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She's also the executive director at the New York Census Research Data Center (NYCRDC), one of 10 secure facilities in the country offering restricted-access data to researchers whose projects are approved by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Professor Gibson earned a BS in Economics and International Relations from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, an MA and a PhD, both in Public Policy from the University of Chicago.

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Ingrid Gould Ellen, the Paulette Goddard Professor of Urban Policy and Planning, is a Faculty Director at the Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy. She joined the NYU Wagner faculty in the fall of 1997 and presently teaches courses in microeconomics, urban economics, and urban policy. Professor Ellen's research interests center on housing and urban policy. She is author of Sharing America's Neighborhoods: The Prospects for Stable Racial Integration (Harvard University Press, 2000) and has written numerous journal articles and book chapters

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related to housing policy, community development, and school and neighborhood segregation. Professor Ellen has held visiting positions at the Department of Urban Studies and Planning at MIT, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Urban Institute and the Brookings Institution. She attended Harvard University, where she received a bachelor's degree in applied mathematics, an M.P.P., and a Ph.D. in public policy.

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She is the lead author of Preparing U.S. Workers and Employers for an Autonomous Vehicle Future with Susan Helper, John Paul MacDuffie and Charles Carson. She also co-authored How New is the "New Employment Contract"? from W.E. Upjohn Institute Press and co-edited Structural Changes in U.S. Labor Markets: Causes and Consequences, from M.E. Sharpe, Inc. Dr. Groshen received the 2017 Susan C. Eaton Outstanding Scholar-Practitioner Award from the Labor and Employment Relations Association. She holds a Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University and a B.S. in mathematics and economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

JIM HELD, PHD, Senior Research Fellow, Center for International Business Advancement

Jim Held is a Senior Research Fellow at the Center for International Business Advancement (CIBA), Binghamton University. Before joining CIBA in May 2020, Jim was the Research Director at Empire State Development, the lead economic development agency for New York State. He specialized in regional economic analysis and industry cluster research and has also

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BROOK JACKSON, Vice President, Policy, Partnership for New York City

Brook Jackson is a Vice President at Partnership for New York City, a membership organization made of the city's business leaders and largest private employers who are committed to sharing expertise and resources to build a healthier economy and more resilient region. As a highly motivated urban policy expert, she enjoys building consensus and developing initiatives to tackle some of the most pressing challenges that global cities face today. She has more than a decade of management and strategy experience in the nonprofit and private sectors.

Her professional goals are to design pragmatic solutions by collaborating with diverse stakeholders that benefit residents and the economy. Climate, energy and infrastructure, topics aligned with urban resilience, are the primary topics on which she focuses.

JACLYN KELLY, Director, Ed.M., Labor Market Information Service (LMIS), Center for Urban Research, CUNY Graduate Center

Jaclyn Kelly was appointed Director of LMIS in 2020 after previously serving the organization as Deputy Director and in a research leadership capacity. She is passionate about conducting research that promotes strong outcomes for mission-driven organizations and their clients, and has over two decades of experience working to achieve that.

Prior to joining LMIS, Jaclyn directed research and evaluation at both Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF) and at PENCIL. She is trained in the Co-Active® model of leadership coaching and works closely with educational institutions, workforce nonprofits, and researchers to ensure LMIS is accelerating analysis-driven decision-making and practices.

Jaclyn has been a Presidential Research Fellow (2013) and Quantitative Reasoning Fellow (2014, 2016) at the CUNY Graduate Center, and a Global Social Innovation Fellow at Duke University's Sanford School of Public Policy (2015). She holds a BS in Psychology from Carnegie Mellon University, an Ed.M. in Measurement and Evaluation from Columbia University, and is a doctoral candidate at the CUNY Graduate Center in Political Science.

Jaclyn believes we should all be critical consumers of data and are all capable of understanding and analyzing (even enjoying!) it, and those beliefs inform her work as an adjunct faculty member at City College and Long Island University, Brooklyn, where she teaches undergraduate and graduate-level courses in research methods, program evaluation, and statistical analysis.

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Dr. Anindya Kundu is a sociologist who studies the contexts that allow youth and young adults to thrive. He leads the research team at LMIS and guides the organization's research agenda. Anindya researches how students and professionals can navigate around personal, social, and institutional challenges to succeed, as well as strategies for improving pathways to opportunity--in both workforce and higher education. He currently serves as a member of the Citywide Career and Technical Advisory Council for The NYC Department of Education. Anindya's book, The Power of Student Agency, is being published by Teachers College Press in June 2020. It has been endorsed by Dr. Pedro Noguera and Dr. Angela Duckworth, among many other influential scholars and education practitioners.

Prior to joining LMIS as the Senior Research Fellow in 2019, Anindya received his Ph.D. at NYU in Sociology of Education. He then served as a Postdoctoral Research Scholar for the HERE to HERE project, leading qualitative research around a large workforce development initiative in the Bronx. Anindya taught several courses at NYU, including "American Dilemmas: Race, Inequality, and the Unfulfilled Promise of Public Education," and "Research in Urban and Minority Education." In 2017, he received the NYU "Outstanding Doctoral Student Teaching Award."

Anindya enjoys connecting research to practice for broad stakeholders and contributing to public discourse. His work has appeared in NPR Education, MSNBC and Huffington Post. He has given two official TED Talks, each with more than 1.5M views, titled "The Boost Students Need to Overcome Obstacles" and "The Opportunity Gap" in U.S. Public Education--and How to Close it."

ABBY MARQUAND, Vice President and Workforce Program Officer, Global Philanthropy, JP Morgan Chase & Co.

Abby Marquand is a Vice President in Global Philanthropy at JPMorgan Chase & Co., a global leader in corporate philanthropy with more than $200 million invested in communities annually. In this role, she is responsible for the firm's workforce development portfolio for the Northeast Region supporting programs that accelerate demand-driven skills and help to create more opportunities for workers in well-paying, middle-skill jobs. She also oversees a $6 million dollar initiative in the Bronx in career readiness for high-school students through the New Skills for Youth initiative. Abby joined the firm in April 2018.

Prior to joining JPMorgan Chase & Co., Abby was Director at the New York Alliance for Careers in Healthcare (NYACH), where her work focused on focused on building capacity within the city's public secondary and post-secondary education systems to support a strong talent pipeline, informed by a network of leading healthcare industry employers and experts.

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Abby has seven years of non-profit experience, as Director of Policy Research at the Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute (PHI), where she led policy and research efforts to improve job quality for the direct-care workforce across the United States. Her work at PHI focused on research to support labor market intermediaries in home and community-based services; state regulation of worker training standards; and strategies for improving wages of front-line workers.

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JOHN MOLLENKOPF, PHD, Director of The Center for Urban Research and Distinguished Professor of Political Science and Sociology at the CUNY Graduate Center

Prof. Mollenkopf is Distinguished Professor of Political Science and Sociology at the CUNY Graduate Center, directs its Center for Urban Research, and chairs the public policy subfield in political science. His teaching and research interests focus on urban politics and public policy, using New York City as a case study in comparison with large cities in the U.S. and Europe to understand urban political mobilization, immigrant political incorporation, and the formation of governing coalitions. His work seeks to understand how urban policy decisions are made and the consequences they have for different groups and interests.

He has authored or edited eighteen books on these subjects, most recently Unsettled Americans: Metropolitan Context and Civic Leadership for Immigrant Integration (Cornell University Press, 2016), co-edited with Manuel Pastor. He also co-edited Bringing Outsiders In: Transatlantic Perspectives on Immigrant Political Incorporation (Cornell University Press, 2009) with Jennifer Hochschild. His book with Philip Kasinitz, Mary Waters, and Jennifer Holdaway, Inheriting the City: The Children of Immigrants Come of Age (Russell Sage Foundation, 2010), won the Distinguished Book Award of the American Sociological Association, the Thomas and Znaniecki Award of the ASA Immigration Section, and the Mirra Komarovsky Award of the Eastern Sociological Society. His Place Matters: A Metropolitics for the 21st Century (with Peter Dreier and Todd Swanstrom, University Press of Kansas), now in its third edition (2014) won the Michael Harrington Award from the American Political Science Association. He has been a Visiting Scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation and a Fellow at the Center for the Advanced Study of the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford.

Prior to joining the Graduate Center in 1981, he directed the Economic Development Division of the New York City Department of City Planning and taught urban studies and public management at Stanford University. He was also Program Director for Urban Initiatives at the Social Science Research Council, chaired its Committee on New York City, and served on the editorial boards of PS and Urban Affairs Review. He has served as a consultant to many government agencies.

KRISTIN MORSE, Executive Director, Center for New York City Affairs, The New School

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Kristin brings a 25-year commitment to poverty reduction to her leadership role at the Center. She spent much of the last decade leading New York City's Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO), an incubator of cutting-edge anti-poverty initiatives in the Mayor's Office that won the prestigious Kennedy School Award for Innovations in American Government. She had a major role in developing programs that doubled the community college graduation rate, dramatically increased services for disconnected and justice-involved youth, and changed the way poverty is measured. She previously worked with local government leaders in Russia and co-authored a textbook on public policy in economies in transition, piloted education reforms in Brooklyn that were adopted by the New York City Department of Education, researched housing and homelessness issues, and developed and administered programs for battered women. Kristin holds a bachelor's degree from Simon's Rock of Bard College and is a proud alumna of Milano's urban policy graduate program at The New School.

FRED OLAYELE, PHD, Chief Economist, New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC)

Dr. Fred Olayele's diverse career spans banking, government, international development, management consulting, and academia. As Chief Economist and Head of the Economic Research & Policy Group with New York City Economic Development Corporation, he oversees economic research and policy initiatives aimed at making New York City the global model for inclusive growth and innovation. He has consulted widely and advised many public and private organizations in Canada, United States, and Africa –including startups, multinational corporations, and international development agencies. A certified Project Management Professional (PMP), his work cuts across the public, private, philanthropic, and academic sectors – both nationally and internationally.

A Research Professor at the Sprott School of Business, Carleton University, Canada, he has taught strategy and international business in the MBA program; and applied and theoretical economics classes at the University of Regina, Canada. Prior to his current role, he was President & Chief Economist with the Global Economic Institute – where he championed internationalization through the triple helix approach. A First Class Honours Economics graduate, his research interests are in trade policy, economic development, energy and climate policy, political economy, and strategic management.

A frequent speaker on trending economic and public policy issues, he sits on the International Advisory Committee of the International Economic Development Council. He is Board Chair, Economic Innovation Institute for Africa. He has published extensively on trade policy and economic development.

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Dayanna Torres is JobsFirstNYC's director of community solutions. She plays a leading role in working with local communities to develop new solutions that are responsive to the

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unique needs of individual neighborhoods. Previously, she was the senior project manager for partnerships and business development at the New York City Economic Development Corporation, where she led projects to spur inclusive economic development and talent pipeline solutions for the city's high-growth industry investments. Prior to that, she was the founding site manager for Single Stop at CUNY's John Jay College and worked at the New York City Housing Authority, where she cultivated partnerships connecting residents to adult education and training, business development, and financial literacy. Dayanna formerly served as Bronx Community Board 5 Youth Committee Chair and currently serves on the board of Women Creating Change. She holds a dual bachelor's degree and two master's degrees from Syracuse University.

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Prior to joining JPMCI, Marvin developed and used microsimulation models to analyze federal policy in the Tax Division of the Congressional Budget Office. Before CBO, he conducted empirical research on local fiscal policy for the Office of Revenue Analysis within Washington D.C.'s Office of the Chief Financial Officer. Prior to serving in government Marvin worked in American University's School of Public Affairs, where he taught courses in budgeting, expenditure analysis, and public administration. While at AU, he also consulted with the World Bank, this time conducting empirical analysis in the execution of public expenditure and institutional reviews of judicial systems in Eastern Europe. Marvin began his career in DC as an Associate with the EOP Group, where he conducted regulatory and statutory analysis in the area of domestic energy policy.

Marvin earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering/Engineering and Public Policy from Carnegie Mellon University. He later attended American University, where he earned an MPP focusing on budgeting & finance, as well as a Ph.D. in Public Administration and Finance.

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She considers herself a data chef, sourcing data from local, state, and federal agencies and offering insight for stakeholders. Programs Jiin and her team support and service at EDC include LifeSci NYC, Food Retail Expansion to Support Health (FRESH), and Industrial Development Agency (IDA).

A product of the NYC public education system, Jiin gives back and supports her community. She served on the Community Education Council (CEC) in Brooklyn's District 15 for two years and functions as an adviser to the current Council. She is an active and Honorary Member of the Citywide Education Council Consortium. Jiin also co-founded a Grants & Funding Workshop, helping public schools find ways to supplement their budgets.

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Dr. You Zheng joined NYCLMIS in September, 2018 as a Research Associate. She is primarily responsible for collecting, analyzing and understanding qualitative and quantitative labor market data to serve various purposes. Her work includes new program needs analysis, education and career training, and workforce development. She brings her research experience in various projects, along with methodological expertise in qualitative and quantitative design.

Previously, she received her PhD in Information Science and Technology from Syracuse University, and a Master's degree in Information Management from The University of Maryland, College Park. Her research interests centered on interaction between technology and people in the organizational settings, and her dissertation studied the knowledge requirements, gaps and learning strategies in the adoption of smart grid technologies in the utility industry.