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## Employment

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Mary Tefft and John Hazen White, Sr. Assistant Professor of International and Public Affairs and Sociology, Brown University, Providence, RI 2016-  
Assistant Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs, Brown University, Providence, RI 2015-  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health and Society Scholars Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI 2013-2015  
Summer Fellow, Mathematica Policy Research, Human Services Division, Princeton, NJ 2008, 2011  
Research Assistant, Urban Institute, Education Policy Center, Washington, DC 2006-2007

## Education

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Joint Ph.D., Sociology and Demography, Princeton University 2013  
M.A., Sociology, Princeton University 2009  
B.A., Political Science (concentration: Public Policy) and Sociology, Swarthmore College 2006  
*High Honors, Phi Beta Kappa*

## Research Areas and Teaching Interests

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Stratification, Education, Gender, Race/Ethnicity, Children and Families, Population Health, Work and Organizations

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

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**Owens, Jayanti** and Heide Jackson. 2016. "Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Severity, Diagnosis, and Later Academic Achievement in a National Sample." *Social Science Research*, Online First.

**Owens, Jayanti.** 2016. "Early Childhood Behavior Problems and the Gender Gap in Educational Attainment in the United States" *Sociology of Education* 89(3): 236-258.

Featured coverage in: *U.S. News & World Report*, *Forbes*, *The Telegraph (U.K.)*, *The Seattle Times*, *Deseret News*, *Inside Higher Ed.*, *Science Daily*, *Philly.com*, *Health Day*, *WebMD*

**Owens, Jayanti.** 2014. "Racial/Ethnic Variations in the Consequences of Religious Participation for Academic Achievement at Elite Colleges and Universities." *Sociology of Religion* 75(1): 80-112.

Massey, Douglas S. and **Jayanti Owens**. 2014. "Mediators of Stereotype Threat among Black College Students." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 37(3): 557-575.

**Owens, Jayanti** and Scott M. Lynch. 2012. "Black and Hispanic Immigrants' Resilience against Negative-Ability Stereotypes at Selective Colleges and Universities in the United States." *Sociology of Education* 85(4): 303-328. (Lead Article; *Sociology of Education's* "Most Read Articles in May 2013")

**Owens, Jayanti** and Douglas S. Massey. 2011. "Stereotype Threat and College Academic Performance: A Latent Variables Approach." *Social Science Research* 40(2011): 150-166.

**Owens, Jayanti**. 2010. "Foreign Students, Immigrants, Domestic Minorities and Admission to Texas' Selective Flagship Universities Before and After the Ban on Affirmative Action." *Peabody Journal of Education* 85(4): 486-510.

**Owens, Jayanti**. 2006. "The Current Status of the Pell Grant Program: Limiting or Opening Access to Higher Education?" *Mellon Mays Undergraduate Journal* 12(1): 68-83.

**Owens, Jayanti**. 2006. "The Role of the Federal Government in Creating Intellectual Capital to Break the Cycle of Poverty." *Alchemy: Annual Academic Journal of Swarthmore College*.

### **Papers Under Review**

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Rivera, Lauren A. and **Jayanti Owens**. "Glass Floors and Glass Ceilings: Sex Homophily and Heterophily in Job Interviews." (*Revise and Resubmit*)

**Owens, Jayanti** and Heide Jackson. "Diagnosing Kids on the Clinical Margins: the ADHD Diagnostic Label, Behavioral Adjustment, and Academic Achievement"

**Owens, Jayanti** and Sara S. McLanahan. "The Origins of the Gender Gap in School Suspension/Expulsion"

### **Research In-Progress**

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**Owens, Jayanti**. "Coloring the "Boys Will Be Boys" Chronicle: Race, Gender, and Behavior Problems across Two Decades" (Working Paper)

**Owens, Jayanti**. "Getting Ahead and Falling Behind: Gender, Early Behavior, and Labor Market Outcomes in the Early Career"

**Owens, Jayanti** and Prabhdeep Kehal. "Who Gets to Walk the Straight Line? Race and Gender Disparities in Pathways between Early Behavior Problems and Adult Educational Attainment."

**Owens, Jayanti** and Jackelyn Hwang. "School Suspension is in the Air: How School Disciplinary Environment Shapes Parent Perceptions of Children's Early Behavior Problems"

Rivera, Lauren A. and **Jayanti Owens**. "Moving Up or Moving Out? Gender and Promotions in a Large Professional Services Firm"

**Owens, Jayanti** and Lauren A. Rivera. "Recasting the Value of an Elite Education"

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## Grants

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The CV Starr Program in Business, Entrepreneurship and Organizations (Brown University) Competitive Faculty Research Award for “RCT Evaluation of the Rhymes with Reason Educational Platform.” (\$8,000)	2016
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars Program (UW-Madison) Competitive Pilot Grant for “The ADHD Diagnostic Label & Academic Outcomes” (\$21,815)	2015
Institute for Clinical and Translational Research (ICTR), University of Wisconsin-Madison, Advancing Health Equity and Diversity (AHEAD) Pilot Grant for “Racial/Ethnic Disparities In the Effects of a Childhood ADHD Diagnostic Label on Academic Performance” (\$10,000)	2015
Social Science Research Council, Dissertation Completion Grant (\$10,000)	2012
Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, Dissertation Research Grant (\$10,000)	2012
National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant. “Childhood Behavioral Skills & Educational Attainment” Doug Massey (PI) and Jayanti Owens (Co-PI) (\$6,780)	2011-12
National Science Foundation, Travel Grant (\$2,500)	2010
La Universidad Católica (Santiago, Chile), Global Network on Inequality Grant (\$10,000)	2010
Social Science Research Council, Pre-Dissertation Research Grant	2009
National Institutes of Health, Spatial and Multi-Level Modeling Workshop Grant	2009
Social Science Research Council, Travel Grant	2008
Princeton University, Office of Population Research & Dept. of Sociology, Travel Grants	2007-2011

## Fellowships

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Keller Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation Fellowship, Princeton University	2011-2012
National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship	2007-2009, 2010-2011
National Institutes of Health (NIH) Pre-Doctoral Traineeship in Demography	2009-2010
Princeton University Religion and Public Life Fellowship	2009-2010
Princeton University Fellowship (declined 2007-2011)	2007-2013
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship	2004-2006
Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA/JSI), University of California-Berkeley	2005

## Honors

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Advisor, Rhymes with Reason Online Education Platform	2016
Consultant, New Jersey Department of Health & Human Services, Assisted Living Projections	2015
Invited External Examiner, Swarthmore College Honors Program, Urban Policy	2011, 2013, 2014
Departmental Nomination, Princeton University Honorific Fellowship	2012
Population Association of America (PAA) Poster Award	2009
Dean's Award for Academic Excellence and Community Leadership	2006
Peace Corps Headquarters, Director's Service Award for Leadership	2003

## Paper Presentations and Invited Talks since 2014 (\* Invited)

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Brown University, Population Studies and Training Center*	April 2016
Population Association of America Annual Meeting (PAA), Washington, DC	
Berkeley (University of California, Berkeley), Department of Demography*	February 2016
Brown University, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs*	
Princeton University, Office of Population Research*	December 2015
Rutgers University, Department of Sociology*	
Brown University, Center for the Study of Race & Ethnicity in America (CSREA)*	November 2015
Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Miami, FL	
Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS), Dublin, Ireland	October 2015
American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	August 2015
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars Meeting, Chapel Hill, NC	May 2015
PAA, San Diego, CA	
University of Wisconsin, Department of Population Health Sciences*	April 2015
Princeton University, Fragile Families and Child Well-Being Seminar*	March 2015
University of Wisconsin, Interdisciplinary Training Seminar (ITP)*	
APPAM, Albuquerque, NM	November 2014
SLLS, Lausanne, Switzerland	October 2014
PAA, Boston, MA	May 2014
University of Wisconsin, Center for Demography & Ecology, Madison, WI*	February 2014

## Teaching

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Instructor, Methods of Social Research (Undergraduate), Brown University SOC 1020 Spring 2016

Instructor, Statistics II for Public Policy Analysis (Masters Level), Brown University Fall 2015  
PLCY 2035

Fellow, Teagle Foundation Seminar on Teaching and Learning, Princeton University Fall 2010-2011

Preceptor, Methods of Social Research, Woodrow Wilson School Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Fall 2009  
WWS 333 (Prof. Marta Tienda)

Preceptor, Introduction to Urban Studies, Princeton University Fall 2008  
SOC 201/URB 301 (Prof. Douglas Massey)

## Professional Service

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Occasional Reviewer:

*American Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, Sociology of Education, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management (JPAM), Social Science Research, Social Science Quarterly, Sociology of Religion, Sociological Quarterly, Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Conference (APPAM) Education Section*

Affiliations:

Faculty Affiliate, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University (2015- )

Honorary Affiliate, Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin (2015- )

Professional Memberships:

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Population Association of America (PAA)

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)

Academy of Management (AOM)

Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS)

Invited Discussant or Session Chair:

Chair, “Intended and Unintended Consequences of Health Care Mechanisms” (APPAM 2015)

Discussant, “Demography of Mental Health” (PAA 2015)

Chair, “Inputs into Children’s Cognitive and Socio-Emotional Wellbeing” (APPAM 2014)

Discussant, “Socioeconomic Dimensions of Immigrant Assimilation” (PAA 2014)

Discussant, Global Network on Inequality Annual Conference (Princeton University 2009)

Brown University Service Activities:

Steering Committee Member, Brown Public Policy Program (2016- )

MPA Advisor for four MPA students in Public Affairs (2015- )

Concentration Adviser for four undergraduate concentrators in Public Policy (2015- )

Advisor, Health Policy Track, Masters in Public Affairs Program (2015- )

Member, Public Policy Undergraduate Concentration Committee (2015- )

Member, Preliminary Exam Committees in Health and Illness, Gender, and Social Inequality (2015-)

Reviewer, Graduate Admissions in Sociology, Applications in the Area of Gender (2015)

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Member, Organizational Committee for 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Brown Sociology (2015- )  
Speaker, “The Academic Job Search: Negotiating the Job Offer,” CareerLAB (2015)

Princeton Service Activities:

Convener, Advancing the Boundaries of Entrepreneurship (2011-2012)

Graduate Student Liaison Committee, Office of Population Research (2011-2012)

Student Co-Organizer, Sociology Department Colloquium (2010-2011)

## **Other**

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**Languages:** Spanish, Marathi

**External Certifications:** Spatial and Multi-Level Modeling (National Institutes of Health, Pennsylvania State University, College Station, PA, June 2009)

**Specialized Skills:** STATA (for GLM and survival analysis), R, MPlus (for structural equation and latent growth curve modeling), MLwin (for multi-level modeling), LaTeX; Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint