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## Academic Appointments

2020-  
2020-2021 **Provost's Postdoctoral Fellow**, *College of Public Health*, University of Iowa  
**Trainee**, *Iowa Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (ILEND)*,  
University of Iowa

## Education

2020 PH.D. in Sociology, University of California, Riverside  
Dissertation Title: *Who Pays Income Inequality's Health Tax? Toward a Conditional Model of Economic Stratification and Population Health*.  
Dissertation Committee: Bruce G. Link (Co-Chair), Matthew C. Mahutga (Co-Chair), Richard M. Carpiano, David Brady, and Steven G. Brint

2013 MA in Sociology, University of California, Riverside

2005 BA in Sociology, University of Central Arkansas

## Areas of Specialization

Development; Inequality; Global/Comparative; Medical Sociology; Politics/Political Economy;  
Quantitative Methods

## Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

### GRANTS

2019 PRISM Travel Grant, Stanford University

2018 Healthy Campus Initiative (HCI) Grant, *Identifying Accommodation and Support Services Gaps for Students with Disabilities at UCR*, University of California, Riverside

2017 Ideas Incubator Seminar Travel Grant: Responses to Automation, Buffett Institute for Global Studies, Northwestern University

### FELLOWSHIPS

2019 Dissertation-Year Program Fellowship, University of California, Riverside

2018 Ernest L. Proves Endowed Graduate Fellowship, University of California, Riverside

2017 AIS Mellon Seminar Fellowship, Fall, University of California, Riverside

2016 Blum Initiative on Global & Regional Poverty Graduate Research Fellowship, University of California, Riverside

2016 Graduate Research Mentorship Program Fellowship, University of California, Riverside

2011-2014 Dean's Distinguished Fellowship, University of California, Riverside

## Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

### FELLOWSHIPS

- 2004 Honors College Fellowship, University of Central Arkansas  
2000-2004 President's Scholarship, University of Central Arkansas

### AWARDS

- 2019 Earle C. Anthony Travel Award, University of California, Riverside  
2017 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award (Curran and Kwon), "Embedded aid: Does Connectedness to the World Polity Matter for Dyadic Foreign Aid Allocation?" *Department of Sociology*, University of California, Riverside  
2005 Honors College Undergraduate Scholar, University of Central Arkansas  
2003 Kathryn Hinson Outstanding Sociology Student, University of Central Arkansas

## Publications

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2020 **Curran, Michaela**, Bloom, Quinn, and Steven G. Brint. 2020. "Does Cluster Hiring Enhance Faculty Research Output, Collaborations, and Impact? Results from a National Study of U.S. Research Universities." *Minerva*, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11024-020-09408-3>.  
- Accompanying Dataset: <https://higher-ed2000.ucr.edu/databases.html>.
- 2019 Bloom, Quinn, **Curran, Michaela**, and Steven G. Brint. 2019. "Interdisciplinary Cluster Hiring Initiatives in U.S. Research Universities: More Straw than Bricks?" *Journal of Higher Education*, 91(5):755-780.  
- Featured in *Times Higher Education* on January 6, 2020.  
- Featured in *UCR Today* on January 17, 2020.  
- Accompanying Dataset: <https://higher-ed2000.ucr.edu/databases.html>.
- 2018 **Curran, Michaela**, and Matthew C. Mahutga. 2018. "Income Inequality and Population Health: A Global Gradient?" *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 59(4): 536-553.
- 2018 Mahutga, Matthew C., **Curran, Michaela**, and Anthony Roberts. 2018. "Job Tasks and the Comparative Structure of Income and Employment: Routine Task Intensity and Offshoreability for the LIS." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 59(2): 81-109. **(Lead Article)**  
- Featured in "Routine Task Intensity and Offshoreability for the LIS," *Inequality Matters*, 7:10-11.  
- Accompanying Dataset: <https://matthewcm.ucr.edu/data.html>.
- 2016 Kwon, Ronald, and **Michaela Curran**. 2016. "Immigration and Support for Redistributive Social Policy: Does Multiculturalism Matter?" *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 57(6):375-400. **(Lead Article)**
- 2016 Owen, Jason E., **Curran, Michaela**, Bantum, Erin O., and Robert Hanneman. 2016. "Characterizing Social Networks and Communication Channels in a Web-Based Peer Support Intervention." *Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking*, Jun;19(6):388-396.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2015 **Curran, Michaela**, Schwarz, Elizabeth A. G., and Christopher Chase-Dunn. 2015. "The Occupy Movement in California." in *What Comes After Occupy? The Regional Politics of Resistance*. Edited by Todd A. Comer. London, U.K.: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

## Publications

### BOOK REVIEWS, RESEARCH REPORTS, AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2015 Chase-Dunn, Christopher, and **Michaela Curran**. 2015. "Book Review of Smith and Wiest: Social Movements in the World System: The Politics of Crisis and Transformation." *Mobilization*, 18(1):482-483.
- 2015 Coyne, Gary, and **Michaela Curran**. 2015. "Evaluation of the Writing Support Program, Spring 2013-Spring 2014." *Internal Report: University of California, Riverside*.
- 2014 Coyne, Gary, and **Michaela Curran**. 2014. "Assistance, Counseling, and Encouragement (ACE) Program: Impact on GPA and Departure in Academic Years 2011-12 and 2012-13." *Internal Report: University of California, Riverside*.
- 2014 Coyne, Gary, and **Michaela Curran**. 2014. "Supplemental Instruction: Patterns of Student Use and Impact on Course Grades, Academic Year 2011-2012." *Internal Report: University of California, Riverside*.
- 2013 Cantwell, Allison, and **Michaela Curran**. 2013. "CNAS to CHASS Swirl." *Internal Report: University of California, Riverside*.

## Presentations

### CONFERENCE

Presenter(s) denoted by \*; Students underlined

- 2019 **Curran, Michaela\***. 2019. "Compositional or Contextual Effects? Revisiting Income Inequality's Health Tax." Regular Session: Open Topic on Sociology of Development, *American Sociological Association 114th Annual Meeting*, New York, NY. August.
- 2018 Ballard-Dosty, Aisa\*, and **Michaela Curran\***. 2018. "Invisible Disabilities in the Academy: Accommodations, Services, and Identity." *California Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Riverside, CA. November.
- 2018 **Curran, Michaela\***, and Matthew C. Mahutga. 2018. "Income Inequality, Economic Development, and Population Health : A Global Gradient?" Regular Session on Development, *American Sociological Association 113th Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA. August.
- 2018 Mahutga, Matthew C., and **Michaela Curran\***. 2018. "Income Polarization in Rich Democracies: Household Composition, Labor Markets and Socio-Economic Change." FC25: Global Hierarchies in World Historical Perspectives, *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, San Francisco, CA. April.
- 2018 **Curran, Michaela\***, and Matthew C. Mahutga. 2018. "Income Inequality, Economic Development, and Population Health : A Global Gradient?" *Sociology Department Colloquium Series, University of California, Riverside*, Riverside, CA. February.
- 2017 Mahutga, Matthew C., and **Michaela Curran\***. 2017. "Income Polarization in Rich Democracies." Section on Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Refereed Roundtable Session, *American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec. August.
- 2017 **Curran, Michaela\***, and Ronald Kwon. 2017. "Embedded Aid: Do Donor and Recipient Connectedness to Global Networks Matter for Foreign Aid Allocation?" Refereed Roundtable Session, Section on Political Economy of the World-System Refereed Roundtable Session and Business Meeting, *American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec. August.
- 2016 Kwon, Ronald\* and **Michaela Curran**. 2016. "Immigration and Support for Redistributive Social Policy: Does Multiculturalism Matter?" *California Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Riverside, CA. November.
- 2016 **Curran, Michaela\***. 2016. "Tourism, Sex Work, and the HIV Pandemic." Section on Sociology of Development Refereed Roundtables, Gender and Work in the Global South, *American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA. August.

## Presentations

### CONFERENCE

- 2016 **Curran, Michaela\***. 2016. "Self-Efficacy, Neighborhood Effects, and Health Behaviors." Social Resources and Health Roundtable. *Society for the Study of Social Problems 66th Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA. August.
- 2014 **Curran, Michaela\***. 2014. "Development Assistance for Health: The Effects of Geopolitical and Cultural Relations on Aid Allocation in the Era of the U.N.'s Millennium Development Goals." Session 121: Globalized Austerity, Poverty, and Social Policy I, *Society for the Study of Social Problems 64th Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA. August.

### INVITED

Presenter(s) denoted by \*; Students underlined

- 2020 **Curran, Michaela\***, and Ronald Kwon. 2020. "Embedded Aid: Do Donor and Recipient Connectedness to Global INGO Networks Matter for Foreign Aid Allocation?" *Power/Dependency Workshop for the Institute for Research on World Systems*, Riverside, CA. February.
- 2019 **Curran, Michaela\***. 2019. "Resource Reappraisal? Socioeconomic Status, Income Inequality, and Self-Rated Health in 83 Countries." *Mellon AIS Conference: Polarity, Diversity, Confluence*, Riverside, CA. March.
- 2016 Mahutga, Matthew C. \*, **Curran, Michaela**, and Anthony Roberts. 2016. "Job Tasks and the Comparative Structure of Wages and Employment: Routine Task Intensity and Offshoreability for the Luxembourg Income Study." Policy and Research Workshop: Introduction to LIS- A Resource for Cross-National Research on Poverty, Inequality, Employment, and Wealth, *American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA. August.
- 2015 Owen, Jason E. \*, Bantum, Erin O. \*, Hanneman, Robert, **Curran, Michaela**, Lorig, Kate, and Phillip Ritter. 2015. "Impact of social-networking on dose and effects of mobile health interventions." Invited presentation to the Health Informatics and Communication Branch, *National Cancer Institute/National Institutes of Health*, Washington D. C., October.

## Research Experience

- 2020 **Graduate Student Researcher**, Blum Initiative on Global & Regional Poverty
- 2019 **Graduate Student Researcher**, National Institutes of Health Grant #5R00AG05245, *Gender differences in early life adversity: adult obesity and cardiovascular risk*.
- 2017-2019 **Graduate Student Researcher**, National Science Foundation Grant #173614, *Faculty cluster hiring initiatives in American universities*.
- 2016-2017 **Graduate Student Researcher**, University of California, Riverside Undergraduate Education (Office of Evaluation and Assessment).
- 2015-2017 **Graduate Student Researcher**, National Science Foundation Grant #1528703, *The Distributional Consequences of the Globalization of Production*.
- 2014-2017 **Graduate Student Researcher**, National Institutes of Health Grant #7R21CA166029, *Efficacy of social network eHealth interventions, treatment engagement, and health outcomes for cancer patients*.
- 2012-2014 **Graduate Student Researcher**, University of California, Riverside Undergraduate Education (Office of Evaluation and Assessment).

## Teaching

Average Teaching Effectiveness Score (as Instructor): 4.85 out of 5.00 (Campus Average: 4.41)

## Teaching

- 2019 **Instructor**, *Methods of Sociological Inquiry*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2018 **Instructor**, *Statistical Analysis*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2014-2015 **Teaching Assistant**, *Introduction to Sociology - Soc 001 (Summer 2014)*, *Development of Sociological Theory - Soc 168 (Fall 2014)*, *Statistical Analysis - Soc 005 (Winter 2015)*, *Sociological Foundations, The City - Soc 002 (Spring 2015)*, *Theoretical Foundations - Soc 003 (Summer 2015)*, *Sociology of Economic Organizations - Soc 150 (Summer 2015)*, University of California, Riverside.

## Service

### TO THE DISCIPLINE

- 2019- **Newsletter Committee**, *Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section*, American Sociological Association.
- 2019- **Webmaster and Social Media Officer**, *Sociology of Development Section*, American Sociological Association.
- 2016- **Webmaster**, *Political Economy of the World-System Section*, American Sociological Association.
- 2016- **Listserv Administrator**, *Political Economy of the World-System Section*, American Sociological Association.

### TO THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY

- 2018-2019 **Panel Discussant**, *disAbility Ally Workshop*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2018 **Grant Table Discussant**, *Healthy Campus Celebration*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2017 **Panel Discussant**, *Inequality for All "Film for Thought" Series*, Barbara and Art Culver Center, University of California, Riverside.
- 2017 **Website Redesign Committee Member**, *Department of Sociology*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2014-2019 **Computing Committee Member**, *Department of Sociology*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2014-2015 **Alumni and Development Committee Member**, *Department of Sociology*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2014 **Evaluator**, *Undergraduate Research Symposium*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2014 **Graduate Student Representative - Sociology**, *Highlander (Recruitment) Day*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2013-2014 **Newsletter Committee Member**, *Department of Sociology*, University of California, Riverside.
- 2013 **Evaluator**, *Undergraduate Research Symposium*, University of California, Riverside.

### EDITING AND REVIEWING

- 2016- **Occasional Reviewer**, *BMJ Open*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Social Forces*, *Socio-Economic Review*, *Sociological Focus*
- 2016-2017 **Copy Editor**, *Journal of World-Systems Research*, American Sociological Association.

## Affiliations

**American Sociological Association**, *Sections*: Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility; Mathematical Sociology; Medical Sociology; Political Economy of the World-System; Sociology of Development

## Other Work Experience

2010-2012 *Hewlett-Packard Enterprise*  
2006-2010 *Axiom Corporation*  
2005-2006 *ICT Group*

## References

### **Bruce G. Link**

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