

# Alyssa M. Newman

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## APPOINTMENTS

- 2020- Hecht-Levi Fellow  
Berman Institute of Bioethics  
Affiliate, Center for Medical Humanities and Social Medicine  
Johns Hopkins University
- 2018-2020 Hixon-Riggs Early Career Fellow in Science and Technology Studies  
Department of Humanities, Social Sciences, and the Arts  
Harvey Mudd College

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2018  
Doctoral Emphasis in Black Studies
- M.A. Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2011
- B.A. Sociology, Minors in African American Studies and Demography, University of California, Berkeley, 2008

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Race and Ethnicity, Multiraciality, Health Disparities, Reproduction, Sociology of the Body, Science and Technology Studies, Medical Sociology

## PUBLICATIONS

### REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2021 Newman, Alyssa M. "Institutional Problems, Individual Solutions—The Burden on Black Physicians." *New England Journal of Medicine*, 384:2076-2078. doi: 10.1056/NEJMp2103063
- 2021 Newman, Alyssa M. "Revisiting the Marginal Man: Bridging Immigration Scholarship and Mixed Race Studies." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, 7(1):26-40. doi: 10.1177/2332649220933302

- 2019 Newman, Alyssa M. "Mixing and Matching: Sperm Donor Selection for Interracial Lesbian Couples." Special issue, Interrogating the Intersections of Race and Reproduction in Medicine, Science, and Technology. *Medical Anthropology: Cross-Cultural Studies in Health and Illness*, 38(8):710-724. doi: 10.1080/01459740.2019.1655737
- 2019 Newman, Alyssa M. "Desiring the Standard Light Skin: Black Multiracial Boys, Masculinity, and Exotification." *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*, 26(1):107-125. doi: 10.1080/1070289X.2017.1377420

#### CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

- 2020 Newman, Alyssa M. "Becoming Mixed Race: Northern California and the Production of Multiracial Identities." In *Shape Shifters: Journeys Across Terrains of Race and Identity*, edited by Paul Spickard, Lily Welty Tamai, Ingrid Dineen-Wimberly, and Matt Kester, University of Nebraska Press.
- 2015 Newman, Alyssa M. and G. Reginald Daniel. "Colorblind Ideology, Multiculturalism, and Collective Identity Formation Among Mixed Race Adolescents in Northern California," in *Adolescent Identity and Schooling: Diverse Perspectives*, edited by Cynthia Hudley, Routledge.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- 2013 Daniel, G. Reginald and Alyssa M. Newman. "Mulatto Escape Hatch," in *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*, Macmillan Reference USA.
- 2010 Newman, Alyssa M. "How Can You Say You're Only One?: Identity and Community Among Mixed Black High School Students," *Eleven: The Undergraduate Journal of Sociology at UC Berkeley*, 1:3-28.

#### MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Newman, Alyssa M. "Moving Beyond Mistrust: Centering Institutional Change by Decentering the White Analytical Lens." *Revise and resubmit, Bioethics*

Newman, Alyssa M. "From Margins to Movements: The Emergence of Multiracial Collective Identity in the United States." *Book manuscript in progress*

Twine, France Winddance and Alyssa M. Newman. "Race, Assisted Reproductive Technologies Regulation, and Global Fertility Chains." *In progress*

#### GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2018 Loren Frankel Memorial Scholarship Award, American Men's Studies Association, \$500
- 2017 Paul Spickard Graduate Student Paper Award, Critical Mixed Race Studies Association, \$500

- 2016 Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara, \$7,500
- 2015 Sociology Department Research Grant, UC Santa Barbara, \$1,000
- 2013 Sociology Department Research Grant, UC Santa Barbara, \$500
- 2012 Travel Grant, Collectivity Beyond Identity Conference, German Research Foundation Fund, Humboldt University Berlin, €1600
- 2011 NSF DIGSSS Program Research Stipend, UC Santa Barbara, \$450
- 2011 Sociology Department Research Grant, UC Santa Barbara, \$740
- 2009 Chancellor's Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara, \$21,000 for academic years 2009-2010, 2011-2012, and 2013-2015
- 2009 SAGE Sarah Miller McCune Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara, \$450

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- 2021 "Moving Beyond Mistrust: Centering Institutional Change by Decentering the White Analytical Lens" Panelist, Institutional Responses to Racism, Annual meetings of the *American Society for Bioethics + Humanities*, October 11-16.
- 2021 "Race, Identity, and Gamete Donor Selection" Panelist, Ethical Issues in Reproductive Endocrinology and Transgender Medicine," Inaugural Fall Conference of the *Endocrine Ethics Association*, September 18.
- 2021 "Covid-19, Police Violence, and Anti-Asian Hate: Understanding Black and Asian Relations in the Contemporary Moment" Panelist, *Black & Asian Relations in America: Dangers & Opportunities for Health Equity*, UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA Center for Social Medicine and Humanities seminar series, June 25.
- 2021 Panelist, "Towards a Dynamic, Inclusive, and Justice-Oriented Bioethics," Mid-Atlantic Fellows' Conference, May 5.
- 2021 "The 'Bio-Matching Tradeoff': Unforeseen Challenges of Sperm Donor Selection for Interracial Lesbian Couples" Reproductive Ethics Conference, April 8-9.
- 2020 "Mixed Race Feminisms: Gender, Sexuality, and Blackness Within and Beyond the Nation" Panelist, National Women's Studies Association, November 12-15, Minneapolis, MN. Conference cancelled due to Covid-19.

- 2020 “Revisiting the Marginal Man” Panelist, Race and Ethnicity II: Racialization and Meaning, Annual Meeting of the *American Sociological Association*, August 8-11. Presentation cancelled due to Covid-19.
- 2020 “Choosing Race, Choosing Identity: Biology, Culture, and the Achievement of Racial Authenticity through the Selection of a Sperm Donor.” Presenter and Conference Organizer, Reproductive Technologies, Reproductive Justice Conference, Harvey Mudd College, February 7-8, Claremont, CA.
- 2019 “Racial Mixing and Matching: Gamete Donation, Family Formation, and Reproductive Choice.” Panelist, Technology and/in Racial Formations, Annual Meeting of the *Society for Social Studies of Science*, September 4-7, New Orleans, LA.
- 2019 “The Mixed-Race Children of Immigrants: Intermarriage, Assimilation, and New Immigrant Trajectories in the United States.” Participant, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity Refereed Roundtable, Annual meetings of the *American Sociological Association*, August 10-13, New York, NY.
- 2019 “Mixing and Matching: How Interracial Lesbian Couples Choose a Gamete Donor.” Panelist, Social Considerations and Family Creation, Reproductive Ethics Conference, Alden March Bioethics Institute, April 5-6, Albany, NY.
- 2019 “Racial Mixing and Matching: The Gamete Donor Selection Process for Mixed Race Individuals and Interracial Couples.” Panelist, Facts and Fictions about Race and the Biomedicalized Body, Annual meetings of the *Eastern Sociological Society*, March 14-17, Boston, MA.
- 2018 “Shifting into Fluidity: The Role of Place and Interaction in Producing New Multiracial Identifications.” Panelist, Conceptualizing Racial Identification Choices in the Twenty-First Century, Annual meetings of the *Southern Sociological Society*, April 4-7, New Orleans, LA.
- 2018 “Desiring the Standard Light Skin: Black Multiracial Boys, Masculinity, and Exotification.” Panelist, Race & Sex, Annual meetings of the *American Men’s Studies Association*, March 22-25, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2018 “Identifying as Mixed Race—Or Not: Exploring Multiracial Identity and Group Affiliation Among First and Second Generation Immigrants in the United States.” Panelist, Immigration, Census, and Marginalization, *Critical Mixed Race Studies* Conference, March 1-3, College Park, MD.
- 2017 “Borders of the Racial Frontier: Exploring the Boundaries, Limits, and Exclusions of Multiracial Collective Identity.” Panelist, Multi-Racial and Multi-Ethnic Classification and Identities, Annual meetings of the *American Sociological Association*, August 12-15, Montreal, Canada.

- 2017 “Beyond Individual Identities: The Possibilities of an Emergent Multiracial Collective Subjectivity.” Panelist, Mixed Spaces: Borderlands and Diaspora, *Critical Mixed Race Studies* Conference, February 24-26, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2016 “Mixed Race Desirability: Exploring the Exotification and Valorization of the Multiracial Black Male Body.” Panelist, Multiracial Identity, Beauty, and Dating, Annual Meetings of the *American Sociological Association*, August 20-23, Seattle, WA.
- 2015 “Valorizing the Mixed-Race Body: From Hybrid Degeneracy to Hybrid Vigor.” Roundtable Presenter, Race and Ethnicity, Annual Meetings of the *American Sociological Association*, August 22-25, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 “Beyond Movements and Individuals: Multiraciality as a Basis of Group Identity.” Panelist, Sociology and Mixed Race Studies, Annual Meetings of the *American Sociological Association*, August 16-19, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 “Defining “We”: Externally Imposed Conceptions of Groupness and the Possibilities of a Multiracial Collective Subjectivity.” Panelist, Race, Decolonization, and the Transnational, *Critical Ethnic Studies Association* Conference, The University of Illinois at Chicago, September 19-21, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 “Exploring a Multiracial Collective Subjectivity: Consequences for the American Racial Order.” Panelist, Practical Solutions, Kollektivität nach der Subjektkritik – Collectivity Beyond Identity Conference, Center for Transdisciplinary Gender Studies at Humboldt University, June 28-30, Berlin, Germany.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE

From Hybrid Degeneracy to Hybrid Vigor: Perceptions of Racial Mixing, Spring 2019/Spring 2020

Technology & Human Reproduction, Fall 2018/Fall 2019

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA, INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

Sociology of Girls and Girlhood, Summer 2015

Special Topics in Methods: Conducting Research Interviews, Summer 2012

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA, TEACHING ASSISTANT

Sociology of Multiracial Identity in the United States, Spring 2013/Spring 2011

Methods of Sociological Research: Surveys, Winter 2013

Special Topics in Methods: Critical Ethnography, Summer 2013

Special Topics in Methods: Conducting Research Interviews, Summer 2011

Introduction to Sociology, Winter 2011/Fall 2010

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA, READER  
Black Studies: Contemporary Black Cinema, Spring 2013  
Sociology of Women and Work, Fall 2012

## **SERVICE**

### SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Member, Oliver Cromwell Cox Book Award Committee, Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, American Sociological Association, 2021  
Guest Co-Editor with France Winddance Twine, Special Issue “Reproductive Technologies and Global Fertility Chains,” *Social Sciences*, 2021-present  
Ad Hoc Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Social Currents*, *Identities*, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*  
Assistant Editor, *Journal of Critical Mixed Race Studies*, 2018-present  
Senior Thesis Examiner, Christopher Malafronti, Swarthmore College, 2018  
Committee Member, Paul Spickard Graduate Student Paper Award, 2018  
Assistant Editor, Special Issue “Genealogies of Multiracial Families,” *Genealogy*, 2018  
Course Development Consultant, Science for Social Justice, College of Biological Sciences, Dr. Rebecca Calisi Rodriguez, UC Davis, 2017

### UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Co-facilitator, Anti-Racism Reading Group, Berman Institute, Johns Hopkins, 2020-present  
Member, Student Success Task Force; Undergraduate Success Academic Reform sub-committee, JHU Roadmap on Diversity and Inclusion, 2020-2021  
Member, Institutional Accountability Task Force, JHU Roadmap on Diversity and Inclusion, 2020-2021  
Member, Inclusion, Diversity, Anti-Racism, and Equity Committee, Berman Institute, Johns Hopkins, 2020-present  
Member, Structural Competency and Health Equity Group; Structural Competency in Curriculum Working Group, School of Medicine, Johns Hopkins, 2020-present  
Organizer, “Reproductive Technologies, Reproductive Justice” Conference, Harvey Mudd College, February 7-8 2020  
Senior Thesis Reader, Sabrina Wu, Scripps; Olivia Hawkins Gilbert, Scripps, Fall 2019; Angélica Campos, Claremont McKenna, Spring 2020  
Organizer, Science for Social Justice in Puerto Rico Panel, Harvey Mudd College, September 12, 2019  
Organizer, Questioning the Cultural Authority of Science, Faculty Reading Group, Claremont Colleges, Spring 2019  
Seminar Guest, Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program, Claremont Colleges, March 6, 2019  
Invited Panelist, Rethinking Multiracial: A Conversation with Multiracial Scholars, *American College Personnel Association*, MultiRacial Network Annual Webinar, January 24, 2018  
Lunchtime Speaker Series Guest, Pomona College Women’s Union, September 27, 2018  
Invited Panelist, Demystifying the Grad Journey: Is a Masters/PhD Right for Me?, Social Justice Conference, UC Santa Barbara, May 7, 2016

Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara, 2015  
Mentor, Sociology Graduate Student Association, UC Santa Barbara, 2015  
Professional Development Committee Member, Sociology Graduate Student Association, UC Santa Barbara, 2013  
Graduate Student Representative, Diversity, Equity, and Affirmative Action Committee, Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara, 2012, 2010

## **MEDIA AND PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY**

Invited Panelist, Isang Bagsak as Verb: Combating Anti-Blackness in Education, Teach for America's Asian American & Pacific Islander Alliances online panel, June 27, 2020  
*Biopolitical Times* guest column, Center for Genetics and Society, "Flipping Out' Over Consent and Privacy: When Surrogacy Meets Reality Television," July 9, 2018.  
Life of the Law Podcast, Interviewed for Episode 134 Gattaca Revisited: Up the Borrowed Ladder. May 10, 2018.

## **OTHER POSITIONS**

Research Consultant, Center for Genetics and Society, Berkeley, CA, 2016-2017  
Mentor, Research Mentorship Program, Summer Sessions, UC Santa Barbara, 2015  
Diversity Coordinator, Network Science IGERT, UC Santa Barbara, 2013-2017  
Graduate Student Researcher, Undergraduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara, 2013

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association  
Society for Social Studies of Science  
Critical Mixed Race Studies Association  
Association of Black Sociologists  
Sociologists for Women in Society  
Pacific Sociological Association  
American Society for Bioethics + Humanities  
Endocrine Ethics Association  
Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society

## **REFERENCES**

Provided upon request.