

Chassidy Wen

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Education

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON	Seattle, WA
PhD, Sociology	September 2021-Present
Master of Arts, Sociology	2023

Comprehensive Exam Fields: Historical-Comparative Case-Based Methods, Ethnic Enclaves vs Ghettos, Health Disparities of Immigrants

Research Interests: Post-Colonial Theory, Power, Health Disparities, Residential Segregation, Immigration, Historical-Comparative Case Studies.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE	Irvine, CA
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology with Honors, Magna Cum Laude	2021
<i>Certificate in Global and International Sociology</i>	

Manuscripts

Wen, C. Plague & Persecution in San Francisco & Honolulu Chinatown

Wen, C. The Paradox of the Ghetto

Nova, E., Yang, J., **Wen, C.** Williams, N., Herbert, P., Hagopian, A., Almquist, Z.(PI). Needs Assessment of People Living in Vehicles in King County, WA

Wen, C., Nova, E., Williams, N., Herbert, P., Hagopian, A., Almquist, Z.(PI). Self-rated Physical and Mental Health of People Experiencing Homelessness in King County.

Fellowships & Grants

American Sociological Association Student Forum Travel Award \$400	2026
Clarence and Elissa (“Lee”) Schrag Endowed Fellowship in Sociology \$2000	2025
Richard Sutch Travel Grant, Social Science Historical Association \$500	2024
American Sociological Association Student Forum Travel Award \$250	2024
Conference Travel Grant, University of Washington \$500	2024
Graduate Teaching Fellowship, University of Washington \$2000	2024
James McCann Graduate Student Endowed Fund, University of Washington \$2000	2022
Undergraduate Research Opportunity Fellowship, University of California, Irvine \$600	2019

Conference Presentations

2026. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Historical Sociology Panel Session, presented “The Paradox of the Ghetto,” New York, New York, USA.

2025. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Sociological Theory Roundtable, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

2024. Social Science Historical Association, Race & Ethnicity Panel, “Plague & Persecution in San Francisco and Honolulu Chinatown,” Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

2024. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Historical Sociology Panel Session, presented “Plague & Persecution in San Francisco and Honolulu Chinatown,” Montréal, Québec, Canada.

2024. Association for Asian American Studies, Plagues & Persecutions, Plague & Persecution in San Francisco and Honolulu Chinatown, Seattle, Washington, USA.

Invited Talks

2026. Guest Speaker. SOC 360 Race and Ethnicity, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2026. Guest Speaker. SOC 301 Ties That Kill: Infectious Disease and Social Dynamics, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Research Experience

Washington State Office of Public Defense

Olympia, WA

Evaluator

Oct 2024 – Dec 2024

- Collected and analyzed qualitative data to assess correlations between social work practices and juvenile recidivism
- Developed and distributed surveys to public defenders working with juvenile cases via SurveyMonkey
- Designed, transcribed, coded, and analyzed in-depth interviews with social workers using [Atlas.ti](#)
- Delivered actionable findings to stakeholders, contributing to evidence-based strategies for reducing juvenile recidivism with a 10-week window to meet a deadline

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Research Assistant

Jan 2023 – Sept 2023

- Conducted a study on Network Sample Data Methods to estimate totals and demographic percentages of people experiencing homelessness in King County, including administering surveys to over 10,000 participants
- Recruited, trained, and managed 86 undergraduate researchers on surveying best practices, ethics, and safety
- Led fieldwork and 6-week data collection teams of 4-15 researchers per survey location.
- Managed a custom app software for tracing network data and Qualtrics online survey

University of Washington Center For Evaluation & Research For STEM Equity

Seattle, WA

Graduate Research Assistant

June 2023 – Sept 2023

- Supported inclusive research initiatives to improve access and participation of marginalized groups in STEM fields
- Organized and managed cross-functional project documentation to stimulate collaborative research workflows
- Coded and analyzed qualitative data from focus groups, interviews, and observations using Dedoose and Excel

- Collected 30 forms of literature and wrote annotated bibliographies

UC Irvine Sociology Honors Program

Undergraduate Researcher

Irvine, CA
Sep 2019-June 2020

- Secured \$600 in grant funding to support independent research through a competitive fellowship application.
- Synthesized cross-medium sources—including books, films, and legal documents—into a cohesive 26-page research study on the Cultural Revolution

Educational Instruction

Instructor of Record

Sociology 316 Sociological Theory
Sociology 467 Immigration & Ethnicity

Teaching Assistant

Sociology 316 Sociological Theory
Sociology 225 Data & Society
Sociology 240 Introduction to Social Psychology
Sociology 250 Media and Society
Sociology 201 Policing the Poor
Sociology 201 The Unhousing Crisis
Sociology 257 Murder
Sociology 300 Social Inquiry
Sociology 301 Ties That Kill: Infectious Disease & Social Dynamics
Sociology 357 Sociology of Religion

Mentorship

University of Washington Sociology Honors Program 2023-2024
Undergraduate Research Assistant

Student: Jocelyn Kreuger
Student: Emily McCulloh

Services

University of Washington Department of Sociology Graduate Student Association: Community Building Representative, Graduate Student Representative at Faculty Meetings

Academic Associations

American Sociological Association
Social Science Historical Association
Association for Asian American Studies

Skills

Methods: Historical-comparative, content analysis, thematic analysis, qualitative methods, mixed-methods, community-based research methods, grounded theory, process-tracing, statistical modeling

Programs: Atlas.ti, Dedoose, R, SPSS, Qualtrics

Language: English (Native), French (Working Proficiency), Mandarin (Intermediate), Cantonese (Conversational)

References

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