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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy	2023, The Graduate Center, CUNY Field of Specialization: Environmental Psychology Department: Psychology Dissertation: <i>Staying Power: The Struggle for Space and Place in Crown Heights, Brooklyn</i>
MS.Arch	2013, University of Minnesota Field of Specialization: Sustainable Design Department: Architecture Thesis: <i>Perception of Density in the Suburban Residential Built Environment</i>
M.Arch	2010, University of Minnesota Department: Architecture Thesis: <i>Le Corbusian Conception of Space Informs an Architectural Design Process</i>
B.E.D.	2003, Texas A&M University Department: Architecture Magna cum laude

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Summer 2026	Training workshop :: <i>Pedagogies of Place</i> , hosted by Queens College CETLL and co-sponsored by the QC Library's OER Initiative, funded by N.Y.S Open Educational Resources Grant (3-day, in-person)
Spring 2025	Training workshop :: <i>WHY + HOW: Implementing Universal Design for Learning in Your Brightspace Course Sites</i> , hosted by Queens College's UDL Collaborative, CETLL, and the Office of Innovation and Student Success (2-day, in-person)
Spring 2023	Gittell Fellowship :: Co-develop and implement <i>Teaching Environmental Psychology Critically (TEPC) Pedagogy Workshops</i> Training workshop :: <i>Focused Inquiry Group (FIG) on Disciplinary Open Education Resources (OER) Collections</i> , hosted by the Teaching and Learning Center, The Graduate Center, CUNY :: Develop OER collection
Spring 2022	Open Knowledge Fellowship :: hosted by the Mina Rees Library, The Graduate Center, CUNY :: Develop OER course and website
Spring 2021	Co-developer of workshop :: <i>Environmental Psychologists Responding to COVID: Re-creating Assignments in a Context of Global Crisis</i> , co-sponsored by Transformative Learning in the Humanities

Fall 2020-Spring 2021	Co-organizer :: <i>Teaching Environmental Psychology Critically</i> (TEPC), monthly discussion about our conditions as educators
Summer 2020	Training workshop :: <i>Best Practices for Online Teaching</i> , hosted by the Center for Teaching and Learning, Queens College
Fall 2019-Spring 2020	Writing and Reading Around the Curriculum (WRAC) Fellowship :: Kingsborough Community College (as part of CUNY Graduate Center's 5-year doctoral student fellowship)
Spring 2019	Training workshop :: <i>Teaching for Student Success Discussion Series</i> , hosted by the Center for Teaching and Learning, Queens College

TEACHING POSITIONS

Queens College, CUNY, Department of Urban Studies (*online synchronous course)

Spring, Fall 2026	Adjunct Professor :: 101CN*: Urban Issues: Poverty & Affluence (College Now Program)
Fall 2025	Substitute Lecturer :: 222/723*: Intro. to Housing/Dynamics of Housing and Homelessness; 114: Sex and the City (2 sections); 120/620*: Writing in Urban Studies/Urban Research Writing (co-taught)
Summer 2025	Substitute Lecturer :: 101*: Urban Issues: Poverty & Affluence (4-week)
Spring 2025	Substitute Lecturer :: 101*: Urban Issues: Poverty & Affluence; 114: Sex and the City (2 sections); 791*: Graduate Seminar on Research and Writing
Fall 2024	Substitute Lecturer :: 222/723*: Intro. to Housing/Dynamics of Housing and Homelessness; 105: Urban Politics; 114: Sex and the City (2 sections)
Summer 2024	Adjunct :: 101*: Urban Issues: Poverty & Affluence (6-week)
Spring 2024	Adjunct :: 791*: Graduate Seminar on Research and Writing
Fall 2023	Adjunct :: 222/723: Intro. to Housing/Dynamics of Housing and Homelessness
Summer 2023	Adjunct :: 101*: Urban Issues: Poverty & Affluence (6-week)
Fall 2022	Adjunct :: 200: Urban Research Methods; 222/723: Intro. to Housing/Dynamics of Housing and Homelessness
Fall 2018, '19, '20*, '21*; Spring '22	Adjunct :: 103: Urban Diversity
Fall 2016 - Spring 2019	Teaching Assistant :: 101: Urban Poverty & Affluence

Pratt Institute, Urban Placemaking and Management

Spring 2024	Advisor the UPM Thesis students
Fall 2023	Visiting Professor :: 614: Civic Engagement (5-week)

Kingsborough Community College, CUNY

Fall 2019-Spring 2020

Tutor :: Center for Academic Writing Success (part of WRAC Fellowship, partially online)

University of Minnesota, School of Architecture

Fall 2009

Teaching Assistant :: Urban Form & Meaning

Fall 2008

Teaching Assistant :: Structures I

2007-2010

Teaching Assistant :: Environmental Tech., Thermal Design

RESEARCH POSITIONS

The Graduate Center, CUNY

Spring 2016-Spring 2023

Research Associate :: Public Space Research Group (PSRG), the Graduate Center, CUNY, Dir. Setha M. Low :: coordinating networking and speaker events (in-person and online), assisting with conference workshops and presentations, updating website

Summer 2023

Research Assistant :: *NYS Park-User Surveys (Shirley Chisolm State Park)*, PSRG-CSU Northridge. PI: Suzanne Scheld, PhD

Spring 2017-Fall 2020

PSRG Fellowship :: *Public Space Literature Review Database Project*, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Center for the Future of Places

August 2016-Spring 2018

Research Assistant :: Quantitative study of *Interrupting Place-Based Inequality: Community Land Trust Homeownership and Child Well-being*, The Graduate Center, CUNY, Housing Environments Research Group. PI: Susan Saegert, PhD

Spring-Fall 2022

Graduate Assistant :: Graphics and bibliography editing for Why Public Space Matters by Setha M. Low

Fall 2015-Spring 2016

Graduate Assistant :: Graphics for Spatializing Culture: The Ethnography of Space and Place by Setha M. Low; coding interviews

University of Minnesota, School of Architecture

Spring 2010

Research Assistant :: Dutch Urban Housing Study, produced axonometric drawings of unit typologies and building shell of complex Dutch housing facilities for publication

RECENT VOLUNTEER WORK

Spring 2026-Present

Tenant Organizer with Bay Ridge Tenant Union :: Organizing and Research Committees' co-chair, B.E.D. Coordinating Committee

Dec. 2023 – Aug. 2024

Bowery Residents' Committee Group Activities :: Developed and delivered weekly social and creative activities for men in transitional housing working through substance abuse issues.

c. 2019 – 2023

Labor Organizing with PSC Union :: Collaborated with fellow members to organize campaigns, host town hall events, educate and recruit members, and create materials and graphics.

AWARDS & FUNDING

Spring 2025	UDL Collaborative, CETLL, and the Office of Innovation and Student Success, Queens College - \$200
Summer 2023	Public Space Research Group (West Coast affiliate) - \$1516.50
Spring 2023	President's Award for Excellence in Teaching by Part-time Faculty in the School of Social Science, Queens College - \$2000
	Gittell Fellowship - \$7000
	Teaching and Learning Center, The Graduate Center, CUNY - \$600 stipend
Spring 2022	Open Knowledge Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY - \$2000 stipend
Spring 2021	Andrew W. Mellon Transformative Learning in the Humanities Student Scholarship - \$300
Fall 2018 - Spring 2019	KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Center for the Future of Places, Public Space Research Fellowship - \$2,100, \$3,400
Spring 2018	Provost's Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, Early Research Initiative, The Graduate Center, CUNY - \$4,000
Spring 2018	KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Center for the Future of Places, Public Space Research Fellowship - \$4,375
Summer 2017	Gittell Graduate Student Fellowship - \$1,500
Spring 2017	KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Center for the Future of Places, Public Space Research Fellowship - \$3,500
Fall 2015-Spring 2020	Graduate Student 5-year Fellowship, CUNY - \$25,000 annually
2013	King Student Medal for Architectural Research
2013-2014	University of Minnesota Buckman Philanthropic Fellowship
2012	\$500 Block Grant Award, University of Minnesota

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Claire Cahen , Erin Lilli & Susan Saegert (2020): Ethical action in the age of austerity: cases of care in two community land trusts, *Housing Studies*, DOI: 10.1080/02673037.2020.1807472

Books

Graphics credited in: Low, Setha M., *Why Public Space Matters*. Oxford: New York. 2023

Graphics credited in: Low, Setha M., *Spatializing Culture*. Routledge: New York. 2016

Graphics credited in: Williams, Julia., *Complex Housing: Designing for Density*: Routledge. 2017

Conference Proceedings

Robinson, J.W., H.C. Karlberg, E Lilli & A Lukes. 2010. "Increasing Density, Diversity and Delight: Stacked Housing in the Netherlands," paper presented at the International Association for People-Environment Studies (IAPS) Conference, Leipzig, Germany. (credited with graphics)

Robinson, J.W., H.C. Karlberg, E. Lilli & A. Lukes. 2010. "Dutch Housing: Playing with Typology to Generate New Forms" invited presentation for Symposium "Place Types I: Making and Unmaking the World" Environmental Design Research Conference (EDRA 41), Washington. (credited with graphics)

PRESENTATIONS

Lilli, E. Spring 2024. "Staying Power: The Black struggle for home and place in Crown Heights," DOPE Conference, Lexington, KY.

Lilli, E. Fall 2023. "Staying Power: The Black struggle for home and place in Crown Heights," Psychology Colloquia, College of Staten Island, CUNY.

Lilli, E. Spring 2022. "Staying Power: The Black struggle for home and place in Crown Heights," guest lecture for URBST 705, Queens College, CUNY.

Lilli, E. Fall 2020. "Staying Power: The Black struggle for home and place in Crown Heights," presentation for Public Space Research Group Networking Seminar Event Series. Via Zoom.

Lilli, E. Fall 2020. "Environmental Psychology: A brief introduction with focus on behavior settings and affordances", guest lecture for Critical Thinking I, Dept. of Interior Design, School of Visual Arts NYC.

Low, S., Lilli, E. 2020. "Toolkit for the ethnographic study of space: methods for culturally sensitive and inclusive public space," training event at World Urban Forum (WUF10), Cities of Opportunity: Connecting Culture and Innovation. Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Lilli, E. Fall 2019. "Neoliberalism and the Crisis in Education: The making of the academic proletariat", guest lecture for Urban Poverty & Affluence, Dept. of Urban Studies, Queens College.

Lilli, E. 2019. "Race, Resistance and Gentrification: Fighting to Stay in Place," symposia presentation at the EDRA 50 conference, Sustainable Urban Environments: Research, Design and Planning for the Next 50 Years. Brooklyn, NY.

Lilli, E. 2018. "An ethnographic study of Crown Heights' Brower Park: Piloting the Toolkit for the Ethnographic Study of Space (TESS)", presentation at International Symposium by City Space Architecture at Venetian Biennale, Venice, Italy.

Lilli, E. 2017. "Perceptions of Neighborhood Change: Place Identity, Resistance and the Social Production of Space," session presentation at AAG Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

Klein, E., Simpson, T., Lilli, E., Chua, M. 2016. "Social Science and Architectural Collaborative Intervention," workshop presentation at the EDRA 47 conference, Innovation: Shifting Ground, Raleigh, NC.

Lilli, E. 2012. "Spaciousness & Preference: A Study in the Perception of Density in the Suburban Residential Built Environment," session presentation at IAPS conference, Human Experience in the Natural and Built Environment: Implications for Research, Policy & Practice, Glasgow, Scotland.

Robinson, J. W and E. Lilli. 2012. "Rediscovering the Architectural Program in Design 2: Programming as Design," conference poster presented at the IAPS conference, Human Experience in the Natural and Built Environment: Implications for Research, Policy & Practice, Glasgow, Scotland.

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