

# Jon M. Nelson

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## Education:

*Brown University, Providence, RI*

PhD in Sociology (October 2021)

Dissertation:

*Insuring Inequality: The Role of FEMA in Unequal Adaptation to Sea-Level Rise in Coastal New England*. Committee: Andrew Schrank, Chair; Scott Frickel; J. Timmons Roberts and Josh Pacewicz

Highlighted in Frank Thomas, “Cities ‘Game’ Federal Program Meant to Reduce Flood Risk”. *Scientific American*. July 14, 2021.

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/cities-game-federal-program-meant-to-reduce-flood-risk/>

Master of Arts in Sociology (May 2016)

*University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS*

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology (December 2013)

## Appointments

Visiting Assistant Professor, Brown University, AY 2021

Research Assistant, Distribution-Sensitive Innovation Policy in a Time of Coronavirus: A Quasi-Experimental Look at Pandemic Response; PIs: Andrew Schrank, Brown University, and Susan Helper, Case Western Reserve University, Fall 2020-Ongoing.

Research Assistant, Analysis of Deforestation and Demographics in the Atlantic Rainforest, Brazil; PI: Leah VanWey, Brown University, Fall 2015-Spring 2019

## Publications

Nelson, Jon. 2020. “Of Farms and Forests: Farm-level land-use decisions, socio-environmental systems, and regional development in Brazil’s Atlantic Rainforest”. *Environmental Sociology* 6(3):322-341.

Nelson, Jon and Paul Stock. 2018. “Repeasantisation in the United States.” *Sociologia Ruralis* 58(1):83–103.

## **Presentations**

“Town Governmental Capacity and Barriers to Adaptation: A case study of the Community Rating System” Presented Virtually at “At What Point Managed Retreat? Resilience, Relocation and Climate Justice virtual conference” – Columbia University, June 2021

“Carry On As You Were: Additionality, Mitigation, and Status in Municipal Floodplain Management” Presented Virtually at the 2020 Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco.

“Production or Preferences: Structural and Personal Determinants of Small Farm Forest Cover in Brazil” Presented at Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting, Montréal August 2017

## **Academic Awards, Grants, and Funding:**

- Brown University Department of Sociology Fellowship (2018-2019) - \$30,000
- Brown University Interdisciplinary Fellowship at IBES - \$31,500
- Brown University Sociology Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award (2018)
- Pass with Distinction on Environmental Sociology Preliminary Exam (2017)
- Watson Graduate Program in Development Fellowship (2016-2017) - \$30,000
- Watson Graduate Program in Development Summer Funding - \$ 2,800
- Brazil Initiative Graduate Student Travel Grant (Summer 2016) - \$ 1,000
- Brazil Initiative Graduate Student Travel Grant (Summer 2015) - \$ 1,800
- Distinguished Achievement Award from KU Sociology Department (2014)
- American Sociological Association Honors Program (2013)
- McNair Scholar (2012-2013)
- KU Honors Program J. Michael Young Development Grant (2012; 2013) - \$ 2,000
- Betty Wahlstedt award for excellence in the social sciences (2012; 2013)- \$ 1,500
- German Academic Exchange Service stipend to study in Germany (2012) - € 3,825
- Gilman Scholarship to study in Germany (2012) - \$ 3,000
- KU Study Abroad Scholarship (2012) - \$ 1,600
- Hilden Gibson award for a junior student in the social sciences (2012) - \$ 1,000
- Global Scholars Study Abroad Scholarship (2012) - \$ 1,000
- KU Global Scholar (2011-2013)
- Grace Caroline Eaton Scholarship (2011) - \$ 1,200
- National Merit Scholar (2008)
- Philips Electronics Scholarship (2008) - \$ 10,000
- Member: Alpha Kappa Delta, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi

## **Teaching Experience**

*Lead Instructor*, An Environmental Sociology for a Rapidly Warming World, Brown University, Fall 2021

*Teaching Assistant*, Introduction to Social Psychology, Prof. Greg Elliott, Brown University, Spring 2018

*Teaching Assistant*, Statistics for Social Science w/ Prof. Greg Elliott, Brown University, Fall 2017

*Teaching Assistant* Intro to Environmental Social Science w/ Prof. Scott Frickel, Brown University, Spring 2016

*Teaching Assistant* Micro-Organizational Theory w/Prof. Mark Suchman, Brown University, Fall 2015

**Professional Development:**

Brown University GIS Institute, led by Prof. Kevin Mwenda (January 2021)

*Teaching Consultant* Brown University Sheridan Center for Teaching - Teaching Consultant Certificate, Fall 2016-Spring 2019

*Discussion Facilitator* Brown University Sheridan Center for Teaching - Reflexive Teaching Certificate, Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Reflexive Teaching & Teaching Consultant Certificates - Brown University Sheridan Center for Teaching

**Research Interests:** Organizational, Community, and Environmental Sociology

**Language Skills:**

- Brazilian Portuguese (Speaking: Fluent, Writing: Intermediate)
- German (Writing/Speaking: Intermediate)