

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION WEEK

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Rashawn Ray, PhD, is a David M. Rubenstein Fellow at The Brookings Institution. He is also a Professor of Sociology and Executive Director of the Lab for Applied Social Science Research at the University of Maryland, College Park. He is one of the co-editors of *Contexts Magazine: Sociology for the Public*.



Dr. Ray regularly testifies at the federal and state levels on racial equity, policing and criminal justice reform, health policy, wealth and family policy. He has published over 50 books, articles and book chapters, and roughly 50 op-eds. He has written for the *Washington Post*, *New York Times*, *Business Insider*, *Newsweek*, *NBC News*, *The Guardian*, *The Hill*, *Huffington Post*, *The Conversation* and *Public Radio International*. Dr. Ray has appeared on CNN, MSNBC, BBC, CBS, C-Span, PBS, NPR, HLN and Al Jazeera. His research is cited in *Associated Press*, *Bloomberg*, *Financial Times*, *The Root* and *The Chronicle*.

Dr. Ray's research addresses the mechanisms that manufacture and maintain racial and social inequality with a particular focus on policing, health disparities and voting behavior. His work also speaks to ways that inequality may be attenuated through racial uplift activism and social policy. His academic articles have appeared in the *American Journal of Sociology*, *Science Advances*, *Social Science Research*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *Du Bois Review* and the *Annual Review of Public Health*. His books include "How Families Matter: Simply Complicated Intersections of Race, Gender, and Work" (with Pamela Braboy Jackson) and "Race and Ethnic Relations in the 21st Century: History, Theory, Institutions, and Policy," which has been adopted over 40 times in college courses.

He is on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook @SociologistRay.

Dr. Ray will present at the following 2021 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Week event:

- **"Becoming a Racial Learner, Advocate, and Broker: Forming a Racially-inclusive Sociological Imagination"**
Thursday, July 22 (Noon to 1 p.m., Zoom)