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# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

## The Ohio State University

2023*—* Assistant Professor of Sociology

Faculty Affiliate for the Kirwan Institute of Race and Ethnicity Faculty Affiliate for the Criminal Justice Research Center Faculty Affiliate for the Institute for Population Research

Faculty Affiliate in the Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

2021*—*2023 Law and Social Science Doctoral Fellow*,* American Bar Foundation 2020*—*2023 Social Scientist in Residence*,* Dominican University

2019—2020 Predoctoral Fellow for Excellence*,* University of Pennsylvania Carey School of Law

# EDUCATION

## Northwestern University

2023 Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology.

Dissertation Committee: Mary Pattillo and John Hagan (Co-Chairs), Aldon Morris, Andrew Papachristos, and Héctor Carrillo.

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| 2019 | Master of Arts, Sociology. |
| 2019 | Graduate Certificate, Black Studies. |
| 2019 | Graduate Certificate, Teaching and Learning. |

## Wake Forest University School of Business

2016 Master of Science, Management.

## Haverford College

2014 Bachelor of Arts (*Honors)* in Sociology and Religion.

Minors: Gender and Sexuality Studies and Africana Studies.

# RESEARCH AND TEACHING AREAS

Race, Class, Gender Crime, Law, and Deviance

Community and Urban Sociology

Racial and Ethnic Minorities Sexualities

Communication and Information Technologies

# PUBLICATIONS

*Peer Reviewed Articles*

*“*Recognizing “Camera Cues”: Policing, Cellphones, and Citizen Countersurveillance.” *Conditional Acceptance* at *Law & Society Review.*

Norman White Outstanding Student Paper Award, 2022, American Society of Criminology Robert Hetlage Prize, 2022, American Bar Foundation

Distinguished Graduate Student Paper Award (*Honorable Mention*), 2021, Crime, Law, and Deviance Section, Best Graduate Student Paper Award (*1st Place*), 2020, Midwest Sociological Society

Devon T. Wade Award (*2nd Place*), 2020, Association of Black Sociologists

Alston, B. (2021). “Remembering Kobe Bryant as a Girl Dad: Race, Gender, and Reputation Repair.” *Journal of African American Studies*, *Online First,* 1-22.

Alston, B. (2018). “Glances Curiously and Walks On:” Racializing Visibility and Double Consciousness. *Socialism and Democracy*, *32*(3), 36-51.

*Book Chapters*

Alston, B. (2027). Entries for “Oscar Grant,” “Henry Louis Gates,” and “Laquan McDonald.” In *The Race, Crime, and Justice Encyclopedia: An Encyclopedia of the American Mosaic*, eds Delores Jones Brown and Christine S. Barrow. Santa Barbara: Greenwood Press.

*Other Publications*

Alston, B. (2018). Du Boisian Sociology: Epistemologies, Mentoring, and Activism as a Pathway to Emancipatory Sociology. American Sociological Association, Cultural Sociology Section Newsletter, (20—22).

# FELLOWSHIPS

*External*

2023 ICICLE (*Democratizing AI)* Educational Fellowship, Indiana University and the Ohio State University 2023 Global Scholars Academy, Harvard University School of Law

2022 Faculty First-Look Fellowship Program, New York University

2022 Chicago Gun Violence Research Collaborative Fellowship, DePaul University 2021 Early Career Development Fellow, Law & Society Association

2021 Future Faculty Fellow, University of Notre Dame

2021 Summer Mentoring Workshop Fellowship, Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research 2021 Future Faculty Fellowship Program, Virginia Tech

2021 Fellow for Life, Albert Schweitzer Foundation

2021 Law and Social Science Doctoral Fellowship, American Bar Foundation 2020 Chicago-Area Fellowship, Albert Schweitzer Foundation

2019 Dissertation Proposal Writing Workshop Fellowship, Social Science Research Council 2019 Pre-doctoral Fellowship for Excellence (*with Dorothy Roberts*), University of Pennsylvania 2018 Pre-doctoral Ford Fellowship, National Academies of Sciences

2018 Institute for Research on Poverty Dissertation Proposal Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison 2018 Adam Smith Fellowship, George Mason University

2018 Dissertation Proposal Development (DPD) Fellowship, Social Science Research Council 2015 Institute for Recruitment of Teachers Associate Fellowship, Andover Academy

2015 Board Preparatory Fellowship, Young Involved Philadelphia

*Internal*

2020 Public Humanities Practicum Fellowship, Northwestern Kaplan Institute for Humanities 2019 Sexualities Project at Northwestern (SPAN) Reading Fellowship, Northwestern University 2017 Brady Scholars Civic Engagement Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University

2016 Graduate Fellowship in Legal Studies, Northwestern University 2016 University Fellowship, Northwestern University

2015 Corporate Fellowship, Wake Forest University

2014 Lagim Tehi Tuma (Thinking Together) Fellowship, Bryn Mawr College 2014 City of Contrasts: Cape town, South Africa Fellowship, Haverford College 2012 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Haverford College

# GRANTS

*External*

2021 Doctoral Grant, Washington Center for Equitable Growth ($15,000) 2021 Research Grant, Institute for Citizens, and Scholars ($5,000)

2021 Student Grant Award, Midwest Sociological Society ($250)

2020 Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant, Social Science Research Council ($2000) 2018 Preliminary Dissertation Research Grant, Social Science Research Council ($5000) 2017 Pre-Doctoral Research Grant, Social Science Research Council ($2500)

*Internal*

2023 Sexualities Project at Northwestern (SPAN) Conference Grant, Northwestern University ($750) 2023 Career Development Grant, Northwestern University ($400)

2021 Sexualities Project at Northwestern (SPAN) Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University ($2,500) 2021 Graduate Research Grant, The Graduate School, Northwestern University ($2,000)

2020 Research Grant, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University ($500)

2020 Research Support Grant, Sexualities Project at Northwestern (SPAN), Northwestern University ($250) 2019 Sexualities Project at Northwestern (SPAN) Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University ($2500) 2018 MacArthur Collaborative Research Grant, Northwestern University ($600)

2018 External Education Grant, Northwestern University ($1000) 2018 Legal Studies Conference Grant, Northwestern University ($250)

2017 Alumni Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University ($600)

2017 Sexualities Program at Northwestern (SPAN) Conference Travel Grant, Northwestern University ($500)

# HONORS AND AWARDS

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| 2023 | Martin Levine Dissertation Award, American Sociological Association (Sexualities Section) |
| 2023 | McBride Award, Northwestern University |
| 2022 | Norman White Outstanding Student Paper Award, American Society of Criminology |
| 2022 | Sally Hacker Graduate Student Paper Award, American Sociological Association |
| 2022 | Robert Hetlage Prize, American Bar Foundation |
| 2022 | Critical Race Graduate Student Paper Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems |
| 2022 | James E. Blackwell Award (*Honorable Mention*), American Sociological Association |
| 2022 | Best Graduate Student Paper Award (*Honorable Mention*), Midwest Sociological Society |
| 2022 | Young Alumni Award, Haverford College |
| 2021 | Distinguished Graduate Student Paper Award (*Honorable Mention*), American Sociological Association |
| 2021 | Edward Bouchet Graduate Honor Society Scholar, Northwestern University |
| 2020 | Devon T. Wade Best Paper Award (*2nd place*), Association of Black Sociologists |
| 2020 | Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Midwest Sociological Society |
| 2018 | Loren Frankel Memorial Award, American Men’s Studies Association |
| 2018 | Scott Eliason Memorial Award, University of Arizona |
| 2017 | Research Committee on Social Stratification (RC28) Travel Award, William T. Grant Foundation |
| 2015 | Eliot C. Nisenbaum Memorial Award, Community Athletic League |
| 2014 | The Students’ Council Student Life Award, Haverford College |
| 2014 | Valentin Y. Mudimbe Award for Excellence in Africana Studies, Haverford College |
| 2011 | Peace Studies Paper Award, Haverford College |
| 2011 | Rufus Jones Leadership Institute Scholar, Haverford College |
| 2010 | Donald Patton Community Service Memorial Award, Concerned Black Men |
| 2010 | Pennsylvania State Scholar, Horatio Alger Foundation |
| 2010 | Very Important Person (VIP) in Academic Excellence Award, School District of Philadelphia |

**SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

*Invited Talks*

Alston, B. “Countering Police Maltreatment: Civilians, Cellphones, and Access to Justice.” American Bar Foundation. Reimagining Justice Conference. June 2022.

Alston, B. “The Camera is My Weapon:” How Black Men Use Cellphones to Contest Fear as a Feeling Norm During Police Stops.” Law & Society Association. Early Career Workshop. May 2021.

Alston, B. “Surveilling the Criminal Pipeline: How Surveillance Maintains Connections Between Community and Confinement.” Northwestern University. Three-Minute Thesis Symposium. April 2021.

Alston, B. “The Camera is My Weapon:” Policing, Racialized Emotions, and Protection.” Emerging Scholars Conference. Virtual Conference. Contemporary Black Urbanisms Panel. March 2021.

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*Instructor of Record*

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| 2023 | Law & Society, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University |
| 2023 | Law & Society, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University |
| 2019 | The Civically Engaged Life, with Richard Kraut, Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University |
| 2016 | Introduction to Marketing, with Amy Hall, Department of Organizational Behavior, Wake Forest University |
| *Teaching Assistant* | |
| 2020 | Race & Society, with Quincy Stewart, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University |
| 2018 | Sociological Analysis, with Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University |
| 2018 | Gender & Society, with Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University |
| 2017 | Introduction to Sociology, with Craig Rawlings, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University |

# SERVICE

2023— Research and Awards Committee, The Ohio State University

2020—2021 Member, Title IX Student Advisory Board, Northwestern University Office of Equity

2017—2021 Cofounder and Graduate Student Coordinator, Race & Society Workshop, Northwestern University 2017—2018 Outreach Coordinator, Black Graduate Student Association, Northwestern University

2016—2017 Graduate Student Coordinator, Urban and Communities Workshop, Northwestern University

2020— Reviewer, *Law & Society Review* 2020— Reviewer, *Men & Masculinities* 2020— Reviewer, *Social Problems*

2022—2023 Editorial Board Member, *Law & Social Inquiry*

2020—2021 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Selection Committee, Haverford College 2019—2021 Alumni Interviewer, Haverford College

2023— Committee Member, Sexualities Distinguished Article Award, American Sociological Association 2022—2023 Chair, Student Paper Award Committee, Racial Minorities, Society for the Study of Social Problems 2022—2023 Chair, John Hope Franklin Prize Committee, Law and Society Association

2022—2023 Committee Member, Sally Hacker Award Committee, Sex and Gender Section, American Sociological Association

2021—2022 Committee Member, Book Award Committee, Law and Society Association

2020—2021 Committee Member, Book Award Committee, Sexualities Section, American Sociological Association 2020—2021 Communications Representative, Sociology of Law, American Sociological Association

# MENTORING

2023— Mentor, Association of Black Sociologists 2020— Mentor, College Mentoring Experiences

2017—2020 Graduate Fellow, Brady Scholars Program in Ethics and Civic Life, Northwestern University 2016—2019 Graduate Mentor, Department of International Studies, Northwestern University 2018—2019 Peer Mentor, The Graduate School, Northwestern University

2018—2019 Peer Mentor, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2022— Member, Scholars Network on Masculinity and the Wellbeing of African American Men 2020— Member, Southern Sociological Society (SSS)

2020— Member, Society for Study of Social Problems (SSSP) 2019— Member, Scholar Strategy Network (SSN)

2017— Member, Association of Black Sociologists (ABS) 2017— Member, Midwest Sociological Society (MSS)

2017— Member, American Men’s Studies Association (AMSA) 2017— Member, Law & Society Association (LSA)

2017— Member, DuBois Scholars Network, (DSN)

2016— Member, American Sociological Association (ASA)

2017—2023 Affiliate, Race and Society Workshop, Northwestern University

2018—2023 Affiliate, Culture and Society Workshop (*with Wendy Griswold)*, Northwestern University 2016—2023 Affiliate, Crime, Law and Society Workshop, Northwestern University

2016—2023 Affiliate, Legal Studies Workshop, American Bar Foundation