

## Michelle Rungamirai Munyikwa

### Education

- exp. 2021      University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  
MD/PhD in Anthropology, Perelman School of Medicine
- 2011            College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA  
B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies, Self-Designed (Biochemistry & Molecular Biology) &  
Anthropology

### Selected Publications

#### *Works in Progress*

Munyikwa, Michelle. "Racializing Refugee Medicine." An invited contribution to a special issue of *Science, Technology, and Human Values* on "Race as a Ghost Variable in Biomedical Research." [Under review]

#### *Peer-Reviewed Publications*

- 2017            Dao, Diane\*; Goss, Adeline\*; Hoekzema, Andrew\*; Kelly, Lauren\*; Logan, Alex\*;  
Mehta, Sanjiv\*; Sandesara, Utpal\*; **Munyikwa, Michelle**; and DeLisser, Horace. (2017)  
"Integrating Theory, Content, and Method to Foster Critical Consciousness in Medical  
Students: A Comprehensive Model for Cultural Competence Training." *Academic  
Medicine*. (\*co-first authors)

#### *Book Reviews*

- 2018            Review of *Last Project Standing* by Catherine Fennell. *City*.
- 2018            Review of *Race Becomes Tomorrow* by Gerald Sider. *PoLAR: Political and Legal  
Anthropology Review*.
- 2015            Review of *Anthropology of Infectious Disease* by Merrill Singer. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*  
21(10): 1890.

#### *Public Scholarship*

- 2017            Munyikwa, Michelle. "Racialization, Affect, and Refuge." *Anthropology News*. February  
2017.
- 2015            ELISS Fellows.\* "Reimagining Epidemic Communications." *DomPrep Journal*,  
December 16. (\*Erion, Grubert, Mosbah, Munyikwa, Paul, Train; all authors contributed  
equally)
- 2014            Munyikwa, Michelle. "(Hi)stories our bodies tell: Experiencing racism." Guest post on  
Absolutely, Maybe, A Scientific American Blog. March 9, 2014.
- 2014            Munyikwa, Michelle. "Vulnerability as Strength: Thoughts on Changing Medicine's  
Hidden Curriculum." Guest post on Absolutely, Maybe, a Scientific American Blog.  
February 19, 2014.

2014 Munyikwa, Michelle. "Out from the shadows of racist anthropology." Guest post on Absolute, Maybe, a Scientific American Blog. February 22, 2014.

#### Awards, Grants, & Fellowships

2018 – 2019 American Fellowship for Dissertation Completion, American Association of University Women [declined]

2018 - 2019 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania

2018 Kathryn Davis Fellow for Peace, Middlebury Language School

2017 - 2018 Perry World House Graduate Fellow, Program on Global Shifts, Urbanization, Migration, and Demography, University of Pennsylvania

2017 Graduate and Professional Student Association Research Travel Grant, University of Pennsylvania

2016 - 2017 Hopkinson Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania

2016 Martin Luther King Community Involvement Student Award, University of Pennsylvania

2016 - 2017 Dissertation Research Fellowship Fieldwork Grant, University of Pennsylvania

2015 - 2016 Judith and William Bollinger Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

2014 - 2015 Emerging Leaders in Science and Society Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science

2013 - 2021 Medical Scientist Training Program Grant, National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the NIH, University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine

2013 - 2017 Benjamin Franklin Fellowship for Graduate Education, University of Pennsylvania

2011 Phi Beta Kappa, College of William and Mary

2011 - 2013 Gamble Scholarship (full tuition), University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine

2010 UNCF-Merck Undergraduate Science and Research Scholarship Award

2007 Murray Scholarship (now 1693 Scholarship), College of William and Mary

#### Selected Scholarly Participation

##### *Invited Lectures*

2018 "Structural Competency: Anthropological Perspectives on Health." Co-presented with Utpal Sandesara at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. September 2018.

2018 "Inequality, Racial Justice, & Global Health: Grappling with our complicity." Internal Medicine Resident Workshop, Brigham & Women's Hospital. Boston, MA. May 2018.

2018 "Locating Refuge: Refugee Resettlement, Race, and Belonging in the Contemporary United States." Anthropology Colloquium Series, University of Delaware. Newark, DE. May 2018.

- 2018 Ethnographic Field Methods. Workshop given to the Creative Resilience Collective. Slought Foundation. April 2018.
- 2017 “Refugees in Philadelphia,” Central High School. Philadelphia, PA. March 2017.
- 2015 Invited Panelist. The Voices: Black Girls and Women Speaking Out at the Summit on Black Girls and Women in Education. Philadelphia, PA. April 2015.

*Panels Organized*

- 2017 “(under)exposed: ethnographic investigations of racialized recognition, refusal, and elision.” Panel co-organized with Sara Rendell for the American Ethnological Society Conference on the theme “Exposure.” Stanford, CA. March 2017.

*Presentations*

- 2018 “locating refuge.” Accepted for presentation at the American Studies Association conference on the theme “States of Emergence.” November 2018.
- “between a rock and a hard place: locating refuge.” Accepted for presentation at the Society for Cultural Anthropology/Society for Visual Anthropology joint conference on the theme “Displacements.” April 2018.
- “for a new and more possible meeting: theorizing Afropessimism in sites of care.” Participation in Portraits of Black Women at the Intersections of Science, Medicine, and Media. Accepted for Presentation at the Black Portraiture[s] IV Conference on the Theme “The Color of Silence.” Cambridge, MA. March 2018.
- “On the Comparative Racialization of Refuge: a Response to the Work of Jemima Pierre.” Scholar for a Day, Conference in honor of Jemima Pierre, University of Pennsylvania. February 2018.
- 2017 “Resilient communities, resilient city: Risk, refugees, and race in Philadelphia.” American Anthropological Association 116<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on the theme “Anthropology matters.” Washington, DC. November 2017.
- “Political Diagnosis: Illness Narratives as a Site for Resistance.” Workshop co-presented with Sourik Beltràn at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Racism and Health Conference, University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, PA. November 2017.
- “Racializing Refugees: On Medical Practice & Research.” 2017 Meeting of the Society for the Social Studies of Science. Boston, MA. August 2017.
- “Freedom Dreams: Thinking Refuge as an Imaginative Tool for the Anthropocene.” An Ecotopian Toolkit for the Anthropocene, conference at the University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, PA. April 2017.
- “Refugees and the Emergency Room.” Poster presented at Health Equity Week, University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, PA. April 2017.
- “I Just call 911...’: Refugees and the Emergency Department.” Co-presented with Amy Zeidan and Utsha Khatri at Emergency Medicine Research Day, University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, PA. April 2017.
- “it’s a sin to be a woman, to be black’: on asylum and difference.” American Ethnological Society Conference on the theme “Exposure”. Stanford, CA. March 2017.

- 2016 “Making a Difference’: Imagining Humanitarianism in Philadelphia.” American Anthropological Association 115th Annual Meeting on the theme “Evidence, Accident & Discovery.” Minneapolis, MN. November 2016.
- “Toward a Decolonial Practice of Refugee Women’s Health.” National Women’s Studies Association Meeting on the theme “Decoloniality.” Montreal, Quebec, CA. November 2016.
- “Seeking Refuge: Black Americans Seeking the Otherwise.” New School for Social Research, Anthropology Student Conference on the theme “Refuge.” New York, NY. April 30.
- “Refuge from Blackness: On the Case of Kyle Lydell Canty.” University of Pennsylvania Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Conference on the theme “Protest.” Philadelphia, PA. April 21.
- 2014 “Writing Our Worlds: Creating Narratives for Social Justice.” Co-presented with Irène Mathieu at Examined Life Conference. Iowa City, Iowa.

### Teaching

#### *Instructor of Record*

- 2018 Introduction to Medical Anthropology, Haverford College; Spring 2018

#### *Teaching Assistantships*

- 2015 Global Health: Anthropological Perspectives, University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Adriana Petryna
- 2015 Becoming Human, University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Janet Monge
- 2014 Introduction to Medical Anthropology, University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Fran Barg

#### *Other positions*

- 2015 - 2017 Graduate Fellow. Center for Africana Studies Summer Institute for Pre-Freshmen, University of Pennsylvania [TA Assignments: Race, Science, & Society; Slaves, Rebels, & Abolitionists in History; Philosophy of Race]
- 2014 - 2015 Course Liaison/Co-Director. Doctoring IA: Introduction to Medicine and Society, Perelman School of Medicine
- 2013 Facilitator. Doctoring IA: Introduction to Medicine and Society, Perelman School of Medicine

### Research Experience

- 2017 Program Evaluation Team Member: Breaking Bread, Breaking Barriers
- 2017 Research Assistant: Refugee Experiences with Acute Care [PIs: Amy Waldner, MD and Margaret Samuels-Kaslow, MD]
- 2015 - pres. Analyst: Topos Partnership

2015 Research Assistant: Enrichment for Better Health [PIs: Meera Siddarth, MD and Mary Fabio, MD]

### Training & Professional Development

2018 Course in College Teaching, University of Pennsylvania Center for Teaching & Learning  
2018 Middlebury Language School: French, Middlebury College (VT)  
2018 Text Analysis, Humanities Intensive Learning and Teaching, University of Pennsylvania  
2017 Python for Humanists, University of Pennsylvania Price Lab/Wolf Humanities Center  
2014 NSF Summer Institute for Research Design in Cultural Anthropology  
2012 LGBT Health Student Symposium, Chicago

### Service

2017 - pres. Contributing Section Editor. Association of Black Anthropologists Section, *Anthropology News*, American Anthropological Association.  
2016 - 2017 Health Ecologies Lab Core Team Member. University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Practice and Slought; director: Aaron Levy, PhD.  
2017 Volunteer Health Educator. Multicultural Community Family Services, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.  
2015 - pres. Co-webmaster. Penn Anthropology Graduate Student Blog.  
2015 Co-organizer. 6th National Conference for Physician-Scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities  
2014 - 2016 Student Volunteer Co-Coordinator. Women's Refugee Clinic, Penn Presbyterian Medical Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
2012 - pres. Student Volunteer. Penn Human Rights Clinic, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
2011 - 2012 Co-Coordinator. Cut Hypertension Clinic, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

### Languages

French: Intermediate reading, writing, and speaking

### Affiliations & Memberships

American Anthropological Association (Association for Black Anthropologists, Society for Cultural Anthropology, Society for Medical Anthropology, Society for Urban, Transnational/Global Anthropology)

American Ethnological Society

American Studies Association

Society of Refugee Healthcare Providers