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Education

PhD. Sociology, Northwestern University, 2023 (expected)
With Certificate in African-American and Diaspora Studies

Dissertation title: *Dispersal: How Western Cities came to Oppose Non-White Residential Concentration Post-WWII*

Committee: Ann Shola Orloff (co-chair), Michael Rodríguez-Muñiz (co-chair, University of California, Berkeley), Mary Pattillo, Barnor Hesse, Debra Thompson (McGill University)

MA. Sociology, Northwestern University, 2020

MSc. Research Master Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam, 2015

BSc. Human Geography and Urban and Regional Planning, University of Amsterdam, 2013

Areas of Expertise

Race	Comparative-Historical Sociology
Urban Sociology	Sociology of Violence
Political Sociology	Black Studies
Cultural Sociology	Global and Transnational Sociology

Publications

Peer-reviewed

Balkenhol, Markus, and Yannick Coenders. 2021. "[Metahistory as Diaspora Practice: Mobilising the Dutch Black Radical Tradition.](#)" *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 47(18): 4256–68.

Chauvin, Sébastien, Yannick Coenders, and Timo Koren. 2018. "[Never Having Been Racist: Explaining the Blackness of Blackface in the Netherlands.](#)" *Public Culture* 30(3): 509–26.

Coenders, Yannick, and Sébastien Chauvin. 2017. "[Race and the Pitfalls of Emotional Democracy: Primary Schools and the Critique of Black Pete in the Netherlands.](#)" *Antipode* 49(5): 1244–62.

Under review

Coenders, Yannick. "Colonial Recursion: State Categories of Race and the Emergence of the Non-Western Allochthone." Revise and Resubmit at *American journal of Cultural Sociology*

- Winner of the 2022 Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Global and Transnational Sociology Section, American Sociological Association

In preparation

Coenders, Yannick. "White Vigilantism and the Mechanics of White appeasement: On the Political Power of Race Riots."

Coenders, Yannick. "Territoriality and the Reproduction of Whiteness in Postcolonial Urban Europe."

Coenders, Yannick. "Articulations of Blackness in Anton de Kom's 'We Slaves of Suriname'"

Other

Coenders, Yannick. 2022. "Solving the West." *Trajectories: Newsletter of the ASA Comparative and Historical Sociology Section*, 33(1): 26-28.

Coenders, Yannick. 2016. "Historiseren, Relaties Leggen en Taboes Doorbreken." *Sociologie*, 12(2): 231-236. (Book review in Dutch of *Dutch Racism* eds. Philomena Essed and Isabel Hoving)

Coenders, Yannick. 2015. "Social Inclusion of Students in the College of Social Sciences of the UvA." Internal policy report, University of Amsterdam.

Awards/Grants/Fellowships

2022 Best Graduate Student Paper, Global and Transnational Sociology section ASA

2021 Sociology Fieldwork Research Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University

2021 AANS Research Scholarship, American Association for Netherlandic Studies (\$2,000)

2020 Buffett Dissertation Research Travel Award. Buffett Institute for Global affairs, Northwestern University (\$5,000)

2020 DRRC Grant. Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University (\$4,730)

2019 Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant. Buffett Institute for Global affairs, Northwestern University (\$400)

- 2018 Alumni Funds for Second Year Paper Research. Department of Sociology, Northwestern University (\$600)
- 2017 Mellon Cluster Fellowship: Comparative Race and Diaspora Cluster, Northwestern University (\$2,500)
- 2016 Junior Teacher Research Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam

Presentations

- 2022 “White Vigilantism and the Introduction of Migrant Dispersal Policies in Rotterdam: The Afrikaanderwijk Riots, 1972.” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- “Racist Mob Violence and the Mechanics of White Appeasement in Rotterdam, 1972.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles.
- “Colonial Recursion: State Categories of Race and the Emergence of the non-Western Allochthone.” “Engaging History: Legacies, Omissions, and New Directions in Comparative Historical Sociology” CHS Section ASA Mini-Conference, Los Angeles.
- 2021 “Solving the West.” “Solving Empire” Symposium, Northwestern University.
- “The Colonial Durability of Racial Categories: a History of the Dutch ‘Allochthone’.” European Social Science History Conference, Online.
- 2019 “Inventing ‘Allochtonen’: the Colonial Management of Postcolonial Migrants in the Netherlands.” Annual Conference of Europeanists, Madrid.
- 2018 “The Recurrent Return of Antiracism - Black Movements in the Netherlands” Annual Conference of Europeanists, Chicago.
- 2017 “Never Having been Racist.” Symbolic Boundaries workshop in celebration of the honorary doctorate of Michèle Lamont, University of Amsterdam.
- 2016 “Innocent Colors and Multicultural Horses.” “Migration and Refugees Today: Giving History its Place in Debates and Research” Conference, Budapest.
- “Disconnecting Uncomfortable Pasts: Explaining the Blackness of Blackface in the Dutch Sinterklaas Tradition.” “Giving History its Place in Migration and Refugee Debates and Research” Workshop, Paris.

Research experience

June 2018 – August 2018

Research assistant to Dr. Robert Braun, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University. Coded historical visual data of photos in commemorative books from the Belgian military.

May 2017 – July 2017

Research assistant to Dr. Markus Balkenhol, Meertens Institute for Research and documentation of Dutch language and culture. Conducted Archival Research on Black student movements in the Netherlands

January 2015 – August 2015

Commissioned Research Project by University of Amsterdam/GSSS Board of Studies. Conducted a survey and wrote a report about diversity and experience of in- and exclusion within the Student population at the social science departments of the University of Amsterdam, Supervised by Dr. Chip Huisman.

September 2014 – January 2015

Research assistant to Dr. Sébastien Chauvin, Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam. Conducted interview with same-sex binational couples with mixed legal statuses about their relationships in the context of migration processes.

Teaching experience

Instructor of Record

School of the Art Institute Chicago, Department of Liberal Arts
Against Race (Spring 2020)

University of Amsterdam, Department of Sociology
Sociology as Craft I (Fall 2016)
Sociology as Craft II (Fall 2016)

Mentor

University of Amsterdam, Department of Sociology
First Year Sociology Majors (2016, 2017)

Junior Teacher

University of Amsterdam, Department of Sociology

Mixed methods (Winter 2017)
Fieldwork Project (Winter 2016, 2017)
Citizenship, Care, and Social Policy I (Fall 2015, 2016)
Citizenship, care, and Social Policy II (Fall 2015, 2016)
Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2015, 2016)
Sociology of Public Policy (Spring, 2016)
Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2015)
Sociological Skills I (Fall 2015)
Sociological Skills II (Fall 2015)
Introduction to Related Social Sciences (Spring 2015)

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Northwestern University, Department of Sociology

Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2019, Winter 2020, 2021)
Sociological Analysis (Spring 2021)
Race and Society (Spring 2020)
School and Society (Spring 2019)
The Politics of Racial Knowledge (Winter 2019)
Global and Local Inequalities (Fall 2018)

Guest Lectures

University of Amsterdam

The Politics of Racial Knowledge (Winter 2019 Undergraduate course)
Public Issues & Policies (Fall 2016, Graduate course)
Dynamics of International Migration and Immigrant Integration (Fall 2015, Graduate course)

Academic Service

Reviewer:

Ethnic and Racial Studies, Social Problems, University of Toronto Press

- 2019-2021 Undergraduate Affairs Committee. Department of Sociology, Northwestern University.
- 2018 Panel Chair: "Knowing Race/Understanding Racism." Annual Conference of Europeanists, Chicago.
- 2016-2017 Undergraduate Affairs Committee. Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam.

Public sociology

Radio, Television and Public Presentations

- 2016 Moving Traditions: the Future of Black Pete
Gave a workshop on different strategies to critique displays of racism.
- 2015 De Nieuwe Wereld
Talk show on Dutch national television (NPO 2), invited to a panel discussion about ethnic profiling in The Netherlands.
- 2014 Zwartkijkers: Kleur in de Media
Opening presentation to a symposium on the underrepresentation of non-whites groups in Dutch media. Royal Tropical Institute with Timo Koren.
- 2014 Redmond Radio

Interviewed about the politics of representation on feminist radio show Redmond Radio on the Amsterdam based Caribbean radio station MART.

Authored

- 2015-2017 Folia magazine and Folia Web [magazine and blog about higher education and student life in Amsterdam]
Ongoing bi-weekly online column and occasional print articles on urban life and the politics of representation with Timo Koren.
- 2015-2016 Niemandland [blog translating sociological ideas into short stories]
Founding co-editor and regular contributor.
- 2014-2016 De Fusie, Frontaal Naakt, Roet in het Eten [political blogs]
Frequent contributor to different political blogs on issues of racism, anti-racism, right-wing populism and multiculturalism.
- 2013-2015 Lekker Stereotyperen [Own blog on stereotyping in the media]
Founding co-editor and regular contributor.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association, Social Science History Association, Council for European Studies.

Language skills

Dutch (native), English (fluent), Sranan Tongo (basic), German (basic), French (basic).

References

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