

## David Calnitsky

### Curriculum Vitae

Department of Sociology  
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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Jan. 2018                                      Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Western Ontario
- Sept. 2016 - Dec. 2017                      SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, Sociology & Community Health Sciences, University of Manitoba

### EDUCATION

Ph.D.    Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, July 2016

Dissertation: *When Poverty Disappears: Investigating Manitoba's Basic Annual Income Experiment*

Committee: Erik Olin Wright (Chair), Timothy Smeeding, Robert Freeland, Christine Schwartz, Evelyn Forget (External)

*Winner of the Lumpkin dissertation award*

- M.A.    Department of Economics, New School for Social Research (Outstanding M.A. Graduate in Economics), 2008
- B.A.    Department of Political Science, McGill University (First Class Honours), 2006
- B.A.    Faculty of Architecture, University of Manitoba (Honours), 2002

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Journal articles

- 2022                      Calnitsky, David, and Michael Martinez. "A Class Functionalist Theory of Race" *Du Bois Review*. Accepted.
- 2021                      Malleson, Tom and David Calnitsky. "Which Way Forward for Economic Security: Basic Income or Public Services?" *Basic Income Studies*. p. 1-43. <https://doi.org/10.1515/bis-2021-0005>
- 2021                      Gonalons Pons, Pilar and David Calnitsky. "Exit, Voice, and Loyalty in the Family." *Socio-Economic Review*. p. 1-29. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ser/mwaa050>
- 2021                      David Calnitsky. "The Policy Road to Socialism" *Critical Sociology* 1-26. <https://doi.org/10.1177/08969205211031624>
- 2020                      Calnitsky, David and Pilar Gonalons Pons. "The Impact of an Experimental Guaranteed Income on Crime and Violence." *Social Problems*. 68(3): 778-798.

- 2020 Calnitsky, David. "The Employer Response to the Guaranteed Annual Income." *Socio-Economic Review*, 18(2), 493-517.
- 2019 Calnitsky, David, Jonathan Latner, and Evelyn Forget. "Life After Work: The Impact of Basic Income on Non-employment Activities." *Social Science History*. 43(4): 657-677.
- 2019 Calnitsky, David. "The High-hanging Fruit of the Gender Revolution: A Model of Social Reproduction and Social Change." *Sociological Theory*, 37(1), 35-61.
- 2019 Calnitsky, David. "Basic income and the Pitfalls of Randomization." *Contexts*, 18(1), 22-29.
- 2018 Calnitsky, David. "Does Basic Income Assume a Can Opener?" *Catalyst: A Journal of Theory and Strategy*, 2(3), 136-155.
- 2018 Calnitsky, David. "Structural and Individualist Approaches to Poverty." *Sociology Compass*, 12(12), 1-14.
- 2018 Calnitsky, David. "'If the Work Requirement is Strong': The Business Response to Basic Income Proposals in Canada and the US." *Canadian Journal of Sociology*, 43(3), 291-315.
- 2017 Calnitsky, David. "Debating Basic Income." *Catalyst: A Journal of Theory and Strategy*, 1(3), 62-91.
- Translated into Spanish as "Debatiendo el ingreso básico" by Horizontal.mx, Feb 12 2018: <https://horizontal.mx/debatiendo-el-ingreso-basico/>
- 2017 Calnitsky, David, and Jonathan Latner. "Basic Income in a Small Town: Understanding the Elusive Effects on Work." *Social Problems*, 64(3), 373-97.
- Best student paper award, ASA section on Rationality & Society, 2016.
  - Best student paper award, Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics, 2015.
  - Covered in *Globe and Mail*: [theglobeandmail.com/opinion/article-smart-money-why-the-world-should-embrace-universal-basic-income/](http://theglobeandmail.com/opinion/article-smart-money-why-the-world-should-embrace-universal-basic-income/)
- 2016 Calnitsky, David. "'More Normal than Welfare': The Mincome Experiment, Stigma, and Community Experience," *Canadian Review of Sociology*, 53(1), 26-71.
- CRS Best Article Award
  - Early career workshop award, Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics, 2016.
  - Op-Ed summarizing findings published in *The Toronto Star*; reposted on OurWindsor.ca and SPON: Social Policy in Ontario.
- 2014 Calnitsky, David. "Economic sociology as disequilibrium economics: A Contribution to the Critique of the New Economic Sociology", *The Sociological Review*, 62(3), 565-592.
- 2013 Calnitsky, David, and Asher Dupuy-Spencer. 2013. "The Economic Consequences of Homo Economicus: Neoclassical Economic Theory and the Fallacy of Market Optimality", *The Journal of Philosophical Economics*, 6(2), 2-26.
- 2011 Calnitsky, David. "Crisis and the Specificity of Analysis." *Critical Sociology*, 37(4), 483-492.
- 2011 Calnitsky, David, and João A. Peschanski. "Theoretical Models of Alternatives to Capitalism" [in Portuguese]. *Margem Esquerda*, 17, 37-44.

**Under review**

- Calnitsky, David and Ella Wind. "Street, Factory, or Party: Who Gets the Goods?" Under review.
- Martinez, Michael and David Calnitsky. "Five Interconnections of Race and Class." Under review.

### In progress

Wind, Ella and David Calnitsky. "Understanding the Material Bases of Social Change." In progress.

Calnitsky, David and Ella Wind. "Explaining public expenditures in Latin America" In progress.

### Book projects in progress

David Calnitsky and Michael McCarthy. *Class, State, and Ideology: The Sociology of Erik Olin Wright*. Under contract with Verso Books.

David Calnitsky. *The Policy Road to Socialism*. Book manuscript in progress.

### PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY, NEWS, & INTERVIEWS

- 2021 Apr 15. "Married to the Job," Sarah Jaffe, *The Guardian*
- 2020 Dec. 23 "[Understanding Class means Understanding Exploitation](#)" Guest speaker on The Jacobin Show, streamed live on YouTube.
- 2020 May 28. "[Interview on basic income](#)" *This Week in Sociological Perspective*, with Samuel R. Lucas
- 2020 Apr. 17. "[Debates on Feasible Socialism](#)." Guest speaker in Jacobin Magazine's Stay at Home episode 21, streamed live on YouTube.
- 2020 Mar. 27. "[Basic Income in a Pandemic and Beyond](#)" *Jacobin*.
- 2020 Apr. 28, "[Should Cash Transfers Used as an Emergency Response Be Universal or Targeted?](#)" *Updates from the Lab*, Stanford Basic Income Lab
- 2020 Oct 8. "Basic Income has its moment," Evelyn Forget, *Foreign Affairs*
- 2019 Dec. 15. "[Junior Faculty Spotlight](#)," Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility section of ASA, Vol. 4, No. 6.
- 2019 Mar. 12. "[Socialism Today](#)" *The Annex Sociology* podcast
- 2019 Jan. 24. "[A Model for Us All](#)" *Jacobin*. Reprinted at *Verso Books blog* and *Marxist Sociology blog*
- 2018 July 13. "[Smart money: Why the world should embrace universal basic income](#)" *The Globe and Mail*
- 2018 Apr. 27. "[What's new in social protection](#)" World Bank *Let's Talk Development*
- 2017 Interview. "Canadian Economic Sociology: What is it, and how is it distinct? Three Canadian economic sociologists explain." With Clayton Childress and Josée Johnston. ACCOUNTS: ASA Economic Sociology Section Newsletter. 16(3), 25-32. <http://www.asanet.org/file/5999/download?token=sV83Febs>
- 2017 Dylan Matthews. July 20. "[The 2 most popular critiques of basic income are both wrong](#)." *Vox*.
- 2017 Charlie Young. July 8. "[Does this Canadian province have the solution to the world's problem of unemployment?](#)" *The Independent*.
- 2017 Colby Cosh. July 19. "[Can giving everyone free money reduce the stigma of a guaranteed income?](#)" *The National Post*.
- 2017 Laurie Monsebraaten. April 8. "[Ontario embraces no-strings-attached basic income experiment](#)." *Toronto Star*.

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2022-2025 SSHRC Insight Grant, “Who Gets the Goods? Disentangling the Effects of Parliamentary Representation and Collective Action on Welfare Spending,” \$228,814 CAD.  
Collaborators: Pilar Goñalons-Pons and René Rojas.
- 2022 Western’s Faculty Research Development Fund, “Disentangling the effects of parliament and collective action on welfare spending in Latin America,” \$9,602.
- 2021 Samuel Clark Award, “The Policy Road to Socialism,” \$4,987.
- 2020-2023 SSHRC Insight Development Grant, “For Better or For Worse: Understanding the Material Bases of Social Change,” \$74,652 CAD.  
Co-Applicant: Adaner Usmani.
- 2019 Western Strategic Support Seed Research Grant, “The Social Theory of Erik Olin Wright,” \$23,191.
- 2019 Agnes Cole Dark, Faculty of Social Science Research Fund, “The Sociological Marxism Project,” \$9,601 CAD.
- 2019 SSHRC Internal Explore Grant, “Understanding the Material Bases of Social Change,” \$7,000 CAD.
- 2017-2020 SSHRC Insight Development Grant, “The Labour Market and Its Alternatives: Investigating Manitoba’s Mincome Experiment” \$34,347 CAD.  
Co-Applicant: Evelyn Forget.
- 2017 University of Manitoba SSHRC Research Grants Program. \$7,000 CAD.
- 2017 Louis O. Kelso Fellowship, Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations. \$12,500 USD.
- 2016-2018 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Canada, \$81,000 CAD.
- 2015 John Delamater Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, \$3,000 USD.
- 2014-15 Dissertation Research Award, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison, \$23,118 USD.
- 2013-15 Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation, \$12,812 USD.
- 2009, 2011 University Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, \$45,750 USD.
- 2009-12 Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Canada, \$80,000 CAD.
- 2009-11 Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Canada (Declined), \$105,000 CAD.
- 2006 Guy Drummond Fellowship in Political Science, McGill University (Declined), \$16,000 CAD.

## AWARDS

- 2017 Katherine DuPre Lumpkin Award for best dissertation in Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2017 *Canadian Review of Sociology* Best Article Award
- 2016 Early career workshop award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE).
- 2016 Best student paper award, ASA Section on Rationality & Society.
- 2015 Best student paper award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE).
- 2013 Travel Award, Fifth Annual Workshop on Fiscal Sociology, Social Science History Association conference, Chicago, IL
- 2010 William H. Sewell III, Summer Research Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison

- 2009 John L. Gillin Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
2008 Outstanding M.A. Graduate Award, Department of Economics, New School for Social Research

### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 Presentation, “Some Impacts of the Manitoba Basic Income Experiment” at European Commission workshop on Real Utopias for a Social Europe (with Pilar Gonalons-Pons).  
2021 Keynote presentation, “Basic Income and the Labour Market” at Basic Income Pilots and Experiments Around the World conference, The BABEL (Basic Income in Belgium) Project, September 23.  
2020 “Comments on Hasdell and Bidadanure,” A Healthy Communities Approach to UBI, workshop. November 19.  
2019 “Reflections on Erik Olin Wright,” ASA, New York City, Aug 9-15.  
2018 Keynote presentation, “Debating Basic Income”, at Basic Income as a Way of Life workshop, University of Jena, Germany, Nov. 15-16  
2016 “Basic Income: From Political Debate to Program Design”, Basic Income in Canada and Australia Symposium, Winnipeg Harvest, Winnipeg, MB, Nov. 24.  
2016 “Basic income and the Labor Market”, The Beyster Symposium, La Jolla, CA, June 27.

### SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 “Disentangling the effects of parliamentary representation and collective action on welfare spending,” with Ella Wind, SASE, June.  
2021 “Understanding the Material Bases of Social Change,” with Ella Wind
  - SASE, Online, June
  - ASA, Online, Aug
  - CSA, Online, May2019 “Who Gets the Goods,” with Ella Wind
  - SASE, New York City, June 23-26
  - ASA, New York City, Aug 9-152019 “A Class Functionalist Theory of Race,” with Michael Billeaux Martinez, ASA, New York City, Aug 9-15.  
2019 “Comments on Universal Capital Accounts panelist presentations”, The Beyster Symposium, La Jolla, CA, June 23-25.  
2019 “Life After Work,” Kelso Workshop, Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations, New Brunswick, New Jersey, Jan 11-13.  
2018 “Basic Income and Domestic Assault”, RC28 conference of the International Sociological Association, Seoul, May 26-29 2018.  
2017 “The impact of basic income on non-employment activities,” American Sociological Association conference, Montreal, QC, August 12.  
2017 Discussant, The Beyster Symposium, La Jolla, CA, June 25.  
2016 “The Business Response to the Guaranteed Annual Income”
  - American Sociological Association pre-conference on The New Economy, Seattle, WA, August 19.
  - Society for the Study of Social Problems, Seattle (SSSP), WA, August 19-21.
  - Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Berkeley, CA, June 24-26.
  - Canadian Sociological Association, Calgary, AB, May 30-June 3.

- 2016 “Work and Social Stigma in the Manitoba Mincome Experiment”, North America Basic Income Guarantee Congress, Winnipeg, MB, May 12-15.
- 2015 “‘More Normal than Welfare’: The Mincome Experiment, Stigma, and Community Experience”, American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August 22-25.
- 2015 “Basic Income in a Small Town: Understanding the Elusive Effects on Work”. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), London, United Kingdom. July 9-12
- 2015 “The Mincome experiment and lessons on the political feasibility of basic Income”. The Future of Basic Income Research Conference, Florence, Italy. June 26-27.
- 2015 “‘More Normal than Welfare’: The Mincome Experiment, Stigma, and Community Experience”, Canadian Sociological Association, Ottawa, Canada, June 1-5.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Instructor, Western University**

“Modern Sociological Theory” (Undergraduate, Winter 2018 - present)

“Social Science in the Marxian Tradition” (Graduate, Fall 2020)

“Global Inequality” (Undergraduate, Planned for Winter 2023)

“Sociological Perspectives: Social Theory for Social Science” (Graduate, Winter 2022)

### **Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison**

“Classical Sociological Theory” (Spring 2014)

## **REFERENCES**

Available on request