DR. MEGHNA CHANDRA

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

SUMMER 2022 -

PRESENT **Loyola University in Chicago**, Chicago, IL

Postdoctoral Fellow in Economic Justice, Institute for Racial Justice

SUMMER 2023 -

PRESENT **Loyola University in Chicago**, Chicago, IL

Associated Faculty, Sociology Department

EDUCATION

FALL 2017 -

SPRING 2022 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

PhD in Social Welfare, School of Social Policy and Practice

MONSOON 2013 -

SPRING 2015 **Jawaharlal Nehru University,** New Delhi, India

MA in Modern Indian History

FALL 2009 -

SPRING 2013 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

BA in Urban Studies, Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

In Progress

- Chandra, M. (2023) The Political Displacement of the Black Electorate Worker via Studentification, *under review at Urban Affairs Review*
- Chandra, M. (2023) Gentrification and the Ideological Displacement of the Black Worker Tradition, *under review at the Journal of Race Ethnicity and the City*
- Chandra, M. (2023) The History of Black Homeownership in Philadelphia and the Struggle for Self Determination, *in Progress*
- Blackmond-Larnell, T., Chandra, M. (2023) Tax Increment Financing Districts and Gentrification, *in Progress*

Book Chapters

• Ghose, T., Chandra, M., & Kroehle, K. (2019). HIV/AIDS in South and Southeast Asia: The interplay of national governments, HIV management programs/NGOs, and at-risk

populations in South and Southeast Asia. In *The Global Encyclopedia of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer History* (1st ed.). Farmington Hills, MI.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

• Blackmond Larnell, T., **Chandra**, **M**., Kyles, C., & Giles, G. (2023). *State of Black Chicago 2023*. Chicago Urban League. https://chiul.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/State-of-Black-Chicago-2023-7.pdf

SELECTED AWARDS HONORS FELLOWSHIPS

AUG 2022 – JUNE 2023-	Urban Affairs Association Publishing Fellow
MAY 2013	Sphinx Senior Honor Society
MAY 2013	Urban Studies Award for Commitment to Social Justice in the City
AUG 2009- MAY 2013	University of Pennsylvania Civic Scholar
JULY 2011	PBS Student Freedom Rider

GRANTS

MARCH 2023	Russel Sage Foundation program on Social, Political, and Economic Inequality for \$50,000, under review
MAY 2020	Summer Research Fellowship School of Social Policy and Practice for \$6,100
NOV 2019	Porter Family Student Research Fund for \$2,500
JUNE 2012	Penn Democracy, Citizenship, and Constitutionalism Grant for \$2,500
JUNE 2012	Greater Philadelphia Latin American Association Undergraduate Grant for \$1,000
JUNE 2012	Leo S. Rowe Grant for \$1,000

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS

OCT 2023 Urban History Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

"From Black Homeowner Democracy to Rentier Oligarchy: A history of

African American homeownership in Philadelphia"

FEB 2023 Philadelphia School District Professional Development Session,

Philadelphia, PA

"Gentrification: A battle for land and democracy"

OCT 2022 San Francisco Human Rights Commission Conference:

Pathways to Parity: Investing in Economic Rights for All, San

Francisco, CA

"Public-Private Big Data Partnerships for Racial Justice and Equity"

APRIL 2022 **Urban Affairs Association Conference,** Washington, D.C.

"The Knowledge Economy and the Black Worker: University Urbanism vs.

Homeowner Democracy"

FEB 2022 Andrea Mitchell Center for the Study of Democracy Graduate

Workshop, Philadelphia, PA

"University-Led Displacement vs. Homeowner Democracy: The Knowledge Economy and the Black Homeowner in Philadelphia"

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

SEPT – DEC 2021 **Teaching Assistant, Urban Studies Senior Seminar,** University of

Pennsylvania

MAY – JUNE 2019 Teaching Assistant, Postcolonial Social Work Practice:

International Social Welfare in India, University of Pennsylvania

JULY 2013, 2015 Grace Lee Boggs Teaching Fellow, Social Justice Research

Academy, University of Pennsylvania

SELECTED SERVICE

AUG 2023 -

PRESENT Loyola University Chicago Empowering Sisterhood (LUCES)

Mentorship Program, Faculty Mentor, Loyola University in Chicago

APRIL 2023 -

PRESENT **Co-Evaluator, Leadership Scholars Program,** Loyola University in

Chicago

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SEPT 2016-

JULY 2017 Community Organizer, 215 People's Alliance, Philadelphia, PA

FEB 2016 -

AUG 2016 Community Organizer, Institute of Sex Worker Research and

Action, School of Social Policy and Practice, Philadelphia, PA

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

ArcGIS Desktop and ArcGIS Pro; R and RStudio; STATA; Dedoose; Microsoft Office Suite; Microsoft Teams; Adobe Photoshop