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### **Education**

2023 (expected) Ph.D., Sociology, Northeastern University (Boston, MA)

Dissertation: "The historical urban political economy of community-owned electric utilities in the southeastern United States."

Committee: Liza Weinstein (chair), Gavin Shatkin, Jennie Stephens, Neil Brenner

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 and Teaching Interests**

Environmental Sociology, Urban Sociology, Political Sociology, Urbanization, Political Economy, Infrastructure Governance, Energy Policy, Geographic Information Systems, Spatial Data Science, Comparative Historical Methods

### **Publications**

#### Peer-Reviewed Articles

In Press Shatkin, Gavin, **Taylor Harris Braswell**, and Melinda Martinus.  
["Mapping and the politics of informality in Jakarta."](#) *Urban Geography*.

2022 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*.

#### Invited Book Reviews

- 2022 *How Green Became Good: Urbanized Nature and the Making of Cities and Citizens*, Hillary Angelo. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press. *Urban Studies*.

#### **Presentations**

##### Conference Presentations

- 2022 Braswell, Taylor. "Urbanization as a lens for understanding electric utility policy: suburbanization in the American South." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Community and Urban Sociology section roundtable on Infrastructure (Los Angeles, CA).
- Braswell, Taylor. "Suburbanization and the spatial politics of electricity in the American south." Paper presented at the Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting (Boston, MA).
- 2020 Braswell, Taylor. "Toward a reintegration of urban and rural sociology" [Roundtable session canceled]. American Sociological Association annual meeting.
- 2019 Braswell, Taylor. "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 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 annual meeting (Boston, MA).

2018 Braswell, Taylor. "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).

Prener, 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., Prener, 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).

## **Teaching**

### Instructor of Record

Introduction to Sociology (Northeastern University, Summer 2022; Spring 2022; Summer 2021)

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

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

Teaching Assistant

Environment and Society (Northeastern University, Fall 2020)

Analyzing Complex Digital Data (Northeastern University, Fall 2019)

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

Applied Inferential Statistics (Saint Louis University, Fall 2016)

Guest Lectures

Introduction to GIS (Boston College, Research Methods in Environmental Studies, Fall 2019)

Urban Political Ecology (Northeastern University, Current Issues in Cities and Suburbs, Spring 2019)

Spatial Statistics (Davidson College, Quantitative Data Analysis, Spring 2017)

**Service**

Departmental

Graduate Committee (Fall 2019–Spring 2020)

College

Dean’s Graduate Student Advisory Council (Spring 2020)

Professional

Peer review for *Agriculture and Human Values*; *Social Problems*; *Urban Geography*

**Honors**

2022-2023            Dean’s Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities Center (College of Social Science and Humanities, Northeastern University)

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).

**Software Skills**

R, Python, Stata, ArcGIS, QGIS

**Professional Memberships**

American Sociological Association (sections on Community and Urban Sociology, Environmental Sociology, and Comparative Historical Sociology)

Rural Sociological Society

Social Science History Association