

Robert Pickett

Curriculum Vitae

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Employment

2021-Present Postdoctoral Research Associate, Cash Transfer Lab, New York University

Education

- 2021 PhD, University of California, Berkeley. Sociology and Demography.
Quantifying the Construction: A Reflexive Application of Quantitative Methods to Trace the Construction of Racial Statistics.
Committee: Mara Loveman (chair), Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, Dennis Feehan, Michael Omi.
- 2016 M.A. University of California, Berkeley. Sociology.
- 2013 M.A. University of California, Berkeley. Demography.
- 2011 B.S. (*magna cum laude*) University of Oregon, Sociology. Geography.
With departmental honors in Sociology and Geography.

Publications

(accepted) **Pickett, Robert E. M.**, Aliya Saperstein, and Andrew M. Penner. "Racial Identification in Interaction: The Case of Interviewers and Respondents." *Social Forces*.

<https://tinyurl.com/5ctrk7dc>

Pickett, Robert E. M., Aliya Saperstein, and Andrew M. Penner. 2019. "Placing Racial Classification in Context." *Socius* 5: 1-15. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2378023119851016>

Lobben, Amy., Megan Lawrence, and **Robert Pickett**. 2014. "The Map Effect." *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 104(1), 96:113. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00045608.2013.846172>

Article Manuscripts in Progress

Pickett, Robert E. M., Jennifer Hill, and Sarah K. Cowan. "Susceptibility of Synthetic Control Methods to Reference Category Choice." <https://tinyurl.com/55ru2p77>

Pickett, Robert E. M. "The Vanishing Margins: Intersectionality, Small Groups, and Statistical Modeling."

Pickett, Robert E. M. "Constructing Race Through Allocation."

Pickett, Robert E. M. "Counting by Race and Sex: Categorical Fluidity and Survey Weights in the American Community Survey." Early Draft Presented at ASA: <http://tinyurl.com/jukzppk>.

Teaching (at UC Berkeley)

- 2021 **Quantitative Sociological Methods** (Sociology 106)
Solo Instructor
- 2020 **Race and Numbers** (Sociology 190)
Solo Instructor
- 2018, 2019, **Methods of Sociological Research** (Sociology 271c),
2020 Graduate Student Instructor
(Awarded Outstanding GSI Award, Spring 2018)
- 2017, 2018, **Methods of Sociological Research** (Sociology 271b)
2019 Graduate Student Instructor
- 2014, 2016 **Economic Demography** (Economics/Demography 175)
Graduate Student Instructor
- 2014 **Introduction to R workshop for Sociology graduate students**
Co-Instructor (with Paul Chung)

Previous Research Experience

- 2016 **Graduate Student Researcher**
The Shift Project, Professors Daniel Schneider and Kristen Harknett.
- 2013- **Research Assistant**
2015 For Professor Aliya Saperstein, Stanford.
- 2009- **Research Assistant**
2011 Spatial and Map Cognition Research Lab. Director: Professor Amy Lobben.

Consulting

- 2020- **Senior Data Scientist/Analyst**
2021 Code for America, San Francisco.
- 2019- **Data Science Consultant**
2020 Code for America, San Francisco.
- 2019- **Data Science Consultant**
2020 California Colorlines Project, Professors G. Cristina Mora and Tianna Paschel.

Certificates, Awards, and Fellowships

- 2012-2016 NICHD Trainee
- Spring 2018 Outstanding GSI Award
- Summer 2020 Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellow
Certificate in Remote Instruction

Conference Presentations

Pickett, Robert, Jennifer Hill, and Sarah K. Cowan. 2022. "Susceptibility of Synthetic Control Methods to Reference Category Choice." ACIC 2022, Berkeley, CA. <https://tinyurl.com/55ru2p77>

Pickett, Robert, Aliya Saperstein, and Andrew Penner. 2017. "Your Race is My Race Too: Racial Fluidity in Survey Interviewer Self-Identification." ASA 2017, Montreal, CA. <http://tinyurl.com/lt2rdv4>

Chung, Paul, and **Robert Pickett**. 2017. "Alive and Connected: Translating Demographic Rates into Family Network Data." PAA 2017, Chicago, IL. <https://paa.confex.com/paa/2017/meetingapp.cgi/Paper/13274>

Pickett, Robert. 2016. "Counting by Race and Sex: Categorical Fluidity and Survey Weights in the American Community Survey." ASA 2016, Seattle, WA. <http://tinyurl.com/jukzppk>

Pickett, Robert. 2016. "Stable by Assumption: Uncovering Fluidity in Race and Sex in the American Community Survey." PAA 2016, Washington DC. <https://paa.confex.com/paa/2016/meetingapp.cgi/Paper/6901>

Saperstein, Aliya, **Robert Pickett**, and Andrew Penner. 2015. "Placing Racial Fluidity in Context." PAA 2015, San Diego. <http://paa2015.princeton.edu/abstracts/152884>

Service

Reviewer for: *American Journal of Sociology*; *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*; *Population Research and Policy Review*; and *AERA Open*.