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Current Position

Ph.D. Candidate, Sociology

2023-

Cornell University

Affiliate:

Cornell Population Center
Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality
Cornell Center for Social Sciences

Education

M.A., Sociology and Public Policy

2025

Cornell University

Committee: Matthew Hall (Chair), Peter Rich (UW-Madison), Douglas Miller (Economics and Public Policy), Kendra Bischoff

Exams: Social Stratification, Demography
Minor in Demography

B.A., Sociology

2021

University of Washington, *Cum Laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

Research Interests

📖 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](#)]

Working Papers

Adriana M. Reyes and Thelonious Goerz. Inequalities in Parental Support in Life and Death [*Draft available*]

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 Seg-

regation (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, Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, Computational Demography Working Group, 2024
- Cornell Inequality Discussion Group, 2024
- PAA Poster, 2025
- PAA 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

Goerz, T. "Race, Class, and Light Rail Transit: Examining the Role of High-Income Mobility in Demographic Change"

- ASA, 2021
- PAA, 2022

Research Experience

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

Research Assistant

Teaching

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Teaching Assistant, SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology [summer term] 2024

Honors, Awards, and Funding

Research Support Grant, Cornell Population Center, Cornell University 2025
PAA Travel Grant (x3), Cornell Population Center, Cornell University 2023-25
Sage Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Cornell University 2023-24
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) 2021
Population Health Research Award, UW Population Health Initiative 2020
University of Washington Dean's List 2018-21

Skills

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

Service

Co-President, Sociology Graduate Student Association 2025-2026
Research Symposium Co-Chair, Sociology Graduate Student Association 2024-2025
Mentor, Consider Cornell Ph.D. Recruitment Experience

Affiliations

Population Association of America
American Sociological Association
Sections:
 Inequality, Poverty and Mobility
 Sociology of Population
 Community and Urban Sociology