# **CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS**

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#### I. EDUCATION

#### University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, June 2024 Neubauer Family Foundation Distinguished Scholar Doctoral Fellow

**University of Chicago**, Chicago, IL *Master of Arts in Sociology, June 2021* 

University of California-Irvine School of Law, Irvine, CA Juris Doctor, May 2019 Honors: UCI Law Dean's Merit Scholarship; Thurgood Marshall Bar Association Scholarship award

**University of Missouri, Columbia,** Columbia, MO Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Summa Cum Laude, GPA 3.95, May 2016 Honors: Dean's List (2012-2016), Phi Betta Kappa, Honors College

## II. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**University of Virginia School of Law,** Charlottesville, VA Research Assistant Professor of Law, Race, Place, and Equity Fellow, August 2023 to Present

**University of Chicago,** Chicago, IL Preceptor for the Department of Sociology BA Thesis Seminar, August 2020 to May 2022

#### III. ARTICLES

Christopher Williams, *Ferguson, Critical Race Theory, and Beyond,* WASH. U. J. L. & POL'Y (forthcoming 2024)

Robert Vargas, Christopher Williams, Phillip O'Sullivan, Christina Cano, *Capitalizing on Crisis: Chicago Policy Responses to Homicides, 1920-2016,* 89 U. CHI. L. REV. 405, (2022)

Christopher Williams, *Blue Racing: The Racialization of Police in Hate Crime Statutes*, 55 U. MICH. J. L. REFORM 139 (2021)

Rose Lyn and Christopher Williams, *Building BLSA; Doing Community*, 10 U.C. IRVINE L. REV. 489 (2020)

Christopher Williams, *Gatekeeping the Profession*, 26 CARDOZO J. EQUAL RTS. & SOC. JUST. 171 (2020)

### IV. BOOK CHAPTERS

Christopher Williams, *Searching for Space: Creating Room In Global Studies, (*chapter in Invisible Institutionalisms: Collective Reflections on the shadows of Legal Globalisation), (Swethaa Ballakhrishnen and Sara Dezalay, Bloomsbury Publishing (2021)

### V. RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS/EXPERIENCE

UChicago Justice Project, Chicago, IL Graduate Research Assistant, August 2021 to August 2023

**Center for Policing Equity,** Chicago, IL *Research Assistant, August 2019 to August 2020* 

University of California, Irvine School of Law, Irvine, CA Research Assistant to Dean Song Richardson, Dean Mario Barnes, Kaaryn Gustafson, and Christopher Whytock. August 2017 to May 2019

**University of Missouri-Columbia, School of Law,** Columbia, MO *Research Assistant to Rafael Gely, January 2016 to August 2016* 

### VI. LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

**Crimfest: Presenter** *Pragmatic Abolition, July 2024* 

John Mercer Langston Conference: Discussant Saving Black Lives: The Black Homicide Crisis as Racial Injustice, June 2024

John Mercer Langston Conference: Presenter Pragmatic Abolition, June 2024

**University of Chicago Justice Project Mini Conference: Moderator** *Lessons from Misinformation Campaign in CHI, NYC, and SF, June 2023* 

Law and Society: Discussant Academia and Teaching About Racism, July 2022

Law and Society: Discussant Legal Education's Highest Aspirations, July 2022

#### University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform: Author Talk Series

Blue Racing: The Racialization of Police in Hate Crime Statutes, Nov 2021

Law and Society: Discussant Blue Racing: The Racialization of Police in Hate Crimes, May 2021

Law and Society: Discussant Centering California in the History of U.S. Racism and Resistance, May 2021

**American Constitutional Society: Co-Moderator** Elevating and Engaging with Black Lives on Law School Campuses (Part II), August 2020

Law and Society: Panelist Author Meets Reader: Unequal Profession, August 2020

Law and Society: Panelist Legal Education Roundtable, June 2020

# VII. LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

### **University of California, Irvine School of Law,** Irvine, CA Student Bar Association, Vice-Chairperson for Internal Affairs, August 2018 to May 2019

## University of California, Irvine School of Law, Irvine, CA

Black Law Student Association, Co-Chair. Launched the "Nuanced Visions Film Festival" and the first Awards Gala. Raised over \$18,000 and awarded \$5,000 in scholarship funds to members. August 2017 to 2018

# VIII. MEDIA

Christopher Williams, *ESSAY: Ending cash bail shows that we shouldn't lead with fear,* The Triibe (2024)

Krystal Nurse, *State Police Now Tracking Incidents of Bias against Police Officers in Michigan*, Lansing State Journal (2023)

John Eligon, *At University of Missouri, Black Students See a Campus Riven By Race,* New York Times (2015)

# IX. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of California

Admitted 2019