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Curriculum vitae

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## **EDUCATION**

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** • Ph.D., Sociology • 2020  
Subdisciplines: Political Sociology; Collective Behavior & Social Movements

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** • M.A., Sociology • 2013

**Tulane University Law School** • J.D. • Certificate in Environmental Law • 2004

**Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine** • M.S.P.H.,  
Environmental Health Sciences (Risk, Toxicology, & Policy) • 2004

**University of South Carolina** • B.A., Anthropology, *Magna Cum Laude* • 2000

## **FIELDS OF EXPERTISE**

Environmental Inequality; Social Movements; Environmental Law & Policy; Law & Society;  
Computational Social Science; Multiple/Mixed Methods Research Design

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

1. Camryn Smith, Danielle Spurlock, Aliyah Abdur Rahman, and Kay Jowers. 2020. *Community-Rooted Organizations: Enhanced Accountability and Capacity Building for Community Development*. Metropolitics. Available at <https://metropolitics.org/Community-Rooted-Organizations-Enhanced-Accountability-and-Capacity-Building.html>.
2. Kenneth Andrews and Kay Jowers. 2018. *Lawyers and Embedded Legal Activity in the Southern Civil Rights Movement*, 40 LAW & POLICY 10-31.
3. Jowers, Kay, and Amy Pickle. 2016. *North Carolina Electricity Planning*. NI WP 16-10. Durham, NC: Duke University: [https://nicholasinstitute.duke.edu/sites/default/files/publications/ni\\_wp\\_16-10\\_final\\_0.pdf](https://nicholasinstitute.duke.edu/sites/default/files/publications/ni_wp_16-10_final_0.pdf).
4. Jowers, Kay, and Suzanne Katzenstein, eds. 2015. *Environmental Justice Roundtable Report*. Durham, NC: Duke University: <http://kenan.ethics.duke.edu/humanrights/files/2014/10/KIE-NIEPS-Environmental-Justice-Report.pdf>
5. Jowers, Kay. 2015. *Developing Tree Protection Ordinances in North Carolina: A Guide to Local Ordinance Creation*. Raleigh, NC: Urban & Community Forestry Program of the North Carolina Forest Service and the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission: <http://www.ncforestservice.gov/Urban/pdf/treeProtection.pdf>
6. Kay Jowers, Amy Pickle, and Rowan Schmidt. 2014. *Twenty First Century Water Asset Accounting: Implications Report*, 13 WATER AND ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH FOUNDATION 1.

7. James Salzman; Craig Anthony Arnold; Robert Garcia; Keith Hirokawa; Kay Jowers; Jeffrey LeJava; Margaret Peloso; Lydia Olander. 2014. *The Most Important Current Research Questions in Urban Ecosystem Services*, 25 DUKE ENVTL. L. & POL'Y F. 1, 48.
8. Neal Caren, Kay Jowers, and Sarah Gaby. 2012. *A Social Movement Online Community: Stormfront and the Case of White Nationalists*, In *Media, Movements, and Political Change* (pp. 163-193). Emerald Group Publishing Limited.

#### **ARTICLES IN PREPARATION**

1. *Hedonic Methods and the Costs of Exposure to Industrial Livestock Operations* with Yu Ma and Chris Timmins.
2. *The Role of State Policy and Movement Organizations in Environmental Justice*
3. *Social Movement Policy Spillover and Institutional Path Dependence Along the Way to Environmental Justice*
4. *State Propensities for Environmental Justice: A Pooled Event History Analysis*

#### **LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

##### **Nicholas Institute, Duke University • Durham, NC • 2013-present**

###### *Senior Policy Associate*

Work with decision makers, stakeholders, and policymakers to plan and conduct research, workshops, and other events • Design, manage, and conduct legal and empirical research to develop recommendations for environmental policy at the state and local level • Develop and manage the strategic growth of the Institute's work on environmental equity, justice, and ethics • Secure and manage research funding of research funding and serve as principle investigator on projects • Co-lead university collaboration on policy, law, and ethics • Co-direct computational social science policy lab on environmental inequality, environmental health, and environmental justice

##### **Southern Environmental Law Center • Chapel Hill, NC • 2009-2010**

###### *Staff Attorney*

Represented non-governmental organizations in legal, administrative, and legislative proceedings on federal and state matters related to the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Administrative Procedure Act • Served as team leader for SELC's water quality program area • Supervised and trained associate attorneys and legal interns • Assisted with fundraising and development efforts with foundations and individual donors

##### **Sturn College of Law, University of Denver • Denver, CO • 2007-2008**

###### *Environmental Law Clinical Teaching Fellow*

Supervised student attorneys in representing clients in litigation matters involving federal environmental statutes, including the Endangered Species Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the Clean Air Act • Designed and delivered hands-on training for students to develop their legal research and advocacy skills • Served as coach for the College of Law's Environmental Moot Court team • Revised syllabus and curriculum for environmental law clinic seminar

##### **American Lung Association of Colorado • Denver, CO • 2006-2007**

###### *Legal Resource Manager*

Represented and advised coalition of non-governmental organizations on indoor air quality initiatives at the state and local level • Managed the strategic direction of indoor air quality policy and law-related matters • Secured and managed external funding for program-related work

**Southern Environmental Law Center** • Chapel Hill, NC • 2004-2006

*Associate Attorney*

Prepared letters of intent, complaints, motions, and pleadings for filing with court on matters related to the Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act • Researched legal issues on environmental justice, water quality, and agriculture as directed by senior attorneys •

### ***TEACHING EXPERIENCE***

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** • Chapel Hill, NC • 2010 - present

Law & Society; Fall 2014/2017; Spring 2015/2018 (Instructor of Record)

Organizations & Formal Bureaucracy; Spring 2017 (Instructor of Record)

Social Movements & Collective Behavior; Fall 2016, Fall 2018 (Instructor of Record)

Political Sociology; Fall 2012/2015 (Instructor of Record)

Graduate Statistics for Sociologists; Fall 2011 (Assistant)

Sociological Perspectives; Fall 2010, Spring 2011 (Assistant)

**Duke University** • Durham, NC • 2013-present

Ethics in Environmental Policy; Spring 2018 (Co-Instructor of Record)

Theories of Social Change; Fall 2017 (Co-Instructor of Record)

State Environmental Policy; Spring 2014 (Co-Instructor of Record)

**University of Denver, Sturm College of Law** • Denver, CO • 2007-2008

Environmental Law Clinic Practicum; Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008

Environmental Law Clinic Seminar; Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008

**REVIEWER** – *Mobilization, Social Forces*

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS** - American Sociological Association; Law and Society Association

**BAR ADMISSIONS** - North Carolina (2004), Colorado (2007)