

Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban Geography Economic Geography
Informal/Illicit Economies Location Analytics
Geographic Information Systems Digital Humanities
Mixed Methods Research

EDUCATION

2012 – Ph.D. – Geography: *San Diego State University & University of California – Santa Barbara*
Dissertation: “The Geographic Dimensions of Day Labor Conflict in the San Diego Metropolitan Area”

2007 – M.A. – Geography: *San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.*
Thesis: “Local Power Geographies and Urban Day Labor in San Diego”

2003 – B.S. *Texas Christian University, Ft Worth, TX.*
Major: International Economics
Minor: Geography

APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor 2020 – Current; **Assistant Professor:** 2015-2020:
Texas Christian University, Department of Geography, Fort Worth, TX

- Teach a 2-3 course load. Primary teaching responsibilities include undergraduate courses: World Regional Geography, Economic Geography, Urban Economic Development, Geography of Beer and Wine, Introduction to GIS, Introduction to GIS for Real Estate Professionals, and a Geographic Information Systems for the Humanities at the graduate level.
- Affiliated Faculty: TCU Center for Urban Studies; TCU Center for Digital Expression (CDEX)

Instructor: 2011-2015

Texas Christian University, Department of History and Geography, Fort Worth, TX

- Led three sections of World Regional Geography and one upper division course per semester.
- Affiliated Faculty: Institute for Urban Living and Innovation

Doctoral Research and Teaching Associate: 2006-2011

San Diego State University, Department of Geography, San Diego, CA

Graduate Assistant: 2004-2006

San Diego State University, Department of Geography, San Diego, CA

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Crotty, S. M., & Zhou, X. (2024). Shame buffers and spatial risk-mitigation: Exploring the effects of social stigma on the locational strategies of illicit massage businesses and their customers. *Applied Geography*, 171, 103391. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apgeog.2024.103391>
- Crotty, Sean M., & Daku, Mark (2023). An Exploratory Geospatial Typology of Illicit Massage Businesses in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area. *Papers in Applied Geography*, 1-22. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23754931.2022.2160653>
- Crotty, Sean M. (2020) Origins of Informality: Examining the historical and spatial roots of informal day-labor hiring sites. In *Temporary Appropriation of the City: A contribution to urban sustainability*. Eds. Lara-Hernandez, Antonio; Melis, Alessandro; Thompson, James. (pp. 127-146). Springer.
- Crotty, Sean M. & Vanessa Bouché (2018) The Red-Light Network: Exploring the Locational Strategies of Illicit Massage Businesses in Houston, Texas. *Papers in Applied Geography*, 4, 205-227.
- Bouche, Vanessa. & Sean M. Crotty (2017) Estimating demand for illicit massage businesses in Houston, Texas. *Journal of Human Trafficking*, 1-19.
- Crotty, Sean M. (2016) Can the Informal Economy be "Managed"?: Comparing approaches and effectiveness of Day-Labor Management Policies in the San Diego Metropolitan Area. *Growth and Change: A Journal of Urban and Regional Policy*. DOI: 10.1111/grow.12180
- Crotty, Sean M. (2016). "Strategic Visibility and the Production of Day-Labor Spaces: A Case Study from the San Diego Metropolitan Area." *Urban Affairs Review*. Online first: DOI: 10.1177/1078087416659767.
- (2018) "Strategic Visibility and the Production of Day-Labor Spaces: A Case Study from the San Diego Metropolitan Area." *Urban Affairs Review*, 54, 593-631
- Crotty, Sean M. (2015). Locating day-labor employment: toward a geographic understanding of day-labor hiring site locations in the San Diego metropolitan area. *Urban Geography*, 36 (7), 933-1017. doi: 10.1080/02723638.2015.1049481
- Walker, Kyle E., and Crotty, Sean M. (2015). Classifying high-prevalence neighborhoods for cardiovascular disease in Texas. *Applied Geography*, 57, 22-31. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.apgeog.2014.11.011>
- Crotty, Sean M. (2014) The Social Geography of Day Labor: Informal Responses to the Economic Downturn. *Yearbook of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers* 76, 22-48.
- Crotty, Sean M. (2014). Degraded Work: The Struggle at the Bottom of the Labor Market By AU - Marc Doussard Minneapolis: PB - University of Minnesota Press , 2013. *Economic Geography*, 90(3), 347-348. doi: 10.1111/ecge.12060
- Crotty, Sean M. (2010) Race/Racism. In *The Encyclopedia of Geography*. Eds. Barney Warf and Piotr Jankowski. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications.

Crotty, Sean M., and F. J. Bosco (2008) Racial geographies and the challenges of day labor formalization: a case study from San Diego County. *Journal of Cultural Geography* 25(3): 223-244.

Crotty, Sean M., Aitken, S., and Moreno, C. (2008) "Each and every story about me... there's like a huge twist to it": Growing up at risk in the United States. In *Telling Young Lives: Portraits of Global Youth*, eds. Craig Jeffery and Jane Dyson. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2020 AddRan Grant Submission Incentive Program, Texas Christian University
(with Dr. Rebecca Sharpless, History)

2019 AddRan Grant Submission Incentive Program, Texas Christian University
(with Dr. Mark Daku, Political Science)

2018 Research and Creative Activities Fund (RCAF) award, Texas Christian University
(with Dr. Brie Diamond, Criminal Justice)

2017 AddRan Grant Submission Incentive Program, Texas Christian University

2017 Research and Creative Activities Fund (RCAF) award, Texas Christian University

2017 Junior Faculty Summer Research Program (JFSRP) award, Texas Christian University

2015 Institute for Urban Living and Innovation Small Grant Program, Texas Christian University.

2014 AddRan Grant Submission Incentive Program, Texas Christian University.
(with Dr. Kyle Walker, Geography)

2014 Institute for Urban Living and Innovation Small Grant Program, Texas Christian University.
(with Dr. Kyle Walker, Geography)

2011 named Human Geographer of the Year – San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

2010 recipient of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers Travel Grant, Cour D'Alene, ID

2010 recipient of the Dean's Award, San Diego State Research Symposium, San Diego, CA

2009 recipient of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers Travel Grant, San Diego, CA

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

2019 "Invisible no more: An exploratory geospatial typology of illicit massage businesses in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area" presented at the American Association of Geographers annual conference in Washington D.C. (April).

2018 "The Sprawling Red-Light District: Analyzing the Contemporary Geography of the World's Oldest Profession" presented at the American Association of Geographers annual conference in New Orleans, LA (April).

2017 "The Red-Light Network: Analyzing the contemporary geography of the world's oldest profession" presented at the Southwest Association of American Geographers annual conference in Huntsville, TX (October).

2017 "The Red-Light Network: The Economic Geography of Erotic Massage Parlors in Houston, Texas." presented at the American Association of Geographers annual conference in Boston, MA (April).

- 2016 "The Red-Light Network: The Economic Geography of Erotic Massage Parlors in Houston, Texas." presented at the Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference in Kent, Ohio (October).
- 2015 "Origins of Informality: Examining the life-cycle of day-labor spaces" presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Chicago, IL (April).
- 2014 "Origins of Informality: Examining the role of ethnic segregation in the production of day-labor spaces." Presented at the Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference in Fort Worth, Texas (October).
- 2013 "Geographic Classification Scheme for High-Risk Neighborhoods for Cardiovascular Disease in Texas" presented by Dr. Kyle Walker at the American Heart Association Scientific Sessions in Dallas, Texas (October).
- 2013 "Locating Day Labor Spaces: A Multiscalar Geographic Analysis of Informal Hiring Sites in the San Diego Metropolitan Area" presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Los Angeles, CA (March).
- 2012 "Locating Day Labor Spaces: A Multiscalar Geographic Analysis of Informal Hiring Sites in the San Diego Metropolitan Area" presented at the Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico (October).
- 2012 "Getting to the Corner: The Role of Residence and Mobility in the Production of Day Labor Spaces" presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in New York City, NY (February).
- 2011 "The Geography of Day Labor" presented at Texas Christian University, November 1, 2011.
- 2011 "The Social Geography of Day Labor: Informal Responses to the Economic Downturn; 2006-2010" presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Seattle, WA (April).
- 2010 "The Social Geography of Day Labor: Informal Responses to the Economic Downturn; 2006-2010" Presented at the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers annual meeting of in Coeur D'Alene, ID (September).
- 2010 "Exploring the Geography of Day Labor in San Diego County" Presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Washington D.C. (April).
- 2010 "From Marginal to Mainstream: The Informalization of Work in Southern California" Presented by Dr. Pascale Joassart-Marcelli at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Washington D.C. (April).
- 2010 "The Geography of Day Labor in San Diego" Presented at the Student Research Symposium in San Diego, CA (March).
- 2009 "Exploratory Geographic Analysis of the San Diego Day Labor Market." Presented at the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers annual meeting in San Diego, CA (September)
- 2009 "Fear of Day Laborers and Community Activism: Ideological Challenge for Neoliberal City Governments." Presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Las Vegas, NV. (March)
- 2008 "Racial Geographies and the Challenges of Day Labor Formalization: A Case Study from San Diego County." Presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Boston, MA. (April)
- 2008 "Protecting and Organizing Day Laborers in San Diego County: A Comparison of Two Workers Centers." Presented by Jill Seymour at the Society for Applied Anthropology annual meeting in Memphis, TN. (March)
- 2007 "Westalgia in the Suburbs: Main Street Preservation and Development in El Cajon and La Mesa, CA." Presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in San Francisco, CA. (April)
- 2006 "Material and Spatial Effects of Race in the San Diego Day Labor Market, Part 2". Presented at the Race, Ethnicity and Place III Conference in San Marcos, TX. (November)

2006 “Material and Spatial Effects of Race in the San Diego Day Labor Market, Part I”. Presented at the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers annual meeting in Eugene, OR. (September)

2006 “Entanglements of Desire: Local Power Geographies and Urban Day Labor in San Diego”. Presented at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting in Chicago, IL. (March)

2005 “Local Power Geographies and Urban Day Labor in San Diego”. Presented at the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers’ annual meeting in Phoenix, AZ.

SERVICE

2016 – Current Executive Board Member: Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference
2015 – Current Executive Board Member: Ethnic Geography Specialty Group
2015 – 2020 Academic Consultant for Hemphill Corridor Development Task Force, nonprofit group
2012 – 2020 Academic Consultant for Vision East Lancaster, nonprofit group
2010 – 2011 Academic Consultant for Border Angels, nonprofit group
2010 – 2011 Academic Consultant for Asociacion de Jornaleros de San Diego, nonprofit group
2009 – 2010 Member – Volunteer Hazard Mapping Corp, San Diego State University
2008 – 2009 Graduate Representative – Department of Geography, San Diego State University
2007 – 2008 Graduate Representative – Department of Geography, University of California at Santa Barbara

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association of American Geographers
Southwest Association of American Geographers