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EDUCATION

2021 Ph.D. Sociology, Indiana University

2017 M.A. Sociology, Indiana University

2014 B.A. English, French Studies, Wake Forest University
Distinguished Student Scholar, American Ethnic Studies

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2021- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Washington
Faculty Affiliate, The Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology

VISITING POSITIONS

2018-2020 Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology, Washington University in St. Louis

2017-2018 Preparing Future Faculty Shadowing Fellow, Department of Sociology, DePauw University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Race and Ethnicity, Cultural Sociology, Formal Organizations, Institutions, Social Movements, Black Sociological Thought, Social Psychology, Sociology of Religion, Qualitative Methods

BOOKS IN PROGRESS

Ince, Jelani. *Through the Valley: Why Diversity Fails in U.S. Churches*

Rojas, Fabio, and Jelani Ince. *The Battle for a New America: Black Lives Matter and the Struggle for Freedom*

ACADEMIC JOURNAL ARTICLES

* Indicates peer-reviewed

2023* Ince, Jelani. "Between the Witness and the Observer: What Ethnography Can Learn from James Baldwin." *Frontiers in Sociology*. 8: 1158520.

2023* Schnabel, Landon, K. Zaslavsky, B. Haggard. et al. "An Invitation to the Sociology of Religion: Important Questions Answered by Scholars in the Field." *The American Sociologist*.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s12108-023-09578-z>.

2022* Ince, Jelani. "'Saved' by Interaction, Living by Race: The Diversity Demeanor in an Organizational Space." *Social Psychology Quarterly*. 83.5: 259-278.

2022* Dunivin, Zackary, H. Yan, **J. Ince**, & F. Rojas. "Black Lives Matter Protests Shift Public Discourse." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 119: 10. 1-11.

2021* Gonzales, A.L., D. Mastro, L. Wang, J. Bell, P. Anderson., & **J. Ince**. Dis"Like": Demographics Shape the Perceived Costs of Internet Use. *Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW 2021)*

- 2018* **Ince, Jelani**, B. Finlay, and F. Rojas. "College Campus Activism: From Liberal Leanings to Conservative Crusaders." *Sociology Compass*. 12.9: 1-13.
- 2017* **Ince, Jelani**, F. Rojas, and C.A. Davis. 2017. "The Social Media Response to Black Lives Matter: How Twitter Users Interact with Black Lives Matter through Hashtag Use." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 40.11: 1814-1830.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

* Denotes graduate student collaboration

Ince, Jelani, C. Cleckner, T. Hallett. "Racialized Organizations, Inhabited Institutions, and Race-Making"

Ince, Jelani and D. Salais* "Qualitative Methods in Social Psychology." (Invited chapter for *Handbook of Social Psychology* with Edward Elgar Publishing)

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Ince, Jelani. "The Stained Glass Cliff: Exit, Voice, and Expulsion in an Interracial Parish"

Dunivin, Zackary, J. Ince, F. Rojas. "Leading the Way: How Vanguard Cities Catalyze Contagious Mobilization in the Black Lives Matter Movement."

Ince, Jelani. "'Someone needs a haircut': The Necessity of Anti-Blackness for Social Occasions in an Interracial Parish." (Invited Chapter for *Handbook of Social Psychology* with Springer)

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2022 Ince, Jelani. "Book Review: Smart Suits, Tattered Boots: Black Ministers Mobilizing the Black Church in the Twenty-First Century." in *Sociology of Religion*.
- 2018 Ince, Jelani. "Engaging With the Past: How #BlackLivesMatter Points Us to Our Predecessors and Calls Us to Hope." in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*.

EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2021 Early Career Pipeline Grant, Russell Sage Foundation: "The Impact of Black Lives Matter on Political Mobilization and Antiracist Discourse" with Fabio Rojas (\$30,000)
- 2020 Constant H. Jacquet Research Award, Religious Research Association: "Between Controversy and Clarity: Managing Religion and Inhabiting Diversity at an Urban Church" (\$4,000)

INTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2022 University of Washington Simpson Center for the Humanities: "The Paths and Strategies Towards Alternative Futures: Refusals and Resistances to Racialization and Anti-Blackness in the U.S." with Bianca Dang, Theresa Rocha Beardall, and Oliver Rollins (\$5,250)
- 2020 Racial Justice Research Fund, Indiana University: "What is the Impact of Black Lives Matter on American Society?" with Fabio Rojas (\$12,800)
- 2019 Sheldon Stryker Award for Graduate Research, Indiana University (\$800)
- 2018 Research Grant, Center for Research on Race & Ethnicity in Society, Indiana University, (\$1,500)
- 2018 Professional Development Grant, DePauw University, (\$1,000)

2017 Research Grant, Center for Research on Race & Ethnicity in Society, Indiana University: "Circumventing Segregation and Capturing Police Violence: Digital Technology as a Means of Empowering the Racially Marginalized" with Amy Gonzales, Jeannine Bell, Esq., and Phil Anderson (\$19,900)

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022-2023 Excellence in Faculty Teaching, Department of Sociology, University of Washington

2020-2021 Herman Wells Graduate Fellowship, Indiana University

2019-2020 Ford Dissertation Fellowship

2018-2019 Advanced Department Fellowship, Indiana University

2018-2019 Gerald D. Suttles Fellowship in Doctoral Ethnographic Research, Indiana University

2017-2018 Graduate Mentor of the Year, Indiana University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

* Cancelled Due to COVID-19

2023 "A Theory of Racialized Symbolic Power." ASA Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA

2023 "Vanguard Cities and the Social Geography of Contagious Protest." Russell Sage Foundation Pipeline Conference. Ann Arbor, MI

2022 "Inhabiting Racial Formation: Race-Making at the Meso-Level." ASA Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA

2021 "Building New Bridges: Strategies for Social Network Diversification by Race and Income." Annual National Communication Association Conference with Gonzales, A.G., McLeod, C., Bell, J., & Anderson, P. Seattle, WA

2020 "Saved by Interaction, Living by Race: The Diversity Demeanor in a White space." Conference of Ford Fellows (online)

2020 "Becoming a Diverse Family: The Diversity Demeanor in an Urban Religious Organization." ASA Annual Meeting (online)

2020 "Becoming a Diverse Family: Diversity, Myth and Ceremony in an Urban Religious Organization", accepted for presentation at Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting.*

2019 "'We Gotta Walk that Line': Negotiating Race & Religion to 'Become' Diverse." Gender, Race, and Class Seminar, Bloomington, IN

2019 "The Myth in View: How Interactions Shape Institutional Outcomes." Conference of Ford Fellows. San Juan, PR

2018 "Finding Faith: The Role of Race and Religion in the Adaptation to Organizational Change." Critical Ethnic Studies Symposium. Bloomington, IN

- 2017 “ ‘Why does this church exist? Because it has to’: The Components of a Successful Black Church in a Predominately White City.” The Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting. Montreal, QC
- 2016 “If God Got Us, Then We Gon’ Be Alright: Assessing the Role of Religion in the Black Lives Matter Movement.” Black Issues Conference. Bowling Green, OH
- 2016 “Of Apes and Angels: Race, Meaning Making, and the Media.” Gender, Race, and Class Seminar. Bloomington, IN
- 2016 “Of Apes and Angels: Race, Meaning Making, and the Media.” The Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting. Memphis, TN
- 2016 “Whiteness, Citizenship and Humanity: Implications of the Filming of Black Murder.” The Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting. Memphis, TN
- 2015 “Empowerment vs. Alignment: The Relationship between Intergroup Contact and Black College Students’ Racial Attitudes.” Midwest Sociology of Education Conference. Bloomington, IN

INVITED TALKS AND GUEST LECTURES

- 2023 “A Theory of Racialized Symbolic Power.” Sociology Seminar, University of Washington
- 2022 “Pressing Questions in the Sociology of Religion.” Sociology of Religion Graduate Seminar, Cornell University
- 2022 “Managing Imposter Syndrome as a Graduate Student and Faculty Member.” UW McNair Scholars Program
- 2022 “ ‘Saved’ by Interaction, Living by Race: The Diversity Demeanor in an Organizational Space.” UW Evans School of Public Policy and Governance
- 2019 “ ‘We Gotta Walk that Line’: Negotiating Race & Religion to ‘Become’ Diverse”. Departments of Sociology & American Ethnic Studies, Wake Forest University
- 2019 “Engaging With the Mess: Inhabiting Diversity at a St. Louis Church”. Departments of Sociology & Black Studies, University of Missouri
- 2017 “The Color Line in The United States”, Global Business Initiative, Kelley School of Business
- 2016 “The Color Line in The United States”, Global Business Initiative, Kelley School of Business
- 2015 “Media Representation and Mobility in the Contemporary United States.” Racial and Ethnic Relations, Indiana University
- 2015 “The Case for Reparations.” Contemporary Society, DePauw University

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- 2023-2024 Director, Race and Racism Speaker Series, UW Dept. of Sociology
 Secretary/Treasurer, Section on Race, Class, and Gender, ASA
 Program Committee, Pacific Sociological Association

2022-2023 Director, Race and Racism Speaker Series, UW Dept. of Sociology
Panelist, Teaching Brownbag, UW Dept. of Sociology
Program Committee, Pacific Sociological Association
Special Session Organizer, ASA Annual Meeting
Social Theory Regular Session Organizer, ASA Annual Meeting
Member, Culture Section Dissertation Improvement Grant. Section on Sociology of Culture

2021-2022 Panel Discussant, Law and Society: Records of State Violence. ASA Annual Meeting.
Selection Committee, Helena Lopata Mentor Excellence Award. SSSI.
Committee Member, Clifford Geertz Best Article Award. Section on Sociology of Culture
Panelist, Graduate Student Symposium. UW Dept. of Sociology
Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee. Section on Sociology of Culture
Panelist, Graduate Professionalization Series. UW Dept. of Sociology
Organizer, Black Feminist Sociology Panel. UW Department of Sociology
Panelist, Job Market Workshop. IU Dept. of Sociology
Panelist, "Studying Culture in Times of Crisis". ASA Annual Meeting
Panelist, Job Market Workshop. IU Dept. of Sociology

2019-2021 Grant Reviewer, Graduate and Student Professional Government
Panelist, Preparing Future Faculty Online Teaching Workshop. IU Dept. of Sociology
Moderator, Conversations on Systemic Racism and Protest. Indiana University

2019 Presider, Section on Sociology of Culture Roundtable Session. ASA Annual Meeting

2016-2018 Graduate Student Peer Mentor. IU Department of Sociology

2017-2018 Graduate Officer, IU Sociology WOKE
Representative for External Review. IU Dept. of Sociology and the Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society

2016-2017 Co-President, Graduate Student Association. IU Dept. of Sociology
Recruitment Emissary for Graduate Student Diversity, Indiana University

2015-2016 Co-President, Racial and Ethnic Relations Committee. IU Dept. of Sociology
Member, Preparing Future Faculty Conference Planning Committee. IU Dept. of Sociology

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

American Sociological Review, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, Sociological Theory, Social Psychology Quarterly, Ethnic and Racial Studies, The Du Bois Review, Sociology of Religion, Social Problems, Qualitative Sociology, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion

UNIVERSITY TEACHING

Assistant Professor
Department of Sociology, University of Washington
Graduate
Culture and Formal Organizations. Fall 2022

Undergraduate
Introduction to Social Psychology. Spring 2022, Winter 2023
Racial and Ethnic Relations. Fall 2022

Integrated Social Sciences Program, University of Washington
Racial and Ethnic Relations. Fall 2022 (Online)

Instructor of Record
Department of Sociology, Washington University in St. Louis
Philanthropy and Nonprofit Organizations. Spring 2021

Department of Sociology, Indiana University
Racial and Ethnic Relations. Summer 2020
Public Oral Communication. 2017-2018
Introduction to Sociology. 2016-2017

Teaching Assistant
Department of Sociology, Indiana University
Racial and Ethnic Relations. Summer 2021
Introduction to Sociology. Summer 2019.
Criminology. Summer 2018
Sociology of the Internet and Social Life. Spring 2019
Theory. Fall 2015
Society and the Individual. Spring 2016
Education and Society. 2014-2015

Department of Sociology, Washington University in St. Louis
Social Problems and Social Issues. Fall 2018, Spring 2019

STUDENT MENTORING: DOCTORAL DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

In Progress Marco Brydolf-Horwitz, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Hannah Curtis, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Allison Goldberg, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Selen Güler, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Emily Porter, University of Washington, Information School
In Progress Aliyah Turner, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Audrey Omar, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Sanithia Parker, University of Washington, School of Nursing
In Progress Hanna Hong, University of Washington, College of Education
2023 Connor Gilroy, University of Washington, Sociology

STUDENT MENTORING: COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION COMMITTEE MEMBER

In Progress Maxine Wright, University of Washington, Sociology
In Progress Ihsan Kahveci, University of Washington, Sociology
2022 Allison Goldberg, University of Washington, Sociology

STUDENT MENTORING: MASTER'S THESIS COMMITTEE MEMBER

In Progress Amber Burrell, University of Washington, Sociology

STUDENT MENTORING: CAREER MENTOR (GRADUATE LEVEL)

2022-2023 Desiree Salais, University of Washington, Sociology (First-Year Mentor)
2021-2022 Amber Burrell, University of Washington, Sociology (First-Year Mentor)

STUDENT MENTORING: SENIOR HONORS THESIS (UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL)

2023 Katherine Chen, University of Washington, Sociology
2023 Angee Pogolian, University of Washington, Sociology

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

Pacific Sociological Association

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

- 2023 ["America Has Become Both More and Less Dangerous Since Black Lives Matter."](#) *The New York Times*
- 2022 ["Black Lives Matter protests are shaping how people understand racial inequality."](#) *The Conversation*
- 2022 ["Ekspert: Black Lives Matter vil aldrig forsvinde, selv om støtten til bevægelsen er mindre i dag."](#) (Black Lives Matter will never go away, although support for the movement is less today). *Information*
- 2022 ["How Black Lives Matter protests sparked interest, can lead to change."](#) *University of Washington News*
- 2022 ["Research reveals overlooked impact of racial justice protests on public discourse"](#). KNKX
- 2020 ["Why we can't stop talking about 'Karen'- and why labels and memes speak to us."](#) Discover Magazine
- 2020 ["On Black Agency"](#). I Am. Zine