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### **EMPLOYMENT**

- Associate Professor of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, 2018-present  
College of Arts & Sciences, University of the District of Columbia
- Assistant Professor of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, 2012-2018  
College of Arts & Sciences, University of the District of Columbia

### **EDUCATION**

- Doctorate in Earth and Environmental Sciences/Geography  
The Graduate Center of the City University of New York
- Masters of City and Regional Planning  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- B.A. in Urban Studies/Geography  
Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Books:

- Huron, A. 2018. *Carving out the Commons: Tenant Organizing and Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.* Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

Articles and book chapters:

- Huron, A. Under review. "Teaching Beyond Boundaries: CLR James in Washington, D.C." *Critical Education Policy*.
- Anderson, C. and A. Huron. In press. "The Mixed Potential of Salvage Commoning: Crisis and Commoning Practices in Washington, D.C. and New York City." *Antipode*.
- Aguilar, C., Elshobokshy, F. and A. Huron. 2021. "Bringing Theories to Practice: Universal Design Principles and the Use of Social Annotation to Support Neurodiverse Students." *Faculty Focus*.
- Huron, A. 2021. "Caring in Public: The Struggle for Community Park West." *Washington History*, 33:1, 26-34.
- Huron, A. 2021. "How to Give Away Your Church — and Fight Gentrification at the Same Time." *Sojourners*, July, 24-29.
- Huron, A. 2020. "Defending Tenants in the Midst of a Plague." *Washington History*, 32:2, 41-43.
- Huron, A. and N. Gray. 2019. "Tenant and Resident Militancy for Housing Justice: An Exchange between Amanda Huron and Neil Gray." *Radical Housing Journal*, 1:2.
- Huron, A. and R. Pettit. 2018. "Revolt of the Munsee: The Destruction of New Amsterdam and the Creation of New York." In Neil Smith and Don Mitchell, eds., *Revolting New York*. Athens, GA: University of Georgia Press, 19-26.
- Huron, A. 2017. "Theorizing the Urban Commons: New Thoughts, Tensions and Paths Forward." *Urban Studies*, 54:4, 1062-1069.
- Huron, A. 2016. "Struggling for Housing, from D.C. to Johannesburg: Washington Inncity Self Help Goes to South Africa." In Derek Hyra and Sabiyha Prince, eds., *Capital Dilemma: Growth and Inequality in Washington, D.C.* New York: Routledge, 86-106.
- Huron, A. 2015. "Working with Strangers in Saturated Space: Reclaiming and Maintaining the Urban Commons." *Antipode*, 47:4, 963-979.
- Huron, A. 2014. "Creating a Commons in the Capital: The Emergence of Limited-Equity Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C." *Washington History*, 26:1, 56-67.

- Huron, A. 2014. "Planning and Politics." In Lisa Benton-Short, ed., *Cities of North America: Contemporary Challenges in U.S. and Canadian Cities*. New York City: Rowman & Littlefield, 193-218.
- Huron, A. 2013. "Claiming Space in the Air and on the Block: The Geography of Microradio and Struggles against Displacement." In James Craine and Giorgio Curti, eds., *The Fight to Stay Put: Social Lessons through Media Imaginings of Gentrification, Displacement and Resistance*. Mainz, Germany: Media Geography at Mainz, 115-132.
- Huron, A. 2012. "Self-Help in the Home: The Limited-Equity Housing Cooperatives of Washington, D.C.," *International Journal of Self-Help and Self-Care*, 6:2, 151-168.
- Huron, A. 2011. "Mapping Bodies, Bending Scales: A Response to David Spataro's 'Reframing Structure and Agency in Participatory Action Research: PAR as a Politics of Scale'," *International Review of Qualitative Research*, 4:1, 475-477.
- Sanderson, E. and A. Huron. 2011. "Conservation in the City," *Conservation Biology*, 25:3, 421-423.

#### Book reviews:

- Huron, A. 2019. "Capital City and the Nation's Capital," in "Review Forum: *Capital City* by Samuel Stein," *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*.
- Bates, L.K., D'Ottaviano, C., Gabriel, G., Healy, S., Huron, A., Liu, Y.L., Moulden, D., McClean, H. and Tracy, J. 2018. "Review Forum: *Carving out the Commons* by Amanda Huron," *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*.
- Huron, A. 2017. "Ours to Lose: When Squatters Became Homeowners in New York City," *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*.
- Huron, A. 2015. "The Squatters' Movement in Europe: Commons and Autonomy as Alternatives to Capitalism," *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 39:5, 1063-1065.
- Huron, A. 2013. "Housing Washington: Two Centuries of Residential Development and Planning in the National Capital Area," *Housing Studies* 28:1, 157-158.
- Huron, A. 2012. "High Life: Condo Living in the Suburban Century," *Washington History*, 24:2, 167-168.
- Huron, A. 2009. "Chasing the American Dream: New Perspectives on Affordable Homeownership," *Urban Studies*, October, 46:11, 2493-2495.

#### **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

- "Tenant Organizing in Washington, D.C.: A History." Research presentation at the CAUSES Research Seminar, September 11, 2020.
- "Teaching Beyond Boundaries: C.L.R. James in Washington, D.C." Paper presentation at the American Educational Studies Association annual meeting, Baltimore, October 2019.
- "Struggles Over and Beyond Rent: An Exchange." Paper presentation at the American Association of Geographers annual meeting, Washington, D.C., April 2019.
- "Struggling for Housing, from D.C. to Johannesburg: Washington Inncity Self Help Goes to South Africa." Paper presentation at the Gentrification: Measuring, Preventing, Addressing conference, São Paulo, Brazil, November 2018.
- "Provincializing Housing Research: Struggles for Land and Liberation in Washington, D.C." Paper presentation at the Critical Geography Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, October 2018.
- "Privatization or Commonization? Parent Organizing and Public School Disparities in Washington, D.C." Paper presentation at the American Association of Geographers annual meeting, Boston, April 2017.

- “Struggling for Housing, from D.C. to Johannesburg: Washington Innercity Self Help Goes to South Africa.” Paper presentation at the Annual Conference on D.C. Historical Studies, Washington, D.C., November 2016.
- “Commoning Within and Between Capitalist Practices.” Paper presentation at the American Association of Geographers annual meeting, San Francisco, April 2016.
- “Washington, D.C.: Freedom, Democracy, Justice.” Presentation at the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences annual conference, Washington, D.C., November 2015.
- “The Contradictions of the Urban Commons.” Paper presentation at the Earth and Environmental Sciences Fall Colloquium, City University of New York Graduate Center, October 2015.
- “The Feminist Project of the Urban Commons: Work, Life, and Subsistence in the City.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Chicago, April 2015.
- “Constructing Countertopographies of the City: Washington Innercity Self Help Goes to Johannesburg.” Paper presentation at the Critical Geography Conference, Philadelphia, November 2014.
- “Constructing Countertopographies of the City: Washington Innercity Self Help Goes to Johannesburg.” Paper presentation at Capital Dilemma: Growth and Inequality in Washington, D.C. symposium, Washington, D.C., October 2014.
- “Working the Urban Commons.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Tampa, April 2014.
- “Work, Self-Governance, and the Urban Commons: Limited-Equity Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.” Paper presentation at the UKZN Center for Civil Society, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa, June 2013.
- “Work, Self-Governance, and the Urban Commons: Everyday Commoning in Limited-Equity Cooperatives.” Paper presentation at the Struggles in Common symposium, Dublin, Ireland, May 2013.
- “Towards a Theory of the Urban Commons: Limited-Equity Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, New York, February 2012.
- “Limited-Equity Cooperatives and the Struggle for Self-Determination in Washington, D.C.” Paper presentation at the Race, Public Higher Education and Washington conference, Washington, D.C., December 2011.
- “Restoring a Commons in Washington, D.C.: the Emergence of Limited-Equity Housing Cooperatives in the 1970s and 80s.” Paper presentation at the Society of American City and Regional Planning History conference, Baltimore, MD, November 2011.
- “This is like a revolution, in many ways – ‘ Maintaining Noncapitalist Subjectivities in the Housing Cooperatives of Washington Innercity Self Help.’” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Seattle, April 2011.
- “Anti-Displacement Organizing: Washington, D.C. in the 1970s.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Washington, D.C., April 2010.
- “What They’re Talking About When They’re Talking About Affordable Housing.” Workshop at the City From Below conference, Baltimore, June 2009.
- “Too Broad in Space, Too Short in Time: the Mismatched Scales of ‘Housing Affordability’.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Las Vegas, April 2009.
- “Always Reinventing the Wheel: Neighborhood-based struggles against gentrification in post-communist Berlin.” Paper presentation at the Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Boston, April 2008.
- “Mapping Sound in Ft. Greene Park.” Poster presentation at the Nature, Ecology and Society Colloquium, the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, March 2008.

- “Map Making for Social Change.” Workshop at the United States Social Forum, Atlanta, July 2007.

### **INVITED LECTURES AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS**

- Panelist, “Making a Way Forward through our Past: Restorative Community History Projects,” HumanitiesDC, September 14, 2021.
- Panelist, “Adams Morgan Neighborhood Talk: Affordable Housing,” Adams Morgan Advisory Neighborhood Commission, February 22, 2021.
- Panelist, “Housing Security in the Age of Covid-19,” NYU Gallatin School, January 29, 2021.
- Panelist, “Knowing Our Past, Creating Our Future: Community Control of Housing & Land in D.C.,” Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum, November 12, 2020.
- Guest Lecturer, “The Urban Commons,” Virginia Commonwealth University, April 14, 2020.
- Guest Lecturer, “Critical Cartographies,” Howard University, March 11, 2020.
- Talk, “Introduction to Social Reproduction,” MDC-DSA Socialist Night School, Mt. Pleasant Public Library, December 2, 2019.
- Talk, “The Radical History of Housing Co-ops in Washington, D.C.,” D.C. Co-op Day, THE ARC, October 26, 2019.
- Co-organizer, “The Legacy of C.L.R. James and his Influence on D.C. Activists,” Institute of Politics Policy and History, University of the District of Columbia, October 22, 2019.
- Panelist, “Resistance to Gentrification in Adams Morgan,” *A Right to the City* series, Mt. Pleasant Public Library, July 28, 2019.
- Talk, “We’re Not Moving Out: Histories of Tenant Organizing and Housing Co-op Formation in Washington, D.C.,” D.C. Public Library *People’s University* lecture series, Mt. Pleasant Public Library, June 25, 2019.
- Panel discussant, “Commoning the Urban,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Washington, D.C., April 6, 2019.
- Panel chair and discussant, “Critical Histories and Geographies of Racialized Space in Washington, D.C.,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Washington, D.C., April 5, 2019.
- Panel discussant, “Author Meets Critics — Capital City: Gentrification and the Real Estate State by Samuel Stein,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Washington, D.C., April 4, 2019.
- Moderator, “Let’s Talk: Gentrification, Urban Politics, City Planning,” book talk and panel discussion, The Potter’s House, Washington, D.C., April 4, 2019.
- Panelist, “A Right to the City: The Past and Future of Urban Equity,” Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum, October 26, 2018.
- Panelist, “Mapping Segregation in Washington, D.C.: Website Preview and Panel,” George Washington University Museum, October 24, 2018.
- Panelist, “The Housing Movement: Activist Roots and Practical Realities,” The National Building Museum, October 17, 2018.
- Respondent, “Author Meets Critics: Amanda Huron’s *Carving out the Commons: Tenant Organizing and Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.*,” American Association of Geographers annual meeting, New Orleans, April 2018.
- Panelist, “Outside the Wage: Seeing Politics and Possibilities with Critical Comparisons,” American Association of Geographers annual meeting, New Orleans, April 2018.
- Panel discussant, “Urban Revanchism Revisited II: Struggles Over Gentrification,” American Association of Geographers annual meeting, New Orleans, April 2018.
- Panel organizer and moderator, “The Radical Roots of Federal City College,” Annual Conference on D.C. Historical Studies, Washington, D.C., November 2017.

- Panel discussant, “Housing Commons and the Democratization of the Urban,” American Association of Geographers annual meeting, Boston, April 2017.
- Panelist, “Contested Space: A Forum on Gentrification in Washington, D.C.,” University of the District of Columbia, October 2016.
- Panel discussant, “Transformations of Property and Land in the Contemporary Political Economy I: Land Trusts and Commons: Housing and Gentrification,” American Association of Geographers annual meeting, San Francisco, April 2016.
- Guest Speaker, “Commoning in the City: Gentrification and anti-displacement organizing in D.C., 1970s-2000s,” Deciphering Urban Politics and Gentrification speaker series, All Souls Church, Washington, D.C., December 2015.
- Panelist, “Chocolate City Transformed: Gentrification in Washington, D.C.,” American University, Washington, D.C., October 2015.
- Panelist, “Capitalizing on Racism: Beyond Gentrification,” First Trinity Lutheran Church, Washington, D.C., September 2015.
- Guest Speaker, “Creating a Commons in the Capital: The Emergence of Limited-Equity Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.,” Georgetown Public Library, Washington, D.C., September, 2015.
- Panelist, “Strategic Role of the Commons for Movements?” Left Forum, New York City, May 2015.
- Panelist, “Strategic Role of the Commons for Movements and Academics II: Commons, Autonomy, and Spatial Practices,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Chicago, April 2015.
- Panelist, “Participation and the Commons: Challenges of Collective Self-Organization,” Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Lexington, KY, February 2015.
- Panelist, “From Chocolate to Multigrain City: the Transformation of Washington, D.C. and its Implications,” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning annual meeting, Philadelphia, November, 2014.
- Panelist, “Mapping Segregation: How Racially Restricted Housing Shaped Washington, D.C., 1900-1948,” Annual Conference on D.C. Historical Studies, Washington, D.C., November 2014.
- Guest Speaker, “Reconceptualizing the Commons: Limited Equity Co-ops in D.C.,” Metropolitan Policy Center Speaker Series, American University, October 2014.
- Panelist, “Studying Urban Decline: the Politics of Vacant Property, Abandoned Spaces, and Failed Development,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, Tampa, April 2014.
- Panelist, “D.C. Emancipation and Home Rule,” University of the District of Columbia, April 2014.
- Panelist, “Is Equitable Development Possible in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century? Prospects and Possibilities for Washington, D.C.,” Equitable Development Symposium, George Washington University, March 2014.
- Panelist, “Creating Spaces for New Understanding: Possibilities for the Land Grant University in Washington, D.C. and Beyond,” Public Anthropology Conference, American University, October 2013.
- Guest Lecturer, “Researching Washington, D.C.: Resources in History and Geography,” *New Media Photojournalism* course, The Corcoran College of Art and Design, August 2013.
- Guest Lecturer, “Displacing Education: The Geography of Public School Access in the District of Columbia,” *Mapping Washington D.C.* course, American University, February 2013.
- Panelist, “Housing Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.,” D.C. Co-op Day, University of the District of Columbia, October 2012.
- Guest Lecturer, “Limited-Equity Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.,” Community Economic Development Law Clinic, David A. Clarke School of Law, University of the District of Columbia, September 2012.

- Panel Discussant, “Ethnographies of Housing,” Association of American Geographers annual meeting, February 2012.
- Guest Lecturer, “Gentrification in 1970s Washington, D.C., and the Limited-Equity Cooperative as a Response,” *Mapping Washington, D.C.* course, American University, February 2012.
- Guest Lecturer, “Gentrification in 1970s Washington, D.C., and the Limited-Equity Cooperative as a Response,” *History of Washington, D.C.* course, University of the District of Columbia, November 2011.
- Panelist, “Developing Partnerships Between the University and the Community,” Service Learning Institute sponsored by the D.C. Mayor’s Office on Voluntarism, June 2011.
- Guest Lecturer, “Current Trends in City Planning: Community Response to Deindustrialization in Detroit,” George Washington University summer orientation colloquium, June 2011.
- Guest Lecturer, “Tenant Cooperatives as a Tool for Fighting Displacement,” *Environmental Psychology* course, New York Institute of Technology, October 2010.
- Panel Discussant, “Planning for Diversity?,” Suburban Studies Conference, Hofstra University, March 2009.
- Panel Discussant, “Integrating the Segregated Suburb,” Suburban Studies Conference, Hofstra University, March 2009.
- Guest Lecturer, “Gentrification and Individualization: A case of resident response in the former East Berlin,” Center for Community Studies Speaker Series, Department of Environmental Psychology, the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, December 2008.
- Guest Lecturer, “Gentrification and Individualization: A case of resident response in the former East Berlin,” Center for Community Studies Colloquium, Vanderbilt University, October 2007.
- Guest Lecturer, “Tenant Organizing in Berlin,” *Global Dimensions of Community Development* course, Department of Community Studies, Vanderbilt University, October 2007.
- Guest Lecturer, “City Planning and Urban Life,” *Writing the City* course, Department of English, Hunter College, City University of New York, March 2006.

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

- History of the District of Columbia
- Black Land Loss in Washington
- Mapping the City
- The Politics of Urban Housing
- World Cultural Geography
- Urban Spatial Analysis

### **PAST TEACHING APPOINTMENTS**

- Adjunct Instructor, Union College, Department of American Studies, Spring 2014. Course taught: *Washington, D.C.: Contradiction and Complexity*.
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of American Studies, George Washington University, Spring 2012 and Spring 2011. Course taught: *Washington, D.C. History, Culture & Politics*.
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Geography, George Washington University, Spring 2011, Fall 2010, and Spring 2010. Courses taught: *Planning in Washington, D.C.; Community-Based Planning Research Studio; Building Cities*.
- Adjunct Instructor, Department of Urban Affairs and Planning, Hunter College, City University of New York, Spring 2009 and Fall 2008. Courses taught: *Planning & Policy in Contemporary Urban Communities; Housing in New York City Neighborhoods*.
- Teaching Assistant, Department of City and Regional Planning, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Fall 2002 and Fall 2001. Course assisted: *Theory of Urban Planning*.

**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- Soul of the City Grant from HumanitiesDC for *Black Land Loss in Washington: Memories of the Past, Hopes for the Future*, 2020-21.
- Grant from the D.C. Oral History Collaborative, supporting continuation of the tenant organizing oral history project, summer 2020.
- Grant from the D.C. Oral History Collaborative, supporting an oral history of tenant organizing in D.C. in the 1970s, summer 2019.
- Faculty Incentive Research Grant, University of the District of Columbia, summer 2019.
- Grant from the D.C. Oral History Collaborative, supporting an oral history of Federal City College, summer 2018.
- Open Humanities Grant from Humanities D.C., supporting the project *UDC: A Visual History*, 2018-19.
- Faculty Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of the District of Columbia, spring 2018.
- Award for Service and Advocacy, College of Arts and Sciences, University of the District of Columbia, spring 2017.
- Faculty Incentive Research Grant, University of the District of Columbia, summer 2016.
- Faculty Incentive Research Grant, University of the District of Columbia, summer 2015.
- Award for Teaching Excellence, College of Arts and Sciences, University of the District of Columbia, spring 2014.
- Monteith Award to support summer travel to Oaxaca, Mexico, College of Arts and Sciences, University of the District of Columbia, 2014.
- Myrtila Miner Teaching Fellowship, University of the District of Columbia, 2013-14.
- Antipode Foundation Travel Award, issued to attend the Antipode Foundation's Institute for Geographies of Justice in Durban, South Africa, 2013.
- Service Learning Teaching Grants, George Washington University, 2010 and 2011.
- Major Grant from the Humanities Council of Washington, D.C., for The Washington Inncity Self Help (WISH) Archives Project, 2009-2010.
- Association of American Geographers Urban Geography Specialty Group Travel Award, 2009.
- City University of New York Graduate Center Student Research Award, 2009.
- City University of New York Graduate Center Travel Award, 2008 and 2009.
- Robert E. Gilleece Fellowship to fully support a five-year course of doctoral study at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, 2007-2012.
- Award for best masters thesis of 2002, Department of City and Regional Planning, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
- Network of European and U.S. Regional Studies (NEURUS) fellowship to fully support a semester of graduate study in Berlin, 2002.
- Fellowship to fully support a two-year course of graduate study at the Department of City and Regional Planning, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2000-2002.

**OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

- Project Director, The Washington Inncity Self Help (WISH) Archives Project, Washington, D.C., 2009 – 2010.
- GIS Analyst and Education Specialist, *The Mannhatta Project*, Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx, NY, 2007 – 2009.
- Manager of Urban Design Programs, Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment, Brooklyn, NY, 2005 – 2007.

- Director of Advocacy, Coalition for Nonprofit Housing and Economic Development, Washington, D.C., 2004 – 2005.
- Researcher, Center for Urban and Regional Studies, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2002 – 2003.
- Editor, *Carolina Planning Journal*, Department of City and Regional Planning, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 2000 – 2002.

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Urban geography; urban planning; urban commons; geographies of housing; gentrification; cooperative homeownership; community mapping; history of Washington, D.C.; South Africa; Chile; Berlin.

**RELATED ACTIVITIES AND SKILLS**

- Member, Limited-Equity Cooperative Task Force, convened by D.C. City Councilmember Anita Bonds, July 2018-present.
- Co-chair, D.C. History Conference planning committee, 2018.
- Board member, Empower D.C. Empower D.C. is a city-wide grassroots organizing project, with a mission to enhance, improve, and promote the self-advocacy of low and moderate income D.C. residents.
- Member, ONE DC. ONE DC works to advance equity and justice in neighborhoods throughout D.C.
- Spanish language.
- Proficient in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) mapping software.