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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Riverside 2019 (Expected)  
**Dissertation Title:** *Health Disparities in Global Context: Income Inequality, Economic Development, and Resource Gradients.*  
**Committee:** Bruce G. Link (Co-Chair), Matthew C. Mahutga (Co-Chair), Richard M. Carpiano, Steven G. Brint, and David Brady

M.A., Sociology, University of California, Riverside 2013

B.A., Sociology, University of Central Arkansas 2005

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Health; Development; Inequality; Global/Comparative; Politics/Political Economy; Quantitative Methods

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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

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*

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

2017 Sociology Department Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award (with Ronald Kwon), "Embedded aid: Does Connectedness to Global Networks Matter for Dyadic Foreign Aid Allocation?," *University of California, Riverside*

2016 Blum Initiative Graduate Research Fellowship, *University of California, Riverside*

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

2011-14 Dean's Distinguished Fellowship, *University of California, Riverside*

2005 Honors College Undergraduate Scholar, *University of Central Arkansas*

2004-05 Honors College Fellowship, *University of Central Arkansas*

2003 Kathryn Hinson Outstanding Sociology Student, *University of Central Arkansas*

2000-04 President's Scholarship, *University of Central Arkansas*

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Refereed Articles*

Curran, Michaela, and Matthew C. Mahutga. *Forthcoming (December 2018 Issue, online first November 1, 2018)*. "Income Inequality and Population Health: A Global Gradient?" *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022146518808028>

Mahutga, Matthew C., Curran, Michaela, and Anthony Roberts. 2018. "Job Tasks and the Comparative Structure of Income and Employment: Routine Task Intensity and Offshorability for the LIS." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*. 59(2): 81-109. **(Lead article)**

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)**

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*

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. U.K.: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

### *Book Reviews*

Chase-Dunn, Christopher, and Michaela Curran. 2013. "Book Review of Smith and Wiest: *Social Movements in the World System: The Politics of Crisis and Transformation*." *Mobilization*. 18(1): 482-483.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Coyne, Gary, and Michaela Curran. 2015."Evaluation of the Writing Support Program, Spring 2013 -Spring 2014." Internal Report. *University of California, Riverside*.

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*.

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*.

Cantwell, Allison M., and Michaela Curran. 2013. "CNAS to CHASS Swirl." Internal Report. *University of California, Riverside*.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### **University of California, Riverside**

Healthy Campus Initiative Grant (Campus experiences of students with disabilities)

Principal Investigator: Michaela Curran

January 2018 - Present

### **University of California, Riverside**

National Science Foundation Grant #1736146 (Faculty cluster hiring initiatives in American universities)

Principal Investigator: Steven G. Brint

October 2017 - Present, *Graduate Student Researcher*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Riverside

National Science Foundation Grant #1528703 (The Distributional Consequences of the Globalization of Production)

Principal Investigator: Matthew C. Mahutga

October 2015 - July 2017, *Graduate Student Researcher*

### University of California, Riverside

National Institutes of Health Grant #7R21CA166029 (Efficacy of social network eHealth interventions, treatment engagement, and health outcomes for cancer patients)

Principal Investigators: Jason E. Owen, Erin O'Carroll Bantum, and Robert Hanneman

January 2014 - August 2017, *Graduate Student Researcher*

### University of California, Riverside

Undergraduate Education (Office of Evaluation and Assessment)

October 2012 - June 2017, *Graduate Student Researcher*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Riverside

Department of Sociology

June 2018 - July 2018, *Associate Instructor*

Courses Taught: Statistical Analysis - Soc 005 (Summer 2018)

Overall Teaching Effectiveness Score of 4.86 out of 5.00 (campus average = 4.44 out of 5.00)

### University of California, Riverside

Department of Sociology

June 2014 - August 2015, *Teaching Assistant*

Teaching Assistant for Courses: 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)

## CONFERENCE AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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Ballard-Dosty, Aisa, and Michaela Curran. 2018. "Invisible Disabilities in the Academy: Accommodations, Services, and Identity." *California Sociological Association*, Riverside, CA. November.

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.

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.

Curran, Michaela. 2018. "Income Inequality, Economic Development, and Population Health: A Global Gradient?" Sociology Department Colloquium Series, *University of California, Riverside*, February.

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.

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Curran, Michaela, and Ronald Kwon. 2017. "Embedded Aid: Do Donor and Recipient Connectedness to Global Networks Matter for Foreign Aid Allocation?" Section on Political Economy of the World-System Refereed Roundtable Session and Business Meeting, *American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec. August.

Kwon, Ronald, and Michaela Curran. 2016. "Immigration and Support for Redistributive Social Policy: Does Multiculturalism Matter?" *California Sociological Association*, Riverside, CA. November.

Curran, Michaela. 2016. "Tourism, Sex Work, and the HIV Pandemic. 2016." Section on Sociology of Development Refereed Roundtables, Gender and Work in the Global South, *American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA. August.

Mahutga, Matthew C., Curran, Michaela, and Anthony Roberts. 2016. "Job Tasks and the Comparative Structure of Wages and Employment: Routine Task Intensity and Offshorability 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.

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.

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*. October.

Curran, Michaela. 2015. "The Trivers-Willard Hypothesis Reconsidered: Is Natural Selection at Work in U.S. Families?" Section on Evolution, Biology and Society Paper Session. Sexualities and Other Evolutionary and Biological Themes in the Study of the Social World, *American Sociological Association 110th Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL. August.

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.

## SERVICE

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### *To the Discipline*

- 2016-19 Webmaster, Political Economy and World Systems (PEWS) ASA Section
- 2016-17 Volunteer Copy-Editor, *Journal of World-Systems Research*
- 2014-19 Administrator, Political Economy and World Systems (PEWS) ASA Section External Listserv

**Occasional Reviewer:** *Sociological Focus*, *Socio-Economic Review*

### *To the University*

- 2018 Disability Ally Workshop Panel Discussant, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2018 Healthy Campus Celebration Grant Table Discussant, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2017 Sociology Department Website Redesign Committee, *University of California, Riverside*

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### *To the University*

- 2014-19      Computing Committee, Department of Sociology, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2014-15      Alumni and Development Committee, Department of Sociology, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2014          Evaluator, Undergraduate Research Symposium, April 29 - April 30, 2014, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2014          Sociology Department Graduate Student Representative for the Department Fair at Highlander Day (a University Open-house for Prospective Students), April 12, 2014, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2013-14      Newsletter Committee, Department of Sociology, *University of California, Riverside*
- 2013          Evaluator, Undergraduate Research Symposium, April 29 - April 30, 2013, *University of California, Riverside*

## AFFILIATIONS

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American Sociological Association

*Sections:* Mathematical Sociology; Medical Sociology; Political Economy of the World-System; Sociology of Development

## TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

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C++ / CSS / HTML5 / Java / Javascript / L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X / R / Stata / SQL

## OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Hewlett-Packard Enterprise**

May 2010 - September 2012

### **Axiom Corporation**

September 2006 - May 2010

### **ICT Group**

October 2005 - September 2006

## REFERENCES

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## REFERENCES

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