



Ph.D. in Sociology at Syracuse

Graduate training prepares students for all aspects of their career: research, teaching, publishing, grants, and mentoring. We begin with a professional development seminar that assures that all students have the opportunities they need to become fully prepared future scholars. Graduates of our PhD program hold positions at prestigious research universities, liberal arts colleges, NGOs, government offices, and corporations.

Areas of Specialization

The faculty in the Department of Sociology at Syracuse University focus on inequalities and intersectionalities linked to gender, race and ethnicity, class, sexualities, age, and disability in these six areas of study.

*Globalization, Immigration, Transnational Studies

This focal area deals with the movement of people, goods, capital, ideas, political-economic systems, and cultures across national borders, the factors leading to such movement, as well as the outcomes of such movement.

*Population and Place

Research in this area encompasses a range of theories, methods, and insights for understanding population processes, social structures, inequalities, and lived experiences across a range of geographic scales in the U.S. and internationally.

*Health, Aging & Life Course, Disability

Faculty working in this area examine social inequalities and lifecourse processes linked to aging, disability, health and health care, family relationships, care work, and welfare state policies.

*Inequalities

Faculty working in this area examine the causes and consequences of disparities based on race, ethnicity, class, education, gender, and sexuality across individuals, groups, and geographies.

*Education and Family

Faculty in this focal group have interest in the sociological studies of education and family, in the areas of education stratification, care work and intergenerational relations.

*Power, Capital, and Politics

Faculty in this area draw on a variety of methodological approaches, interdisciplinary literatures, and theoretical perspectives to interrogate the relationship between the state and capital, the impacts and implications of social policies, and the punitive as well as the productive effects of power throughout society.



SOCIOLOGY FACULTY AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Edwin Ackerman

Assistant Professor, Sociology Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, 2016 Political sociology, comparative –historical sociology, Latin-American studies

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University Professor, Sociology Ph.D., Florida State University, 1991 Aging, life course, health care, gender, social policy

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Professor, Sociology Ph.D., Brown University, 1993 Immigrants and immigration, religion, ethnicity, immigrant politics, India

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Associate Dean and Professor, Sociology Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, 1993 Medical sociology; HIV/AIDS; demography; aging and the life course; families, poverty, welfare, and low- " wage work; carework; veterans; LGBT/sexuality

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