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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

- 2019 – Associate Professor (2013-2019 Assistant Professor)
Law and Society major, Department of Political Science
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York (New York, NY)
- 2013 – Doctoral faculty
Ph.D. program in Earth and Environmental Sciences (Geography)
CUNY Graduate Center

EDUCATION

- 2010 Ph.D., Department of Geography
University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
Dissertation: *Geographic Perspectives on International Law: Human Rights and Hurricane Katrina*
- 2003 Juris Doctor
Cornell University Law School (Ithaca, NY)
Symposium Editor, Cornell International Law Journal
- 2001 Certificate in International and Comparative Human Rights Law
National University of Ireland/Galway & New England School of Law (Galway, Ireland)
- 1996 Bachelor of Arts
Vassar College (Poughkeepsie, NY)
Major: Geography. Secondary concentration: International Economics

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

International human rights law; economic and social rights; international criminal law; socio-legal studies ethics of care; political ecology; legal geography; normative geography; natural hazards and disaster risk reduction

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

- Carmalt, JC (2023). Human Rights, Remedy, and Everyday Geographies of Injustice: Perspectives from a Participatory Action Research Project. *Human Rights Quarterly*, 45(4), 601-627.
- Carmalt, JC (2019). Critical geographies of human rights and the spatial dimensions of international law violations in Rakhine State, Myanmar. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 109(6), 1829-1844.
- Carmalt, JC (2018). Neoliberal geographies and the justiciability of health as a human right. In Gillian MacNaughton and Diane Frey (Eds), *Economic and Social Rights in a Neoliberal World* (304-322). New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.
- Carmalt, JC (2017). For critical geographies of human rights. *Progress in Human Geography*, 42(6), 847-861.
- Carmalt, JC (2016). Human Rights for Disaster Risk Reduction including Climate Change Adaptation. In Ilan Kelman, Jessica Mercer, JC Gaillard (Eds), *Routledge Handbook of Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation*. New York, NY: Routledge.
- Carmalt, JC (2014). Prioritizing Health: A Human Rights Analysis of Disaster, Vulnerability, and Urbanization in New Orleans and Port au Prince. *Health and Human Rights* 16(1), 1-15.
- Carmalt, JC (2014). Human rights in context: International law and spatial injustice in New Orleans, Louisiana. *Studies in Law, Politics, and Society* 63, 147-181.
- Yamin, AE and Carmalt, JC. (2013) The United States: Article 25 obligations in the context of inequalities and reform. In José Zuniga, Stephen Marks, and Lawrence Gostin (Eds), *Advancing the Human Right to Health* (231-241). Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.
- Carmalt, JC. and C. Haenni-Dale (2012). Human Rights and Disaster. In Benjamin Wisner, J.C. Gaillard, and Ian Kelman (Eds), *Handbook of Hazards and Disasters* (61-70). New York, NY: Routledge.
- Carmalt, JC., S. Zaidi, AE. Yamin (2011). Entrenched Inequity: Health Care in the United States of America. In Shareen Hertel and Kathryn Libal (Eds), *Human Rights in the USA* (153-174). New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.
- Carmalt, JC (2011). Human Rights, Care Ethics, and Situated Universal Norms. *Antipode* 43(2), 296-325.
- Carmalt, JC. and T. Faubion (2010). Normative approaches to critical health geography. *Progress in Human Geography* 34(3), 292-308.

Carmalt, JC (2008). Holding the U.S. Accountable: How American Health Care Fails to Meet International Human Rights Standards. N.Y. City L. Rev. 11, 359.

Carmalt, JM (2007). Rights and Place: Using Geography in Human Rights Work. Human Rights Quarterly 29(1), 68-85.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Carmalt, JC. (2020/2021). Human rights: how are they governed? Geography Review 34.2.

Carmalt, JC. (2020). Review of: The priority of injustice: locating democracy in critical theory: by Clive Barnett, Atlanta, Georgia, University of Georgia Press, 2017. Social & Cultural Geography, 21(2), 286-288.

Carmalt, JC. (2015). COP21 SERIES Reshaping the landscape: The geography of human rights, climate change, and disasters. Health and Human Rights invited blog post. Available at: <https://www.hhrjournal.org/2015/10/cop21-series-reshaping-the-landscape-the-geography-of-human-rights-climate-change-and-disasters/>.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2010– 2013 Assistant Professor, Drake University, Law, Politics & Society (Des Moines, IA).
Courses developed and taught: Introduction to Law, Politics, and Society (LPS); Senior Seminar in LPS; Law and Geography; Introduction to Human Rights; War Crimes and Beyond; Human Rights and Environmental Disasters; Legal Reasoning; The First Amendment; Care Ethics and Human Rights (with Leah Kalmanson)
- 2009, 2007 Graduate instructor, University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
- 2008–2006 Teaching Assistant, University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
- 2004–2005 Legal Coordinator, Center for Economic and Social Rights (Brooklyn, NY)
Provided legal support and expertise to an international human rights organization. Projects focused on the human right to health, the laws of occupation as applied to Iraq, and conflict in Central Asia. Further duties included United Nations representation, fundraising, and collaborating with other human rights organizations.
- 2002 Legal Intern, United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, Division of Legal Counsel (New York, NY)
Researched and analyzed United Nations legal practice, including Host Country Agreements, privileges and immunities, procedural practices and prevention of armed conflict.

- 2002 Legal Intern, Legal Aid Society, Criminal Defense Division (New York, NY)
Conducted extensive legal research on New York criminal law; wrote legal memos on topics ranging from kidnapping to search and seizure law; performed field investigations into felony activity; interviewed clients and witnesses.
- 2001–2002 Research Assistant, Professor David Wippman, Cornell University Law School (Ithaca, NY)
Researched and wrote on issues of public international law including self-determination, minority rights, the legality of the Helms-Burton Act, and use of force issues
- 1998-2000 International Justice and United Nations Program Assistant, Human Rights First (formerly the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights) (New York, NY)
Participated in six Preparatory Commissions for the establishment of the International Criminal Court (ICC). Member of the Coalition for an ICC (CICC) team on Rules of Procedure and Evidence (RPE); co-authored CICC reports on RPE. Duties included extensive UN and legal research in addition to coordination with other NGOs and administrative duties.
- 1997-1998 Corporate Paralegal, Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton (NY, NY)
- 1997-1998 Consultant, Counterpart Consortium (Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)
Developed and coordinated pilot volunteer program for updating and maintaining regional database. Database consisted of all local non-governmental organizations in each country of Central Asia.
- 1997-1998 Teacher, American University of Kyrgyzstan (Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)
Taught AIDS education, writing, and English comprehension to first and second year university students.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2024-2025 PSC-CUNY Award # 67732-00 55. Human rights in the city: Geography, international law, and participatory action research
- 2023 OAR Faculty Scholarship Program award to fund the purchase of ATLAS.ti software in support of the project Human rights in the city: Perspectives from a Participatory Action Research Project.
- 2017-2018 PSC-CUNY Award # 60658-00 4. Grassroots lawyers, human rights, and the injustices of spatial relationships in the post-Obama era.
- 2017 Runner-up, Kwando Kinshasa Mentor Award. John Jay College of Criminal Justice McNair Program.
- 2016 Kwando Kinshasa Mentor Award. John Jay College of Criminal Justice McNair Program.

- 2014-2015 PSC Cuny Award 67642-00 45: Respectful Sexual and Reproductive Health Care for Young Women (aged 18-25) in Low-Income Communities in New York City.
- 2009-10 AAUW American Dissertation Fellowship (One of forty-one awarded nationwide from a process with a 5.6% rate of acceptance)
- 2009 University of Washington Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship
- 2008 Howard Martin Grant (University of Washington) for research and travel to New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2003 Symposium Editor, Cornell International Law Journal, 2003 (elected position)
- 2003 Cornell University Law School Dean's List; CALI Achievement Award: Constitutional Law II: The First Amendment.
- 2002 Cornell University Law School Dean's List
- 2001 CALI Achievement Award: Int'l Organizations & Human Rights Institutions, Cornell University Law School
- 1996 Vassar College, Departmental Honors in the Department of Geography
- 1995 Vassar College Hewlett-Mellon Fund Travel Award for travel to 4th International Conference on Women in Beijing, China

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

- 2023 Human Rights at 75: Promises and Challenges. Ramapo College of New Jersey (invited panelist). December 4, 2023.
- 2018 Critical geographies of human rights and climate justice. Conference on Home in the Time of Climate Change. CUNY Graduate Center (New York, NY).
- 2016 John Jay College Center for International Human Rights Panel Discussion for International Women's Day. Presenter and moderator. Protecting and Empowering Refugee Women and Girls: Issues and Challenges (New York, NY).
- 2014 Prioritizing health: Disaster, vulnerability, and urbanization in New Orleans and Port au Prince. Graduate Center, CUNY (New York NY).
- 2010 Human Rights. Global Cities. Catastrophe! University of Washington College of Arts and Sciences & Alumni Association public education event (February, co-presenter with Professors Vicky Lawson, Katharyne Mitchell, and Matthew Sparke) (Seattle, WA).
- 2009 Training in International Human Rights Law. Seattle Human Rights Commission. (Seattle, WA).

- 2009 Training in Implementing International Human Rights Law in the City of Seattle. Seattle Human Rights Commission. (Seattle, WA).
- 2007 Practicing International Human Rights Law at the United Nations. Continuing Legal Education for the Washington State Bar Association, World Peace through Law section. (Seattle, WA).
- 2007 Training in International Human Rights Law and the Human Right to Health. Invited presentation. Seattle Human Rights Commission. (Seattle, WA).
- 2007 Discrimination and Hurricane Katrina. Hurricane Katrina International Advocacy Strategy Session. (New Orleans, LA). (March).
- 2007 Reporting on Hurricane Katrina to the UN Human Rights Committee. University of Washington School of Law. (Seattle, WA).
- 2006 Using an international UN mechanism for domestic compliance under international human rights law: the case of Katrina. Invited guest lecturer, Widener University International Summer Institute, course on International Human Rights Law. (Geneva, Switzerland).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Human Rights in Everyday Life: insights from a participatory action research project in New York City, USA. Law and Society Association annual meeting (San Juan, PR).
- 2022 The Legal Disruption Project: An Undergraduate Student-Led Participatory Action Research (roundtable participant). Law and Society Association annual meeting (Lisbon, Portugal).
- 2019 Framing Rights-based Claims and the Spatial Dimension of Injustice. Law and Society Association annual meeting (Washington DC).
- 2019 Critical geographies of human rights and the spatial dimensions of international law violations in Rakhine State, Myanmar. Association of American Geographers annual meeting (Washington, DC).
- 2018 Critical geographies of human rights and climate justice. Association of American Geographers annual meeting (New Orleans, LA).
- 2018 Co-Production of Climate Justice Panel. Panel participant. Association of American Geographers annual meeting (New Orleans, LA).
- 2017 Neoliberal geographies and the justiciability of health as a human right, in “Economic and Social Rights in a Neoliberal World II”. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Mexico City, Mexico).

- 2016 Mapping international legal responsibility for health as a human right: Deepening the obligation to protect against risk associated with disasters. Law and Society Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA)
- 2014 Health, human rights, and care ethics. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting. (Minneapolis, MN)
- 2012 Human rights, the United Nations, and the question of victim participation. Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting (New York, NY)
- 2011 Human rights and the geography of injustice. Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting (Seattle, WA).
- 2010 Discrimination under international human rights law. Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)
- 2007 The Geography of International Human Rights Law. Application-based participation and presentation. Conference on Liberalism, Governance, and the Geographies of Law. University of Washington. (Seattle, WA) (peer-reviewed application process).
- 2007 Ethics before profit: Using geography and human rights to promote social justice. Association of American Geographers. (San Francisco, CA).
- 2006 International Diplomacy at the United Nations: NGO Coalitions and the International Criminal Court. Association of American Geographers. (Chicago, IL).
- 2005 Moving Away from the Nation-State: International Human Rights Law in the Global Economy. Association of American Geographers. (Philadelphia, PA).

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2019 Chair and discussant, Finding and Thriving in a Tenure-Track Undergraduate-Focused Job. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Washington, DC).
- 2018 Chair and discussant, Finding and Thriving in a Tenure-Track Undergraduate-Focused Job. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Toronto, ON).
- 2017 Chair, Global Legal Studies Professional Development Panel. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Mexico City, Mexico).
- 2016 Invited scholar, Tour to Israel and the Palestinian Territories, Scholars as Bridge Builders – The Role of the Academia in the Israeli Context. Organized by the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York (One of 12 invited faculty members).
- 2016 Professional Development Panel Teaching Cafe (New Orleans, LA)

- 2015 Panel Chair, Economic and Social Rights: The Role of the Courts. Law and Society Association Annual Meeting. (Seattle, WA)
- 2014 Participant, Law and Society Association Early Career Workshop (peer-reviewed selection). (Minneapolis, MN)
- 2012 Participant, course on Health Rights Litigation (based on peer-reviewed application process). FXB Center for Health and Human Rights, Harvard School of Public Health (Boston, MA).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2016-2020 Board member, Coalition of Undergraduate Law and Justice Programs (CULJP)
- 2019-2020 Member, Law and Society Association Student Paper Prizes Committee
- 2015 Co-organizer (with Michael Yarbrough and Karen Martin). Mid-Atlantic Law and Society Association meeting. Hosted by John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY).
- 2015 Program Committee Chair. Mid-Atlantic Law and Society Association Meeting

Reviewer for:

American Journal of Public Health
 Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space
 Geography Compass
 Health and Human Rights
 Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies
 Journal of Human Rights
 Law and Policy
 Law and Society Review
 Political Geography
 Progress in Human Geography
 Social and Cultural Geography
 Urban Geography

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2024-present Member, Faculty Personnel Committee.
 John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science.
- 2018-present Member, Faculty Appointments Committee.
 Earth and Environmental Sciences Program, Graduate Center (CUNY)

- 2013-present Member, Law and Society Governance Committee.
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science.
- 2023-2024 Co-Cordinator, Law and Society Major (also served 2015-2020).
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2023-2024 Faculty Senate representative for the Political Science Department
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2023-2024 College Council representative for the Political Science Department
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2023-2024 Executive Committee of the College Council
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2022-2023 Deputy Chair
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2022-2023 Editor, department newsletter (also served 2014-2017)
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2017-2020 Member, General Education Committee (also served 2014-2016).
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY).
- 2016-2017 Co-chair, Search committee for Law and Society faculty
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science
- 2015-2016 Member, Admissions Committee
Earth and Environmental Studies Program, Graduate Center (CUNY)
- 2013-2014 Member, Search committee for Gender and Law faculty.
John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY), Department of Political Science.
- 2010–2013 Member, LPS Council
Drake University, Program in Law, Politics, and Society
- 2011–2013 Board Member, Center for the Humanities
Drake University (elected position)
- 2011–2013 Member, Committee on Technology.
Drake University, College of Arts & Sciences.
- 2012 Member, Search committee for visiting faculty in Law, Politics, and Society
Drake University, Program in Law, Politics, and Society
- 2010 Member, Search committee for tenure-track faculty in Law, Politics, and Society
Drake University, Program in Law, Politics, and Society
- 2006-07 Co-President, Geography Graduate Students Association
University of Washington, Department of Geography (elected position)

- 2002-03 Symposium Editor, Cornell International Law Journal
Cornell University School of Law (elected position)
- 2001-02 Vice-President, Briggs International Law Society of Cornell Law School
Cornell University School of Law (elected position)