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Education 2017- Ph.D., Sociology, Northeastern University (Boston, MA)
present

2017 M.A., Sociology, Saint Louis University (St. Louis, MO)
Minor in Research Methodology

2014 B.A., Economics, Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA)
Minor in Mathematics

**Research
Interests** Urban Sociology, Rural Sociology, Urbanization, Environmental
Sociology, Political Economy, Political Ecology, Energy Systems,
Infrastructure Governance, Comparative Historical Methods, Spatial
Data Science

Publications Refereed Articles

In press Braswell, Taylor Harris. [“Extended spaces of
environmental injustice: Hydrocarbon pipelines in
the age of planetary urbanization.”](#) *Social Forces*.

2020 Thombs, Ryan, Dennis L. Thombs, Andrew K Jorgenson,
and **Taylor Harris Braswell**. [“What is Driving the
Drug Overdose Epidemic in the United States?”](#)
Journal of Health and Social Behavior.

2020 Prener, Christopher G., **Taylor Harris Braswell**, and
Daniel J. Monti. [“St. Louis’s ‘urban prairie’: Vacant
land and the potential for revitalization.”](#) *Journal
of Urban Affairs* special issue on shrinking cities.

2018 Braswell, Taylor Harris. [“Fresh food, new faces:
community gardening as ecological gentrification
in St. Louis, Missouri.”](#) *Agriculture and Human
Values*.

Publications Revise and Resubmit

in Progress Shatkin, Gavin, **Taylor Harris Braswell**, and Melinda Martinus. "Mapping and the Contested Ontologies of Informality in Jakarta." Under revision for *Urban Geography*.

Under Review

Prener, Christopher G., **Taylor Harris Braswell**, Kyle Miller, and Joel Jennings. "Closing the Gateway: Street Closures, Bisected Geography, and Crime in St. Louis, MO."

Presentations Conference Presentations

- 2020 Braswell, Taylor. "Toward a reintegration of urban and rural sociology" [Roundtable session canceled]. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2019 Braswell, Taylor. "Extended Sacrifice Zones: Hydrocarbon Pipeline Proximity and Environmental Justice in the Age of Planetary Urbanization." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting panel on Environmental Change and Inequality (New York, NY).
- Braswell, Taylor. "Space, Place, and the Scales of Environmental Justice: The case of hydrocarbon pipelines." Paper presented at Southern Sociological Society's 2019 Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA).
- Braswell, T., R. Thombs, and J. Bolin. "The Production of Space: The Determinants of Walkability in Fordist and Post-Fordist Cities in the United States" Paper presented at Eastern Sociological Society's 2019 Annual Meeting (Boston, MA).
- 2018 Braswell, Taylor. "Sacrifice Zones in Transit: Environmental Justice in US Pipeline Communities." Paper presented at Rural Sociological Society's Annual Meeting (Portland, OR).
- 2017 Braswell, Taylor. "After the Boom: A CBPR Approach to Assessing Household Energy Insecurity". Poster presented at Boston Civic Media's Event on Climate Change and Design. (Boston, MA).

Braswell, Taylor. "Urban Community Gardens and the Commodification of Space: A spatial analysis of community gardening and neighborhood change in St. Louis, MO". Paper presented at the Urban Affairs Association's annual conference (Minneapolis, MN).

Prenner, C., Jennings, J., **Braswell, T.**, Miller, K. and Smith, A. "Closing the Gateway: Street Closures as Public Policy in St. Louis, MO." Paper presented at the Urban Affairs Association's annual conference (Minneapolis, MN).

Jennings, J., Prenner, C., **Braswell, T.**, Miller, K. and Smith, A. "To the Barricades! Street Closures as Public Policy in St. Louis, MO." Paper presented at the American Association of Geographer's Annual Meeting (Boston, MA).

Gallardo, J., Matsuo, H., Willoughby, L., Santon, R., **Braswell, T.**, and Ibrahim, H. "Locus of Control and Integration of Bosnian and Vietnamese Refugees in St. Louis, MO". Paper presented at the Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting (Milwaukee, WI)

Invited Presentations

2017 "Urban Community Gardens and the Commodification of Space." Hosted by Davidson College's Department of Sociology and Office of Sustainability (Davidson, NC)

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant, Northeastern University

- Gavin Shatkin (February 2018 – April 2019)
- Laura Nelson (September 2018 – December 2018)
- Sara Wylie (June 2017 – April 2018)

Graduate Research Assistant, Saint Louis University.

- Christopher Prenner (August 2015 – May 2017)
- Hisako Matsuo (August 2016 – May 2017)
- J.S. Onésimo Sandoval (August 2015 – May 2016)

Teaching

Instructor of Record

Growth and Decline of Cities and Suburbs (POLS 2357, Northeastern University, Spring 2021)

Programming with Data – Social Science Practicum (DS 2001, Northeastern University, Spring 2020)

Teaching Assistant

Environment and Society (SOCL 1246, Northeastern University, Fall 2020)

Analyzing Complex Digital Data (INSH 6406, Northeastern University, Fall 2019)

Current Issues in Cities and Suburbs (SOCL 2358, Northeastern University, Spring 2019)

Applied Inferential Statistics (SOC 5050, Saint Louis University, Fall 2016)

Guest Lectures

Introduction to GIS in ENV5 3360 – Research Methods in Environmental Studies (Fall 2019). Boston College.

Urban Political Ecology in SOCL 2358 – Current Issues in Cities and Suburbs (Spring 2019). Northeastern University.

Spatial Statistics in SOC 392 – Quantitative Data Analysis (Spring 2017). Davidson College.

Documentation and Metadata in Stata in SOC 5050 – Applied Inferential Statistics (Fall 2016). Saint Louis University

Cleaning Data with Stata in SOC 5050 – Applied Inferential Statistics (Fall 2016). Saint Louis University.

Food Deserts in SOC 1120 – Introduction to Sociology – Diversity and Health Emphasis (Spring 2016). Saint Louis University.

Service Departmental

Fall 2019 – Graduate Committee
Spring 2020

College

Spring 2020 Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Council

ProfessionalArticle Referee *Agriculture and Human Values; Social Problems; Urban Geography*

- Honors**
- 2021 Outstanding Graduate Student Research Paper Award (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University).
- 2019 Outstanding Graduate Student Research Paper Award (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University).
- 2017 Geospatial Science Research & Innovation Award (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Saint Louis University).
- Media Coverage**
- 2019 Grone, Jack. "[The Curious Tale of the St. Louis Street Barriers.](#)" *Citylab*, Apr 25.
- Thorson, Leah. "[To make St. Louis safer, hundreds of streets were closed. What if that was a mistake?](#)" *St Louis Post-Dispatch*, Feb 23.
- 2018 O'Dea, Janelle and Jacob Barker. "[How many vacant properties does St. Louis actually have?](#)" *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, Sept 15.
- Software Skills**
- R, Python, Stata, QGIS, ArcGIS
- Affiliations**
- American Sociological Association
Sections: Community and Urban Sociology, Environmental Sociology
- Rural Sociological Society
- Social Science History Association