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EDUCATION

2017 Ph.D. (Geography). The Ohio State University

Dissertation Title: *Notice to Appear: Immigration Courts and the Legal Production of Illegalized Immigrants.*

Committee: Mathew Coleman (advisor), Joel Wainwright, Mary Thomas, Amna Akbar.

2011 M.A. (Geography). The Ohio State University

Thesis Title: *Inside Interior Immigration Enforcement: Understanding Policing and Removals from 287(g) Counties.* Committee: Mathew Coleman (advisor), Nancy Ettlinger, Richard Lundman, Daniel Sui.

2008 B.A. (Geography). The Ohio State University

ACADEMIC POSITIONS & AFFILIATIONS

2020–Current Research Assistant Professor, Syracuse University

Civic Research Data Lab (CRDL)¹

2023–Current Research Fellow, American University

Center for Latin American and Latino Studies (CLALS)

2021 Visiting Faculty, CODE University of Applied Sciences (Berlin, Germany)

2019–2020 Faculty Research Fellow, Syracuse University

Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)

2018–2019 Teaching Professor, Western Governors University (Salt Lake City, Utah)

2018 Adjunct Faculty, University of Michigan–Dearborn

Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies

ACADEMIC ARTICLES

2023 Jones, R., Kocher, A., Sultana, F., Smiles, D., McSweeney, K., & Molnar, P. “Interventions on public geographies.” *Political Geography*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2023.103007>.

2023 Davidson, L., Hlass, L., & Kocher, A. “The Double Abandonment of Immigrant Youth: How the Special Immigrant Juvenile Status Program Harms Those It Was Designed to Protect.” *Georgetown Law Review*. 111/6, s1407-1493. (Link here).

2023 Kocher, A. “Glitches in the Digitization of Asylum: How CBP One Turns Migrants’ Smartphones into Mobile Borders” *Societies*, 13 (149). <https://doi.org/10.3390/soc13060149>.

2022 Leigh Goffe, T., Gleeson, S., Khan, A., Kocher, A., Washington, C., Salcido, J., Phansalkar, R., Persadie, R., Jackson, A., Iralu, E., Violet Lee, E., Abushama, H., Elamin, N., Tawil, R., Sosa-Riddell, C., Arrizn-Palomera, E., Moore, K., Macklin Camel, L., Bernal Ramirez, M., Morales, N., Pinheiro, A., Ozaki, A., Nascimento, A., Roberts, C., Daz, E., & Gillam, R. (2022). “The World We Became: Map Quest 2350, A Speculative Atlas Beyond Climate Crisis.” *Asian Diasporic Visual Cultures and the Americas*, 7, 5-51. <https://doi.org/10.1163/23523085-07010002>

2022 Kocher, A. “Welcoming the Stranger in Trump’s America: Notes on the Everyday Processes of Constructing and Enduring Sanctuary.” *Hospitality and Society*, 12(2), 165-183. <https://doi.org/10.1386/hosp.00050-1>.

¹Formerly known as the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC).

- 2022 Hart, J. & Kocher, A. “Are Teaching Antiracist, Critical Race and Contact Theories Missing Pieces for Improving Student’s Cross Cultural Competency?” *Teaching Sociology*. (First published online: June 15, 2022) <https://doi.org/10.1177/0092055X221104836>.
- 2022 Kocher, A. “‘Studying Up’ the FOIA State in Symposium on Margaret Kwoka’s ‘Saving the Freedom of Information Act’.” *Yale Journal on Regulation*. <https://www.yalejreg.com/nc/symposium-saving-foia-08/>.
- 2021 Kocher, A. “Migrant Protection Protocols and the Death of Asylum.” *Journal of Latin American Geography*, 20(1), 249-258. <https://doi.org/10.1353/lag.2021.0010>.
- 2020 Kocher, A. & Stuesse, A. “Undocumented Activism and Minor Politics: Inside the Cramped Political Spaces of Deportation Defense Campaigns.” *Antipode*, 53(2), 331-354. <https://doi.org/10.1111/anti.12665>.
- 2019 Coleman, M. & Kocher, A. “Rethinking the ‘Gold Standard’ of Racial Profiling: 287(g), Secure Communities and Racially Discrepant Police Power.” *American Behavioral Scientist*, 63(9), 1185-1220. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0002764219835275>.
- 2017 Burrige, A., Gill, N., Kocher, A., & Martin, L. “Polymorphic Borders.” *Territory, Politics, Governance*, 5(3). <https://doi.org/10.1080/21622671.2017.1297253>. (Co-edited the special issue in which this article appeared.)
- 2017 Kocher, A. “Trump and Immigration Enforcement: The First 100 Days.” *Society & Space*. (Edited the online Special Intervention series in which this article appeared.) <https://www.societyandspace.org/forums/trump-and-immigration-enforcement-the-first-100-days>.
- 2017 Kocher, A. “The New Resistance: Immigrant Rights Mobilization in the Era of Trump.” *Journal of Latin American Geography*, 16(2), 165-171. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/44861337>.
- 2012 Ahlqvist, O., Loffing, T., Ramanathan, J., & Kocher, A. “Geospatial Human-environment Simulation through Integration of Massive Multiplayer Online Games and Geographic Information Systems.” *Transactions in GIS*, 16(3), 331-350. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9671.2012.01340.x>.
- 2011 Coleman, M. & Kocher, A. “Detention, Deportation, Devolution and Immigrant Incapacitation in the US, post 9/11.” *The Geographical Journal*, 177(3), 228-217. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/41238043>.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2023 Griffith, C.; Klosterkamp, S.; Cantor, A.; Kocher, A. “Legal Geography” entry for the *Concise Encyclopedia of Human Geography*, (Elgar Encyclopedias in the Social Sciences) Editors: David Demeritt & Loretta Lees.
- 2018 Kocher, A. “Immigration Courts, Judicial Acceleration, and the Intensification of Immigration Enforcement in the First Year of the Trump Administration” in J. Kowalski (Ed.), *Reading Trump: A Parallax View on the US Presidency*. Palgrave.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2023 Hubbard, P.; Koch, R.; Kocher, A.; Klosterkamp, S.; Valverde, M. Book review forum: Infrastructure. (for *Infrastructure: New Trajectories in Law* by Mariana Valverde. New York, NY: Routledge, 2022.) *Urban Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00420980231184838>
- 2022 Kocher, A. Review of: *Court of Injustice: Law Without Recognition in U.S. Immigration* by J.C. Salyer. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 2020. *Contemporary Sociology*, 50(6), 507-509. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00943061211050046r>.
- 2020 Kocher, A. Review of: *Legal Passing: Navigating Undocumented Life and Local Immigration Law* by Angela Garca. Oakland: University of California Press. *International Migration Review*, 54(4), 1283-1285. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0197918320915693>.
- 2018 Kocher, A. Review of: *Terrorizing Latina/o Immigrants: Race, Gender, and Immigration Policy Post-9/11* by Anna Sampaio. Philadelphia: Temple University Press. *International Migration Review*, 50(2), e19-e20. <https://doi.org/10.1111/imre.12284>.

- 2017 Kocher, A. Review of: *Carceral Geographies: Spaces and Practices of Incarceration* by Dominique Moran. New York: Routledge, 2015. *The Canadian Geographer / Le Géographe Canadien*, 61(1), e17-e18. <https://doi.org/10.1111/cag.12346>.
- 2016 Kocher, A. Review of: *Precarious Worlds: Contested Geographies of Social Reproduction* by Katie Meehan and Kendra Strauss. Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2015. *Historical Geography*, 44, 173-174.

OP-EDS AND ESSAYS

- 2023 Kocher, A. “Growing Numbers of Afghan Migrants Face Deportation in Court.” *The Immigration Lab Blog*, October 13, 2023. <https://theimmigrationlab.org/blog/f/growing-numbers-of-afghan-migrants-face-deportation-in-court>.
- 2023 Kocher, A.; Mobasher, B.; Guerra, S.; Lindsay, M.; Garay Flores, D.; & Castañeda, E. “The Educational Attainment of Recently Arrived Afghans in the DMV.” *The Immigration Lab Blog*, October 2, 2023. <https://theimmigrationlab.org/blog/f/the-educational-attainment-of-recently-arrived-afghans-in-the-dmv>.
- 2023 Kocher, A. “Asylum Seekers Encounter a New Digital Border: Their Smartphones.” *The Immigration Lab Blog*, September 12, 2023. <https://theimmigrationlab.org/blog/f/asylum-seekers-encounter-a-new-digital-border-their-smartphones>.
- 2021 Kocher, A. “Will ‘protected areas’ really be safe from immigration enforcement? Probably not.” *The Hill*, November 8, 2021. <https://thehill.com/opinion/immigration/580530-will-protected-areas-really-be-safe-from-immigration-enforcement-probably/>.
- 2021 Kocher, A. “Biden ends policy forcing asylum-seekers to ‘remain in Mexico’—but for 41,247 migrants, it’s too late.” *The Conversation*, March 10, 2021. <https://theconversation.com/biden-ends-policy-forcing-asylum-seekers-to-remain-in-mexico-but-for-41-247-migrants-its-too-late-156622>.
- 2021 Unger, A. & Kocher, A. “Migrant Protection Protocols Along U.S.-Mexico Border Come to an End, but the Assault on Asylum Continues.” *Border Criminologies*, March 18, 2021. <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/centreborder-criminologies/blog/2021/03/migrant>.
- 2021 Sperling, R. & Kocher, A. “Lawsuit Claims LIBRE BY NEXUS ‘Cheats Immigrants,’ But Will Biden Administration Address Roots of Problem?” *Latino Rebels*, February 25, 2021. <https://www.latinorebels.com/2021/02/25/lawsuitlibrebynexus/>.
- 2020 Kocher, A. “What’s behind Trump’s project to defund ‘anarchist jurisdictions?’” *The Hill*, October 26, 2020. <https://thehill.com/opinion/white-house/522748-whats-behind-trumps-project-to-defund-anarchist-jurisdictions>.
- 2020 Kocher, A. “ICE Filed Over 100,000 New Cases and Clogged the Courts at the Peak of the Pandemic.” *Documented NY*, September 16, 2020. <https://documentedny.com/2020/09/16/ice-filed-over-100000-new-cases-and-clogged-the-courts-in-the-peak-of-the-pandemic/>.
- 2020 Kocher, A. “Challenging State Narratives about Immigrant Criminality.” *Border Criminologies*, May 1, 2020. <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/centreborder-criminologies/blog/2020/05/challenging-state>.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

- 2022 **US-Mexico Border Fieldwork Grant, UNHCR. \$20,000.**
Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University.
(Part of co-sponsored grant with research team for \$150,000.)
- 2022 **Immigration Research Grant, Private Foundation. \$110,000.**
Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University.
Project title: “Untangling the Crimmigration Web: A New Data-Driven Project to Understand the Intersection of Immigration Enforcement and the Criminal Justice System.” (Co-sponsored with research team.)

- 2021 Cornell Migrations Summer Institute**
Theme: “Cartographies of Racial Justice Beyond Borders: Territories of Dispossession and Migration.”
Cornell University. July 12–23, 2021.
- 2020 Richard Morrill Public Outreach Award**
Political Geography Specialty Group of the American Association of Geography.
- 2019 Junior Scholars Award, Law & Society Association**
Recipients attended two-day workshop with senior scholars. Washington, D.C. May 28–29. 2019.
- 2015 Fenbur Travel Scholarship for Outstanding Students. \$800.**
Department of Geography, The Ohio State University.
- 2013 Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council**
Theme: “Critical Approaches to Human Rights.” (Research stipend: \$5,000.)
Recipients attended multiple workshops with senior advisors. Multi-sited. May–September, 2013.
- 2010 Student Research Grant, Mershon Institute for International Security Studies. \$4,000.**
Project Title: Spatial Strategies of Interior Immigration Enforcement—From Policy to Practice.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2024** “Understanding Text as Data: Theory & Practice.” Presented at Archives as Data: An Institute for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities hosted by the History Lab at Columbia University, New York City. June 21, 2024.
- 2024** “Administrative Data.” Presentation at BIMI Summer Institute hosted by University of California, Berkeley. June 10, 2024.
- 2024** “Tracking the Deportation State: Public Records Requests, Data Analysis, and Research on Immigration Enforcement.” Hosted by Barnard College. New York City, New York. March 20, 2024.
- 2024** Panel Discussion: “Who Has the Right to Free Speech? Immigration, Civil Liberty, and Freedom of Expression.” Hosted by Cornell University. Ithaca, New York. March 5, 2024.
- 2024** “Glitches in the Digitization of Asylum: How CBP One Turns Migrants’ Smartphones into Mobile Borders.” In conference “Methodologies for Research and the Health and Wellbeing of Migrants in Transit, session title: “The Multiple Faces of Technology.” Hosted by Barnard College. New York City, New York. January 11, 2024.
- 2023** “Overcoming Institutional Closure in Immigration Research: How TRAC Uses Public Records Requests to Study the Deportation State.” Hosted by Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology at the University of Washington. Seattle, Washington. November 17, 2023.
- 2023** “Laying the Groundwork for Immigration Research Through Structured Data.” The Haven Workshop organized by Alison Mountz. Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University. Waterloo, Ontario (Canada). July 28, 2023.
- 2023** ImmProf Emerging Immigration Scholars Conference. Panel titled: “Teaching and Advocacy.” George Washington University. Washington, D.C. June 16, 2023.
- 2023** Transparency Convening hosted by the American Immigration Council. Panel title: “Harnessing the Data We Need”. Washington, D.C. May 19, 2023.
- 2023** Annual Latino Public Affairs Forum. Panel title: “Legal Services and Judicial Obstacles Faced by New Immigrants.” Center for Latin American and Latino Studies, American University. Washington, D.C. April 18, 2023.
- 2023** “The Carceral Geographies of Mass Immigrant Surveillance: How SmartLINK is Enabling ICE to Scale Up Its Electronic Monitoring Program. University of Baltimore Law School.” Baltimore, Maryland. April 13, 2023.
- 2023** “Making Sense of Immigration Data: A Conversation with TRAC.” Hosted by George Washington University’s Cisneros Hispanic Leadership Institute. Washington, D.C. February 17, 2023.

- 2023** Panel Discussion: Electronic Monitoring of Migrants: Alternative to Detention or Just Another Form of Punitive Custody? Hosted by American Bar Association’s Commission on Immigration. Syracuse, New York. January 25, 2023.
- 2022** Social Justice Informatics Workshop. Hosted by CODE^{SHIFT} (research institute) in the Newhouse School of Public Communication, Syracuse University. Syracuse, New York. August 19, 2022.
- 2022** “Cop-Speak, Immigrant Mobilities and Racial Profiling in the U.S.: How Racially Disproportionate Policing Drives Immigration Enforcement in the U.S.” 33rd Sokol Colloquium on International Law. University of Virginia School of Law. Charlottesville, Virginia. August 12, 2022.
- 2022** “How TRAC Gets 4 Billion Government Records a Year (and What We Do With it All).” Cornell Population Center, Cornell University. Ithaca, New York. May 6, 2022.
- 2022** “Government Data in Migration Research: Advantages, Pitfalls, and Examples.” The Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, UC San Diego, and the Center for the Study of International Migration, UC Los Angeles. May 20, 2022.
- 2021** “Regional Assemblages of Deportation.” Border Forensics Conference hosted by Bard College. July 9, 2021.
- 2021** “Adjudicating Refugee Claims in Practice: Advocacy and Experience at Asylum Court Appeals.” ASYFAIR Workshop. Exeter University. June 23, 2021.
- 2020** “Studying Up the Volatile Immigration State.” Presented in the Department of Geography, Syracuse University. Syracuse, New York. February 28, 2020.
- 2020** Balancing Academia and Policy: How Immigration Scholars Work with Immigrant Communities. Hosted by the Institute for Immigration Research (IIR) at George Mason University. December 2, 2020.
- 2020** “Mass Incarceration as a Human Rights Issue.” (2020). Hosted by the University of Connecticut School of Law. September 17, 2020.
- 2019** “Immigration Lawyering as a Field of Socio-Legal Practice: Results from the National Immigration Lawyer Survey (NILS).” Presented with Katherine Abbott (University of New Hampshire) and Maya Barak (University of Michigan-Dearborn). American University School of Law. Washington, D.C. May 29, 2019.
- 2019** “Regional Assemblages of Deportation: Comparing North America and Europe.” Institute for Migration and Ethnic Studies, University of Amsterdam. Amsterdam, Netherlands. January 17, 2019.
- 2018** Multiple Presentations on Mixed Methods Research Design and Methodology. MAXQDA International Conference. Hosted by VERBI GmbH. February 28–March 2, 2018. Berlin, Germany.
- 2017** “Notice to Appear: Immigration Courts and the Legal Production of Illegal Immigrants.” MASS Design Group. Boston, Massachusetts. April 6, 2017.
- 2016** “The Geopolitics of Fear in the U.S. Deportation Regime.” Department of Migration and Global Ethnic Relations. Malmö University. Malmö, Sweden. June 13, 2016.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

2024 Crimmigration through Time, Space, and Culture. Portland, Oregon.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “A Critical Retrospective on Twenty Years of Criminalizing Migration.” In session “Examining the Crime/Migration Nexus.” March 2, 2024.

2023 Global Meeting on Law & Society. (Law & Society Association) San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Documenting State Violence Using Critical Digital Methodologies: A Case Study Involving Vulnerable Migrant Populations.” In session “Legal Violence, Precarity, and Migrant Youth.” June 3, 2022.

2023 International Conference on Forced Migration. Los Angeles, California.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “The Withering Away of Refugee Protection: Depoliticizing Asylum Seeking Through Managed Migration Policies Along the US-Mexico Border.” In session “Migration Management.” April 15, 2023.

2023 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. Denver, Colorado.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “The Crisis of Climate Nationalism: Violent Borders, Ecological Catastrophe, and the Need for Planetary Thinking.” In session “Critical Geographies of Climate Migration.” March 25, 2023.

Panelist. Reece Jones (coordinator). “Doing Public Geography.” March 25, 2023.

2023 Political Geography Pre-Conference. Boulder, Colorado.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “The Carceral Geographies of Mass Immigrant Surveillance: How SmartLINK is Enabling ICE to Scale Up Its Electronic Monitoring Program.” In session “Borders, the Carceral State, & Securitization.” March 22, 2023.

2022 Global Meeting on Law & Society. (Law & Society Association) Lisbon, Portugal.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Re-examining the Legal Geographies of the 287(g) Immigration Enforcement Program.” In session “Reckoning with Federal and Local Constraints on Immigrants in the United States.” July 15, 2022.

Discussant for panel session. “Procedural Subjugation in Immigration Adjudication.” July 14, 2022.

2022 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. (virtual)

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. and Marset, M. “The Resurgence of 287(g): New Data and Theories of America’s Most Controversial Enforcement Policy.” In session “Governing Illegalities: Constructing, Enacting, and Resisting.” March 1, 2022.

Discussant for paper session. “Crises and conjunctures in migration geography 1.” March 1, 2022.

2021 Displacement, Law and Time. (Maynooth University, Ireland.)

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Pending Deportation Cases is More Complicated Than It Looks.” In session “Legal temporalities, exceptions and new normalities.” November 4, 2021.

2019 Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association. Washington, D.C.

Paper presentation. “Immigration Lawyering as a Field of Socio-Legal Practice: Results from the National Immigration Lawyer Survey (NILS).” May 30, 2019.

2019 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. Washington, D.C.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Regional Assemblages of Rights: A Geographic Framework for Analysis and Critique of Immigrant Rights.” April 3, 2019.

2019 Political Geography Pre-conference. Washington, D.C.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “The ‘Material Moorings’ of Welcome: Notes on the Everyday Practices of Constructing and Enduring Sanctuary.” April 2, 2019.

2018 Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association. Toronto, Canada.

Research roundtable. “Research Roundtable: Lawyers in the US Immigration Courts.” Presented with Katherine Abbott (University of New Hampshire) and Maya Barak (University of Michigan-Dearborn). June 7, 2018.

2018 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Disrupting Deportations, Interrupting Citizens: Deportation Defense Campaigns and the Ethical Politics of Undocumented Activism.” April 13, 2018.

Panelist. “Critical Geographies of Immigration Enforcement in the Era of Trump: A Year in Review.” April 12, 2018.

2017 Canadian Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. Toronto, Canada.

Paper presentation. “Life in a Border State: Immigration Enforcement and Immigrant Rights Activism in Nuevo Ohio.” May 31, 2017.

2017 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. Boston, Massachusetts.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “On the Juridical Relationship Between Immigrant Detention, Immigration Courts, and Border Enforcement.” April 13, 2018.

Session Co-organizer. Global Carceral Geographies I–IV, with Nick Gill & Dominique Moran. April 13, 2017.

Organizer & Panelist. “Trump on Immigration Enforcement: the First 100 Days.” April 7, 2017.

Panelist. “Implications of the Trump Administration for Latin American Geography.” Organized by the Latin America Specialty Group and the Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers. April 7, 2017.

2017 Political Geography Pre-conference. Boston, Massachusetts.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Juridical Borders: Government Dysfunction, Neoliberal Governmentality and the U.S. Immigration Courts.” April 2, 2019.

2016 International Conference on Migration, Irregularisation and Activism. Malmö, Sweden.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “(Il)legalizing Fear: Preemptive Deportations at the Borders of the E.U. and U.S.” June 15, 2016.

Session Chair. “Bordering processes.” June 16, 2016.

2016 Political Geography Pre-conference. San Francisco, California

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “The Geopolitics of Fear in the U.S. Deportation Regime.” March 28, 2016.

2015 Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association. Seattle, Washington.

Paper Presentation. Kocher, A. “A Nice Judge on a Good Day: Immigration Courts, State Power, and the Legality of Illegality.” May 31, 2015.

2015 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. Chicago, Illinois.

Paper presentation. Kocher, A. “Immigration Courts and the Legal Production of Illegality.”

Panelist. “Critical Approaches to Human Rights.”

Panelist & Co-organizer. “Critical Approaches to Human Rights.”

Chair & Co-organizer for paper sessions. “Transformative Deaf Geographies.”

JOURNAL REVIEWS

Annals of the Association of American Geographers

Antipode

Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space

Environment and Planning D: Society and Space

Geopolitics

Gender, Place & Culture

Geography Compass

Globalizations

International Migration Review

Law & Policy

Political Geography

Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers

Urban Geography

BOOK PROPOSAL REVIEWS

2018 Palgrave Macmillan

GRANT REVIEWS

2018 National Science Foundation Grant Reviewer

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

2021–current Editorial Team. Immigration Professor Blog. <https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/>

2022–current Founding Editor. Law & Space (un)Journal. <https://lawandspace.com/>

2019 Digital Editor. *Human Geography*.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF GEOGRAPHERS (AAG)

2022	Secretary/Treasurer. Middle States Division of the AAG.
2022–current	Past-chair. Legal Geography Specialty Group of the AAG.
2021–current	Student Travel Award Committee. Political Geography Specialty Group of the AAG.
2018–2022	Chair. Legal Geography Specialty Group of the AAG.
2017–2018	Secretary/Treasurer (founding board member). Legal Geography Specialty Group of the AAG.

COURSES TAUGHT

2023	George Washington University Critical Geographies of Climate Migration – Spring, Graduate Seminar
	Syracuse University Introduction to Political Geography – Fall, Undergraduate Course
	Morgan State University Introduction to Geography – Fall, Undergraduate Course
2022	Syracuse University Geographies of Migration and Mobility – Spring, Undergraduate Course Introduction to Political Geography – Fall, Undergraduate Course
	2021
2021	Syracuse University Geographies of Migration and Mobility – Spring, Undergraduate Course Introduction to Political Geography – Spring, Undergraduate Course
	CODE University of Applied Sciences (Berlin, Germany) Spaces of Sanctuary – Spring, Undergraduate Course
2018–2019	Western Governors University World Regional Geography – Undergraduate Course
2018	University of Michigan-Dearborn Crimmigration – Fall, Graduate Seminar Introduction to Criminology – Spring, Undergraduate Course

TEACHER TRAINING

2014–2016	Trainer for incoming Graduate Teaching Assistants University Center for the Advancement of Teaching, The Ohio State University.
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TEACHING RECOGNITION

2014	Recognition for Service and Support to Students with Disabilities Office of Student Life’s Disability Services, The Ohio State University.
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RESEARCH REPORTS²

2023	“A Close Look at the Geography of Border Patrol Arrests: How a Spike in Annual Arrests Along U.S.-Mexico Border Hides Remarkable Variation by Sector and Nationality.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/690/ .
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²Reports published by TRAC contain an institutional byline. The select reports here represent a small sample of work where I was the lead or sole author.

- 2022 “Fewer Immigrants Face Deportation Based on Criminal-Related Charges in Immigration Court.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/690/>.
- 2022 “Over 180,000 Immigrants Now Monitored by ICE’s Alternatives to Detention Program.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/678/>.
- 2022 “While Definition of Terrorism Fuzzy, Spike in These Prosecutions in 2021 Continues into FY 2022.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/tracreports/crim/676/>.
- 2022 “Multidistrict Litigation Drives Large Numbers of Cases Handled by Federal Civil Judges.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/tracreports/judge/673/>.
- 2021 “When FOIA Goes to Court: 20 Years of Freedom of Information Act Litigation by News Organizations and Reporters.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <http://foiaproject.org/2021/01/13/foialitigators2020/>.
- 2020 “Beyond Asylum: Deportation Relief During the Trump Administration.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/631/>.
- 2020 “The Life and Death of Administrative Closure.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/623/>.
- 2020 “The Hidden Impact of Removal Proceedings on Rural Communities.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/602/>.
- 2020 “Mapping Where Immigrants Reside While Waiting For Their Immigration Court Hearing.” Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Syracuse University. <https://trac.syr.edu/immigration/reports/600/>.

EXTENDED MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- 2022 “Criminal Referrals at the Border and Immigration Policy.” *GovExec Daily*. August 5, 2022. <https://www.govexec.com/oversight/2022/08/govexec-daily-criminal-referrals-border-and-immigration-policy/375410/>.
- 2022 “The Growing Surveillance State.” *Redirect Podcast*. June 13, 2022. <https://redirectpod.libsyn.com/>.
- 2022 “Immigration and its Data with Austin Kocher.” *The Rational Middle Podcast*. June 8, 2022. <https://rationalmiddle.com/podcast/episode-127-austin-kocher/>.
- 2022 “Manufactured Migration: On migration forced by foreign policy, race and asylum, and an ecosystem of surveillance, patrolling, and job creation at the border.” *Frank News*. May 10, 2022. <https://franknewsus.substack.com/p/manufactured-migration>.
- 2022 “Episode 117: This Week in Immigration.” *This Week in Immigration* by the Bipartisan Policy Center. April 4, 2022. <https://share.transistor.fm/s/b682e10b>.
- 2022 “Just the Facts: Using Immigration Data To Effect Change.” *Dismantling Injustice* by Envision Freedom Fund. March 15, 2022. <https://anchor.fm/dismantlinginjustice/episodes/Just-the-Facts-Using-Immigration-Data-To-Effect-Change-e1fok4g/>.
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