

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

2007- Present Assistant Professor, Latino & Hispanic Caribbean Studies / Sociology
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

20005-2007 Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow on Race, Crime, and Justice, Vera
Institute of Justice, New York, NY.

EDUCATION

Ph. D.	2005	Public Policy & Sociology Preliminary Examination Area: Race & Ethnicity	University of Michigan
M.U.P	2003	Urban Planning	University of Michigan
M.A.	1997	Sociology	Stanford University
A.B.	1995	Sociology, cum laude	Harvard University

DISSERTATION

Title: “Fighting Crime, Constructing Segregation: Housing Policy and the
Symbolic Badges of Puerto Rican Urban Neighborhoods”

Committee: Co-Chairs: Mary Corcoran, Alford Young
Members: Donald Deskins, Earl Lewis, Jeffrey Morenoff, David Thacher

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban & Community Sociology	Urban Planning
Race & Ethnicity	Space & Place
Qualitative & Quantitative Methods	Social Policy
Latin America & Caribbean Studies	African Diaspora

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2005 Award for Best Student Paper, Society for American City and Regional Planning History
- 2005 IGERT Program in GIScience, SUNY Buffalo Award. Vespucci Summer School, Italy.
- 2004-2005 Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (\$21,000)
- 2003-2005 HUD Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant (\$25,000)
- 2004 National Poverty Center Research Grant, University of Michigan (\$8,500)
- 2004 Rackham Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan
- 2003 Judith and Howard Sims Medal, University of Michigan (Shared \$5,000)
Awarded to a graduate student with best paper contributing to the understanding of the urban community
- 2002 Latin America and Caribbean Institute Grant, University of Michigan
- 2001 International Center Grant, University of Michigan
- 1999 – 2003 Rackham Merit Fellowship, University of Michigan

SCHOLARSHIP

I. Publications

Dinzev-Flores, Zaire. “De la Disco al Caserío: Urban Spatial Aesthetics and Policy to the Beat of Reggaetón.” *Centro: Journal of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies*. (Forthcoming)
{REPRINT} “From the Disco to Public Housing: Urban Spatial Aesthetics and Policy to the Beat of Reggaetón.” In Raquel Rivera, Wayne Marshall, and Deborah Pacini (Eds.) *Reading Reggaeton*; Duke University Press (Forthcoming)

Dinzev-Flores, Zaire. "Spatio-Temporal Rhythms: The Ecology of Housing & Work in Elena Padilla." In Rúa, Mérida (Ed.) *Elena Padilla*; University of Illinois Press. (Forthcoming)

Dinzev-Flores, Zaire. “Latinos as Protagonists in American Urban History and Planning Practice,” A review essay. *Journal of Urban History*. (Forthcoming)

Dinzev-Flores, Zaire. “Cache vs. Cas[h]eríos: Puerto Rican Neighborhoods under Siege.” In Rivke Jaffe (Ed.) *Caribbean Cities*. Ian Randle Publishers. (Forthcoming)

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Temporary Housing, Permanent Communities: Public Housing Policy and Design in Puerto Rico." *Journal of Urban History*, 33(3) (Forthcoming March, 2007)

II. *Paper Manuscripts Under Review*

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Slicing the Racial Continuum: Racial Binaries and Antiracist Policies for Puerto Rico." Revise & Resubmit. *Latin American & Caribbean Ethnic Studies*

III. *Working Papers*

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Public Gated Communities: The Social Impact of Gates in Private versus Public Housing."

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "The New Deal Satellite: Rexford Tugwell, Planning, and Public Housing in Puerto Rico."

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Criminalizing Communities of Poor, Dark Women in the Caribbean: The Fight against Crime through Puerto Rico's Public Housing"

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Actors in Space: Snapshot of a Process."

Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "From 'City within a City' to 'People in a City': Finding the Agent in Urban Places."

IV. *Technical Reports*

Smith, Nancy, Zaire Dinzey-Flores, Jeffrey Lin, John Markovic. "Understanding Family Homelessness in New York City: An In-Depth Study of Families' Experiences Before and After Shelter." www.vera.org

V. *Conferences & Presentations*

2007 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Redefining African-American: What's at Stake?" Global Afro Latino and Caribbean Initiative. Hunter College, CUNY. New York, March.

2006 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "The Other Gated Communities: The Use of Gates in Public Housing." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ASCP), Fort Worth, TX, November.

2006 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. Presentation at The African Presence and Influence on the Cultures of the Americas: An Interdisciplinary Conference; The African Influence on the Construction of Identity in the Americas. La Guardia Community College, New York, November.

- 2006 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Locating Race: The Social and Geographic Embodiment of Race in Puerto Rico and Moving the Conversation about Race towards Policy." Puerto Rican Studies Association, Cornell University, October.
- 2006 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Public Gated Communities: The Social Impact of Gates in Private versus Public Housing." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Montreal, August.
- 2006 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Environmental Crime Prevention & the Expansion of the Prison Complex to Public Housing." Humanity in Action Fellowship Series. Vera Institute of Justice, NYC, July 14.
- 2006 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "The New Prison Ghetto: Crime, Public Housing, and Urban Policy in Puerto Rican Neighborhoods." Williams College, MA, April 25.
- 2006 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Technicians of Space: Dominicans, Puerto Ricans, and Home Constructions in Puerto Rico." XXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Caribe Hilton. San Juan, P.R. March 15-18.
- 2006 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "*Mano Dura* y la Construcción Socio-Espacial del Residencial." Instituto de Investigaciones Interdisciplinarias, Universidad de Puerto Rico. Cayey, March 14.
- 2005 {INVITED} Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Evaluating CPTED: A Puerto Rican Case Study." Seminar on Crime and Violence Prevention Through Environmental Design. Hosted by the Social Development Division of the Sustainable Development Department of the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB). Washington, D. C., November 9.
- 2005 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "The Mask of Racial Superstructures: The Spatial Layout of Race in Puerto Rico's Housing." Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD). October 5-7.
- 2005 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Constructing Segregation: the binary racial Morphology of Puerto Rican Urban Housing." First Congress of Qualitative Inquiry. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. May.
- 2004 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "*Caché* vs. *Cas[h]eríos*: Puerto Rican Urban Neighborhoods under Siege." International Workshop on the Caribbean City Workshop, Leiden, Netherlands, December.
- 2004 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "*Caché* vs. *Cas[h]eríos*: Puerto Rican Urban Neighborhoods Under Siege." Puerto Rican Studies Association Meeting. New York, October.
- 2004 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "*Caché* y *Cas[h]eríos*: Space, Class and Race in Puerto Rican Neighborhoods." 2004 Latin American International Congress. Las Vegas, October.

- 2004 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Socio-Spatial Engineers: Crime Policy and Puerto Rican Public Housing Communities." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, August.
- 2003 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Spatio-temporal rhythms" of Race: Segregation and the Ecology of Housing." American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, November.
- 2003 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Mano dura contral el crimen [Hard Hand Against Crime]: Fighting Crime Through Housing Policy in Puerto Rico" 2003 Rackham Distinguished Faculty and Student Symposium, Crossing Disciplinary Boundaries in the Urban and Regional Context. University of Michigan, March.
- 2003 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Fighting Crime through Public Housing." Ford School of Public Policy PhD Seminar. University of Michigan, February.
- 2002 Dinzey-Flores, Zaire. "Spatio-Temporal Rhythms of Race: Segregation and the Ecology of Housing." International Congress of the Puerto Rican Studies Association. Chicago, October.
- 2001 "(Re)modelando los imaginarios teóricos raciales: manifiestos de las realidades binarias raciales en Puerto Rico." Conferencia de Historiadores de Cuba. Santiago de Cuba, September.
- 2001 "Slicing the Fantasy of the Racial Continuum into Two: Inserting the Black Experience into the Puerto Rican Nation" Students of Color of Rackham (SCOR) Conference. University of Michigan, February.
- 2000 "Slicing the Puerto Rican Racial Continuum Fantasy in Two." International Congress of the Puerto Rican Studies Association. Amherst, October.
- 1999 "Puerto Rico con razas: The Effects of Race in Modern Day Puerto Rico" Hispanics: Cultural Locations, An Interdisciplinary Conference. University of San Francisco, October.

RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2004 Scholar in Residence, Vera Institute of Justice
- 2003-2004 Research Associate, Vera Institute of Justice
Homelessness Prevention Initiative head researcher
- 2002 Summer Research Intern, World Bank
Impact Evaluations for Social Programs, under the direction of Laura Rawlings
- 2001 Summer Research Intern, Inter American Development Bank
Social Research Department, under the direction of Sudhanshu Handa

- 2000 Research Assistant, University of Michigan
Racial segregation research, under the direction Donald R. Deskins
- 1999 Research Assistant, University of Michigan
Spinal Cord Injury Project, under direction of Marty Forchheimer
- 1998-1999 Supervision Officer, Appearance Assistance Program, Vera Institute of Justice
Pilot Program with INS for alternatives to detention for immigrants on
deportation proceedings
- 1995-1996 Advocate, Urban Justice Center
Homelessness Outreach and Prevention Project; Public Assistance advocacy
for the homeless

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2001 Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan
Sociology 513: Detroit Area Study Survey Analysis (Graduate)
Department of Sociology and College of Urban Planning, with Robert Marans
- 2000, 2001 Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan
Sociology 610: Statistical Methods II (Graduate)
Department of Sociology, with Mark Mizruchi
- 2000 Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan
Sociology 102: Introduction to Sociology (Undergraduate)
Department of Sociology, with Dana Greene

AD HOC REVIEWER

Centro: Journal of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies
Caribbean Studies

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association
Association of Public Administration and Management
Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
Latin American Studies Association
Puerto Rican Studies Association
Society of American and Regional Planning History
Urban Affairs Association

SKILLS

Fully Bilingual: English / Spanish

Full knowledge of Statistical Packages: SPSS; STATA; SAS; Excel.
Basic knowledge of GIS

REFERENCES

Available upon request.