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EDUCATION

- 2021 (exp) PhD, Sociology, Columbia University
Dissertation: Identity Theft and the Production of Economic Insecurity
Committee: Shamus Khan (Chair), Gil Eyal, Alondra Nelson
- 2017 MA, Sociology, Columbia University
- 2013 MIA, Urban and Social Policy, Columbia University
- 2010 Certificate, Middle East Cultures and Religions, Jerusalem University College
- 2007 BA, Mathematics and Spanish, Messiah College (magna cum laude)
Honors Thesis: La condición política de la comunidad latina en los Estados Unidos

HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019-2021 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation (\$32,356)
- 2019 Global Fraud Scholarship, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (\$1,600)
- 2018-2021 Harvey Fellow, Mustard Seed Foundation (\$48,000)
- 2018 Graduate Student Research Grant, Columbia University
- 2016 ASA Student Travel Grant, American Sociological Association (\$225)
- 2016 Travel Grant, Columbia University Graduate Student Advisory Council (\$400)
- 2015-2020 Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellow, Columbia University
- 2015 Travel Grant, American Educational Research Association, Division J (\$400)
- 2015 Travel Grant, Columbia University
- 2014-2015 Jinny M. Goldstein Scholar in Sociology and Education, Columbia University
- 2013-2015 Doctoral Fellow, Columbia University
- 2012-2013 Alice Stetton Fellow, Columbia University
- 2012 Comparative International Education Society Student Paper Prize for “Beneath the Hype: The Labor Market, International Organizations, and the Future of Egyptian Higher Education After the Arab Spring”
- 2011 Alpha Kappa Alpha Graduate Merit Scholarship
- 2010 G. Douglas Young Scholarship, Jerusalem University College
- 2006-2007 Ernest L. Boyer Scholar, Messiah College
- 2006 Sider Institute Fellowship, Messiah College

2004-2007 Sigma Zeta Honor Society
 2004-2007 Provost Scholarship, Messiah College
 2003-2007 Dean's List, Messiah College

PUBLICATIONS

Belyavina, Raisa and **Jordan Brensinger**. 2013. "Building Knowledge-Based Economies in Latin America: The Role of National Study-Abroad Scholarship Programs." Pp. 39-53 in *Latin America's New Knowledge Economy: Higher Education, Government, and International Collaboration*, edited by J. Balán. New York: Institute of International Education.

Brensinger, Jordan. 2012. "The Contextual Crisis of the Asian University." *APAC Journal* 2(Spring): 7, 14.

UNDER REVIEW

Brensinger, Jordan. "Becoming 'Open-Minded': Dominant Prototypes as a Resource for Muslim Identity at an Elite University." Revise & Resubmit.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Brensinger, Jordan. "Openness to Diversity and the Maintenance of Distinction in Elite Higher Education: The Case of Muslim Students."

Brensinger, Jordan and Ramina Sotoudeh. "Structures of (In)Difference: Americans' Attitudes Towards Diverse Social Groups, 1964-2016."

Brensinger, Jordan and Gil Eyal. "The Sociology of Identification Processes."

PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

2018 "Openness to Diversity and the Maintenance of Distinction in Elite Higher Education." American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2018 "Openness' as Distinction: Moral Discourse and the Reproduction of Inequality. Center for the Study of Wealth and Inequality, Columbia University, New York, NY.

2018 "Open and Shut: Revisiting the Paradox of Elite Distinction." Eastern Sociological Society Mini-conference on Class and Culture, Baltimore, MD.

- 2016 “Under Surveillance: Higher Education and the Construction of Muslim Cultural Citizenship.” Race, Ethnicity, and Migration Workshop, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2016 “Under Surveillance: Higher Education and the Construction of Muslim Cultural Citizenship.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Embodied Boundaries: Modesty and Superiority in Zionist Religious Girls Schools.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Embodied Boundaries: The Institutional Transmission of Social Hierarchy.” Aage Sørensen Memorial Conference, Stockholm, Sweden.
- 2015 “Habitus, Reflexivity, and the Cognitive Foundations of Social Mobility.” American Sociological Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2015 “Narrative Bridges: Muslim Students, Reflexivity, and the Transition to an Elite University.” American Educational Research Association Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 “Narrative Bridges: Muslim Students, Reflexivity, and the Transition to an Elite University.” Workshop on Wealth and Inequality, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2014 “Learning my Place, “Earning” my Place: Muslim Students’ Encounter with Knowledge and Culture at an Elite University.” Diversity in Research and Practice Conference, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2013 “Balancing Equality and Heterogeneity: Human Capital Theory and Postmodernism in the Service of Higher Education Development.” Graduate Student Conference on Philosophy and Education, Columbia University.
- 2013 “Beneath the Hype: The Labor Market, International Organizations, and the Future of Egyptian Higher Education After the Arab Spring.” International Education Conference, New York University.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2014-2015 Research Assistant, Aaron Pallas and Douglas Ready, Columbia University
- 2013 Research Consultant, Columbia University and Tisch Illumination Fund
- 2013 Research Consultant, New Classrooms Innovation Partners
- 2012 Research Intern, Institute of International Education (IIE)
- 2009 Operations and Research, Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL), Philadelphia, PA
- 2007-09 Operations and Research, NAI CIR, Harrisburg, PA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE [*= WITH SECTIONS; [§]=SENIOR TEACHING ASSISTANT]

Undergraduate Courses

2017-18 Senior Thesis Seminar (for Van Tran)
 2017 Methods for Social Research (for Jacob Boersema)
 2016 The Social World* (for Gil Eyal)
 2006 Calculus I (for Douglas Phillippy)

Graduate Courses

2014 Evaluation of Educational and Social Programs (for Aaron Pallas)
 2014 Data Analysis for Policy and Decisionmaking II (for Douglas Ready)
 2013 Data Analysis for Policy and Decisionmaking I (for Douglas Ready)
 2012-13 Quantitative Analysis*[§] (for Paul Thurman)

UNDERGRADUATE THESIS ADVISEES

<i>Year</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Topic</i>
2017-18	Trendha Hunter	Gender Performance in Sexual Health Education
2017-18	Cindy Liu	Gendered Occupational Barriers in Classical Music
2017-18	Amber Officer-Narvasa	Race and Neighborhood Change in a NYC Coop
2017-18	Julius Wilson	The Transformation of Journalistic Norms

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2016-2017 PhD Student Representative (nominated), Department of Sociology, Columbia University
 2013 Peer Advisor (appointed), Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs
 2012-2013 Academic and Orientation Chair (elected), Student Association, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs
 2005-2006 Honor Code Committee Member (appointed), Department of Mathematics, Engineering, and Business, Messiah College
 2006 Student Forum Representative (elected), Student Government Association, Messiah College
 2006 Student Representative (appointed), Messiah College Subcommittee on Gender Relations
 2006 Student Representative (appointed), Messiah College Subcommittee on Student Activities

MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association (Sections: Culture; Inequality and Social Mobility; Science, Knowledge, and Technology)
 Eastern Sociological Society
 American Educational Research Association (past)
 Comparative International Education Society (past)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: R
 Software: Microsoft Excel, NVivo, Stata

LANGUAGE SKILLS

English (Native), Spanish (Advanced), Arabic (Beginner), French (Beginner)

ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

2015-Pres.	Co-founder, Director of Program Evaluation, and Mentor, Pathways Mentorship Program
2013	Teacher, Columbia Philosophy Outreach Program, Harlem Fortune Society
2011-2013	Co-founder and Outreach Chair, Education Collaborative
2008-2009	Director of Student Relations, Forgotten Voices International
2006	Peacebuilding Trainee, Summer Peacebuilding Institute, Eastern Mennonite University