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APPOINTMENTS LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
Assistant Professorial Research Fellow in Ethnicity, Race and Equity, 2017 –

HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Fellow in Sociology, 2017 –

EDUCATION HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Ph.D. in Sociology, 2017
Title: *Institutions as Inferential Spaces: How People Learn About Inequality*
Committee: Jason Beckfield (chair), Lawrence Bobo, Devah Pager
A.M. in Sociology, 2014

UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM
M.Sc. (cum laude) in Social Science Research, 2010
B.Sc. (cum laude) in Sociology, 2007

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – BERKELEY
Visiting student, 2007 – 2008

PUBLICATIONS **Mijs, Jonathan J.B.** 2016. "Stratified Failure: Educational Stratification and Students' Attributions of their Mathematics Performance." *Sociology of Education* 89(2): 137-153.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2016. "The Unfulfillable Promise of Meritocracy: Three Lessons and their Implications for Justice in Education." *Social Justice Research* 29(1): 14-34.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B., and Bowen Paulle. 2016. "The Burden of Acting Wise: Sanctioned School Success and Ambivalence about Hard Work at an Elite School in the Netherlands." *Intercultural Education* 27(1): 22-38.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B., Elyas Bakhtiari, and Michèle Lamont. 2016. "Neoliberalism and Symbolic Boundaries in Europe: Global Diffusion, Local Context, Regional Variation." *Socius* 2: 1-8.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2016. "The Missing Organizational Dimension of Prisoner Reentry: An Ethnography of the Road to Reentry at a Nonprofit Service Provider." *Sociological Forum* 31(2): 291-309.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2015. "Blurred Lines: Structure/ Agency, Presence/Vacancy in Detroit's Urban Museum." *City & Community* 14(2): 183-5.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2014. "Detroit's Wealth of Ruins." *Contexts* 13(2): 62-69.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2011. Review of 'Inheriting the City: The Children of Immigrants Come of Age' by Philip Kasinitz, Mary Waters, John H. Mollenkopf. *Teacher College Record* 16306.

Van de Werfhorst, Herman G., and **Jonathan J.B. Mijs**. 2010. "Achievement Inequality and the Institutional Structure of Educational Systems: A Comparative Perspective." *Annual Review of Sociology* 36: 407-428.

Crul, Maurice, Adel Pasztor, Frans Lelie, **Jonathan J.B. Mijs**, and Philipp Schnell. 2009. *Snakes and Ladders in Educational Systems: Second Generation Turkish Students in Europe Compared*. The Hague: NICIS Institute.

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2008. "Meritocracy or Plutocracy? Finding Explanations for the Educational Disadvantages of Moroccan Immigrants Living in The Netherlands." *Amsterdam Social Science* 1(1): 44-70.

IN PROGRESS

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. "Learning about Inequality in Unequal America: How Homogenous and Heterogeneous Colleges Shape the Development of Inequality Beliefs." *Revise & resubmit*

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. "The Paradox of Inequality: Rising Inequality Goes Hand in Hand with Meritocracy Beliefs." *Under review*

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. "Pulling up the Ladder: Changing Beliefs about Racial Inequality among Elite Minority Students." *Manuscript in preparation*

Gidron, Noam, and **Jonathan J.B. Mijs**. "What Drives Opposition to Immigration in Hard Economic Times? Evidence from an 8-Year Panel Study." *Manuscript in preparation*

PUBLIC
SOCIOLOGY

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2017. "Inequality is getting worse, but fewer people than ever are aware of it." *The Conversation*

Mijs, Jonathan J.B., and Tyler Thigpen. 2017. "PISA, Internalizing Failure, and Barriers to Deeper Learning." *Education Week*

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2016. "European data suggests the gig economy helped create Trump, Sanders." *The Conversation* (feature article)

Mijs, Jonathan J.B., Elyas Bakhtiari, and Michèle Lamont. 2016. "Neoliberal policies go hand in hand with social exclusion." *Harvard Gazette*

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2016. "Populism feeds social exclusion." *De Volkskrant* (in Dutch)

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2016. "Dutch students are wise not to work too hard." *De Volkskrant* (in Dutch)

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2013. "Stop stratifying middle schoolers." *NRC Handelsblad* (in Dutch)

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2011. "Minister of Education labels students winners and losers." *NRC Handelsblad* (in Dutch)

Mijs, Jonathan J.B. 2010. "Geert Wilders calls for a coup." *NRC Handelsblad*

(in Dutch)

PRESENTATIONS

Experienced Inequality, Mediating Institutions, and Beliefs about Inequality in 25 Countries

International Sociological Association RC 28 Summer Conference, 2017, New York

How Well Do Citizens See Inequality? Actual Social Mobility and Meritocracy Beliefs Around the World

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, 2016, Cambridge, MA

Meritocracy & Diversity: The Development of Inequality Beliefs in College

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2016, Seattle, WA

Why Do Students Fail in Mathematics? How Educational Stratification Shapes Students' Explanations of Success and Failure

International Sociological Association RC 28 Summer Conference, 2015, Philadelphia, PA

Blurred Lines: Structure/Agency, Presence/Vacancy in Detroit's Urban Museum

Harvard Workshop on Urban Social Processes, 2015, Cambridge, MA

Making the 'Ex-con:' Identity and Relational Reconfiguration in a Prisoner Reentry Organization

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2014, San Francisco, CA

Learning Meritocracy: An Inquiry into the Processes that Produce Meritocratic Beliefs

Berlin Graduate Summer School in Social Sciences, 2013, Berlin (Germany)

The Nonprofit and its Clients

Special event "The Effects of Incarceration," Northeastern University, 2012, Boston, MA

A Burden of 'Acting 'Wise:'' Popularity and Achievement in Dutch Education

Age B. Sørensen Memorial Conference, 2012, Stockholm (Sweden).

Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference, 2011, Philadelphia, PA

Academic Excellence and Internationalization from a Sociological Perspective

Keynote at Nuffic 60th Anniversary Conference, 2011, The Hague (The Netherlands)

Ethnic Educational Inequalities in The Netherlands

SOCCULT Research Group, 2009, École Normale Supérieure, Paris (France)

Educational Differentiation and Inequality: The Netherlands in Comparative Perspective

Ministry of Education and Sciences, 2007, The Hague (The Netherlands)

RESEARCH
PROJECTS

Economic Fortunes and Anti-Immigrant Sentiments: Evidence from an Eight Year Panel Study (2017 –)

Collaboration with Noam Gidron (Hebrew University Jerusalem)

The Competition for Educational Credentials at Elite High Schools (2017 –)

Collaboration with Stefan Beljean (Harvard)

Institutional Determinants of Cognition & Evaluation: An Experimental Study of the Salience of Experience and Contextual Information (2016-2018)

Principal investigator. Funded by *The Pershing Square Venture Fund for Research on the Foundations of Human Behavior.*

Heterogeneity and Meritocracy: How Social Institutions Shape the Development of Inequality Beliefs (2010-2016)

Principal investigator. Funded by *Josefina Cintron Tiryakian and Edward A. Tiryakian Graduate Student Dissertation Fellowship; Center for American Political Studies; Weatherhead Center for International Affairs; Harvard University Ph.D. Scholarship.*

Neoliberalism and Symbolic Boundaries in Europe (2014-2015)

Collaboration with Michèle Lamont (Harvard) and Elyas Bakhtiari (Boston Univ.).

An Ethnography of Prison Reentry in the Modern Welfare State (2011-2014)

Principal investigator.

Stratifying Europe. How Regional Integration Reshaped the Welfare State and Reversed the Egalitarian Turn (2013)

Research Assistant to Jason Beckfield (Harvard University).

Who defaults? A Quantitative Analysis of the Milwaukee County Eviction Court (2012-2013)

Collaboration with Matthew Desmond (Harvard University).

Ethnic Educational Inequality in The Netherlands (2008-2009)

Research Assistant to Herman van de Werfhorst (University of Amsterdam).

The Integration of the European Second Generation (TIES) (2008-2009)

Research Assistant to Maurice Crul (IMES, Univ. of Amsterdam).

Primary School Desegregation in Amsterdam (2008)

Research Assistant to Bowen Paille (University of Amsterdam).

Educational Differentiation and Inequality of Educational Opportunity (2007)

Research Assistant to Herman van de Werfhorst (University of Amsterdam).

GRANTS &
SCHOLARSHIPS

Research Grant, *The Pershing Square Venture Fund for Research on the Foundations of Human Behavior*, 2016 – 2018

Travel grant, *Institute for Quantitative Social Science*, 2016

Dissertation Fellowship, *Josefina Cintron Tiryakian and Edward A. Tiryakian Fund*, 2015 – 2016

Fellowship Award, *The John W. Appel Fund*, 2015

Research Seed Grant, *Center for American Political Studies*, 2014 & 2015

Research Grant, *Weatherhead Center for International Affairs*, 2013

Summer School Scholarship, *Graduate School of Social Sciences, Berlin, Germany*, 2013

Travel Grant, *Stockholms Universitet, Sweden*, 2012

Ph.D. Scholarship, *Harvard University*, 2010 – 2015

Huygens Talent Scholar, *The Netherlands Ministry of Education*, 2010 – 2012

Summer School Scholarship, *University of Trento, Italy*, 2008

Travel Grant, *University of Amsterdam Alumni Fund*, 2008

Scholarship, *Bekker-La Bastide Foundation*, 2007 – 2008

Scholarship, *University of Amsterdam, Study Abroad Scholarship*, 2007 – 2008

Scholarship, *Vrijvrouwe van Renswoude Foundation*, 2007 – 2008

AWARDS Alan C. Kerckhoff Award, in recognition of good scholarship in the field of Stratification, International Sociological Association RC 28, 2015

Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, 2012 & 2013

Dean's list and Finalist, University of Amsterdam University-wide Master's Thesis Competition, 2011

TEACHING Departmental Qualitative Research Advisor, Harvard University, 2016 – 2017

Instructor, *Senior Thesis Seminar*, Harvard University, 2016 – 2017

Departmental Writing Fellow, Bok Center of Teaching, 2016 – 2017

Instructor, *Teaching Practicum*, Harvard University, 2014 – 2015

Departmental Teaching Fellow, Bok Center of Teaching, 2014 – 2015

Head Instructor, *Tutorial in Sociological Theory*, Harvard University, 2014 – 2015

Senior Thesis Adviser, Harvard University, 2013 – 2014

Instructor, *Tutorial in Sociological Theory*, Harvard University, 2012 – 2013 & 2013 – 2014

Instructor, *Methodology of Scientific Research*, University of Amsterdam, 2006 – 2007

Guest Lecturer, *Social Movements*, University of Amsterdam, 2006 – 2007

Guest Lecturer, *Sociology & Social Policy*, Univ. of Amsterdam, 2005 – 2006

SERVICE Co-organizer and coordinator, *Seminar on Exclusion and Inclusion in Europe*, The Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, 2013 – 2017

Coordinator, *Workshop on Migration and Immigrant Incorporation*, Harvard University, 2011 – 2012

Reviewer, *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Social Forces*, *European Sociological Review*, *Sociology of Education*, *Comparative Education Review*, *Social Currents*, *Social Indicators Research*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *International Sociology*, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, *European Societies*, *Teacher College Record*, *British Journal of Social Psychology*, 2011 –

Founding Editor, *Amsterdam Social Science* student journal, 2008 – 2013

LANGUAGES Dutch (native), English (fluent), German and French (basic)

SOFTWARE Stata, SPSS, Excel, MLwiN, Mx Graph, NVivo, MaxQDA, Tableau, LaTeX