

# Kris Marsh

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## Education

- August 2005      **Ph.D., Sociology**, University of Southern California
- May 2003        **M.A.**, Sociology, (with Distinctions), University of Southern California
- May 2003        **Graduate Certificate**, GIS, University of Southern California
- August 2000     **M.A., Sociology** (with Distinctions), California State University, Dominguez Hills
- August 1996     **B.A., Sociology**, San Diego State University

## Academic Positions

- August 2008 –    **Assistant Professor**  
Department of Sociology  
University of Maryland at College Park
- August 2008 –    **Faculty Associate**  
Maryland Population Research Center (MPRC)  
University of Maryland at College Park
- 2006 – 2008      **Postdoctoral Scholar**  
Carolina Population Center  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

## Research and Teaching Interests

The Black Middle Class  
Demography/Stratification  
Racial Residential Segregation  
Single and Living Alone Adults (SALA)

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Forthcoming* Dean, Paul, **Kris Marsh** and Bart Landry. "Work, Family, and Race: Do African-American Dual Earners Experience Competing Devotions?" *Advances in Gender Research*
- Forthcoming* **Marsh, Kris**. Staying Black: The Demonstration of Racial Identity and Womanhood among a Group of Young High-Achieving Black Women *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education*
- 2012 Nembhard, Jessica Gordon and **Kris Marsh**. "Wealth Affirming Policies for Women of Color." *The Review of Black Political Economy* 39(3):353-60.
- 2012 **Marsh, Kris**, Cassandra Chaney and Derrick Jones. "The Strengths of High-Achieving Black High School Students in a Racially Diverse Setting." *Journal of Negro Education* 81(1):39-51.
- 2012 Smith, Irving, **Kris Marsh** and David R. Segal. "The World War II Veteran Advantage? A Lifetime Cross-Sectional Study of Social Status Attainment." *Armed Forces & Society* 38(1): 5-26
- 2011 **Marsh, Kris** and Niki T. Dickerson von Lockette "Racial and Ethnic Differences in Women's Marriage, Household Composition and Class Status: 1980-2008." *Race, Gender & Class* 18(1-2): 314-30
- 2011 Landry, Bart and **Kris Marsh**. "The Evolution of the New Black Middle Class" *Annual Review of Sociology* 37:373-94
- 2010 Harris, Angel and **Kris Marsh**. "Is A Raceless Identity an Effective Strategy for Academic Success among Blacks?" *Social Science Quarterly* 91(5): 1242-1263
- 2010 **Marsh, Kris** and John Iceland. "The Racial Residential Segregation of Black Single Individuals Living Alone." *City and Community* 9(3):299-319
- 2009 Chaney, Cassandra and **Kris Marsh**. "The Factors that Facilitate Relationship Entry among Married and Cohabiting African Americans" *Marriage and Family Review* 45: 26-51
- 2008 Dickson, Lynda and **Kris Marsh**. "The Love Jones Cohort: The New Face of the Black Middle Class?" *Black Women, Gender & Families* 2(1): 84-105
- 2007 **Marsh, Kris**, William A. Darity, Jr., Philip N. Cohen, Lynne M. Casper and Danielle Salters. "The Emerging Black Middle Class: Single and Living Alone." *Social Forces* 86(2): 735-762  
*Reprinted in 2008* Racism in Post-Race America: New Theories, New Directions. Edited by Charles A. Gallagher. *Social Forces Press*

## Other Publications

- 2012      **Marsh, Kris**. Review of *Inequalities of Love: College-Educated Black Women and the Barriers to Romance and Family* by Averil Y. Clarke. *American Journal of Sociology* 118(2):408.
- 2011      **Marsh, Kris** and Mark Gross. “Segregation, Residential.” *Encyclopedia of Race and Racism, Second Edition*.
- 2010      Iceland, John, Matthew Hall, Gregory Sharp, Luis Sanchez, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the New York Metropolitan Area, 1970-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 1
- Hall, Matthew, John Iceland, Gregory Sharp, Luis Sanchez, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the Chicago Metropolitan Area, 1980-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 2
- Iceland, John, Gregory Sharp, Luis Sanchez, Matthew Hall, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the United States: Comparisons Across Racial and Ethnic Groups, 1970-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 3
- Hall, Matthew, John Iceland, Gregory Sharp, Luis Sanchez, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the United States: Residential Patterns of Asians, 1980-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 4
- Sanchez, Luis, John Iceland, Gregory Sharp, Matthew Hall, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the United States: Residential Patterns of Latinos/Hispanics, 1980-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 5
- Marsh, Kris**, John Iceland, Gregory Sharp, Luis Sanchez, and Matthew Hall. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the United States: Residential Patterns of Blacks, 1970-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 6
- Sharp, Gregory, John Iceland, Luis Sanchez, Matthew Hall, and **Kris Marsh**. “Racial and Ethnic Residential Segregation in the United States: Residential Patterns of Whites, 1970-2009.” Changing American Neighborhoods and Communities Report Series, Population Research Institute, Penn State University, Report # 7

## Other Publications Continued

- 2009 Samuel L. Myers, Jr., William A. Darity, Jr., and **Kris Marsh**, “The Effects of Housing Market Discrimination on Earning Inequality” in *The Integration Debate: Competing Futures for American Cities*, edited by Chester Hartman and Gregory D. Squires. Routledge Press
- 2008 **Marsh, Kris**. “Black Middle Class in the United States and South Africa.” *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences* Macmillan/Thomson

## Manuscripts Under Review

Thomas, Melvin E. and **Kris Marsh** “Anomie, Mistrust and the Black Middle-Class: The Impact of Race, Class and Gender.”

**Marsh, Kris**, Kivan Polimis and Kyle Crowder. “Adolescent Experiences and Adult Neighborhood Attainment.”

## Manuscripts in Progress

**Marsh, Kris**, Mary Kniskern and David Segal. “Racial Differences in the Socioeconomic Status of Korean War, World War II and Korean, and World War II Veterans.”

**Marsh, Kris**. What Single and Living Alone (SALA) means for the Black and White Middle Class.

**Kris Marsh**, Iceland, John, Luis Sanchez and Mark Gross. “The Rise of the Black Middle Class and Declines in Black-White Segregation, 1970-2009.”

## Awards, Fellowships and Honors

- 2012 Prince George’s County Social Innovation Fund, Forty UNDER 40 Awardee
- 2010 Dean’s Initiative Junior Faculty Award, University of Maryland, “Study of Contextual Influences Related to Mental Health Risk and School Related Outcomes of African American Middle-Class Adolescents.” \$20,000, 2010-2011, Principal Investigator.
- 2008 Consortium on Race, Gender and Ethnicity (CRGE) and the Maryland Population Research Center Seed Grant, University of Maryland, “I Ain’t No Nerd”: Comparing Racial Identity between High Achieving Young Black Women and Men.” \$3,500, 2008-2009, Principal Investigator.

## Research Experience

- 2004 – 2005    **Visiting Researcher**  
Institute of African American Research  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Summer 2003    **Student Research Assistant I**  
Center for Culture and Health  
University of California at Los Angeles
- 2001 – 2002    **Research Assistant**  
Population Research Laboratory  
University of Southern California
- Summer 2001    **Research Assistant**  
Population Studies Center  
University of Pennsylvania

## Invited Panelist and Presentations

- 2013    “Single and Living Alone.” Sixth Annual Faculty-Graduate Seminar, The Center for African American Studies, Princeton University, Princeton NJ.
- “In the Middle Class but Single and Living Alone: What are the Economic, Racial and Political Implications?” College of Arts and Sciences through the Thomas C. Sorensen Endowment, Department of Sociology and the Public Policy Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln NE.
- 2012    “Cultural Competency and Regional Demographics.” The Breast and Cervical Cancer Program, Prince George’s County Health Department, Greenbelt MD.
- “Adolescent Experiences and Adult Neighborhood Attainment.” Maryland Population Research Center Seminar Series, University of Maryland, College Park, MD.
- “The State of Black Maryland.” Legislative Weekend Conference, Maryland Black Caucus Foundation, Annapolis MD.
- “State of Black Leadership.” The University of Maryland College Park Chapter of the NAACP, College Park MD.
- “Racial and Ethnic Identity.” Rawlings Undergraduate Leadership Fellowship, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland, College Park MD.

## Invited Panelist and Presentations Continued

- 2012 “Trayvon Martin Panel Discussion.” University of Maryland Black Honors Caucus, University of Maryland, College Park MD.
- “Adolescent Experiences and Adult Neighborhood Attainment.” Choosing Homes, Choosing Schools Special Mini-Conference, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meetings, New York NY.
- “Am I My Brother’s Keeper?” University of Maryland Black Honors Caucus and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, University of Maryland, College Park MD.
- “Black Middle Class: Where You At?” Abram Harris Economics Society, Howard University, Washington DC.
- “How to Develop a Research Agenda as an Undergraduate?” McNair Workshop, Coppin State University, Baltimore MD.
- “How to Work a Career Fair?” Youth Job Fair, Reid Temple AME, Glenn Dale MD,
- “Black in America.” Second Annual Induction Ceremony for the W.E.B. Du Bois Honor Society, University of Maryland, College Park MD.
- “The 2010 Census and the New America?” CNN Dialogues, Atlanta GA.
- “Generational Differences.” American College of Radiology Annual Meeting, Reston VI.
- “Intersectionalities and Complex Inequalities.” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Philadelphia PA.
- “Qualitative Research Methods Across the Disciplines.” Consortium on Race, Gender & Ethnicity, University of Maryland, College Park MD.
- 2010 “Minority Identity and Inequality.” Future of Minority Studies Annual Colloquium, Cornell University, Ithaca NY.
- 2009 “What (If Anything) Can We Learn From Popular Surveys of African Americans?” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, New Orleans LA.
- “Race and Ethnic Inequality.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Detroit MI.
- “The Racial and Gender Composition of Middle Class Households.” Social Research on Race: Fresh Voices, Seasoned Veterans. Indiana University, Bloomington IN.

## Invited Panelist and Presentations Continued

- 2008 “Accelerated Curriculum and Race Panel.” Race, Schooling, and Tracking: Addressing the Achievement Gap, Research Network on Racial and Ethnic Inequality, Duke University, Durham NC.

## Professional Presentations

- 2012 **Marsh, Kris**, Mary Kniskern and David Segal. “Racial Differences in the Socioeconomic Status Attainment of Korean War, World War II and Korean, and World War II Veterans Compared with their Civilian Peers.” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New York NY.
- 2011 **Marsh, Kris**, Mary Kniskern and David Segal. “Racial Differences in the Socioeconomic Status of Korean War, World War II and Korean, and World War II Veterans.” Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Bi-Annual Meeting, Chicago IL.
- Marsh, Kris**, Angela James, Quincy Thomas Stewart and William A. Darity, Jr. “The Marriage-Middle Class Blueprint: Race, Household Structure and the U.S. Middle Class, 1980-2008.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas NV.
- Marsh, Kris**, Kivan Polimis and Kyle Crowder. “Adolescent Experiences and Adult Neighborhood Attainment.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- Iceland, John, **Kris Marsh** and Mark Gross. “The Rise of the Black Middle Class and Declines in Black-White Segregation, 1970-2009.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- 2009 **Marsh, Kris**. “Academically Successful Black Students Using Signithia Fordham’s Work.” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, New Orleans LA.
- Myers, Samuel L. Jr., William A. Darity, Jr., and **Kris Marsh**. “The Effects of Housing Market Discrimination on Earnings Inequality.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Detroit MI.
- 2008 Myers, Samuel L. Jr., William A. Darity, Jr., and **Kris Marsh**. “The Effects of Housing Market Discrimination on Earnings Inequality.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Detroit MI.

## Professional Presentations Continued

- 2007 **Marsh, Kris.** “Is the Emerging Black Middle Class Never-Married and Living Alone? The ‘Love Jones Cohort.’” Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans LA.
- Marsh, Kris.** “Mental Well-Being of the Black Middle Class Adolescent: An Identity Crisis.” American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- Marsh, Kris.** “Is the Emerging Black Middle Class Never-Married and Living Alone? The ‘Love Jones Cohort.’” Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- Marsh, Kris** and Lynda Dickson. “Single Parent Households: The New Emerging Black Middle Class?” National Council of Black Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego CA.
- Marsh, Kris** “Is the Emerging Black Middle Class Never-Married and Living Alone? The ‘Love Jones Cohort.’” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, New York NY.
- Marsh, Kris.** “The Mental Health and Well-Being of the Black Middle Class Adolescent.” Institute for the Study and Promotion of Race and Culture, Boston College, Chestnut Hill MA.
- 2006 **Marsh, Kris** with Lynda Dickson. “Does Media Distort Reality? The New Face of the Black Middle Class.” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, Montreal Canada.
- 2004 **Marsh, Kris.** “Residential Segregation of Black Households.” Association of American Geographers Conference on Race, Ethnicity and Place, Washington D.C.
- 2003 **Marsh, Kris.** “The Spatial Separation of Black Household Types in Five Counties.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA.
- Marsh, Kris.** “The Spatial Separation of Black Household Types in Five Counties.” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA.
- Marsh, Kris.** “The Spatial Separation of Household Types in Five Counties.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Montreal Canada.



## Professional Service

- 2012 Advisory Board, The International Black Doctoral Network Association (IBDNA)
- 2012 Invited Book Reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology*
- 2012 Manuscript Reviewer: *Demography*
- 2011 Manuscript Reviewer: *Social Forces*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, *Journal of Negro Education*, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *American Sociological Review*
- 2010 Population Association of America, Annual Meeting Program Committee
- 2009 American Sociological Association, Race and Ethnicity, Founder's Award Committee
- 2009 Reviewer, National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Proposal
- 2009 Manuscript Reviewer: *Social Forces*, *American Journal of Sociology*
- 2008 Manuscript Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *Social Science Research*
- 2007 Book Manuscript Reviewer: *Routledge*

## Department Service

- 2012 Member, Stratification Comprehensive Exam
- 2012 Member, Stratification Comprehensive Exam
- 2009 – 2010 Member, Demography Search Committee
- 2008 – 2010 Member, Policy Committee
- 2008 – 2009 Member, Graduate Committee

## University Service

- Summer 2013 McNair Summer Research Institute Mentor (Kevin Fomengia)
- McNair Summer Research Institute Mentor (Janet Adesina)
- Summer 2012 McNair Summer Research Institute Mentor (Jessica Archer)
- Summer 2009 Summer Research Initiative Mentor (Cherice Lawson)

## Graduate Student Advising

- 2013 Michelle Sandoff (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense May*  
Beverly Pratt (Dissertation Co-Chair with Patricia Hill Collins)
- 2012 Betsy Thorn (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense September*  
Jonathan Jackson (Reader, second year empirical paper)  
Danae Johnson (Reader, second year empirical paper)
- 2011 Erica McKinney (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense July*  
Brittany McGill (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense May*  
Catherine Warner (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense May*  
Kendra Barber (Dissertation Co-Chair with Patricia Hill Collins)  
Mark Gross (Advisor, second year empirical paper)  
Beverly Pratt (Reader, second year empirical paper)
- 2010 Sarah Kendig (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense June*  
Michelle Corbin (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense May*  
Heather Ridolfo (Dissertation Committee Member) *final defense May*

## Undergraduate Student Advising

- 2012 Racquel Segall (Independent Study Advisor)
- 2011 Barrett Starling (Independent Study Advisor)
- 2010 Cherice Lawson (Honors Thesis Advisor)
- 2009 Catherine Trifiletti (Honors Thesis Advisor)

## Media

- 2013 Nebraska NPR Stations. NET News. Single and Living Alone: Redefining the Black Middle Class. April 3, 2013.  
<http://www.netnebraska.org/article/news/single-and-living-alone-redefining-black-middle-class>
- NBC Washington's (Channel 4) 5pm, evening news: Clothing Contributing to Violence. Interviewed. Aired February 22, 2013.
- 2012 CNN. The New America: What the election teaches us about ourselves. Quoted. November 9, 2012.  
<http://www.cnn.com/2012/11/09/politics/election-new-america/>
- WAMU and NPR. The Diane Rehm Show. Marriage Panelist. March 14, 2012.  
<http://thedianerehmshow.org/audio-player?nid=15704>
- CNN in America. Don't be Fooled, housing segregation is still a reality. February 09, 2012.  
<http://inamerica.blogs.cnn.com/2012/02/09/opinion-dont-be-fooled-housing-segregation-is-still-a-reality/>
- CNN. Where is the Black Middle Class? You Don't Have to Look Far. Blog and Video. Interviewed. January 4, 2012.  
<http://inamerica.blogs.cnn.com/2012/01/04/where-is-the-black-middle-class-you-dont-have-to-look-far/>
- 2011 Associated Press. Jay-Z Subject of Georgetown University Course. Interviewed. Aired December 2, 2011.  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GpA2r0yVFTE&feature=channel\\_video\\_title](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GpA2r0yVFTE&feature=channel_video_title)
- NBC Washington's (Channel 4) District Matters: Education Reform in Prince George's County. Panelist. Beltsville, MD, aired October 2, 2011.  
<http://www.nbcwashington.com/video/#!/shows/nonstop/District-Matters---Education-Reform--Part-1/130816093>  
<http://www.nbcwashington.com/video/#!/shows/nonstop/District-Matters---Education-Reform--Part-2/130816088>  
<http://www.nbcwashington.com/video/#!/shows/nonstop/District-Matters---Education-Reform--Part-3/130816548>
- CNN Dialogues: The 2010 Census and the New America? Panelist. Atlanta, August 31, 2011.  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nfEC1\\_SjCxA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nfEC1_SjCxA)

## Media Continued

- 2011 RT America: A Tale of Two Baltimores. Interviewed. Aired March 11, 2011.  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j7J794-zddE>
- WEAA 88.9 FM an NPR affiliate station, Morgan State University, The Marc Steiner Show, Wednesday, February 2, 2011.  
<http://www.steinershow.org/podcasts/february-2-2011-hour-2/>
- 2010 WEAA 88.9 FM an NPR affiliate station, Morgan State University, The Marc Steiner Show, Tuesday, December 21, 2010.
- WEAA 88.9 FM an NPR affiliate station, Morgan State University, The Marc Steiner Show, Tuesday, November 9, 2010.
- “Family of One.” Urbanite Magazine, November 2010 Issue # 77, Keynote Interview (pages 33-35, by Greg Hanscom).  
<http://www.urbanitebaltimore.com/baltimore/family-of-one/Content?oid=1320437>
- “What Signifies Middle Class for African Americans?” The Takeaway Morning Show with John Hockenberry and Celeste Headlee, Wednesday, September 29, 2010.  
<http://www.thetakeaway.org/2010/sep/29/middle-class-signifiers-african-americans/>
- 2010 “Census shows incomes rising, marriages declining for blacks in Prince George's.” Washington Post, August 2, 2010 (by Carol Morello and Ovetta Wiggins).  
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/08/01/AR2010080103421.html>
- 2008 “Redefining the Black Middle Class.” Journal of Blacks in Higher Education Weekly Bulletin, January 10, 2008.  
<http://www.jbhe.com/latest/index.html>
- “Single Adults Redefine Black Middle Class, Study Says.” Page 8, by Clarence Waldron. Jet Magazine, January 7, 2008.
- 2007 NC Morning News with Jack Boston, Friday, December 21, 2007.
- WUNC's The State of Things with Frank Stasio, Wednesday, December 19, 2007.  
<http://www.wunc.org/tsot/archive/sot1219b2.mp3/view>
- “Redefining The Black Middle Class; UNC Study Shows More Are Young, Single, Living Alone” Herald Sun, December 19, 2007.

## **Professional Associations**

American Sociological Association  
Association of Black Sociologists  
Population Association of America  
District of Columbia Sociological Society