

LILITH WINKLER-SCHOR

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES | GPA: 4.0 | Expected June 2028

Ph.D. in Urban & Regional Planning

Co-Advisors: Amada Armenta and Anastasia Loukaitou-Sideris

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES | GPA: 4.0 | 2022-2024

Master of Urban & Regional Planning (MURP), concentration in Design & Development

Graduate Certificate in Urban Humanities, 2023

Thesis: *Creatively Transforming Transportation: Collaborating with Artists as a Model Towards Reparative Planning in Transportation*

Committee members: Amada Armenta (chair), Karen Umemoto, and Evelyn Blumenberg

Departmental Awards: Departmental Award for Academic Excellence; Institute of Transportation Studies Capstone Prize - 3rd Place; Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. Social Justice Award

TULANE UNIVERSITY | New Orleans, LA | GPA: 3.98 | 2013-2017

Bachelor of Arts | Social Policy, Political Science (Honors)

Thesis: *The Power of Neighborhoods in Successful Housing Policy: An Analysis of Federal Public Housing Policy, Using New Orleans as a Case Study*

Committee members: Mirya Holman (Chair), Celeste Lay, and Fred Buttell

Departmental Awards: Summa Cum Laude; Departmental Honors; Wiel Geengus Memorial Award in Political Science

Bachelor of Fine Arts | Studio Art, concentration in Glass & Sculpture

Thesis Exhibition: *Lebenslauf*

Committee members: Gene Koss (Chair), Christian Stock, and Dan Alley

Departmental Awards: Summa Cum Laude; Alberta "Rusty" Collier Memorial Award for 3D Art; Barr Conover Belden Endowed Scholarship Fund in Art; Fulton Arts Fund Scholarship; Nell Pomeroy O'Brien Award for Outstanding Underclassman in Studio Art

UNIVERSITY-WIDE HONORS & AWARDS

Commencement Speaker, Newcomb-Tulane College - Selected by Dean for embodying the values of a liberal arts education

Tulane 34 - One of 34 graduates from Tulane's 10 schools and colleges recognized for exemplary leadership, service and academic excellence

William Wallace Peery Society - One of 15 graduating seniors designated as having risen above their peers in scholarly accomplishments

Runsdorf Excellence in Public Service - Recognized as one of two graduating seniors for significant public service work throughout their undergraduate tenure

Newcomb Scholar - One of 20 selected undergraduate women for four year interdisciplinary honors research program

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS

Graduate Research Mentorship Fellow | UCLA, \$30,000, 2025-2026

University-wide year-long fellowship to conduct independent research to developing advanced research skills under faculty mentorship.

Graduate Research Summer Mentorship Fellow | UCLA, \$6,000, 2025

University-wide summer fellowship to conduct independent research to developing advanced research skills under faculty mentorship.

Eisenhower Fellow | Dwight D. Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship, \$5,000, 2023

U.S. Federal Highway Administration's merit-based research award for transportation planning research project and invitation to present at the Transportation Research Board conference

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Transatlantic Development Leadership Exchange | German Marshall Fund, 2020

Funded exchange to Brussels, Belgium and Cologne, Germany to learn from GMF's Vibrant Neighborhoods Forum colleagues about their creative placemaking work

Presidential Fellow | Center for the Study of Presidency and Congress, 2016-17

Produced primary research article on federal public housing policy in New Orleans

Gordon Summer Fellow | Tulane University, \$4,000, June - Aug 2017

Won travel grant to develop and executed self-led research project comparing community design and social practice art initiatives in eight US cities

NATIONAL AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Samvid Scholar | Samvid Ventures, \$100,000, 2022 -2024

One of 20 nationally selected graduate students from almost 1000 applicants selected for graduate school funding due to commitment to effecting positive societal change

Truman Scholar | Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, \$30,000, 2017

Washington 2017 Scholar for President Truman's nationally competitive living memorial scholarship dedicated to those pursuing careers in public service

Next City Vanguard | Next City, 2017

Selected as 40 under 40 rising urban leaders working to improve cities across sectors

Resolution Fellow | The Resolution Project, \$7,500, 2014

Selected for personal leadership characteristics and promising social venture proposals

Deans' Honor Scholar | Tulane University, \$196,000, 2013-2017

Four-year, full-tuition merit-based scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

Winkler-Schor, Lilith. 2025. "Spatial Imaginaries and Propertied Realities: Understanding how Property and Highway Planning are Tangled up in Urban Planning's Whiteness Problem." *Critical Planning* 28 (1) doi.org/10.5070/CP8.41502

Winkler-Schor, Lilith. 2024. "Creatively Transforming Transportation: Collaborating with Artists as a Model Towards Reparative Planning in Transportation." *University of California, Los Angeles ProQuest Dissertations & Theses*.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN RESEARCH

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER | UCLA Civil and Environmental Engineering | April 2025 - Present

- Winkler-Schor, Lilith and Regan Patterson (in development). "Healing Highway Harms? A comprehensive examination of American highway capping and removal projects".

PROJECT MANAGER | Justice + Joy | June 2022 - Present

- Winkler-Schor, Lilith and Mallory Rukhsana Nezam (2023). *Public Art & RAC: A Historical Primer*. Justice + Joy, on behalf of St. Louis: Regional Arts Commission, March 1.
- Nezam, Mallory Rukhsana and Lilith Winkler-Schor (2023). *Public Art & RAC: Strategy Report*. Justice + Joy, on behalf of St Louis: Regional Arts Commission, November 1.
- Krava, Jen, Theresa Sweetland, Mallory Rukhsana Nezam, Lilith Winkler-Schor, and Danya Sherman (2023) [Reimagining Public Art Focus Group Analysis](#). Minneapolis: Forecast Public Art, October 1.
- Nezam, Mallory Rukhsana and Lilith Winkler-Schor (2022). *Community Planning Through Arts and Culture*. Justice + Joy, on behalf of Atlanta Regional Commission, December 31.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR | Algiers Economic Development Foundation | Apr 2019 - May 2022

- Winkler-Schor, Lilith, Kelsey Foster, and Yosthin Giron (2021). [Algiers Small Business Report](#). New Orleans: Algiers Economic Development Foundation, March 15.
- Foster, Kelsey and Lilith Winkler-Schor (2020). [Algiers Economic Development Strategic Report](#). New Orleans: Algiers Economic Development Foundation, September 1.

CONSULTANT | LilithWS | Jan 2018 - Present

Research, design and facilitation provider for equity-oriented projects across nonprofits, government and private sectors. Select research oriented project include:

- Taylor, Johanna, Mallory Rukhsana Nezam, Amanda Lovelee, and Lilith Winkler-Schor (2024). "[Cross-Sector Artist in Residence Federal Policy Memos](#)," National Assembly for State Art Agencies, in partnership with National Endowment for the Arts.
- Policy researcher and data visualizer for [New Orleans' 10-Year Youth Master Plan Phase 2 Report](#), (2021), New Orleans Children Youth Planning Board, July.
- Project developer and lead writer on successful \$100,000 National Endowment for the Arts Our Town Grant Proposal, New Orleans Arts Council, June-Aug 2019
- Survey data management and analysis for Association for Community Design's Racial Equity in Design Research Initiative, Apr-June 2018.
- Yonah Schiller and Lilith Winkler-Schor (2019). "Human-Centered Organization Models White Paper." Jewish Federation of North America, January 30.
- Winkler-Schor, Lilith (2018). [Exploring Civic Art: Understanding Needs to Support Art as a Tool for Civic Dialogue](#). New Orleans: Blue House Civic Studio, May 15.

TRUMAN SUMMER INSTITUTE FELLOW | [bc]WORKSHOP | June - Aug 2018

- Lilith Winkler-Schor (2018). *Best Practices and Strategies for Community Engagement In Business Improvement Districts*. Washington: [bc] Workshop on behalf of LISC D.C., September 1.

CO-FOUNDER | Mixed Media Civic Arts Residency | March 2018 - March 2020

- Co-designed two participatory research experience for artists, convening 20+ partners on incarceration and water management in New Orleans, including policy briefing memos on each topic
- Supported artists in conducting focus groups and one-on-one interviews with lived-experience experts, including facilitation and transcription
- Curated and installed two civic art exhibitions and related public forums and events

PRESENTATIONS

"Creatively Transforming Transportation," poster presentation at Othering & Belonging Conference, University of California, Berkeley, April 2024

"Creatively Transforming Transportation," poster presentation at Transportation Research Board Annual Conference, January 2024

"Community Economic Development and the Arts," guest lecturer for SISE 4951: The Arts & Social Impact, Tulane University, April 2019

"Exploring Civic Art in New Orleans," report presentation for The Blue House, May 2018

"Where Am I," TEDxTU speaker, April 2016

TEACHING

Civic Arts 101, Co-Instructor, Engaging Local Government Leaders, Fall 2021- Spring 2022

COMMUNITY SERVICE & BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Reader, UCLA MURP Essay Reviewer for BIPOC students and Admissions Reviewer, 2022-2024

Boardmember, Matthew Dahl Memorial Scholarship Fund, 2018-Present

Board Vice President, Fund 17, 2021-2022

Newsletter Editor, Truman Scholars Association, Aug 2018 - Aug 2022

Newsletter Editor, The Blue House, Aug 2016 - March 2020

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIP

Association for Collegiate Schools of Planning, 2025-Present

American Planning Association, 2022-Present

APA Arts In Planning, 2020-Present

Association for Community Design, 2018-Present

Phi Beta Kappa, Lifetime member

Omicron Delta Kappa, Lifetime member