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ACADEMIC POSITION

2023– Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology, Cornell University

Affiliate:
Brooks School of Public Policy
Cornell Population Center
Center for the Study of Inequality

EDUCATION

2025 M.A., Sociology (Minor: Demography), Cornell University
Committee: Matthew Hall (Chair), Peter Rich (UW-Madison), Douglas Miller (Economics and Public Policy), Kendra Bischoff
Exams: Social Stratification, Demography

2021 B.A., Sociology (Minor: Data Science), University of Washington
Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

RESEARCH AREAS

 Demography, Social Stratification, Race/Ethnicity, Historical Demography, Urban Sociology, Health
 Causal Inference, Computational Methods, Spatial Data Analysis

UNDER REVIEW

- Thelonious Goerz. Racial Segregation and Black-White Longevity Disparities [[working paper](#)] [[replication package](#)]
- Adriana M. Reyes and Thelonious Goerz. Reinforcing Inequality: Within Family Division of Transfers and Bequests [[working paper](#)]

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Thelonious Goerz and Matt Hall. Declining Significance or Changing Bases? Income and Racial Segregation (1970-2020)
- Thelonious Goerz and Adriana M Reyes. Inherited Obligations: How Receiving an Inheritance Shapes Bequest Intentions
- Thelonious Goerz and Jiwon Lee (equal Authorship). Japanese Classification After Internment: Evidence from Linked 1940–1950 Census Records

PRESENTATIONS

- Goerz, T. and Hall, M. Declining Significance or Changing Bases? Income and Racial Segregation (1970-2020)
 - Cornell Inequality Discussion Group, 2026 (scheduled)
 - PAA Oral Session, 2026 (scheduled)
- Hess, C., Yi, Y., Goerz, T., and Hall, M. Experienced Diversity and Social Capital
 - PAA Flash Session, 2026 (scheduled)
- Reyes, A. and Goerz, T. Inequalities in Parental Support in Life and Death
 - PAA Oral Session, 2026 (scheduled)
 - Cornell Gender, Family, and Fertility Working Group, 2025
- Goerz, T. Racial Segregation and Black-White Longevity Disparities
 - University of Washington, CSDE, Computational Demography Working Group, 2024
 - Cornell Inequality Discussion Group, 2024
 - PAA Poster, 2025 (*Poster award winner*)
- Goerz, T. Skin Tone Stratification and The Hispanic Health Paradox
 - Cornell Migration Lab Working Group
 - PAA Poster, 2025
- Goerz, T. Local Age-Composition and Stress: Residential and Activity Space Exposures to Age-peers among Older Adults in Chicago
 - Mobile Apps and Sensors in Surveys, 2024
 - PAA, 2024
 - ASA, 2024

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| 2024- | Cornell University , Ithaca, NY
Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Adriana Reyes |
| 2023 | Cornell University , Ithaca, NY
Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Erin York Cornwell |
| 2021-23 | Johns Hopkins University , Baltimore, MD
Predoctoral Research Fellow |
| 2020-21 | Department of Sociology, University of Washington , Seattle, WA
Research Assistant |
| 2020-20 | Department of Public Health, University of Washington , Seattle, WA
Research Assistant |

TEACHING

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| 2024 | Cornell University , Ithaca, NY
Teaching Assistant, SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology [summer term] |
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HONORS, AWARDS, AND FUNDING

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| 2025 | Research Support Grant, Cornell Population Center, Cornell University |
| 2023-25 | PAA Travel Grant (x3), Cornell Population Center, Cornell University |
| 2023-24 | Sage Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Cornell University |
| 2021 | Howard B. Woolston Award for Academic Excellence, UW Department of Sociology |
| 2021 | University of Washington Honors Program |
| 2021 | American Sociological Association Honors Program |
| 2021 | Mary Gates Undergraduate Research Award, University of Washington (\$5,000) |
| 2020 | Population Health Research Award, UW Population Health Initiative |
| 2018-21 | University of Washington Dean's List |

SKILLS

Software: R, Stata, SQL, L^AT_EX, ArcGIS, MAXQDA, Git, GitHub, Bash
 Languages: English [native]; Spanish [intermediate]

SERVICE

2025-2026 Co-President, Sociology Graduate Student Association

2024-2025 Research Symposium Co-Chair, Sociology Graduate Student Association

2024 Mentor, Consider Cornell Ph.D. Recruitment Experience

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Population Association of America

American Sociological Association

Sections:

Inequality, Poverty and Mobility

Sociology of Population

Community and Urban Sociology