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CURRENT POSITION

2022 – Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development, Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R), U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

EMPLOYMENT

2023 – Provost's Distinguished Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Georgetown University (on leave)

2021 – 2022 Faculty Director for Research and Scholarship, Center for Social Justice, Georgetown University

2017 – 2023 Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Georgetown University

2011 – 2017 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Georgetown University

2006 – 2011 Doctoral Research Assistant, Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, New York University

EDUCATION

2011 Ph.D., Sociology, New York University

2004 MSc., Urban Geography, London School of Economics and Political Science

2002 BS, International Relations, Georgetown University

BOOKS

McCabe, Brian J. *The Housing Voucher Lottery: The Limits of Rental Assistance Programs in Serving the Poor*. Under advance contract with the University of Chicago Press.

Heerwig, Jennifer A. and Brian J. McCabe. *Democracy Vouchers and the Quest for Fairer Elections in Seattle*. Under advance contract with Temple University Press.

McCabe, Brian J. 2016. *No Place Like Home: Wealth, Community and the Politics of Homeownership*. New York: Oxford University Press.

EDITED VOLUMES

McCabe, Brian J. and Eva Rosen (eds.) 2023. *The Sociology of Housing: How Homes Shape Our Social Lives*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Bailey, Peggy and Brian J. McCabe (eds.). Forthcoming. “Fifty Years of the Housing Choice Voucher Program: A Symposium on the History and Future of Tenant-Based Rental Assistance.” *Cityscape: A Journal of Policy Development and Research*.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

McCabe, Brian J. 2023. “Ready to Rent: Administrative Decisions and Poverty Governance in the Housing Choice Voucher Program.” *American Sociological Review*, 88, 1: 86-113.

Watson, Henry, Phil Garboden, Brian J. McCabe and Eva Rosen. 2023. “Every Month Like Clockwork: Patterns and Prevalence of Serial Eviction Filings among Landlords.” *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*, 9.

Fleming-Klink, Isaiah, Brian J. McCabe, and Eva Rosen. 2023. “Navigating Eviction in an Overburdened Courtroom: How Inconsistent Rules, Shadow Procedures and Social Capital Disadvantage Tenants.” *City & Community*, 22, 3: 220-245.

McCabe, Brian J. and M. Kathleen Moore. 2021. “Absorption Disruptions and Serial Billers: Managing Portability Practices in the Housing Choice Voucher Program.” *Cityscape: A Journal of Policy Development and Research*, 23, 1: 197-220.

Nelson, Kyle, Philip Garboden, Brian J. McCabe and Eva Rosen. 2021. “Evictions: The Comparative Analysis Problem.” *Housing Policy Debate*, 31, 3: 696-716.

McCabe, Brian J. and Jennifer A. Heerwig. 2019. “Diversifying the Donor Pool: How Did Seattle’s Democracy Voucher Program Reshape Participation in Municipal Campaign Finance?” *Election Law Journal*, 18, 4: 323-341.

Heerwig, Jennifer A. and Brian J. McCabe. 2019. “High-Dollar Donors and Donor-Rich Neighborhoods: Representational Distortion in Financing a Municipal Election in Seattle.” *Urban Affairs Review*, 55, 4: 1070-1099.

McCabe, Brian J. 2018. “Protecting Neighborhoods or Priming Them for Gentrification? Historic Preservation, Housing and Neighborhood Change.” *Housing Policy Debate*, 29, 1: 181-183.

McCabe, Brian J. 2018. “Costly, Regressive & Ineffective: How Sensitive is Public Support for the Mortgage Interest Deduction in the United States?” *Housing Policy Debate*, 28, 6: 963-978.

McCabe, Brian J. 2018. “The Social Life of Mortgage Delinquency and Default.” *Sociological Science*, 5: 489-512.

McCabe, Brian J. 2018. “Why Buy a Home? Race, Ethnicity and Homeownership Preferences in the United States.” *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, 4, 4: 452-472.

- McCabe, Brian J. and Ingrid Gould Ellen. 2016. "Does Preservation Accelerate Neighborhood Change? Examining the Impact of Historic Preservation in New York City." *Journal of the American Planning Association*, 82, 2: 134-146.
- Been, Vicki, Ingrid Gould Ellen, Mike Gedal, Ed Glaeser, and Brian J. McCabe. 2016. "Preserving History or Restricting Development? The Heterogeneous Effects of Historic Districts on Local Housing Markets in New York City." *Journal of Urban Economics*, 92: 16-30.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2014. "When Property Values Rule." *Contexts*, 13, 1: 38-43.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2013. "Are Homeowners Better Citizens? Homeownership and Community Participation in the United States." *Social Forces*, 91, 3: 929-954.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2012. "Homeownership and Social Trust in Neighbors." *City & Community*, 11, 4: 398-408.
- McCabe, Brian J. and Jennifer Heerwig. 2012. "Reframing the Marriage Debate: Wording, Context and the Intensity of Support for Marriage and Civil Unions." *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*, 24, 4: 429-449.
- Conley, Dalton and Brian J. McCabe. 2012. "Bribery or just desserts? Evidence on the influence of Congressional reproductive voting patterns on PAC contributions from exogenous variation in the sex mix of legislator offspring." *Social Science Research*, 41: 120-129.
- Chellman, Colin, Ingrid Gould Ellen, Brian J. McCabe, Amy Ellen Schwartz and Leanna Stiefel. 2011. "Does Municipally Subsidized, Owner-Occupied Housing Improve School Quality? Evidence from New York City." *Journal of the American Planning Association*, 77, 2: 127-141.
- Conley, Dalton and Brian J. McCabe. 2011. "Body Mass Index and Physical Attractiveness: Evidence from a Combined Image-Alteration/List Experiment." *Sociological Methods and Research*, 40, 1: 6-31.
- Schwartz, Amy Ellen, Brian J. McCabe, Ingrid Gould Ellen and Colin Chellman. 2010. "Public Schools, Public Housing: The Education of Children Living in Public Housing." *Urban Affairs Review*, 46, 1: 68-89.
- Heerwig, Jennifer and Brian J. McCabe. 2009. "Education and Social Desirability Bias: the Case of a Black Presidential Candidate." *Social Science Quarterly*, 90, 3: 674-686.

RESEARCH IN-PROGRESS AND UNDER REVIEW

- Brown, Jordan, Madison Langan and Brian J. McCabe. "Representing Blackness: Public Art and Black Aesthetics in a Gentrifying Neighborhood." Revise & resubmit at *Urban Geography*.

Besbris, Max, Sadie Dempsey, Brian J. McCabe, and Eva Rosen. “Pandemic Housing: The Role of Landlords, Social Networks and Social Policy in Mitigating Housing Insecurity during the Covid-19 Pandemic.” Under review at the *Journal of the Russell Sage Foundation*.

McCabe, Brian J. “Producing Inequality by Rationing Assistance: Organizing Waitlist and Selection Procedures in the Housing Choice Voucher Program.”

POLICY REPORTS

Heerwig, Jennifer A. and Brian J. McCabe. 2022. “The Seattle Democracy Voucher Program in the 2021 Election Cycle.” McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University.

McCabe, Brian J. and Kenan Dogan. 2021. “Expanding Donor Participation in the District: An Analysis of the Fair Elections Program in Washington, DC.” McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University.

Heerwig, Jennifer A. and Brian J. McCabe. 2021. “Building a More Diverse Donor Coalition: An Analysis of the Seattle Democracy Voucher Program in the 2019 Election Cycle.” McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University.

Brooks, Leah, Jackie Begley, Brian J. McCabe, Jenny Schuetz and Stan Veuger. 2021. “State of the Capital Region, 2021: Employment Trends.” Center for Washington Area Studies, The George Washington University.

McCabe, Brian J. and Eva Rosen. 2020. “The Uneven Geography of Evictions in Washington DC.” McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University.

Brooks, Leah, Jackie Begley, Brian J. McCabe and Jenny Schuetz. 2020. “State of the Capital Region, 2020: A Region in Demographic and Economic Transition.” Center for Washington Area Studies, The George Washington University.

Brooks, Leah, Jackie Begley, Brian J. McCabe and Jenny Schuetz. 2019. “State of the Capital Region, 2019: Housing Growth and Affordability.” Center for Washington Area Studies, The George Washington University.

Heerwig, Jennifer A. and Brian J. McCabe. 2018 “Expanding Participation in Municipal Elections: Assessing the Impact of Seattle’s Democracy Voucher Program.” Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, University of Washington.

Ellen, Ingrid, Brian J. McCabe and Eric Stern. 2016. “Fifty Years of Historic Preservation.” Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, New York University.

Armstrong, Amy, Vicki Been, Ingrid Gould Ellen, Brian J. McCabe and Amy Ellen Schwartz. 2008. “Public Housing and Public Schools: How Do Students Living in NYC Public Housing Fare in School?” Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, New York University.

BOOK REVIEWS

- McCabe, Brian J. Forthcoming. "Book Review: Red Hot City: Housing, Race and Exclusion in Twenty-First Century Atlanta, by Dan Immergluck." *Contemporary Sociology*.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2023. "Book Review: Homelessness is a Housing Problem, by Gregg Colburn and Clayton Page Aldern." *Journal of the American Planning Association*.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2022. "Book Review: Race Brokers: Housing Markets and Segregation in 21st Century Urban America, by Elizabeth Korver-Glenn." *Social Forces*, 100, 4, e15.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2021. "Book Review: Predict and Surveil: Data, Discretion and the Future of Policing, by Sarah Brayne." *American Journal of Sociology*, 127, 2: 652-654.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2018. "Book Review: Housing, Wealth and Welfare, by Caroline Dewilde and Richard Ronald." *Housing Studies*, 33, 2: 338-340.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2018. "Book Review: The Death and Life of the Single-Family House: Lessons from Vancouver on Building a Livable City, by Nathanael Lauster." *Contemporary Sociology*, 47, 1: 84-86.
- McCabe, Brian J. 2014. "Book Review: Home: International Perspectives on Culture, Identity and Belonging, by Margarethe Kusenbach and Krista E. Paulsen." *City & Community*, 13, 1: 92-93.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- McCabe, Brian J. and Eva Rosen. 2023. "Introduction: Towards a Sociology of Housing." *The Sociology of Housing*, edited by Brian J. McCabe and Eva Rosen, Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Ellen, Ingrid, Brian J. McCabe and Gerard Torrats-Espinosa. 2020. "How Can Historic Preservation Be Inclusive? Learning from New York's Historic Districts." *Preservation and Social Inclusion*, edited by Erica Avrami, New York: Columbia University Press.
- Ellen, Ingrid and Brian J. McCabe. 2017. "Balancing the Costs and Benefits of Historic Preservation." *Evidence and Innovation in Housing Law and Policy*, edited by Lee Fennell and Benjamin J. Keys, New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Manza, Jeff, Jennifer Heerwig and Brian J. McCabe. 2012. "The Republican Resurgence and Public Opinion: Political Trends, 1972-2006." *Social Trends in American Life: Findings from the General Social Survey since 1972*, edited by Peter Marsden, Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- McCabe, Brian J. and Dalton Conley. 2008. "Collective Action, Social Movements, and Social Change." In Conley, Dalton. *You May Ask Yourself: An Introduction to Thinking Like a Sociologist*, New York: W. W. Norton Company.

McCabe, Brian J. and Dalton Conley. 2008. "Science, the Environment, and Society." In Conley, Dalton. *You May Ask Yourself: An Introduction to Thinking Like a Sociologist*, New York: W. W. Norton Company.

OP-EDS AND POPULAR WRITING

McCabe, Brian J. and Kenan Dogan. "The Fair Elections Program is changing politics as usual in the District." *Washington Post*, Nov. 7, 2021.

McCabe, Brian J. and Jennifer A. Heerwig. "Seattle's Unique Campaign Finance System is Boosting Donor Diversity." *Sludge*, Feb. 11, 2021.

Rosen, Eva and McCabe, Brian J. "D.C. makes eviction filings too easy." *Washington Post*, Nov. 6, 2020.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2020 The Piper Fund, "Laboratories of Democracy: Public Campaign Finance in Municipal Elections," \$75,000 (Co-PI, with Jennifer A. Heerwig)

2019 The Meyer Foundation, "Racial Equity, Poverty and the Process of Evictions in Washington, DC," \$25,000 (Co-PI, with Eva Rosen)

2019 Georgetown University, Office of the Provost, "Racial Equity, Poverty and the Process of Evictions in Washington, DC," \$25,000 (Co-PI, with Eva Rosen)

2019 Georgetown University, Office of the Provost and the Global Cities Initiative, "Sociology of Housing Conference," \$35,000 (Co-PI, with Eva Rosen)

2017 Georgetown University, Massive Data Institute, "The Seattle Voucher Experiment: Using Big Data to Enhance Local Democracy," \$38,643.49 (Co-PI, with Jennifer A. Heerwig)

2016 Georgetown University, Complex Moral Problems Grant, "Building a Just City: Negotiating Competing Claims for Land and Housing in a Gentrifying Neighborhood," \$10,000.

2015 New York Community Trust, "Fifty Years of Preservation: Assessing Historic Districts in New York City," \$100,000 (Co-PI, with Ingrid Ellen)

2013 Center for Poverty and Inequality, Stanford University, "New Scholars Grant: The Changing Composition of Subsidized Housing," \$19,910

2010 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy, "Dissertation Grant: Are Homeowners Better Citizens? New Evidence on the Behavioral Effects of Homeownership," \$7,500

2010 Department of Housing and Urban Development, "Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant: Are Homeowners Better Citizens?"

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (SELECTED)

Discipline

- 2022 – Editorial Board, *Housing Policy Debates*
 2021 Deputy Editor, *City & Community*
 2021 – Council Member, Community and Urban Sociology Section (CUSS), American Sociological Association
 2020 Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Community and Urban Sociology Section (CUSS), American Sociological Association
 2018 – Editorial Board, *City & Community*
 2018 Robert Park Book Award Committee, Community and Urban Sociology Section (CUSS), American Sociological Association

Georgetown University

- 2021 – 2022 Faculty Director for Research and Scholarship, Center for Social Justice (CSJ)
 2021 – 2022 Advisory Board, Laidlaw Scholars Program, Center for Research and Fellowships
 2020 – 2022 Undergraduate Program Committee, McCourt School of Public Policy
 2017 – 2022 Advisory Board, Program on Justice and Peace Studies (JUPS)
 2015 – 2017 Community-Based Learning Advisory Board, Center for Social Justice (CSJ)

Department of Sociology

- 2021 Merit Review Committee
 2019 Chair, Recruitment Committee for an Assistant Professor of Sociology and Education, Inquiry and Justice
 2018 Chair, Recruitment Committee for an Assistant Professor of Sociology
 2017 Tenure & Promotion Committee
 2013 – 2016 Faculty Representative, College Executive Council
 2012 – 2016 Chair, Curriculum Committee

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Undergraduate: Introduction to Sociology; Statistics for Social Research; The City: Approaches to Urban Studies; Neighborhoods, Poverty and Inequality in Washington, DC; Gentrification, Justice and the Future of Cities; Public Housing: Theory and Practice; Gentrification Studio; Senior Seminar

Graduate: Methods in Urban Planning Analysis and Research