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### RESEARCH and TEACHING FOCUS

Urban sociology, International development, Globalization, Political sociology, South Asia

### EDUCATION and EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

#### Education

- 2009            **Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago**
- 2001            **M.A., Sociology, New School for Social Research** (with honors)
- 1999            **B.A., Anthropology and Social Relations, Michigan State University, James Madison College** (with honors)

#### Professional Appointments

- 2009 – present    **Northeastern University, Boston, MA**  
Assistant Professor of Sociology, Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology
- 2007 – 2009        **University of Chicago, Chicago, IL**  
Preceptor, Masters of Arts Program in Social Sciences

#### Additional Professional Affiliations

- 2014            **Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi, India**  
Visiting Fulbright-Nehru Fellow, Sociology Department
- 2005 – 2006        **University of Mumbai, Mumbai, India**  
Visiting Research Fellow, Sociology Department

### HONORS, AWARDS, and GRANTS

- 2014    **Teaching and Mentoring Award**, awarded annually by the graduate students of Northeastern University's Sociology & Anthropology Department
- 2014    **Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Fellowship**, Visiting Fellow at University of Delhi (July 2014 - December 2014).
- 2014    **Internal Grant Programs in Support of Interdisciplinary Research, Tier 1**: "The Impact of Legal Access on Conditions of Housing Security in Urban India" (Co-PI, with Professor Martha Davis, Northeastern University School of Law)
- 2013    **Northeastern University's College of Social Sciences and Humanities**, Faculty Research Development Fund Grant

- 2009 **American Sociological Association's Political Sociology Section**, Co-Recipient, Graduate Student Paper Award.
- 2007 **University of Manchester's Brooks World Poverty Institute**, Funded participant, Advanced Graduate Workshop on Poverty, Development and Globalization (organized by Professor Joseph Stiglitz)
- 2007 **University of Chicago Committee on South Asian Studies**, Dissertation Fellowship
- 2005 **Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship** (Funds not released due to visa delays)
- 2005 **American Sociological Association (ASA)** National Science Foundation-funded Travel grant for International Sociological Association World Congress
- 2004 **Title VI Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS)** Fellowship, Marathi Language.

## SCHOLARSHIP

### Book

- 2014 Weinstein, Liza. The Durable Slum: Dharavi and the Right to Stay Put in Globalizing Mumbai, University of Minnesota Press (*Globalization and Community Series*).  
Simultaneous publication for South Asia market with Orient BlackSwan, May 2014.

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2014 Weinstein, Liza. "One-Man Handled!: Fragmented Power and Political Entrepreneurship in Globalizing Mumbai," **International Journal of Urban and Regional Research**, *Special Issue on The Contested Indian City*, 38(1): 14-35.  
Version also published in G. Shatkin (ed.) Contesting the Indian City: Global Visions and Politics of the Local. New York: Wiley-Blackwell (*Studies in Urban and Social Change*), 2013, pp. 91-120.
- 2013 Weinstein, Liza. "Demolition and Dispossession: Toward an Understanding of State Violence in Millennial Mumbai," **Studies in Comparative International Development**, *Special Issue on Cities, Violence and Development in the Global South*, 48(3): 285-307.
- 2009 Weinstein, Liza and Xuefei Ren. "The Changing Right to the City: Urban Renewal and Housing Rights in Globalizing Shanghai and Mumbai," **City & Community**, 8(4): 407-432.
- 2009 Weinstein, Liza. "Democracy in the Globalizing Indian City: Engagements of Political Society and the State in Globalizing Mumbai," **Politics & Society**, 37(3): 397-427.  
Version also published in R. Desai and R. Sanyal (eds.) Urbanizing Citizenship: Contested Spaces in Indian Cities. New Delhi: Sage Publications India, 2011, pp. 58-81.

- 2008 Weinstein, Liza “Mumbai’s Development Mafias: Organized Crime, Land Development, and Globalization,” **International Journal of Urban and Regional Research**, 32(1): 22-39.
- Co-recipient of the American Sociological Association, Political Sociology Section Best Graduate Student Paper Award, 2009.
- Version also published in D. Nelken and S. Karstedt (eds.) Crime and Globalization. Surrey, UK: Ashgate Publishing, 2013.

#### Manuscripts in Progress

- 2014 Weinstein, Liza and Autumn Mathias, “Urban Cleansing: Evictions, Intolerance and Violence in Contemporary Urban India,” in preparation.

#### Refereed Book Chapters

- 2014 Weinstein, Liza and Xuefei Ren. “Parallel Comparative Research: Studying Globally-Oriented Urban Development in India and China.” In H. Silver (ed.) Comparative Urban Studies. New York: Routledge (*The Metropolis and Modern Life*), in press.
- 2013 Weinstein, Liza, Neha Sami, and Gavin Shatkin. “Framing Contestations: Institutions and Actors in Contemporary Urban India.” In G. Shatkin (ed.) Contesting the Indian City: Global Visions and Politics of the Local. New York: Wiley-Blackwell (*Studies in Urban and Social Change*), pp. 39-64.
- 2013 Ren, Xuefei and Liza Weinstein. “Urban Mega-Projects and Scalar Transformations in China and India.” In T. Samara, H. Shenjing and G. Chen (ed.) Locating Right to the City in the Global South. New York: Routledge, pp. 107-126.
- 2012 Weinstein, Liza and Tarini Bedi. “Building Politics: Gender and Political Power in Globalizing Mumbai.” In Dasgupta, Driskell, Braun and Yeates (eds.) Women’s Encounters with Globalization. Kolkata: FrontPage Publications, pp. 157-173.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. “‘Slum Free Mumbai’ and other Entrepreneurial Strategies in the Making of Mumbai’s Global Downtown.” In M. Peterson and G. McDonogh (eds.) Global Downtowns. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, pp. 234-257.

#### Invited Book Reviews and Review Essays

- 2008 *Urban Studies*, Sujata Patel and Kusal Deb (eds.) New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2006. **International Journal of Urban and Regional Research**, 32(2): 526-528.
- 2007 Review Essay: “Explaining Incomprehensible Bombay in Three Volumes,” **International Journal of Urban and Regional Research**, 31(1): 225–231.
- 2005 *Investigating Social Capital: Comparative Perspectives on Civil Society, Participation and Governance*, Sanjeev Prakash and Per Selle (eds.) Sage Publications, 2004. **South Asia News**, Autumn/Winter 2004-05.

## Encyclopedia Entries and Other Publications

- 2012 Weinstein, Liza. "Rights to Housing: Marginalized Housing Groups." In S. Smith (ed.) The International Encyclopedia of Housing and Home. Oxford: Elsevier Ltd, pp. 170-175.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. "The Gandhi Peace Foundation." In R. Long and A. Kaminsky (eds.) India Today: Life in the Republic, Vol. 1. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, pp. 281-282.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. "Mumbai." In R. Long and A. Kaminsky (eds.) India Today: Life in the Republic, Vol. 2. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, pp. 479-483.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. "Maharashtra." In R. Long and A. Kaminsky (eds.) India Today: Life in the Republic, Vol. 2. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, pp. 440-443.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. "Shiv Sena." In R. Long and A. Kaminsky (eds.) India Today: Life in the Republic, Vol. 2. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, pp. 627-629.
- 2011 Weinstein, Liza. "Balasaheb Thackeray." In R. Long and A. Kaminsky (eds.) India Today: Life in the Republic, Vol. 2. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, pp. 693-695.
- 2008 Weinstein, Liza and Xuefei Ren. "The Shanghai Effect: Political Devolution and Mega-Project Development in China and India," **India in Transition**, 03/10/2008.

## **CONFERENCES and PRESENTATIONS**

### Invited Talks

- 2014 *Repertoires of Resistance: Spontaneous Evictions and Responses to Planned Development in Urban India*. **Urban Age Conference, Delhi**, Urban Futures in the "Asian Century": Uncertainty, Speculation, Experimentation. November 13, 2014.
- 2014 *The Durable Slum: Dharavi and the Right to Stay Put in Globalizing Mumbai*. **Centre for Policy Research (CPR) and Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH)**, Delhi, Urban Workshop Series. September 30, 2014.
- 2014 *Urban Cleansing: Evictions, Insecurity, and Intolerance in Global Perspective*. **Social Science Research Council**, SSRC Conference on the Decent City. May 20, 2014.
- 2014 *Toward an Understanding of Housing Insecurity in Post-Independence India*. **Northeastern University School of Law**, PHRGE New England Regional Faculty Colloquium. April 28, 2014.
- 2014 *Demolition, Dispossession, and Resistance: Toward a Comparative Understanding of Evictions in India's Globalizing Cities*. **Brown University**, Urban Studies Program. March 13, 2014.
- 2013 *Toleration and Extralegal Habitation*. **Social Science Research Council**, SSRC Planning Workshop on Cities and Toleration. October 19, 2013.
- 2013 *The Durable Slum: Political Fragmentations and the Right to Stay Put*. **Trinity College**, Center for Urban and Global Studies. Symposium: Connecting to the City: Borders and Belongings to Urban Places in the Past and Present. April 19, 2013.

- 2013 *The Durable Slum: Political Fragmentations and the Right to Stay Put*. **Indian Institute for Human Settlements and University of California, Berkeley**. Seminar: The 21st Century Indian City: Towns, Metros, and the Indian Economy. March 27, 2013.
- 2013 *Parallel Comparative Research in Mumbai and Shanghai*. **Brown University**, Watson Institute. Comparative Urban Studies Conference. March 15, 2013.
- 2011 *Demolition and Dispossession: Toward an Understanding of State Violence in Globalizing Mumbai*. **Brown University**, Watson Institute. Symposium on Cities, Violence and Development: Defining a Research Agenda. April 28, 2011.
- 2011 *The Democratic City and the Right to Stay Put*. **Harvard University**, Graduate School of Design. Symposium: In the Life of the Cities: Parallel Narratives of the Urban. March 5, 2011.
- 2011 *The Entrepreneurial Bureaucrat: Locating State Power in Globalizing Mumbai*. **Boston University**, Sociology Department. Society, Politics & Culture Workshop. March 4, 2011.
- 2011 *Mumbai - The Future of the Informal City*. **Harvard University**. South Asia Initiative Urbanization Seminar. January 27, 2011.
- 2010 *Mumbai's Development Mafias: Organized Crime, Land Development, and Globalization*. **Indian Architect and Builder Magazine**. Seminar on Design and Informal Cities, Mumbai, India. October 22, 2010.
- 2010 *Democracy in the Globalizing Indian City: Engagements of Political Society and the State in Globalizing Mumbai*. **Brown University**, Watson Institute. Seminar: Six Decades of Indian Democracy: Achievements, Failures, Promises, Challenges. May 8, 2010.
- 2009 *Structures of Power in Urban Redevelopment in Dharavi, Mumbai*. **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Department of Urban Studies and Planning. Seminar in Affordable Housing. November 23, 2009.
- 2009 *Slumdog Millionaire: A Panel Discussion*. **University of Chicago**, Center for Southern Asian Studies. April 16, 2009.
- 2008 *Development Context in Contemporary Urban India*. **Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill**, Spring Leadership Meeting, Chicago, IL. May 1, 2008.
- 2008 *Democracy in the Globalizing City: Democratic Participation in Mumbai's Mega-Project Development*. **University of California at Berkeley**. Symposium on Cities and Citizenship in South Asia. February 14, 2008.
- 2006 *Reading Globalization on the City: The Case of the Dharavi Development Project*. **Rachana College**, Urban Studies Program, Mumbai, India. November 26, 2006.

#### Refereed Conference Presentations

- 2013 *The Durable Slum: Political Fragmentations and the Right to Stay Put in Globalizing Mumbai*. New Urban Centralities: Toward a Global Urban Studies. **Research Committee 21 of the International Sociological Association**, Berlin, Germany.

- 2012 *Demolition and Dispossession: Toward an Understanding of State Violence in Millennial Mumbai.* Sociology of Development: Conflict and Redistributive Struggle. **American Sociological Association**, Denver, CO.
- 2011 *The Entrepreneurial Bureaucrat: Locating State Power in Globalizing Mumbai.* Financing India's "World Cities": Urban Property Regimes Past and Present. **The Annual Conference on South Asia**, Madison, WI.
- 2009 *Building Politics: Gender and Political Power in Globalizing Mumbai.* Citizenship and the New Politics of Community in the Global South. **American Sociological Association**, San Francisco, CA.
- 2008 *Democracy in the Globalizing Indian City: Co-optation and Participation in Mumbai's Slum Redevelopment.* Contested Politics and Millennial Urbanism: Democracy, Citizenship, and Rights to the City in Delhi and Mumbai. **The Annual Conference on South Asia**, Madison, WI.
- 2008 *'Metropolitanizing' the State: Scalar Transformations and Mega-Project Development in Shanghai and Mumbai.* Comparative Urban Development. **American Sociological Association**, Boston, MA.
- 2008 *Democracy in the Globalizing City: Democratic Participation in Mumbai's Mega-Project Development.* Transnational Processes. **American Sociological Association**, Boston, MA.
- 2007 *The Best Laid Plans: The Sorted History of Master Planning in India's Commercial Capital.* The Social and Political Histories of Urban Space in India. **Social Science History Assoc**, Chicago, IL.
- 2007 *Developing a Consensus: Authoritarianism, Participation, and Negotiation in Mumbai's Land Development Politics.* Political Sociology Roundtable: Varying forms of Civic Engagement and Political Participation. **American Sociological Association**, New York, NY.
- 2007 *Mumbai's Development Mafias: Organized Crime, Land Development, and Globalization.* Globalization and Transnational Politics. **Society for the Study of Social Problems**, New York, NY.
- 2007 *The Rise of Planning Consultants and the Transformation of Urban Development in India's Commercial Capital.* Globalization, Governance, and Resistance. **Midwest Sociological Society**, Chicago, IL.
- 2007 *The Best Laid Plans: The Sorted History of Urban Planning in India's Commercial Capital.* Global Cultural and Capital Exchanges, South Asia. **Association for Asian Studies**, Boston, MA.
- 2006 *Mumbai's Development Mafias: Organized Crime, Land Development, and Globalization.* Globalization and the New Urban (dis)Order. **International Sociological Association**, Durban, S. Africa.

Session Organizer / Discussant

- 2011 Discussant: *Roti, Kapda, aur Makaan (Food, Clothing, and Shelter): The Political Economy of Housing in South Asia*, **The Annual Conference on South Asia**, Madison, WI.
- 2011 Discussant: *The Violence(s) of Rapid Urbanization: Social, Spatial, and Political Conflicts in Cities around the Globe.* **American Sociological Association**, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 Organizer: *Risk, Reward, and Real Estate: Doing Development in an Uncertain World* (with Shelley Kimelberg). **Urban Affairs Association**, New Orleans, LA.

## TEACHING and ADVISING

### Graduate Courses

- SOCL 7224: Urban Sociology**, Northeastern University  
Fall 2013 – 12 students  
Fall 2011 – 13 students  
Fall 2009 – 10 students
- SOCL 7268: Globalization and the City**, Northeastern University  
Spring 2015 – 11 students  
Fall 2012 – 10 students  
Fall 2010 – 13 students
- MAPS 30000: Perspectives in Social Science Analysis**, University of Chicago  
Fall 2008 – 24 students  
Fall 2007 – 22 students

### Undergraduate Courses

- ANTH 1101: Peoples and Cultures**, Northeastern University  
Summer-1 2014 – 49 students  
Spring 2014 – 56 students  
Summer-1 2013 – 56 students
- ANTH 2305: Global Markets Local Cultures**, Northeastern University  
Spring 2015 – 22 students  
Spring 2014 – 31 students  
Spring 2013 – 15 students
- SOCL 3455: Seminar in Urban Sociology**, Northeastern University  
Fall 2012 – 6 students
- ANTH 4515: Anthropology of South Asia**, Northeastern University  
Fall 2013 – 8 students  
Spring 2011 – 12 students
- ISP 200: Immigrant Experiences**, DePaul University  
Spring 2007 – 28 students
- SOC 254: Urban Sociology**, DePaul University  
Winter 2007 – 34 students
- SOC 153: Introduction to Sociology**, St. Mary's College  
Fall 2002 – 16 students

### Dissertation Committees – Chair

- Ongoing **Meghan Doran**, *“Narratives of the Past and Contemporary Urban Politics: the Case of the Boston School Desegregation Crisis.”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

Ongoing **Autumn Mathias**, *“Responding to Violence in the ‘Homeland’: Identity and Transnational Activism within the Indian Christian Diaspora.”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

#### Dissertation Committees – Member

Ongoing **Jill Eshelman**, *“Community Gardens and Spatial Justice: Stakeholder Perspectives on Urban Land Use,”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

Ongoing **Curtis Holland**, *“Violence, (Ethno)Political Discourse, and Social Change in Northern Ireland,”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

Ongoing **Anna Revette**, *“Extractive Dreams: Potentiality, Development, and Lithium in Bolivia,”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

Ongoing **Estye Fenton**, *“The Shifting Landscape of International Adoption in Guatemala.”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University.

2014 **Jennifer Dobruck Lowe**, *“Creating Alternative Networks for Low-Income Women: Leveraging Organizational Ties for Economic Mobility.”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University (Currently: Director of Research, Crittenton Women’s Union)

2013 **Chase M. Billingham**, *“The School and the State in the Gentrification of the American City.”* Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Northeastern University. (Currently: Assistant Professor of Sociology, Wichita State University.)

#### **SERVICE to the DISCIPLINE**

##### Journal Editorship

2015– **Debates and Developments Editor**, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*

2014– **Editorial Board Member**, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*

2007–2008 **Manuscript Reviewer Assignment Committee**, *American Journal of Sociology*

2003–2005 **Book Review Board**, *American Journal of Sociology*

##### Manuscript Review

Journals: *American Journal of Sociology, International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, Urban Studies, Antipode, City & Community, Contemporary South Asia*

Books: Cambridge University Press, Routledge

##### Other Professional Service

2014– Network Member, **Displacement Research and Action Network**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Urban Studies and Planning.



- 2014 Review Committee, Hubert Humphrey Fellowship from India, **United States India Educational Foundation and United States Department of State**
- 2013 Review Committee, Jane Addams Award for Best Article Committee, **American Sociological Association, Community and Urban Sociology Section.**
- 2011 Thesis Review Panel Juror, **Harvard University, Graduate School of Design**
- 2010 Consultant, **Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Urban Studies and Planning**, Curriculum Planning for the Indian Institute of Human Settlements (funded by the Rockefeller Foundation)
- 2009 Review Committee, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, **American Sociological Association, Political Sociology Section.**
- 2007 Local Arrangements Co-Chair, **Midwest Sociological Society/North Central Sociological Association Conference**

#### Media-Related Activities

- 2014 Quoted, *Economic and Political Weekly* (India), Commentary: “Thinking about the 21st Century Indian City,” March 15, 2014
- 2013 Editorial, *Indian Express* (India: National Edition) “When the Bulldozers Come,” December 6, 2013.
- 2010 Profile and Interview, *Indian Architect and Builder Magazine* (India), November 2010
- 2010 Quoted, *The Global and Mail* (Canada), “Battle of the bog: Is Mumbai flirting with disaster?” June 11, 2010.

#### **SERVICE to the INSTITUTION**

- 2014 – **Faculty Affiliate, Program on Human Rights in the Global Economy (PHRGE)**, Northeastern University School of Law.
- 2014 – **Faculty Advisory Board, Asian Studies Program**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2014 – **Faculty Advisory Board, MA in International Affairs**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2012 – **Faculty Advisory Board, The Northeastern Humanities Center**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2012–2014 **Co-Convenor, Collaborative Research Cluster on Globalizing Cities/Regional Challenges** (with Thomas Vicino), The Northeastern Humanities Center

- 2013–2014 **Search Committee, Chair of Sociology and Anthropology**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2013–2014 **Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award Review Committee**, Northeastern University
- 2012–2013 **Faculty Advisory Board, World Class Cities Partnership**, School of Public Policy and Urban Affairs, Northeastern University
- 2012–2013 **Planning Committee, Undergraduate Program in Urban Studies**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2011–2013 **Planning Committee, MA Program in Global Studies**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.
- 2011–2012 **Participant, Collaborative Research Cluster on Global Justice**, The Northeastern Humanities Center
- 2011–2012 **Faculty Search Committee, Initiative on Smart and Sustainable Cities**, College of Social Sciences and Humanities.