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### **Education**

Fall 2021  
-Present University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
PhD Sociology  
2020-2021 University of Chicago  
MA in the Social Sciences  
Education Certificate Program  
2016 -2020 Emory University  
BA, summa cum laude  
Major: Sociology

### **Honors and Awards**

Spring 2020: Maroon Scholar Award (merit scholarship for University of Chicago MA program)  
Spring 2020: Sara and Solomon Sutker Outstanding Undergraduate Award (Emory University, Sociology Department)  
Spring 2019: Phi Beta Kappa  
Spring 2018: Michael McQuaide Sociology Student of the Year Award (Oxford College of Emory University)

### **Research Experience**

Fall 2020: Research Assistant, University of Chicago  
I am currently working as a research assistant on a project that aims to assess the effects of Covid-19 relief policies on childcare providers and parents with young children. My role includes recruiting participants and conducting qualitative interviews.  
2019-2020: Honors Thesis (awarded highest honors), Emory University  
My thesis aimed to evaluate the ways that socioeconomic status shapes student extracurricular experiences in an elite college setting. I conceptualized the thesis, submitted it for IRB review, and was approved. I conducted qualitative interviews, transcribed the interviews, and analyzed the data using the qualitative analytical software MAXQDA.  
2019-2020: Research Assistant, Emory University  
I worked as a research assistant for an NSF funded research grant on managerial legitimacy. The principal investigators on the project are two sociology professors, Dr. Karen Hegtvedt and Dr. Cathryn Johnson. I researched survey measures, aided in the development of a survey, and helped with revisions to working papers.  
Fall 2019: Research Assistant, DeKalb County Board of Health  
I joined a research team through an Emory partnership with the DeKalb County public health department. The project aimed to assess the state of men's health in

- Dekalb County, with a special emphasis on assessing racial disparities. I aided in the initial sampling strategy and data collection.
- Fall 2018: Research in Sociology at Emory (RISE) Program, Emory University  
I assisted a graduate student, Kemal Budak, with his dissertation research on the religious socialization of Islamic children. I compiled bibliographies and created summaries of relevant literature. I also conducted a content analysis of educational children's books about Islam.
- 2017-2018: Oxford Research Scholar, Oxford College of Emory University  
Assisted Dr. Deric Shannon with a literature review and several qualitative interviews for a research project on food justice. I helped present the work in progress at the Oxford Research Symposium during spring 2018.

### **Graduate Methods Coursework**

- Winter 2021: Introduction to Causal Inference  
The course includes causal methods, such as regression discontinuity and propensity score matching.
- Fall 2020: Linear Models: From Principles to Practice  
The course involves hands on practice with data analyses, including a replication project of a published paper.
- Fall 2019: Multilevel and Longitudinal Analysis  
I took a graduate longitudinal data analysis course through the Biostatistics Department at the Rollins School of Public Health. Coursework included overview of longitudinal data analysis methods (fixed and random effects, marginal models) and multilevel methods (such as the hierarchical linear model). I used Stata for statistical analysis throughout the course.
- Spring 2019: Applied Regression  
I took a multiple regression graduate course through the Emory University Sociology Department. Coursework included OLS regression and regression with categorical dependent variables (such as logistic regression and poisson regression). The course included an introduction to Stata analytical software.

### **Work Experience**

- Spring 2021: Teaching Assistant, University of Chicago  
TA for a political sociology course. I help grade exams, hold office hours, and collaborate on lessons with professor.
- 2018-2020: Academic Coach, Emory University  
I worked as an academic coach through the tutoring program at Emory. My position involved helping incoming students with the academic transition to college and helping struggling students improve their study skills and access academic resources.
- Summer 2019: Intern, Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students (GEEARS)  
I worked as an intern for GEEARS, the leading Georgia nonprofit for early childhood education advocacy. I helped update social media accounts, facilitated literacy events, and learned about current education issues in Georgia.
- Fall 2018: Youth Futures Program Intern, International Rescue Committee

I interned at the Atlanta office of the IRC for their youth programs staff leader. I helped plan events and tutor refugee youth.

Spring 2018: Writing Tutor, Oxford College of Emory University

I worked at a campus writing center as a tutor, helping students conceptualize and edit their papers and essays.

Fall 2017: Teaching Assistant, Oxford College of Emory University

I worked as a TA for multiple sections of an Introduction to Sociology course. I sat in on the course, met with the professor regularly to discuss student feedback, answered students' inquiries about assignments, and held weekly review sessions.

Summer 2017: Intern, New Haven Reads

I worked at a local literacy nonprofit tutoring students and helping with basic administrative tasks.

### **Languages**

Spanish- Advanced