Urban Sociology Section, Honorable Mention (2019)

DeLuca, Stefanie and **Christine Jang-Trettien**. 2020. “Not Just a Lateral Move”: Residential Decisions and the Reproduction of Urban Inequality.” *City & Community* 19(3):451-488 <https://doi.org/10.1111/cico.12515>

Garboden, Philip ME and **Christine Jang-Trettien**. 2020. “There’s Money to Be Made in Community: Real Estate Developers, Community Organizing, and Profit-making in a Shrinking City.” *Journal of Urban Affairs* 42(3):414-434 <https://doi.org/10.1080/07352166.2018.1465346>

- 2021 Best Article in the *Journal of Urban Affairs* Award, Urban Affairs Association (2021)

IN PROGRESS

Reina, Vincent, Katherine O'Regan, **Christine Jang-Trettien**, Haydar Kurban. “Rental Assistance: What Do We Know and Where Do We Go?” (Minor R&R at *Housing Policy Debate*)

- Follow up to HUD’s [Next Generation of Housing Policy Roundtable](#)

Jang-Trettien, Christine. “Racialized Circuits: Currencies, Logic and Routines within Housing Markets in Baltimore” (R&R at *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*)

- Media coverage in [Marketplace](#)

Bolger, Daniel, Kathryn Edin, Tim Nelson, **Christine Jang-Trettien**. “The Epidemic of Pain and the Making of Disability Assistance Clusters” (In Progress)

Rhodes, Anna, Max Besbris, and **Christine Jang-Trettien**. “Returning to Risk: Residential Immobility and Climate Change Beliefs after Hurricane Harvey” (In Progress)

Jang-Trettien, Christine, Kathryn Edin, Tim Nelson, Daniel Bolger. “The Economy of Pain” (In Progress)

OTHER WRITING

Book Chapter

Cornelissen, Sharon and **Christine Jang-Trettien**. 2023. “Housing Amidst Urban Decline.” Chapter in the book manuscript *Sociology of Housing*, edited by Eva Rosen and Brian McCabe. Chicago: University of Chicago Press

- Media Coverage in [HUD Edge](#)

Reports

Cornelissen, Sharon and **Christine Jang-Trettien**. “How Does Decline Impact Housing Today? Issues and Questions for a Housing Agenda.” Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies <https://www.jchs.harvard.edu/blog/sociology-housing-how-homes-shape-our-social-lives>

Christine Jang-Trettien, Daniel Bolger, Emily Miller, Ryan Parsons, and Kathryn Edin. “Place and Disability Program Enrollment: Comparing Two Rural Counties.” Center for Financial Security, University of Wisconsin

Book Review

Jang-Trettien, Christine. 2024. Review of “Before Gentrification: The Creation of DC’s Racial Wealth Gap” By Tanya Maria Golash-Boza. *Social Forces*

Jang-Trettien, Christine. Forthcoming. Review of “From Chinatown to Everytown: How Chinese Immigrants have Expanded the Restaurant Business in the United States” By Zai Liang. *Contemporary Sociology*

Jang-Trettien, Christine. 2023. Review of *Stacked Decks: Building Inspectors and the Reproduction of Urban Inequality* by Robin Bartram. *Social Forces*

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

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| 2021 | 2021 Best Article in the <i>Journal of Urban Affairs</i> Award, Urban Affairs Association |
| 2019 | Community and Urban Sociology Graduate Student Paper Award, Honorary Mention, American Sociological Association |
| 2015 | Johns Hopkins University Gilman Fellowship |

GRANTS

External

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| 2022 | University of Wisconsin Institute for Research on Poverty. “The Shifting Safety Net: The Role of Disability Insurance Programs in Household Budgets, Dynamics, and the Broader Community.” (Principal Investigator, with Kathryn Edin, Dan Bolger, Ryan Parsons) (\$45,000) |
| 2016-2019 | Annie E. Casey Foundation / JHU Office of the President. Who is Moving In? Understanding the Process of Neighborhood Revitalization in Baltimore. (Principal Investigator, with Kathryn Edin, Stefanie DeLuca, Philip Garboden) (\$839,429) |

Internal

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| 2024 | PSC-CUNY Research Award (\$5,762) |
| 2012 | <i>Teachers College, Columbia University</i> Teachers College Minority Scholarship (\$7,000) |
| 2007 | <i>Indiana University</i> Hutton Honors College Creative Activities Grant (\$3,000) |
| 2007 | <i>Indiana University</i> Hutton Honors College Research Grant (\$3,000) |
| 2006 | <i>Indiana University</i> Harry Engel Scholarship |
| 2006 | <i>Indiana University</i> Edward L. Hutton International Experiences Grant (\$3,000) |

PRESENTATIONS (* Invited)

“The Epidemic of Pain”

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| 2024 | APPAM, Annual Meeting, Panel Paper. Washington D.C.
American Sociological Association, Annual Meeting, Regular Session. Montreal, Canada |
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“Racialized Administrative Burden”

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| 2024 | APPAM, Annual Meeting, Panel Paper. Washington D.C. |
| 2023 | American Sociological Association, Annual Meeting, Regular Session. Philadelphia, PA |

Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD

“Racialized Circuits in Segregated Markets”

- 2023 Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Annual Meeting, Paper Session, Chicago, IL
American Sociological Association, Annual Meeting, Regular Session. Philadelphia, PA
Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN
- 2022 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Economic Racism, Ethnic Chauvinism, Racial Capitalism Mini-Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands

“Obfuscated Relational Work”

- 2023 Hunter College, City University of New York, Department of Sociology, New York, NY*
Queens College, City University of New York, Department of Sociology, New York, NY*
Georgia Institute of Technology, School of City and Regional Planning, Atlanta, GA*
University of North Carolina, Department of City and Regional Planning, Chapel Hill, NC*
- 2022 American University, Department of Sociology. Washington D.C.*
University of British Columbia, School of Community and Regional Planning. Vancouver, BC*
Marquette University, Department of Social and Cultural Sciences. Milwaukee, WI*
University of Florida, Department of Urban and Regional Planning. Gainesville, FL*
University of Wisconsin-Madison, Community & Environmental Sociology. Madison, WI*
- 2021 Georgia State University, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. Virtual*
Virginia Tech, Urban Affairs and Planning. Blacksburg, VA*
Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Sociology. Virtual*
- 2019 Georgetown University, Sociology of Housing Conference. Washington D.C.*
Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA

“Homebuyers in Informal Housing Markets”

- 2020 Harvard University, Contemporary Ethnography and Inequality Workshop. Virtual*
- 2019 Community & Urban Sociology, Pre-Conference, New York University. New York, NY
- 2018 Princeton University, Princeton Housing Conference. Princeton, NJ*
- 2017 Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Regular Session. Montreal, Canada

“There’s Money to be Made in Community”

- 2016 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Regular Session. Seattle, WA
Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Boston, MA

Other

- 2024 Respondent, HUD “Next Generation of Housing Policy Roundtable,” Washington D.C.*
- 2023 Discussant, Harvard University Sociology Climate Pipeline Conference. Cambridge, MA
- 2022 Critic, “Featured Author Meets Critics Session: Detroit Story by Claire Herbert,” Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Creating Moves to Opportunity, Seattle and King County, WA
Project Manager for the Family Cohort Study

- PIs: Raj Chetty (Harvard University), Stefanie DeLuca (Johns Hopkins University), Nathaniel Hendren (Harvard University), Lawrence Katz (Harvard University), Christopher Palmer (MIT), Peter Bergman (Teachers College, Columbia University)
- Conducted in-depth interviews with program participants about residential history, family history, household income, and program experiences
- Managed a large team of undergraduate and graduate researchers from both Johns Hopkins University and University of Washington

Who's Moving In?, Baltimore, MD
Project Director & Co-PI

- PIs: Kathryn Edin (Princeton University), Stefanie DeLuca (Johns Hopkins University), Philip Garboden (Johns Hopkins University), Christine Jang-Trettien (Johns Hopkins University)
- Conducted in-depth interviews about residential history, family history, household income, and perception of neighborhood change
- Managed and trained a large team of undergraduate and graduate researchers in the field for four years

Understanding Communities of Deep Disadvantage
Project Manager & Fieldworker

- PIs: Kathryn Edin (Princeton University) and H. Luke Shaefer (University of Michigan)
- Conducted in-depth interviews about family support, household consumption and expenditures, and community engagement in Zavala County, Texas, and Clay County, Kentucky

TEACHING

Department of Sociology, CUNY Queens College
Assistant Professor

Race and Ethnicity (Fall 2023, Fall 2024)
Qualitative Research Methods (Spring 2024)

Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University
Co-Instructor (with Stefanie DeLuca)

In Our Backyard: Housing and Community Change in Baltimore (Spring 2018)

Guest Lectures

Rutgers University, School of Planning and Public Policy. New Brunswick, NJ (October 2022)

Johns Hopkins University, Introduction to Sociology, Virtual (October 2022)

Princeton University, Topics in Policy Analysis: Poverty and Social Policy, Princeton, NJ (February 2023, November 2024)

Jackson State University, Department of Public Policy & Administration, Jackson, MS (May 2023)

SERVICES

American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting

2020 Session Organizer, “Theorizing the Renters and Rental Housing in the United States”
2022 Session Organizer, “Homelessness, Unsheltered Populations, and Housing Precarity”
2024 Inequality, Poverty and Mobility’s (IPM) Devah Pager Outstanding Article Award Committee
2025 Regular Session Organizer, Housing / Housing Policy

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association
Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics
Eastern Sociological Society
Urban Affairs Association
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)

REFERENCES

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