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EDUCATION

Washington University in St. Louis
Ph.D., Sociology

Saint Louis, MO
Expected May 2031

Williams College
B.A., Sociology & Psychology
Independent Study: *Examining Institutional Storytelling in Eugene, Oregon's CAHOOTS Program; A Narrative Analysis*

Williamstown, MA
June 2026

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Movements, Policing and Social Control, Socionarratology, Political Sociology.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Pathways for Inclusive Excellence Office at Williams College
PIE Fellow

Williamstown, MA
June 2026 - August 2026

Research Project: Increasing access and utilization of resources amongst Williams College Mellon Fellows

The Andrew Mellon Foundation
Research Fellow

Williamstown, MA
2024 - 2026

Research Project: *Reimagining Criminality through Alternative Emergency Response; A Dialogical Narrative Analysis*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Psychology Department at Williams College
Teaching Assistant

Williamstown, MA
Sep. 2024 - Dec. 2024

- Assisted Psychology Statistics professor with course preparation, grading assignments and exams, and relaying student concerns.
- Provided academic support for course material in one-on-one and group tutoring sessions.

Pathways for Inclusive Excellence Office at Williams College
PIE Fellow

Williamstown, MA
June 2026 - August 2026

- Served as an academic resource for first- and second-year Mellon Fellows.
- Worked with fellows to develop research, writing, and presentation skills.

Pathways for Inclusive Excellence Office at Williams College
Resident Mentor - Summer Humanities & Social Science Program

Williamstown, MA
June 2023 - July 2023

- Provided mentorship as well as social, curricular and co-curricular support to first-generation, low-income, and underrepresented students.
- Served as a Teaching Assistant for Professor Christophe Koné *Dolls* course.

PRESENTATIONS

“Reimagining Criminality through Alternative Emergency Response; A Dialogical Narrative Analysis.” Research presented at the Yale Research and Writing Symposium. New Haven, CT, March 2025.

Mental Health Careers: Mental Health Alumni Panel. Moderated panel discussion on mental health career pathways and development. Williamstown, MA, Oct. 2024.

“Reimagining Safety: Shrinking the Police Footprint Through Alternative Emergency Response.” Research presented at the 2024 MMUF Northeast Regional Conference. Williamstown, MA, Nov. 2024.

“Reimagining Safety: Shrinking the Police Footprint Through Alternative Emergency Response.” Research presented at the Williams College Undergraduate Research Symposium. Williamstown, MA, July 2024.

AWARDS, CERTIFICATES, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Friedrichs Award for Excellence in Sociology	2026
Certificate in Conflict Mediation with Metrowest	2025
Andrew Mellon Research Fellowship	2024-2026

HIGHER EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT & LEADERSHIP

Clinical Psychology DEI Committee at Williams College	Williamstown, MA
<i>Committee Member</i>	Oct. 2024 - Dec. 2025

'62 Center for Theatre and Dance at Williams College	Williamstown, MA
<i>House Manager, Assistance House Manager, Usher</i>	Sep. 2024 - June 2026

Williams College Dean's Office	Williamstown, MA
<i>Junior Advisor</i>	May 2024 - June 2025