

# Meghan Esther Wilson

## Curriculum Vitae

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### RESEARCH INTEREST

I examine the state government's intervention into local governance in the midst of financial crisis and how this intervention impacts political participation and democratic accountability specifically in historically urban communities.

### EDUCATION

#### **Brown University**

**Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science** 2016(expected)

Dissertation: "Monopoly Politics: The Impact of Emergency Management on Institutions and Residents in Urban Environments"

Committee: Katherine Tate (chair), Wendy Schiller, Marion Orr, James Morone

**M.A. in Political Science** 2013

#### **Spelman College**

**B.A. in Political Science** 2011

Thesis: Motorized Community: Educational Reform in Detroit Public Schools

### WORK UNDER REVIEW

Wilson, Meghan E., "Democracy Postponed: Changes in Democracy and Participation at the Local Level." Under Review

### SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

Wilson, Meghan E., "City Auction: Municipal Response to Fiscal Distress in Detroit." Article being prepared for submission.

Wilson, Meghan E. "Race in the American City: Vestiges of the Old Racial Order in the [new] urban city." Article being prepared for presentation.

Collins, Jonathan E. and **Meghan E. Wilson**, "The Politics of Local Fiscal Crisis: How Local Residents Respond to Municipal Bankruptcy in San Bernardino, CA and Detroit, MI." Article being prepared for submission.

Bourassa, Aimee, Katherine Tate, Cadence Willse, and **Meghan E. Wilson**, "Angry White Man: Sources of Political Dissatisfaction in the United States." Article being prepared for submission.

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Democracy Postponed: Changes in Democracy and Participation at the local level"

- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

"Remaking the Institution: The intersection of People Politics and the Market in Detroit"

- New England Political Science Conference, Newport, RI, April 2016
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2016

“Emergency Management and the Growth of the Neoliberal City”

- Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, San Diego, CA, March 2016

“Let them Speak: Impact of Municipal Crisis in Detroit, MI and San Bernardino, CA” w/ Jonathan Collins

- Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, San Diego, March 2016
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2016

“City Auction: Municipal Response to Fiscal Distress in Detroit”

- Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Miami, FL, March 2015
- Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientist, Atlanta, GA, March 2015
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2015

“The Angry Age: Sources of Political Dissatisfaction in the U.S.” w/ Aimee Bourassa, Katherine Tate, & Cadence Willse

- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2015

“Look at me! A Randomized Controlled Experiment of the Effects of Gender and Interview Attire on Survey Response Bias” w/ Paul White

- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, September 2015

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### *Independently Taught Courses*

- Minority Political Behavior, Spring 2016 & Spring 2017, Department of Political Science, Brown University
- Money vs. People: Are Budgets the Ruler of American Democracy, Summer, 2016, Summer at Brown University

### *Teaching Assistantships at Brown University*

- Urban Politics and Public Policy, Fall 2015, Professor Marion Orr
- Introduction to American Political Process, Head T.A., Spring 2014, Fall 2012, Professor Wendy Schiller
- Introduction to Illicit Global Economy, Fall 2013, Professor Peter Andreas
- Campaigns and Elections, Fall 2012, Professor Michael Tesler

## **ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP AND AWARDS**

2016: Deans' of Faculty Fellowship

2016: Spatial Structures in Social Sciences Travel Grant

2015: Ford Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship  
*Honorable Mention*

2014: Belfer Family Graduate Fellowship in Public Policy  
*Full Academic Funding for 2014-2015 Calendar Year*

2014: Visiting Humanities Center Fellow at Wayne State University

2013: Brown University Graduate Student Fellowship/Assistantship Package, 2011-2014

## **PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING**

Certificate: Spatial Structures in Social Sciences GIS Institute, Brown University

*This is an intensive course focused on visualization, management, and analysis of geographic data. This program covers management of spatial data, conduct geographic analysis, and communicate spatial concepts.*

Certificate IV: Teaching Consultant Program

Harriet W. Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, Brown University

*This is a year-long program to help develop and observe effective teaching strategies. The focus of the program is to develop expertise in leadership and pedagogical development.*

Certificate I: Sheridan Teaching Seminar

Harriet W. Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, Brown University

*Yearlong seminar and workshop series focusing on fundamental principles of pedagogy and developing a reflexive teaching practice*

## **NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Builders of Promise, *Founder and Executive Director*

Detroit, MI

Oct. 2012- Present

- Conceptualized community development goals
- Publicized and Promoted the organization social and community network
- Surveyed land and developed a comprehensive plan for community development
- Wrote and oversaw implementation of private foundation and government grants
- Planned both, large and small dollar fundraising events

Detroit Public Schools, *Summer Youth Employment Director and Coordinator*

Detroit, MI

2010- 2012

- Established skilled trade summer program providing students 16-21 years old employment
- Negotiated fair compensation packages for students
- Responsible for budgeting funds, Student placement, & payroll
- Liaison between host school and Bond Construction project

City of Detroit, *Legislative Analyst for Councilman Kwame Kenyatta*

Detroit, MI

2007 – 2009

- Responded to constituents with complaints and worked diligently to resolve each matter expeditiously 80 % of assigned complaints were resolved successfully
- Served as liaison between members of city council

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

- American Political Science Association (2011-present)
- Midwest Political Science Association (2012-Present)
- National Conference of Black Political Scientist (2011-present)
- Urban Affairs Association (2013- Present)