

## MARY SHI

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### EDUCATION

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**University of California, Berkeley** — Berkeley, CA

Ph.D. Sociology, *in progress*

*Qualifying Exams*: Social Theory (with Michael Burawoy, chair), Political Sociology (with Mara Loveman); and Science, Knowledge, and Technology (with John Lie)

**University of California, Berkeley** — Berkeley, CA

M.A. Sociology, May 2016

*M.A. Paper*: “Two Logics of the Built Environment: Economic and Inhabitation,” advised by John Lie (chair) and Mara Loveman

**Yale University** — New Haven, CT

B.A. Political Science (*with distinction*) and Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, 2014

*Thesis*: “The Sinicization of Xinjiang: Efforts in China's Northwest Frontier to Create a Nation from a State,” advised by James C. Scott

Visiting Student in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, University of Oxford, 2013

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

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The state, political economy, American political development, society and space, knowledge, social theory, political sociology, urban sociology, public sociology

### REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

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Graziani, Terra and **Mary Shi** (equal co-authorship). 2020. “Data for Justice: Tensions and Lessons from the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project’s Work Between Academia and Activism.” *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies* 19(1): 397-412.

Tycowski, Kazimierz; Mei-Di Shu, Sumit Borah, **Mary Shi** and Joan A. Steitz. 2012. “Conservation of a Triple-Helix-Forming RNA Stability Element in Noncoding and Genomic RNAs of Diverse Viruses.” *Cell Reports* 2(1): 26-32.

### OTHER WRITING

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**Shi, Mary**. 2018. “Counterpoints: The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project's Atlas of the Bay Area.” *UC Berkeley Global Urban Humanities Blog*. [Online](#). 29 August 2018.

The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project.<sup>1</sup> 2018. “The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project Handbook.” 2018. *Creating Social Change Through Creativity: Anti-Oppressive Arts Based Research Methods*. Moshoula Capous-Desyllas and Karen Morgaine, eds. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 289-308.

Graziani, Terra, Erin McElroy, **Mary Shi**, and Leah Simon-Weinberg (equal co-authorship). 2016. “Counterpoints: Stories and Data for Resisting Displacement, 2016.” Report by the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project and Tenants Together. Oakland, CA: 9 September 2016 and [online](#).

**Shi, Mary**. 2013. “Unstable Ground: The 1968 Mexico City Student Protests.” *Yale Review of International Studies* 3(2): 63-72 and [online](#).

**Shi, Mary**. 2011. “Secularism in Suburbia.” *Fiat Lux: A Journal of Religious Life at Yale*. 3(1): 27-30

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

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The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project.<sup>2</sup> *Counterpoints: A San Francisco Bay Area Atlas of Displacement and Resistance*. Oakland, CA: PM Press (forthcoming Spring 2021)

**Shi, Mary**. “Settler Colonialism, the Public Lands, and Early Government Promotion of Infrastructure in the United States ” (under review)

**Shi, Mary**. “Bourdieu and Dual Process Models: Towards a Cognitive Theory of Social Change” (available upon request)

**Shi, Mary**. “The Restructured Urban Political Economy of the Knowledge Economy: Evidence from the San Francisco Bay Area.” (available upon request)

**Shi, Mary**. “The Moral Economy of Place: Two Logics of the Built Environment.” (manuscript in preparation)

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

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### *Extramural Fellowships and Grants*

2015-2020	National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship	\$138,000
2020	San Francisco Arts Commission, Organizational Project Grant <i>Supported publication of the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project's atlas of the Bay Area, Counterpoints (Oakland, CA: PM Press, anticipated Spring 2021)</i>	\$10,100

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<sup>1</sup> For this publication I served as the primary chapter editor and corresponding author for the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, although the project collectively claims authorship.

<sup>2</sup> This is a book project collectively produced and edited by an Anti-Eviction Mapping Project. Erin McElroy and I are equal project leads. I am the editor for Chapter 6, “Migrations/Relocations.”

2019	Tobin Project, History of American Democracy Graduate Student Fellow	\$1,000
2015-2017	Philosophy of Social Science and Critical Realism Summer Seminar and Graduate Student Working Group	\$5,000

***Intramural Fellowships and Grants***

2021	SURF-SMART (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships-Student Mentoring and Research Teams) Graduate Fellow	\$5,000
2021	Institute of Governmental Studies, Mike Synar Graduate Research Fellowship	\$3,000
2017	UC Berkeley Global Urban Humanities Initiative, Interdisciplinary Student Publications Grant <i>Supported production of the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project's atlas of the Bay Area, Counterpoints (Oakland, CA: PM Press, anticipated Spring 2021)</i>	\$15,000
2014	Cook Family Foundation, Owosso Fellowship <i>Supported internship in the Office of the City Manager, Owosso, MI</i>	\$4,000
2013	Yale College, Mellon Forum Research Grant <i>Supported interviews with the Uyghur Human Rights Project in Washington, D.C.</i>	\$500
2013	Howard W. Hilgendorf Memorial Fellowship <i>Supported field research in Xinjiang, China from June through July, 2013</i>	\$4,250
2011	Richard U. Light Fellowship for Intensive East Asian Language Study <i>Supported study at the Princeton in Beijing Chinese language institute at Beijing Normal University in Beijing, China</i>	\$7,000

***Awards***

2019	UC Berkeley Department of Sociology, Alumni Prize for Public Sociology <i>For the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project's Counterpoints: A San Francisco Bay Area Atlas of Displacement and Resistance (Oakland, CA: PM Press, anticipated Spring 2021)</i>
2018	UC Berkeley Graduate Division, Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor

- 2017 Berkeley Undergraduate Sociological Association, Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor
- 2016 American Studies Association, Digital Humanities Caucus, Garfinkel Prize in Digital Humanities  
*For service in the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project's "Narratives of Displacement and Resistance" oral history project*
- 2016 American Association of Geographers, Urban Geography Speciality Group, Alternative Geography Award  
*For service in the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project*
- 2015 UC Berkeley Department of Sociology, Alumni Prize for Public Sociology  
*For service in the Berkeley Journal of Sociology editorial collective*
- 2013 Acheson Prize for Outstanding Essays in International Studies, Third Place, "Unstable Ground: The 1968 Mexico City Student Protests," published in the *Yale Review of International Studies* 3:2 (2013): 63-72, and [online](#).

### PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS, AND LECTURES<sup>3</sup>

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- 2020 "Indigenous Dispossession, the Public Lands, and Early Government Promotion of Infrastructure in the United States," **Decolonizing "Development" Mini-Conference**, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 21 July 2020.
- 2020 "The Public Lands and Government Support of Infrastructural Development in the United States," **Democratising Infrastructures Workshop** at Durham University, Durham, UK, 23-24 January 2020
- 2019 "Constructing the National Interest: The Erie Canal, the Transcontinental Railroads, and the Hoover Dam" **Social Science History Association**, Chicago, IL, 23 November 2019
- 2018 "Reflexive Action as an Object of Sociological Inquiry: Bourdieu and Beyond," American Sociological Association, **"Trespassing, Poaching, Raiding, Transcending" Theory Section Panel**, Philadelphia, PA, 13 August 2018
- 2018 "Exurban Development and the Precarious Fringe of the San Francisco Bay Area," **"State Transformations, Spatial Austerity and the Globalization of Urban Decline" Mini-Conference**, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Kyoto, Japan, 26 June 2018

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<sup>3</sup> Asterisks denote invited events.

- 2017 “Choice Under Duress: Life in the Suburban Fringe of the Financialized Bay Area,” American Sociological Association, **Community and Urban Sociology Section Roundtable**, Montreal, Canada, 14 August 2017
- 2017 “Against Instrumental Rationality, the Ethical Unity of the Post-Positivists,” **Beyond Positivism**, Montreal, Canada, 10 August 2017
- 2016 “Effects of Financialized Housing Discourse: Evidence from the San Francisco Bay Area,” **Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics**, Berkeley, CA, 26 June 2016
- 2014 “The Sinicization of Xinjiang: Efforts in China's Northwest Frontier to Create a Nation from a State,” **Trumbull College Mellon Forum**, Yale College, 28 October 2013

***With the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project***

“Counterpoints: A San Francisco Bay Area Atlas of Displacement and Resistance,”

- 2020\* **LivingMaps Network**, Online, 18 November 2020
- 2019\* SYSTEM FAILURE (an apexart exhibition) at the **Minnesota Street Project**, San Francisco, CA with Erin McElroy and Adrienne Hall, 14 May 2019
- 2019 Feminist Studies Book Talk series at **University of California, Santa Cruz**, with Erin McElroy, Austin Ehrhardt, Adrienne Hall, and Chris Henrick, 17 April 2019
- 2018\* Global Urban Humanities Fall Symposium, Poster Presentation, **University of California, Berkeley** in Berkeley, CA, 8 October 2018

“Stories and Data for Resisting Displacement: Introducing the Work of the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project”

- 2020\* ENVDES 4A: Design and Activism, Guest Lecture, **University of California, Berkeley, College of Environmental Design**, Online, 13 November 2020
- 2019\* Feminist Lecture Series, **Sonoma State University**, Rohnert Park, CA, 4 November 2019
- 2019\* Impact Exchange, **ZERO1 American Arts Incubator**, Workshop in San Francisco, CA with Adrienne Hall and Carla Wojczuk, 24 July 2019

\* Economic Futures Retreat, hosted by the **Economic Security Project**, Fremont, CA, 29-30 October 2019

- \* “Pictures of a Gone City: Tech, Displacement, and Resistance in the San Francisco Bay Area,” panel discussion with Richard Walker, Co-Panelist with Erin McElroy, **Howard Zinn Book Fair**, City College of San Francisco, Mission Campus, in San Francisco, CA, 2 December 2018
- \* “Abolition & Gentrification: Anti-Eviction Mapping Project Presentation & Discussion,” collectively presented talk and panel discussion at the **Museum of Capitalism**, Oakland, CA, 30 July 2017
- “Counterpoints: Stories and Data for Resisting Displacement,” report co-authored with Tenants Together presented with Terra Graziani and Erin McElroy, **Eastside Arts Alliance**, Oakland, CA, 9 September 2016
- \* “Engaging Data with Action: The Work of the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, Eviction Free SF and the San Francisco Tenants Union,” collectively presented talk at **SOMArts Cultural Center**, San Francisco, CA, 14 May 2016
- “Narrating Displacement: Lived Experiences of Urban Social and Spatial Exclusion,” paper presented with Florian Opillard, **Association of American Geographers** in San Francisco, CA, 1 April 2016
- “Oral History, Radical Mapping and Direct Action. The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project,” collectively presented workshop at **Association of American Geographers**, San Francisco, CA, 30 March 2016

## TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

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### *University Teaching*

- Spring 2021 UC Berkeley, Political Science 111AC: The Politics of Displacement with Lecturer Nadesan Permaul
- Spring 2019 Acting Instructor for UC Berkeley, Sociology 190: Introduction to Political Economy (self-designed and taught seminar)
- Spring 2017 UC Berkeley, Sociology 102: Sociological Theory II with Associate Professor Cihan Tuğal
- Fall 2016 UC Berkeley, Sociology 101: Classical Social Theory with Associate Professor Dylan Riley

### *Reading* — Course support and grading without classroom teaching

- Fall 2018 UC Berkeley, Sociology 148: Social Policy for Professor Cybelle Fox

### *Community-Engaged Teaching*

- Autumn 2018 Community Collaborator from the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, Stanford University, Urban Studies 164: Sustainable Cities with Instructor Deland Chan

Spring 2017 Community Collaborator from the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, UC Berkeley, Anthropology 121AC: American Material Cultures with Lecturer Kim Christensen-Schwarz

*Designed and coordinated campus power mapping project. Published maps can be found [here](#).*

Fall 2016 Community Collaborator from the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, UC Berkeley, Anthropology X2AC: Intro to Archaeology with Lecturer Kim Christensen-Schwarz

*Trained and coordinated student interviewers to collect oral histories for the [Narratives of Displacement](#) map.*

### ***Formal Mentorship***

Undergraduate Research Assistantship Program, UC Berkeley

Spring 2021: Isabel Cholbi (Political Economy '22), Aaron Hill (History '23), Alexis Wood (Geography '21)

Fall 2020: Isabel Cholbi (Political Economy '22), Aaron Hill (History '23), Alexandra Langar (History '20), Alexis Wood (Geography '21)

Spring 2020: Danae Kawamoto-Duran (Economics '22), Alexandra Langar (History '20)

Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships, Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF) Program, Graduate Student Advisor, Spring 2021-Present

Undergraduate Senior Honors Thesis Mentor, UC Berkeley Department of Sociology

Bernadette Blashill, “‘Our Military Is Waiting for You!.’ American Policy Towards Central American Asylum Seekers,” 2018-2019

Michelle Cera, “‘The Berkeley Bubble.’ Constructing a Political Echo Chamber in UC Berkeley Memes for Edgy Teens,” 2017-2018 (currently pursuing a PhD in sociology at New York University)

### ***Other Teaching Experience***

Semesterly, Discipline-Cluster Leader, UC Berkeley, GSI Teaching & Resource Center

Fall 2018- Teaching Conference for First-Time Graduate Student Instructors

Spring 2021 *Designed and taught four hour workshops on essential teaching skills and strategies for first time Graduate Student Instructors at UC Berkeley*

Spring 2012- Instructor, Splash!, Yale University & UC Berkeley

Fall 2017 *Designing and teaching two-hour long seminars structured around close readings of socio-political texts and class discussion to high school seniors and juniors in New Haven and Berkeley approximately once a semester*

- 2011 Instructor, Building Bridges at Yale, Sichuan, China  
*Designed and taught one week English language and culture course to high school students in rural Sichuan, China with a co-teacher from Peking University.*

## **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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### ***Departmental Service***

- 2020-Present Anti-Racism Working Group, Department of Sociology, UC Berkeley
- 2020-Present Coordinator, Historical Social Science Workshop (interdisciplinary with Political Science)
- 2014-Present Sociology Department Delegate, UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly
- 2015-2017 Departmental Union Steward, UAW 2865
- 2015-2016 Graduate Student Coordinator, Berkeley Sociology Departmental Colloquium Series (with Marion Fourcade as Faculty Coordinator)

### ***University Service***

- 2016-Present Graduate Council, UC Berkeley Academic Senate (by election of the Graduate Assembly delegate body)
- 2018-2019 Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and Dean of the Graduate Division Search Committee, UC Berkeley Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost (by appointment of the executive committee of the Graduate Assembly)
- 2017-2019 Campus Affairs Committee, UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly
- 2015-2016 Committee on Teaching, UC Berkeley Academic Senate
- 2014-2016 Faculty Mentoring Award Committee, UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, SERVICE, AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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### ***Professional Associations***

- Social Science History Association, 2019-Present
- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2015-Present
- American Association of Geographers, 2015-Present
- American Sociological Association, 2014-Present

### ***Service***

- Organizer, CHS/GATS Section Mentorship Program, American Sociological Association, 2020
- Editorial Collective, *Berkeley Journal of Sociology*, 2014-2016



***Occasional Reviewer***

*American Sociological Review, Berkeley Journal of Sociology*

***Certifications***

Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellow, UC Berkeley GSI Teaching and Research Center, Winter 2020/Spring 2021

Graduate Student Inclusivity Training Program, UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly, Spring 2017

**RELEVANT SKILLS**

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English (native), Mandarin (advanced spoken/written)

Archival research, legislative research, STATA, R, ArcGIS