

**A.J. Jacobs, Ph.D.**

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Sociology-Urban Studies, Michigan State University, Department of Sociology and Urban Affairs Program, East Lansing, 1994-1999 (4.0 GPA)  
Master of Regional Planning, Univ. of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Dept. of City & Regional Planning (Concentrations: Land Use and Community Development Planning), 1986-1988  
B.A. Sociology, Michigan State University (Emphasis: Urban Sociology), 1983-1986

**FULL-TIME ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Full Professor, East Carolina University (ECU), Department of Earth, Environment, and Planning, Community & Regional Planning Program, 2025-present  
Assistant to Full Professor, ECU Department of Sociology, 2005-2024  
Assistant Professor, University of Cincinnati School of Planning, 2000-2005  
Visiting Associate Professor, Hosei University Faculty of Business, Tokyo, Japan, 2004-2005  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Michigan State University, Urban Planning Program, 1999-2000

**OTHER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Adjunct Professor, ECU Department of Sociology, 2025  
Adjunct Professor, ECU Community and Regional Planning Program, 2023-2024  
Adjunct Professor, University of Cincinnati School of Planning, 2023  
Co-Director, ECU Ethnic Studies Program, 2017-2019  
Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of Sociology 2010-2014  
Acting Chair, Dept. of Sociology, Summer 2011  
Faculty Advisor to Japan Student Association of ECU, 2006-2018  
Affiliate Faculty, ECU Asian Studies Program, 2006-2010  
Adjunct Faculty, University of Cincinnati Department of Sociology, 2002-2004

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Sr. Transportation Planner, SE Regional Plan & Econ Dev District, Taunton, MA, 1992-1994  
Long Range Planner, Town of Garner, NC, Department of Community Development, 1989-1991  
Transportation Planner, Alamance County, NC Planning Department, 1988-1989  
Community Development Intern, Lansing Area Community Economic Development, 1985-1986  
Transit Planning Intern, Metro-Dade Transportation Administration, 1985-1986

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Comparative Urban & Regional Growth Dynamics; Intergovernmental Collaborative Planning; Urban Spatial Stratification by Income and Race; the Auto Industry & Regional Development

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

In order of frequency: Land Use Planning; Advanced Land Use Controls; Economic Development Techniques; Social Justice & the City/Urban Sociology; International Regional Planning; Transportation Planning; Introduction to Planning; Comprehensive Planning; Environmental Planning; Planning Studios in Economic Development, Land Use, and Transportation; Planning Methods (all but Methods at the grad and undergrad levels).

### **SELECTED HONORS**

Honored Instructor Award, ECU's Campus Living & Residence Hall Association, Fall 2019  
Honored Instructor Award, ECU's Campus Living & Residence Hall Association, Spring 2018  
Five-Year Achievement for Excellence in Research and Creativity Award, East Carolina University, campus-wide award in academic year 2016-2017.  
Graduate Teaching Award, ECU Department of Sociology, 2010-2011

### **FUNDED EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Jacobs A. J. (2024). Korea University, Research Institute of Korean Studies, Research Travel Grant on the Auto Industry and Hyundai Motors. Award \$3,000.

Jacobs A. J. (2019-2022). Research Travel Award, "Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions: Comparing Japan, Korea, America, and Europe." Four-conference stipend funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). Award \$13,000.

Jacobs, A.J. (2017). Vrije Universiteit Brussel [Free University of Brussels/VUB], Brussels Centre for Urban Studies Brussels, Belgium, Research Fellowship. Award \$10,000.

Jacobs, A.J. (2016-2017). Lulea Technical University, Sweden, Attract – Attractive and Sustainable Cities in Cold Climates Project Travel Grant. Award \$5,800.

Jacobs, A.J. (2011). International Council for Canadian Studies, Canadian Studies Research Grant, 2011-12. Project: Examining the Impacts of the New Domestic Automakers on Workers and Local Regions in Canada and the USA: A Comparison of Southern Ontario and the American South. Sole investigator, Award: \$9,000.

Jacobs, A.J. (2009). International Council for Canadian Studies, Canadian Studies Research Grant, 2009-10. Project: NAFTA's Impacts on Auto Supplier Firms in Canada and the USA: A Comparison of Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe and in the Detroit-Windsor-Toledo Auto Agglomeration. Sole investigator, Award: \$5,640.

Jacobs, A.J. (2007). International Council for Canadian Studies, Canadian Studies Research Grant, 2007-08. Project: NAFTA's Impacts on Industrial Cities in Canada and the USA: The Case of the Lower Great Lakes Region's Automotive Production Zone. Sole investigator, Award: \$8,500.

Jacobs, A.J. (2005). International Council for Canadian Studies, Canadian Studies Research Grant, 2005-06. Project: The Relationship between Urban Space and Collective Memory: Why Do Canadians and Americans Have such Dialectical Perspectives on Cities? Sole investigator, Award: \$5,500.

Jacobs, A.J. (1998). Hosei University, Hosei International Fund, Foreign Scholars' Fellowship, Tokyo, Japan, 1998-1999. Six-month Dissertation Fellowship; selected from 70 applicants; first American scholar awarded a fellowship in the program's 15-year history. Award: \$12,000.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Books

Jacobs, A. J. (2023). *The Korean Automotive Industry, Volume 2: Asian Crisis to Today, 1997 to 2020*. Chaim, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN: 9783031364525 (hard), 9783031364532 (eBook), 559pp, 16-chapters, <https://link.springer.com/book/9783031364525>.

Jacobs, A. J. (2022). *The Korean Automotive Industry, Volume 1: Beginnings to 1996*. Chaim, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN: 9783030863463 (hard), 9783030863470 (eBook), 413pp, 11-chapters, <https://www.palgrave.com/us/book/9783030863463>.

Jacobs, A. J. (2019). *The Automotive Industry and European Integration: The Divergent Paths of Belgium and Spain*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN: 9783030174309 (hard); 9783030174330 (soft); 9783030174316 (eBook), 453pp, 19-chapters, <https://www.palgrave.com/us/book/9783030174309>.

Jacobs, A. J. (2017). *Automotive FDI in Emerging Europe: Shifting Locales in the Motor Vehicle Industry*. London: Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN: 9781137407818 (hard); 9781137407863 (eBook), 358pp, 9-chapters, <https://www.palgrave.com/us/book/9781137407818>.

Jacobs, A. J. (2016). *The 'New Domestic' Automakers in the U.S. and Canada: History, Impacts, and Prospects*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. ISBN: 9780739188255 (hard); 9780739188262 (eBook), 525pp, 20-chapters, <https://rowman.com/ISBN/9780739188255/The-New-Domestic-Automakers-in-the-United-States-and-Canada-History-Impacts-and-Prospects>.

Jacobs, A. J. (ed.) (2013). *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge. ISBN: 9780415-894852 (hard); 9780415894869 (paper); 9780203723951 (eBook), 424pp, <https://www.routledge.com/The-Worlds-Cities-Contrasting-Regional-National-and-Global-Perspectives/Jacobs/p/book/9780415894869>.

### Peer-Reviewed Refereed Journal Articles

Jacobs, A. J. (2017). Nested Dependent City-Regions: FDI, Uneven Development, and Slovakia's Bratislava, Nitra, Trencin, Trnava, and Zilina City-Regions. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 39 (6): 800-818.

Jacobs A. J. (2016). The City as the Nexus: Bridging the State, Market, Societal, and Geospatial Contexts. *Cities*, 51 (2016-Feb): 84-95.

Jacobs, A.J. (2016). Automotive FDI and Dependent Development: The Case of Slovakia's City-Regions in the Bratislava-Zilina Corridor. *The Open Urban Studies and Demography Journal*, 2 (1): 1-19.

Jacobs A. J. (2014). Industrial Restructuring & Expanding Income Stratification: The Case of Japan's Four Largest Major Metropolitan Areas, 1990-2007. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 36 (4): 760-782.

Jacobs A. J. (2013). The Bratislava Metropolitan Region. *Cities*, 31 (April): 507-514.

- Jacobs A. J. (2012). Collaborative Regionalism and FDI: The Case of the Southeast Automotive Core and the 'New Domestics'. *Economic Development Quarterly*, 26 (3): 199-219.
- Jacobs A. J. (2012). The Nested Global City-Region: Intermunicipal Income Stratification in the Tokyo Metropolitan Region, 1980-2007. *Urban Geography*, 33 (1): 120-146.
- Jacobs A. J. (2011). Ulsan, South Korea: A Global and Nested 'Great' Industrial City. *The Open Urban Studies Journal* 4 (1): 8-20.
- Jacobs A. J. (2011). Japan's Evolving Nested Municipal Hierarchy: The Race for Local Power in the 2000s. *Urban Studies Research*, 2011 (1): 1-14.
- Jacobs A. J. (2010). Max Weber was Right about the Preconditions, Just Wrong about Japan: The Japanese Ethic and its Spirit of Capitalism: *The Open Area Studies Journal*, 3 (Apr): 12-29.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2009). The Impacts of Variations in Development Context on Employment Growth: A Comparison of Central Cities in Michigan and Ontario, 1980-2006. *Economic Development Quarterly*, 23 (4): 351-371.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2009). Embedded Contrasts in Race, Municipal Fragmentation, and Planning: Divergent Outcomes in the Detroit and Greater Toronto-Hamilton Regions 1990-2000. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 31 (2): 147-173.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2008). Political Power, Collective Memory, and American Central Cities: The Discourses of the Conservative Elite's Counter-Memory of the City. *The Open Urban Studies Journal*, 1 (Nov): 25-34.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2008). Developmental State Planning, Sub-national Nestedness, and Reflexive Public Policymaking: Keys to Employment Growth in Saitama City, Japan. *Cities*, 25 (1): 1-20.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2006). Embedded Localities: Employment Decline, Inner City Population Growth, and Declining Place Stratification among Japan's Mid-Size and Large Cities. *City & Community*, 5 (3): 269-292.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2005). Has Central Tokyo Experienced Uneven Development? An Examination of Tokyo's 23 Ku Relative to America's Largest Urban Centers, *Journal of Urban Affairs*. 27 (5): 521-555.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2004). Inter-local Relations and Divergent Growth: The Detroit and Tokai Auto Regions, 1969 to 1996. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 26 (4): 479-504.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2004). Federations of Municipalities: A Practical Alternative to Local Government Consolidations in Japan? *Governance*, 17 (2): 247-274.
- Jacobs, A. J. (2003). Symbolic Urban Spaces and the Political Economy of Local Collective Memory: A Comparison of Hiroshima and Nagoya, Japan. *Journal of Political and Military Sociology*, 31 (2): 253-278.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). Devolving Authority and Expanding Autonomy in Japanese Prefectures and Municipalities. *Governance*, 16 (4): 601-623.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). Embedded Autonomy and Uneven Metropolitan Development: A Comparison of the Detroit and Nagoya Auto Regions, 1969-2000. *Urban Studies*, 40 (2): 335-360.

Jacobs, Andrew James. (2002). Integrated Development Planning, Supportive Public Policies, and Corporate Commitment: A Recipe for Thriving Major Cities in Aichi, Japan. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 24 (2): 175-196.

Darden, Joe T., Sameh Kamel, and Andrew J. Jacobs. (1998). Black Faculty in Predominantly White U.S. Institutions of Higher Education: The Influence of Black Student Enrollment. *Equity and Excellence in Education*, 31 (2): 6-18.

### **Peer Reviewed Book Chapters and Reprints**

Jacobs, A. J. (2024). Foreign Auto Transplants in Age of NAFTA: Some Revealing Trends, In: Dimitry Anastakis and Greig Mondue (eds.), *The North American Auto Industry Since NAFTA*. University of Toronto Press, pp. 50-85.

Jacobs, A. J. (2019). The Global City. In: Anthony Orum (ed.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Urban and Regional Studies*. Volume II, Oxford: Wiley, pp. 722-731.

Jacobs, A. J. (2019). Tokyo. In: Anthony Orum (ed.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Urban and Regional Studies*, Volume IV. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, pp. 2193-2201.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). The Nexus City Model: Bridging the Local, National, and International Contexts. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 351-363.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Collaborative Regionalism and Growth: Mississippi's PUL Alliance and Alabama-Georgia's Auto Valley Partnership. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 331-347.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). The Bratislava-Zilina Auto Corridor: Capitalist Agglomeration in the Post-Socialist CEE. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 253-267.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Ulsan: South Korea's Nested *Great Industrial City*. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 222-236.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Expanding Income Stratification in the Tokyo Region. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 177-193.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Race, Fragmentation, and Divergent Outcomes in Detroit & Toronto. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 147-164.

Jacobs, Andrew James (A. J.) (2011). Varied and Expanding Local Autonomy: Japan's Evolving Intergovernmental System. In: Jeremy F. Ritter (ed.), *Local Government*. Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers, Inc., pp. 61-89.

Jacobs, A. J. (2011). Embedded Contrasts in Race, Municipal Fragmentation, and Planning: Divergent Outcomes in the Detroit and Greater Toronto-Hamilton Regions 1990-2000. Reprinted in: *Multi-Level Scales and Urban Governance in Global Context*, Laura Reese (ed.), *Journal of Urban Affairs*, Virtual Issue on Cutting Edge Research on Governing Global Cities. 2011 (1-June). Online. <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1467-9906.2009.00440.x/pdf>.

Jacobs, A. J. (2009). Auto Industry & Manufacturing in Michigan. In: Randy J. Schaeztl, Joe T. Darden, and Danita Brandt (eds.), *Michigan Geography and Geology*. Boston: Pearson, pp. 474-486.

Jacobs, Andrew J. (2001). Planning for a Vibrant Central City: The Case of Nagoya, Japan. In: Jack Williams & Robert Stimson (eds.), *International Urban Planning Lessons, International Review of Comparative Public Policy*, 12, New York: JAI, pp. 21-59.

### **Short Chapters and Encyclopedia Entries**

Jacobs, A. J. (2015). Uneven Development. In: George Ritzer (ed.), *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*. Revised and Updated for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Online. Malden: Blackwell.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Introduction: Cities and Regions Evolving in an Ever Changing World. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 1-4.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). City-Regions in a World System: Overview. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 7-13.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Nested City-Regions: An Overview. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 113-118.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). The City-Region as the Engine of Economic Activity/Growth: Overview. In: A. J. Jacobs (ed.), *The World's Cities: Contrasting Regional, National, and Global Perspectives*. New York: Routledge, pp. 239-243.

Jacobs, A. J. (2007). Uneven Development. In: George Ritzer (ed.), *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of the Sociology*, Volume X (ST-Z). Malden, MA: Blackwell, pp. 5096-5099.

Jacobs, A. J. (2005/2013). The Manufacturing City. In: Roger Q. Caves (ed.), *The Encyclopedia of the City*. New York: Routledge, p. 304; paperback edition published in December 2013.

Jacobs, A. J. (2005/2013). The Merchant City. In: Roger Q. Caves (ed.), *The Encyclopedia of the City*. New York: Routledge, p. 309; paperback edition published in December 2013.

### **Editorships**

Jacobs, A. J. (2013-2018). *International Comparative Development*. Book Series, Lexington Books (Rowman & Littlefield), <http://rowman.com/Catalogs/LEXPOLITICS&INT14/#1>.

### **Grant Reports**

Jacobs, A.J. (2018). Brussels, the Center of Europe. *Urban Traces*, Newsletter for Research Fellowships Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels Centre for Urban Studies.

Jacobs, A. J. (2017). The Auto Industry in Belgium: Plant Closings and Preliminary Impacts. Research Fellowship Report for Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels Centre for Urban Studies.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). History, Impacts, and Future Prospects: An Examination of the New Domestic Automakers in Canada and the USA. A Research Report to the International Council for Canadian Studies, 15 January (113 pp. single-spaced).

Jacobs, A. J. (2011). NAFTA's Impacts on Auto Suppliers in U.S. and Canada: A Comparison of the Greater Golden Horseshoe and Detroit Auto Regions. A Research Report to the International Council for Canadian Studies, 2 February (64 pp. 1.5-spaced).

Jacobs, A. J. (2009). NAFTA's Impacts on Industrial Regions in Canada and the USA: Cases Studies in the Lower Great Lakes Production Zone. A Research Report to the International Council for Canadian Studies, 15 February (120 pp. single-spaced).

Jacobs, A. J. (2007). *Dissimilar Approach, Dissimilar Attitudes, Divergent Outcomes: 2A Comparison of the Detroit and Greater Toronto-Hamilton Regions: A Research Report to the International Council for Canadian Studies*, 15 February (96 pp. single-spaced).

Jacobs, Andrew James. (2002). Intergovernmental Relations and Metropolitan Development in the Nagoya Auto Region, *Hosei University HIF Scholar Reports*, Vol. 8, pp. 59-129.

### **Book Reviews**

Jacobs, A.J. (2021). *Japanese Machizukuri and Community Engagement: History, Method and Practice*, by Shigeru Satoh, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 43 (5): 733-734.

Jacobs, A.J. (2020). *Gateway to Pacific: Japanese-Americans and the Remaking of San Francisco*, by Meredith Oda, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 42 (4): 690-691.

Jacobs, A.J. (2018). *Deconstructing Placemaking: Needs, Opportunities, Assets*, by Mahyar Arefi. *Journal of Architectural and Planning Research*, 35 (4): 357-358.

Jacobs, A. J. (2017). *Housing East Asia: Socioeconomic and Demographic Challenges*, edited by John Doling and Richard Ronald. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 39 (1): 140-141.

Jacobs, A. J. (2015). *Housing and Social Transition in Japan*, edited by Yosuke Hirayama and Richard Ronald. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 37 (1): 84-85.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). *Collision Course: Ronald Reagan, the Air Traffic Controllers, and the Strike that Changed America*, by Joseph A. McCartin. *Contemporary Sociology*, 42 (4): 586-588.

Jacobs, A. J. (2012). *New York Longshoremen: Class and Power on the Docks*, by William J. Mello. *Contemporary Sociology*, 41 (2): 224-225.

Jacobs, A. J. (2012). *Roppongi Crossing: The Demise of a Tokyo Nightclub District and the Reshaping of a Global City* by Roman Cybriwsky, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 34 (1): 119-120.

Jacobs, A. J. (2009). *Postindustrial East Asian Cities: Innovation for Growth*, by Shahid Yusuf and Kaoru Nabeshima, *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 31 (3-March): 372-374.

Jacobs, A. J. (2005). *Tsukiji: The Fish Market at the Center of the World*, by Theodore C. Bestor, *Contemporary Sociology*, 34 (4-July): 373-375.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). *The Dynamics of Knowledge Regimes: Technology, Culture, & Competitiveness in the USA & Japan*, by Dengjian Jin, *Asian Business & Management*, 2 (3-December): 425-429.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). *Fighting Fans: Football Hooliganism as a World Phenomenon*, by E. Dunning, P. Murphy, I. Waddington, and A. Astrinakis (eds.), *Contemporary Sociology*, 32 (4-July): 472-473.

Jacobs, Andrew James. (2002). *No Miracles Here: Fighting Urban Decline in Japan and the United States*, by Theodore Gilman, *Contemporary Sociology*, 31 (3): 308-309.

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Invited Discussion Speaker (Full expenses paid), Jacobs A. J. (2024). The Birth of Hyundai Motor's 'Pony'. Presented May 24 during Globalization of the Automotive Industry and Hyundai Motor's 'Pony' – International Conference, hosted by the Korea University's Research Institute of Korean Studies' Pony-Chung Archive Research Cluster, Seoul, May 23-25

Invited Presenter (Full expenses paid), Jacobs A. J. (2024). Hyundai Motor and the Early Korean Auto-Industry, 1962-1996. Presented May 23 during Globalization of the Automotive Industry and Hyundai Motor's 'Pony' – International Conference, hosted by the Korea University's Research Institute of Korean Studies' Pony-Chung Archive Research Cluster, Seoul, May 23-25.

Invited Presenter, Jacobs A. J. (2022). Industrial and Economic Inequality in the Detroit/US, Toronto/CA, and Nagoya/JP Regions. Presented September 19, during the Competence Field Metropolis Research (KoMet)/University Alliance Ruhr in Germany's (UA Ruhr) Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions IV, Cincinnati, September 19-20, [https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/in-east/events/program\\_tc\\_cincinnati.pdf](https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/in-east/events/program_tc_cincinnati.pdf).

Invited Panelist, Jacobs A. J. (2022). Comparing Urban Transformation Experiences and Approaches in Germany & the U.S. Presented March 4, during the KoMet/UA Ruhr's Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions III, Dortmund and Essen, Germany, March 2-5, [https://metropolenforschung.uaruhr.de/media/program\\_tc\\_dortmund\\_komet.pdf](https://metropolenforschung.uaruhr.de/media/program_tc_dortmund_komet.pdf)

Invited Presenter, Jacobs A. J. (2022). Bochum Car Cluster in Light of the Changing EU Motor Vehicle Industry. Presented March 4, during the KoMet/UA Ruhr's Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions III, Dortmund and Essen, Germany, March 2-5. <https://metropolenforschung.uaruhr.de/en/outreach/travelling-conference/>.

Invited Presenter, Jacobs A. J. (2020). Foreign Transplants in the Age of NAFTA. Zoom presentation, August 14, Auto Industry since NAFTA conference, University of Toronto.

Invited Panelist, Jacobs A. J. (2019). Policy Transfer and Learning: From the West to South. Presented November 21, during the KoMet/UA Ruhr's Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions II, Ulsan, South Korea, November 21-22, [https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/in-east/events/program\\_tc\\_ulsan.pdf](https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/in-east/events/program_tc_ulsan.pdf).

Invited Speaker, Jacobs A. J. (2019). A Short History of Korean Carmakers in North America. November 20 at GNU's Department of Economics' Colloquium Series, Jinju, South Korea.

Invited Presenter, Jacobs A. J. (2019). Industrial Restructuring & Expanding Income Stratification in Japan's MMAs, 1990-2017. Presented November 18, during the KoMet/UA Ruhr's Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions I, Osaka, Japan, November 18-19, <https://log.osaka.ur-plaza/wp1/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2019111819E.pdf>

Jacobs, A.J. (2017). Shifting Locations in the European Motor Vehicle Industry: Impacts on Belgium's Urban Regions. Presented August 31, during the 2017 Royal Geographical Society (RGS) Conference, London, England, August 29-September 1.

Invited Speaker, Jacobs, A. J. (2017). Shifting Locations in the European Motor Vehicle Industry: The Impacts on Belgium's Auto Producing Regions. May 18 at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels Urban Studies Center. Brussels, Belgium.

Invited Speaker, Jacobs, A. J. (2017). Symbolic Urban Spaces and the Political Economy of Local Collective Memory: A Comparison of Hiroshima and Nagoya, Japan. April 6 for the University of Vienna's Department of East Asian Studies Speaker Series, Vienna, Austria.

Jacobs, A. J. (2016). Shifting Locations in the European Motor Vehicle Industry: The Impacts on Urban Regions in the former East Germany. Presented August 31, during the 2016 RGS Conference, London, England, August 30-September 2.

Jacobs, A. J. (2016). The City as the Nexus: Bridging the State, Market, Societal, and Geospatial Contexts. Presented August 30, 2016 RGS Conference, London, August 30-September 2.

Invited Speaker, Jacobs, A. J. (2016). The City as the Nexus: Bridging the State, Market, Societal, and Geospatial Contexts, March 11, Lulea Technical Univ. Human Work Science Division, "Attract – Attractive and Sustainable Cities in Cold Climates Project," Lulea, Sweden.

Jacobs, A. J. (2015). The City as the Nexus: Bridging the Sub-national, National, and International Contexts. Presented August 28, during the *European Sociological Association (ESA) 2015 Conference*, Prague, Czechia, August 25-28.

Jacobs, A. J. (2014). Semi-periphery or Perimeter of the Periphery? Auto FDI in Slovakia's Bratislava-Zilina Corridor. Presented August 17, during the 2014 *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, August 16-19.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Shifting Production Bases and Semi-dependent Development: Comparing CEE and Western European Auto Agglomerations. Presented August 31, during the *ESA 2013 Conference*, Turin, Italy, August 28-31.

Jacobs, A. J. (2013). Semi-dependent Development: FDI and Slovakia's Bratislava-Zilina Auto Agglomeration. Presented May 11, during the European Association of Geographers, EUROGEO Conference 2013, Bruges, Belgium, May 9-11.

Jacobs, A. J. (2012). Expanding but Still Not American-Like Inter-Municipal Inequality: Income Stratification in the Tokyo Metropolitan Region, 1980-2007. Presented February 25, during the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, February 24-28.

Jacobs, A. J. (2010). NAFTA's Impacts on Auto Supplier Firms in Canada and the USA: A Comparison of Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe and the Detroit-Windsor-Toledo Auto Agglomeration. Presented October 23, during the 2010 Midwest Association of Canadian Studies (MWACS) Conference, Windsor, Ontario, October 22-24.

Jacobs, A. J. (2009). Embedded Unevenness in Central Tokyo: A Comparison of Koto and Kita-Ku. Presented June 20, during the Asian Studies Conference-Japan, Tokyo, June 20-21.

Jacobs, A. J. (2008). The Return of Just-in-Case Production Chains? The Impacts of NAFTA and 9/11 on Distribution Clusters in New Jersey, Ohio, and Ontario. Presented February 24, during the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society (ESS), New York, February 21-24.

Jacobs, A. J. (2007). Do Canadians and Americans Have Different Perspectives of the City? Urban Policy, Space, and Collective Memory. Presented April 26, during the 2007 Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Conference, Seattle, WA, April 25-28.

Jacobs, A. J. (2006). Embedded Neighborhoods and Unevenness: A Comparison of Central Tokyo's Koto and Kita-Ku Districts. Presented April 20, during the 2006 UAA Conference, Montreal, Quebec, April 19-22.

Jacobs, A. J. (2005). Urban Space and Collective Memory: Do Canadians and Americans Have Dialectical Perspectives on the Meaning of City? Presented June 1, during the 2005 Congress for

the Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS)/2005 Meeting of the Canadian Sociological and Anthropology Association (CSAA), London, Ontario, Canada, May 28-June 5.

Jacobs, A. J. (2004). Learning Cities, the Creative Class, & Economic Embeddedness: A Comparison of Columbus (OH) & Saitama (Japan). Presented December 10, during the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Regional & Urban Development (RC 21) Conference. Singapore, December 9-11.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). The Global Restructuring of Production and its Impact on Japanese Society. Presented April 18, during the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society (MSS), Chicago, April 16-19.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). Devolving Authority and Expanding Autonomy in Japanese Prefectures & Municipalities. Presented April 16, during the 2003 MSS, Chicago, April 16-19.

Jacobs, A. J. (2003). Deindustrialization and Growing Economic Inequality: Japan's Great U-Turn? Presented March 28, during the 2003 North Central Sociological Association (NCSA) Conference, Cincinnati, March 27-29.

Jacobs, A. J. (2002). Hiroshima at the Dawn of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Presented April 4, during the 2002 Annual Meeting of the MSS, Milwaukee, April 4-7.

Jacobs, A. J. (2002). A Weberian Look at Japanese Cities. Presented March 9, during the 2002 Annual Meeting of the ESS, Boston, March 7-10.

Jacobs, A. J. (2001). Inter-local Collaboration in Saitama and Hiroshima, Japan: Lessons for the United States. Presented November 11, during Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning's (ASCP) 2001 Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH, November 8-11.

Jacobs, A. J. (2001). Intergovernmental Collaborative Planning: International Lessons for the United States. Presented November 11, during ASCP's 2001 Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH, November 8-11.

Jacobs, A. J. (2001). Is Local Autonomy Really Limited in Japan? Varied Municipal Authority & the Role of Prefectures in the Japanese Developmental State. Presented June 15, during RC 21 Conference, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, June 15-17.

Jacobs, A. J. (2000). Integrated Master Planning, Growth Management, and Corporate Commitment: A Recipe for Thriving Central Cities in Aichi, Japan. Presented November 5, during the ASCP's 2000 Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2-5.

Jacobs, A. J. (1999). The Relationship among Political-Economic Context, Inter-municipal Relations, and Metropolitan Development: A Framework for Cross-Metropolitan Analysis. Presented July 29, during the *RC 21 Conference*, Shanghai, China, July 28-31.

Jacobs, Andrew James (1998). Institutional Context, Intergovernmental Relations, and Metropolitan Development: A Comparison of the Detroit and Nagoya Auto Regions. Presented December 20, during the RC 21 Conference, Hiroshima, Japan, December 19-20.

### **OTHER ACADEMIC CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

Co-chair of Organizing Committee, Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions IV. Convened in Cincinnati, September 19-20, 2022.

Expert Panelist, Session on Industrial Restructuring in South Korea, November 22, BMBF Traveling Conference on Urban Transformations in Industrial Regions II, Ulsan, South Korea, November 21-22.

Chair/Discussant, session: Urban Growth and Development. August 31, during the 2017 RGS Conference, London, England, August 29-September 1, 2017.

Discussant, session: Urban Exclusions. August 28, during the ESA 2015 Conference, Prague, Czech, August 25-28, 2015.

Discussant, session: Economic Geography, May 11, during the European Association of Geographers, EUROGEO Conference 2013, Bruges, Belgium, May 9-11, 2013.

Discussant/Presenter: Ethnic Geography Distinguished Scholar-Joe T. Darden. March 10, during the 2006 Association of American Geographers Conference, Chicago, March 7-11, 2006.

Organizer/Chair, session: Urban & Community, June 1, during the 2005 CHSS/CSAA Annual Meetings, London, Ontario, Canada, May 28-June 5, 2005.

Chair/Discussant, session: Environment and Society. June 1, during the 2005 CHSS/CSAA Annual Meetings, London, Ontario, Canada, May 28-June 5, 2005.

Organizer/Chair, roundtable session: Development. June 1, during the 2005 CHSS/CSAA Annual Meetings, London, Ontario, Canada, May 28-June 5, 2005.

Organizer/Presider, session: The Relationship between Urban Space and Collective Memory: Have Americans Created an Ahistorical, Counter-Memory of Cities. Scheduled for 2005 NCSA Conference, Pittsburgh, April 7-10, 2005 (did not attend due to the passing of my mother).

Organizer/Presider, session: Uneven Metropolitan Development in the Global Age: Does the Local Still Have Meaning? Held during the 2005 NCSA Conference, Pittsburgh, April 7-10, 2005 (did not attend due to the passing of my mother).

Organizer/Presider, session: The Political Economy of Globalization and its Impact on Urban Society. April 16, during the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the MSS, Chicago, April 16-19, 2003.

Assistant Chair, Local Arrangement Committee, 2003 NCSA Conference, Cincinnati, March 27-29, 2003. Contact: Joan Ferrante, Chair, Northern Kentucky U., ferrantej@nku.edu

Organizer/Presider, session: Political Economy and the Global Restructuring of Production: Growing or Declining Economic Inequality? March 28 during the 2003 NCSA Conference, Cincinnati, March 27-29, 2003.

Discussant, session: Urban Ecology and Ideology. March 9, during the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the ESS, Boston, MA, March 7-10, 2002.

Discussant, session: The Market and Political Economy. March 8, during the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the ESS, Boston, MA, March 7-10, 2002.

Organizer/Moderator, session: Intergovernmental Collaborative Planning: International Lessons for the United States. November 11, during the ACSP's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH, November 8-11, 2001.

Moderator, session: State Planning and Local Governments. November 5, during the ASCP's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 5, 2000.

Invited Keynote Speaker, panel presenter at the conference: Managing Megacities: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Challenges and Opportunities, sponsored by Far Eastern University, Manila, Philippines, November 2-4, 2000 (U.S. State Department prohibited my attendance due to civil unrest).

#### **OTHER WRITTEN WORK**

Jacobs, Andrew James (1999). Intergovernmental Relations and Uneven Development in the Detroit (U.S.) and Nagoya (Japan) Auto Regions. Unpublished Dissertation. Michigan State U.

Jacobs, Andrew James (1988). Small Business Incubators: Is a Community Based Approach a Worthwhile Economic & Community Development Strategy? Unpublished Masters' Thesis. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

#### **FUNDED PROFESSIONAL PLANNING GRANTS**

Co-author with Lula Sanders (1991). Red Hill Community Development Block Grant Housing Project. Johnston County Community Development, Smithfield, NC. (\$500,000).

Co-author with Rex Todd (1990). Town of Garner, NC Community Development Block Grant. Department of Community Development (\$600,000).

#### **ADVISING/THESIS/DISSERTATION COMMITTEES**

Senior Academic Advisor, ECU Ethnic Studies minors, 2017-2022

Member, Ph.D. Committee, Eugenia Segerstedt, Lulea University of Technology, Division of Human Work Science, Department of Sociology, Lulea Sweden, 2015-2020

Member, Ph.D. Committee, Makoto Ikegaya, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Department of Geography, 2015-2018

Academic Advisor, ECU, M.A. in Sociology students, 2010-2014

Academic Advisor, ECU, B.S. in Sociology students, 2006-2010, 2015-2023

Academic Advisor, UC Planning, Third-and Fourth Year BUP students, 2000-2004

Chair, 23 Masters' Thesis Committee, Michigan State University Urban Planning Program, 1999-2000; UC Planning, 2000-2005; ECU Sociology, 2005-present

Chair, 10 Bachelors' Thesis Committee, UC School of Planning, 2000-2005

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

### Professional Community Activities

Commissioner, City of Greenville, NC, Redevelopment Commission, 2019-2021  
Member, First Tuesday Citizens Planning Group, City of Greenville, NC, 2018-2020

### Editorial Board Memberships

*The Open Transportation Journal*, Bentham OPEN, 2017-2022  
*The Open Urban Studies & Demography Journal*, Bentham OPEN, 2014-2022  
Founding Board, *Sociology of Development Journal*. Journal of the American Sociological Association's Section on Development, 2011-2012  
*The Open Area Studies Journal*, Bentham OPEN, 2008-2014  
*The Open Urban Studies Journal*, Bentham OPEN, 2007-2014

### Article Manuscript Referee

Reviewed 46 articles for 18 academic journals (alphabetically): *Asian Business & Management*; *Canadian Journal of Regional Science*; *Cities*; *City & Community*; *Economic Development Quarterly*; *Governance*; *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*; *Journal of Contemporary History*; *Journal of Urban Affairs*; *Sociological Perspectives*; *Sociological Quarterly*; *Sociology Compass*; *Sociological Spectrum*; *Swiss Political Science Review*; *The American Journal of Political Science*; *The Open Urban Studies Journal*; *Urban Geography*; *Urban Studies*.

### Book Manuscript Reviewer

Reviewed 49 course textbooks and monographs for Cengage; Cornell Univ. Press/ILR; Flat World; McGraw-Hill; Michigan State Univ. Press; Norton; Oxford; Palgrave-Macmillan; Partners in Publishing; Pearson; Rowan & Littlefield; Sage; Springer, and Taylor & Francis/Routledge.

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

### Departmental Committees

Personnel, Promotion & Tenure Committee, ECU Dept of Earth, Environment & Planning 2025-  
Chair, Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure Committee, ECU Sociology, 2024  
Member, Department of Sociology Chair, 5-year reappointment review committee, 2023-2024  
Member, ECU Community and Regional Planning Program Curriculum Committee, 2023-  
Chair, Academic Program Review Committee, ECU Sociology, 2020-2021  
Personnel, Promotion & Tenure Committee, ECU Sociology, 2011-2024  
Graduate Studies (Curriculum) Committee, ECU Sociology, 2009-2018, 2020-present  
Committee Chair 2010-2014  
Chair's Strategic Planning Task Force, ECU Sociology, 2008-2014  
University Curriculum Committee Liaison for ECU Sociology, 2009-2010  
Undergraduate Studies (Curriculum) Committee, ECU Sociology, 2007-2009, 2018-2020  
Assistant Professor Search Committee, ECU Sociology, 2007-2008.  
Bachelor of Urban Planning Curriculum Review Committee, UC Planning, 2001-2004  
B.S. in Urban Studies Curriculum Review Committee, UC Planning, 2001-2004  
Assistant Professor Search Committee, UC Planning, 2001-2002  
Visiting Assistant Professor of Planning Search Committee, UC Planning, 2000-2001  
Reappointment, Promotion, & Tenure Committee, UC Planning, 2000-2004

### **Selected College and University Service**

Ethnic Studies Committee, ECU Harriot College of Arts & Sciences, 2010-2022

Asian Studies Committee, ECU Harriot College of Arts & Sciences, 2009-2014

University Athletic Committee, ECU, 2010-2013

Institute for Global Studies & Affairs, Japan Sub-committee, University of Cincinnati, 2000-05

### **MEDIA INTERVIEWS/APPEARANCES (on-air and in news stories)**

Featured participant in the May 21, 2025 NPR Broadcast, Bisaha, Stephan, Wailin Wong, Cooper Katz McKim, & Kate Concannon (2025). The old trade war that brought foreign carmakers to the U.S. *NPR, The Indicator from Planet Money*, Published May 21, 2025 @ 3:00 AM ET, audio link, <https://www.npr.org/2025/05/21/1252663606/the-old-trade-war-that-brought-foreign-carmakers-to-the-us>.

Revised rebroadcast of radio interview, published with online audio transcript on Simon, Scott (2025). National Public Radio (*NPR*) *Weekend Edition* as: Bisaha, Stephan (2025). 40 Years Ago, Tariffs Rescued the Auto Industry during a Different Trade War, April 26 @ 8:47 AM ET, Heard on *NPR Weekend Edition Saturday*, <https://www.npr.org/2025/04/26/nx-s1-5377265/40-years-ago-tariffs-rescued-the-auto-industry-during-a-different-trade-war>;

— WUSF 89.7 FM-Tampa Bay, April 26 @ 8:47 AM, *University of South Florida —Tampa Bay, NPR Station News*, <https://www.wusf.org/2025-04-26/40-years-ago-tariffs-rescued-the-auto-industry-during-a-different-trade-war>.

— WVIA 89.9 FM-Pittston, PA, April 26 @ 8:47, *Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania's Public Media Station*, <https://www.wvia.org/news/business/2025-04-26/40-years-ago-tariffs-rescued-the-auto-industry-during-a-different-trade-war>,

—WLRH 89.3-Huntsville, April 26 at 7:47 AM CDT, *University of Alabama-Huntsville Public Radio*, <https://www.wlrh.org/2025-04-26/40-years-ago-tariffs-rescued-the-auto-industry-during-a-different-trade-war>.

— WGLT 89.1 FM-Bloomington-Normal, IL, April 26 at 7:47 AM CDT, *Illinois State University NPR*, <https://www.wglt.org/2025-04-26/40-years-ago-tariffs-rescued-the-auto-industry-during-a-different-trade-war>

Interviewed and quoted in the NPR radio broadcast and the online story: Bisaha, Stephan (2025). Trade wars grew America's auto industry: Historians warn today's tariffs won't. *Gulf States Newsroom*. Published/aired on April 23 @ 7AM CDT by WBHM 90.3 FM-Birmingham, *NPR News for the Heart Alabama* and WBHM.org, <https://wbhm.org/2025/trade-wars-grew-americas-auto-industry-historians-warn-todays-tariffs-wont/>;

— WMPN 91.3-Jackson, April 23 @ 7AM CDT, *Mississippi Public Broadcasting (MPB) News and mpbonline.org*, <https://www.mpbonline.org/blogs/news/trade-wars-grew-americas-auto-industry-historians-warn-todays-tariffs-wont/>;

— WWNO 89.9 FM-New Orleans, April 23 @ 7AM CDT, *New Orleans Public Radio* and WWNO.org, <https://www.wwno.org/economy/2025-04-23/trade-wars-grew-americas-auto-industry-historians-warn-todays-tariffs-wont/>;

— WRKF 89.3 FM-Baton Rouge, April 23 @ 7AM CDT, *Baton Rouge Public Radio* and wrfk.org, <https://www.wrkf.org/2025-04-23/trade-wars-grew-americas-auto-industry-historians-warn-todays-tariffs-wont/>;

— KRVS 88.7 FM-Lafayette, April 23 @ 7AM CDT, *Public Radio for Acadiana*, <https://www.krvs.org/louisiana-news/2025-04-23/trade-wars-grew-americas-auto-industry-historians-warn-todays-tariffs-wont/>.

Interviewed on July 12, 2024 but not quoted in the online story: Bisaha, Stephan (2024). The UAW's union dreams seemed unstoppable. Then came the realities of the South. *WBHM.org/NPR News for the Heart Alabama*. Published July 19, 2024, <https://wbhm.org/2024/the-uaws-union-dreams-seemed-unstoppable-then-came-the-realities-of-the-south/>.

Quoted in the NPR online news story: Hsu, Andrea and Stephan Bisaha (2024). Unions double-down in the Deep South: Can Alabama pave the way? Published May 6, 2024, <https://www.npr.org/2024/05/06/1247879607/alabama-i20-unions-uaw-mercedes-amazon-south-right-to-work>.

Interviewed for, but not quoted in the online story: Bisaha, Stephan. (2024). Why this vote at a Tennessee Volkswagen plant is historic for the South. *NPR: All Things Considered*, published April 17, <https://www.npr.org/2024/04/17/1244279860/volkswagen-uaw-south-union-election-chattanooga-tennessee>.

Quoted in the CNN online written news story: Meyersohn, Nathaniel (2023). 'UAW bump': Toyota, Honda and Hyundai are raising wages. *CNN.com*, published November 14 @ 3:31 PM EST, <https://edition.cnn.com/2023/11/14/cars/uaw-labor-toyota-honda-hyundai/index.html>.

Featured participant in the November 2, 2023 NPR Radio Broadcast: Bisaha, S., D. Woods, J. Ritchey, and K. Concannon (2023). How the South is Trying to Win the EV Race. *NPR, The Indicator from Planet Money*, Published November 2 @ 5:46 PM ET, <https://www.npr.org/2023/11/02/1197956548/evs-automakers-incentives-southeast>.

Quoted in the *NPR Morning Edition* on-air radio segment, Bisaha, Stephan (2023). Here's one potential winner from the UAW strike: Non-union auto workers in the South, heard on NPR national morning broadcasts on September 22. <https://www.npr.org/2023/09/22/1200875078/south-non-union-uaw-strike-foreign-automakers>.

Quoted in the NPR online written news story: Bisaha, Stephan (2023). Here's one potential winner from the UAW strike: Non-union auto workers in the South. *NPR, Gulf States Newsroom Service*, published September 22 @ 5AM CT, <https://www.npr.org/2023/09/22/1200875078/south-non-union-uaw-strike-foreign-automakers>.

Interviewed by Asahi TV Tokyo on August 8, 2012 for the on-air story: Ichiro the MLB all-star. Interview aired on the Asahi Evening News, August 9, 2012.

Interviewed for and quoted by WRAL-Raleigh sports director Dane Huffman in his written online story: Huffman, D. (2007). ECU Faculty Say Length of Suspension Appropriate. August 31, <http://www.wral.com/sports/story/1765457/>. The story was regarding the suspension of ECU football player Rob Kass for the Virginia Tech football game due to his arrest on a DUI charge. Interviewed by Joe Cogliano II and quoted on development issues in the story: Cogliano, J. (2003). Storefronts blend in with the Environment. *Dayton Business Journal*, October 27, <http://dayton.bizjournals.com/dayton/stories/2003/10/27/focus2.html>.

Guest on *Metro Live!* Television talk show hosted by Dr Maxie Jackson, Jr., Michigan State University, Urban Affairs Programs. Topic: "Affirmative Action." *WELM-TV 30* in East Lansing, October 11, 1995.