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Employment

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

Joint Ph.D., Sociology and Demography, Princeton University	2013
M.A., Sociology, Princeton University	2010
B.A., Political Science (concentration: Public Policy) and Sociology, Swarthmore College <i>High Honors, Phi Beta Kappa</i>	2006

Research Areas and Teaching Interests

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

Peer-Reviewed Publications (*Graduate student co-author)

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 and Heide Jackson*. 2016. "Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Severity, Diagnosis, and Later Academic Achievement in a National Sample." *Social Science Research* 61: 251-265.

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

Rivera, Lauren A. and **Jayanti Owens**. "Glass Floors and Glass Ceilings: The Effect of Pairing Job Applicants with Same-Sex Versus Opposite-Sex Evaluators in Job Interviews." (Second Revision Re-Submitted to *American Journal of Sociology*)

Owens, Jayanti. "The New Scarlet Letters: The Social Impact of ADHD Diagnoses and Medication for Children with Less Severe ADHD."

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

Research In-Progress (*Graduate student co-author)

Owens, Jayanti. "The Hidden Costs of 'Medicating to Win': The ADHD Label in an Era of Early Academic Advantage-Seeking."

Owens, Jayanti. "The Rise of Social Control and the Spatial Embedding of Racial Disparities in Child Behavior: The Intergenerational Effects of the Concentrated Rise in Arrests."

Owens, Jayanti and Maria Abascal. "Exclusionary Discipline: Race and Color Disparities in How Educators Evaluate and Punish Misbehavior."

Owens, Jayanti and Prabhdeep Kehal*. "Racialized Pathways: The Differential Advantages of Family Resources and Penalties of Within-School Sorting on Black and White Boys' 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. “Getting Ahead and Falling Behind: Gender, Early Behavior, and Labor Market Outcomes in the Early Career”

Owens, Jayanti and Lauren A. Rivera. “Recasting the Value of an Elite Education”

Grants and Fellowships

National Academy of Education (NAEd)/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$70,000)	2017
Office of the Vice President for Research (Brown University), Salomon Faculty Grant Award for “Exclusionary Punishment: Racial Disparities in how Educators Evaluate and Sanction Student Misbehavior.” (\$15,000)	2017
Dean of the College’s Office (Brown University), Course Development Grant, “Experiments on Race, Class, and Gender.” (with Maria Abascal) (\$5,000)	2017
Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs (Brown University) Collaborative Seed Grant Award for “Exclusionary Punishment: Racial Disparities in how Educators Evaluate and Sanction Misbehavior.” (with Maria Abascal) (\$10,000)	2016
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
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$160,000)	2013-2015
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
Keller Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation Fellowship, Princeton University	2011-2012
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$90,000 direct)	2007-2009, 2010-2011
National Science Foundation, Travel Grant (\$2,500)	2010
La Universidad Católica (Santiago, Chile), Global Network on Inequality Grant (\$10,000)	2010

National Institutes of Health Traineeship in Demography (\$28,000 direct)	2009-2010
Princeton University Religion and Public Life Fellowship	2009-2010
Princeton University Fellowship (declined 2007-2011)	2007-2013
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
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship	2004-2006
Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA/JSI), University of California-Berkeley	2005

Honors

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)

“The Origins of the Racial Gap in School Suspension and Expulsion”

- Boston College, Department of Sociology* (Jan 2018)
- American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, Montreal, CA (Aug 2017)
- Brown University, Department of Education* (Apr 2017)
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting (PAA), Chicago, IL (Apr 2017)
- Princeton University, Office of Population Research* (Nov 2016)
- Princeton University, Fragile Families and Child Well-Being Seminar* (Mar 2015)

“Coloring the ‘Boys will be Boys’ Chronicle: Race and the Rise in Behavior Problems Across Two Decades”

- Brown University, Population Studies and Training Center* (Apr 2016)
- PAA, Washington, DC (Apr 2016)

- University of California, Berkeley, Department of Demography* (Feb 2016)
- Brown University, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs* (Feb 2016)
- Princeton University, Office of Population Research* (Dec 2015)
- Rutgers University, Department of Sociology* (Dec 2015)
- Brown University, Center for the Study of Race & Ethnicity in America* (Nov 2015)
- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Albuquerque, NM (Nov 2014)
- Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS), Lausanne, Switzerland (Oct 2014)
- PAA, Boston, MA (May 2014)
- University of Wisconsin, Center for Demography & Ecology, Madison, WI* (Feb 2014)

“Diagnosing Kids on the Clinical Margins: The Effects of an ADHD Diagnostic Label on Academic Performance among Children with Less Severe ADHD”

- APPAM, Miami, FL (Nov 2015)
- Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS), Dublin (Oct 2015)
- ASA, Chicago, IL (Aug 2015)
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Meeting, Chapel Hill, NC (May 2015)
- PAA, San Diego, CA (May 2015)
- University of Wisconsin, Department of Population Health Sciences* (Apr 2015)
- University of Wisconsin, Interdisciplinary Training Seminar (ITP)* (Apr 2015)

Teaching

Instructor, Experiments on Race, Class, and Gender, Brown University SOC 1290 (with Maria Abascal)	2017
Instructor, Methods of Social Research (Undergraduate), Brown University SOC 1020	2016, 2017
Instructor, Statistics II for Public Policy Analysis (MPA/MPP Level), Brown University PLCY 2035	2015, 2016
Fellow, Teagle Foundation Seminar on Teaching and Learning, Princeton University	2010-2011
Preceptor, Methods of Social Research, Woodrow Wilson School WWS 333 (Prof. Marta Tienda)	Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Fall 2009
Preceptor, Introduction to Urban Studies, Princeton University SOC 201/URB 301 (Prof. Douglas Massey)	Fall 2008

Professional Service

Ad-Hoc Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Social Forces*, *Sociology of Education*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *American Education Research Journal (AERJ)*, *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)

Service to the Discipline:

Selection Committee for Sections on Education Policy (APPAM 2016)

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)
Member, Organizational Committee for 125th Anniversary Celebration of Brown Sociology (2015-)
Speaker, “The Academic Job Search: Negotiating the Job Offer,” CareerLAB (2015)
MA Thesis Reader: Prabhdeep Kehal (May 2017)
Undergraduate Thesis Advisor: Timothy Ittner (2017-18)
UTRA Undergraduate Research Supervisor and Mentor: Timothy Ittner (Summer 2017), Margot Cohen (Fall 2017), Emilia Halvorsen (Fall 2017)

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

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