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## Education

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- 2021 *exp.***      PhD, Sociology, New York University  
Dissertation: *The Diversity Contract: Constructing Racial Harmony in a Diverse American Suburb*  
Committee: Ann J. Morning (chair), Michael Hout, Michael Emerson (UIC), L'Heureux Lewis-McCoy, Sarah K. Cowan
- 2013**              B.A. in Psychology: Rice University  
*Summa Cum Laude*. Minors: Sociology; Poverty, Justice, and Human Capabilities

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

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- Douds, Kiara W. and Michael Hout. Forthcoming. "Microaggressions in the United States." *Sociological Science*.
- Douds, Kiara, Heather A. O'Connell, and Jenifer L. Bratter. 2019. "The Racial Boundaries of Inequality: How Racial Hierarchies and White Identity Shape Whites' Explanations for Racial Inequality." *The Du Bois Review* 16(1):83-106. [\[Link\]](#)
- Douds, Kiara and Jie Wu. 2018. "Trust in the Bayou City: Do Racial Segregation and Discrimination Matter for Generalized Trust?" *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 4(4):567-584. [\[Link\]](#)
- Emerson, Michael O., Elizabeth Korver-Glenn, and Kiara W. Douds. 2015. "Studying Race and Religion: A Critical Assessment." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 1(3):349-359. [\[Link\]](#)

## Under Review

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- Douds, Kiara W. "The Diversity Contract: Constructing Racial Harmony in a Diverse American Suburb." Second Revise and Resubmit, *American Journal of Sociology*. [\[Link\]](#)
- Cowan, Sarah K. and Kiara W. Douds. "The Effects of Income on Birth Rates: The Case of a Universal Cash Transfer." Revise and Resubmit, *Demography*. [\[Link\]](#)
- Douds, Kiara W. and Ethan Raker. "The Geography of Low Birth Weight Ethnoracial Inequalities in the United States." Under review. [\[Link\]](#)

## In Preparation

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Douds, Kiara W. and Ankit Rastogi.\* “A Sociodemographic Portrait of Residential Diversity and Integration in Cities and Suburbs in the United States.” Working Paper. [\[Link\]](#)

\*Indicates equal authorship.

Douds, Kiara W. and Sarah K. Cowan. “The Effects of Income on Newborn Health: The Case of a Universal Cash Transfer.” Working Paper.

Douds, Kiara W. “What Is Racial Inequality? The Missing Foundation.” Working Paper.

## Other Publications

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Klineberg, Stephen L., Jie Wu, Kiara Douds, and Diane Ramirez. 2014. *Shared Prospects: Hispanics and the Future of Houston. Findings from the Houston Surveys (1994-2014)*. Kinder Institute for Urban Research.

Klineberg, Stephen L., Jie Wu, and Kiara Douds. 2013. *The 2012 Houston Education Survey: Public Perceptions in a Critical Time*. Kinder Institute for Urban Research.

## Grants and Fellowships

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- 2020 Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University – \$29,000  
Center for Engaged Scholarship Dissertation Fellowship - Finalist
- 2019 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation – \$15,929
- 2017 Research Development Grant, Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University – \$2,000
- 2017 Seed Grant, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University – \$500
- 2017 Predoctoral Summer Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University – \$2,000
- 2017 Kinder Scholar, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University
- 2013-15 Post-Baccalaureate Fellow, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University

## Presentations

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Douds, Kiara W. 2020. “The Diversity Contract: Constructing Racial Harmony in a Diverse American Suburb.” American Sociological Association 115th Annual Meeting.

Cowan, Sarah K. and Kiara Douds. 2019. “The Causal Effect of Cash Transfers on Birth Rates, the Composition of Mothers and Birth Outcomes: Exploring a Universal Basic Income.” Guttmacher Institute.

- Douds, Kiara and Ethan Raker. 2019. "Temporal Trends and Geographic Heterogeneity in Ethnoracial Birth Disparities: Evidence from Natality Records, 1970-2010." Population Association of America 2019 Annual Meeting.
- Cowan, Sarah K. and Kiara Douds. 2019. "A Universal Basic Income Increases Birth Rates with Minimal Impact on Newborn Health." Population Association of America 2019 Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara. 2018. "What Is Racial Inequality? The Missing Foundation." American Sociological Association 113th Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara. 2018. "The Diversity Contract: Constructing Racial Harmony in Fort Bend County, Texas." Kinder Institute Research Seminar.
- Douds, Kiara. 2017. "Desires in Context: The Effect of Neighborhood College Degree Attainment on Adolescents' College Aspirations." American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara and Delaram Takyar. 2017. "Adjudicating Aspirations: Using Causal Effect Estimation to Test Competing Conceptualizations of Educational Aspirations." American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara. 2017. "Desires in Context: The Effect of Neighborhood College Degree Attainment on Adolescents' College Aspirations." Population Association of America 2017 Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara. 2016. "The Racial Boundaries of Inequality: How Racial Hierarchies and White Identity Shape Whites' Explanations for Racial Inequality." American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting.
- Douds, Kiara. 2015. "Trust in the Bayou City: Do Racial Segregation and Discrimination Matter for Generalized Trust?." Urban Affairs Association 45th Annual Conference.
- Douds, Kiara and Jie Wu. 2014. "Trust in the Bayou City: Individual and Contextual Predictors of Generalized Trust in a Diverse Local Context." Metropolises' Responses to Migration and Urban Growth Workshop, Fudan University, Shanghai, China.
- Douds, Kiara and Jie Wu. 2014. "Trust in the Bayou City: Individual and Contextual Predictors of Generalized Trust in a Diverse Local Context." Spring Immigration Panel, University of Houston.

## **Professional Service**

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- Co-founder, Suburban Reading Group at NYU Institute for Public Knowledge (2019-present)
- Student representative, Sociology Environmental Impact Committee (2019-present)
- Co-organizer, Community and Urban Sociology ASA Section Pre-conference (2019)
- Student representative, Sociology Hiring Committee (2016, 2018)
- Co-organizer, Sociology Graduate Student Association Spring Methods Workshop (2017)
- Representative, Graduate Student Association (2016-2017)