

**Adam Bledsoe**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

2016-            Indiana University, Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society and Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Geography

**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. (2016)    University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Geography  
Dissertation: “Defender Nosso Pedaco de Chão: Quilombos of Bahia”  
Committee: Alvaro Reyes (Co-Chair), Altha Cravey (Co-Chair), Sara Smith, Banu Gökariksel, and Kia Lilly Caldwell

M.A. (2013)    University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Geography

B.A. (2010)    Dartmouth College (with honors), Geography modified with Spanish Languages and Literatures

**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

2015    Institute for Minority Excellence Chancellor’s Doctoral Scholarship, Candidacy Award (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) (\$5,000)

2015    Ford Foundation Dissertation Grant *Honorable Mention*

2015-2016    Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation/Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Dissertation Grant (\$20,000)

2015    University of North Carolina Graduate School Tuition Incentive Scholarship (approximately \$9,000)

2015    Mellon Dissertation Fellowship for Latin American/Caribbean Research (\$1,700)

2014    University of North Carolina Graduate School Off-Campus Research Grant (\$7,600)

2014    Social Science Research Council Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant (\$600)

2012    North Carolina Institute for the Study of the Americas Tinker Pre-Dissertation Research Grant (\$1,625)

2012    Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship *Honorable Mention*

- 2012 Social Science Research Council Predoctoral Research Development Grant (\$1,500)
- 2011 University of North Carolina Institute for African American Research Small Research Grant (\$500)
- 2011 North Carolina Institute for the Study of the Americas Tinker Pre-Dissertation Research Grant (\$2,250)
- 2011 Social Science Research Council Predoctoral Research Development Grant (\$2,890)
- 2010, 2011, 2012 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program  
*Honorable Mention*
- 2010 George Perkins Marsh Award in Geography (Dartmouth College)
- 2009 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Research Grant (\$6,000)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

Bledsoe, Adam. (2015). "The Negation and Reassertion of Black Geographies in Brazil" *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies* Vol. 14, Issue 1.

### **Under Review**

Bledsoe, Adam. "Genocide and Becoming: On Black negation and the struggle for being" under review for *Journal of African American Studies* as of November 30, 2015

Bledsoe, Adam. "Marronage as a Past and Present Geography in the Americas" under review for *Southeastern Geographer* as of March 1, 2016

### **Book Reviews**

Bledsoe, Adam. (2015). Book Review of *Slavery's Exiles: The Story of American Maroons* for *Southeastern Geographer* Vol. 55, Issue 3

Bledsoe, Adam. (2014) Book Review of *Black Women Against the Land Grab: The Fight for Racial Justice in Brazil* for *Cultural Geographies* Vol. 21, Issue 4

### **Op-Eds**

Bledsoe, Adam. "Why Does the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Continue to Honor the KKK?" *CounterPunch*, March 10, 2015

Bledsoe, Adam. "The Racist and Sexist Nature of Brazil's New Government". *CounterPunch*, June 20, 2016

## **INVITED LECTURES**

2016 "Defending Our Piece of Ground." Davidson College Environmental Studies Colloquium. Invited Speaker, with honorarium. March 21, 2016, Davidson College.

2015 “The Geographical Power of Naming: Historical and Contemporary Struggles of Brazilian Quilombos.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Department of Geography Colloquium: Graduate Student Research Celebration. March 20, 2015.

2015 “Brazilian Quilombos: Historical and Contemporary Struggles.” University of North Carolina Institute for African American Research Graduate Student Brown Bag Series in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. January 12, 2015.

2013 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Forum. Invited Speaker, with honorarium. October 25, 2013, Dartmouth College.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Instructor**

*People and Places* Spring 2015, UNC-Chapel Hill

### **Graduate Research Consultant**

*Political Geography* Fall 2014; Fall 2015; Spring 2016, UNC-Chapel Hill

### **Teaching Assistant (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)**

World Regional Geography, Fall 2010; Spring 2011

Geographies of Latin America, Fall 2011

Urban Geography, Fall 2011 & Fall 2013

Geography of Development, Spring 2012 & Fall 2014

Environmental Systems, Fall 2012

Political Ecology, Fall 2013

*People and Places*, Spring 2013

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

### **Panels and Seminars Organized**

2015 Black Life as Social Death: A Seminar on Afro-Pessimism with Dr. Frank Wilderson. University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill, North Carolina)

2015 Black Geographies: Politics, Place, Possibilities. Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Conference (Pensacola, Florida)

2012 Race, Space, and Struggle. Association of American Geographers Conference (New York City, New York)

### **Papers Presented**

2015 “The Geographical Power of Naming: Historical and Contemporary Struggles of Brazilian Quilombos.” Association of American Geographers Conference (Chicago, Illinois)

2015 “Environmental Impacts of State Violence in Bahia, Brazil.” North Carolina Environmental Justice Network Summit (Whitakers, NC)

2015 “Marronage as a Past and Present Geography in the Americas.” Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Conference (Pensacola, Florida)

2014 “A Terra de Todos Nós?": Critiquing Order and Progress in Bahia, Brazil.” Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Conference (Athens, Georgia)

2012 “Struggles of Representation: Media and Racialization in Bahia, Brazil.” Association of American Geographers Conference (New York City, New York)

2011 “Pieces of the Puzzle: Processes of Racialization in Salvador, Brazil.” Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Conference (Savannah, Georgia)

2010 “The Border and Conflict in Hispaniola.” Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Conference (Birmingham, Alabama)

2010 “Influences on Local Knowledges: Development in the Dominican Republic.” Association of American Geographers Conference (Seattle, Washington)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **External**

Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Black Studies*

### **University of North Carolina**

Co-President, Geography Association of Graduate Students, 2015-2016

Representative to the Faculty, Geography Association of Graduate Students, 2015

Social Chair, Geography Association of Graduate Students, 2012-2013

## **LANGUAGES**

Spanish, fluent (reading, writing, speaking)

Portuguese, fluent (reading, writing, speaking)

Haitian Creole, beginner (speaking)

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Association of American Geographers

Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers