

Jonathan Dirlam

Curriculum Vitae

The University at Albany, State University of New York
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Education

2018	Ph.D. Sociology. The Ohio State University.
2013	M.A. Sociology. Ohio State University.
2009	M.A. Economics. University of California, Irvine.
2007	B.A. Economics. University of California, San Diego. <i>Summa cum laude</i>
2007	B.A. Sociology. University of California, San Diego. <i>Cum laude</i>

Employment

2020 - Present	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University at Albany, SUNY
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Additional Employment

2023-2024	Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice Fellow, State University of New York
2018-2020	Postdoctoral Research Scholar, Criminal Justice Research Center, Pennsylvania State University
2012-2016	Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University
2011-2018	Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University
2007-2009	Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of California, Irvine
2006-2007	Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of California, San Diego

Research Interests

Criminology, Policing, Law, Health, Life-Course, Work and Occupations, Inequality, Quantitative Methodology, Causal Analysis

Publications

Peer Reviewed Articles

Lee, Heeyoung, Shin, Jungmin, and Dirlam, Jonathan. 2026. "The Influence of Structural Sexism and the #MeToo Movement on Sexual Harassment Complaints in the United States." *The Sociological Quarterly* DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00380253.2026.2705576>

Dirlam, Jonathan. 2026. "Firearm Ownership, Stand Your Ground Laws, and the Killing of Police Officers." *Journal of Crime and Justice* DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2026.2696849>

- Dirlam, Jonathan. 2026. "The Influence of Firearm Laws and Ownership on Citizen Justifiable Homicides." *Discover Public Health* 23. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12982-026-02128-1>
- Dirlam, Jonathan. 2025. "An Examination of Supplementary Homicide Reports and Fatal Encounters Data on Police-Caused Homicides" *Cureus* 17. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.7759/cureus.99376>
- Zheng, Hui, Dirlam, Jonathan, Choi, Yoonyoung, and George, Linda. 2023. "Understanding the Health Decline of Americans in Boomers to Millennials" *Social Science & Medicine* 337. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116282>
- Serrano, Carmen, Vasquez, Elizabeth, Bennett Gayle, DeeDee, Enriquez, Jared, Dirlam, Jonathan, and Yuan, Xiaojun. 2023. "Creating a Model for Faculty Success: Faculty Advancement Initiative for Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and People of Color at the University at Albany" *Journal of Indigenous Research* 11(1). DC: <https://digitalcommons.usu.edu/kicjir/vol11/iss1/2>
- Zheng, Hui, Choi, Yoonyoung, Dirlam, Jonathan, and George, Linda. 2022. "Rising Childhood Income Inequality and Declining Americans' Health" *Social Science & Medicine* 303. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115016>
- Dirlam, Jonathan and Merry, Joseph. 2021. "Challenges in Isolating the Effect of College Attainment and Debt Accumulation on Young Adult Self-Concept" *Sociological Forum* 36(1). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/socf.12664>
- Dirlam, Jonathan, Steidley, Trent, and Jacobs, David. 2021. "A Link to the Past: The Rise of Stand-Your-Ground Laws" *The Sociological Quarterly* 62(4). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00380253.2020.1806757>
- Zheng, Hui, Dirlam, Jonathan, and Echave, Paola. 2021. "Divergent Trends in the Effects of Early Life Factors on Adult Health." *Population Research and Policy Review* 40. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11113-020-09602-x>
- Browning, Christopher, Calder, Catherine, Soller, Brian, Jackson, Aubrey and Dirlam, Jonathan. 2017. "Ecological Networks and Neighborhood Social Organization" *American Journal of Sociology* 122(6). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1086/691261>
- Dirlam, Jonathan and Zheng, Hui. 2017. "Job Satisfaction Developmental Trajectories and Health: A Life Course Perspective" *Social Science and Medicine* 178. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2017.01.040>
- Browning, Christopher, Dirlam, Jonathan, and Boettner, Beth. 2016. "From Heterogeneity to Concentration: Latino Immigrant Neighborhoods and Collective Efficacy Perceptions in Los Angeles and Chicago." *Social Forces* 95(2). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/sow064>
- Jacobs, David and Dirlam, Jonathan. 2016. "Politics and Economic Stratification: Power Resource Differences and Income Inequality in United States." *American Journal of Sociology* 122(2). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1086/687744>
- Zheng, Hui and Dirlam, Jonathan. 2016. "The Body Mass Index-Mortality Link across the Life Course: Two Selection Biases and Their Effects" *PLOS ONE* 11(2). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0148178>

Tope, Daniel, Pickett, Justin, Cobb, Ryon, and Dirlam, Jonathan. 2014. "Othering Obama: Racial Attitudes and Dubious Beliefs about the Nation's First Black President" *Sociological Perspectives* 57(4). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0731121414536140>

Works In Progress

Under Review

Shin, Jungmin, and Dirlam, Jonathan. "Devaluation or Differential Values? The Effect of Occupational Segregation on Wages and Work Values"

Dirlam, Jonathan. "Racial Threat and the Police Use of Lethal Force Over Time"

Choi, In and Dirlam, Jonathan. "The Influence of Work-Family Satisfaction on Health and Health Behaviors Among Married Working Women"

Manuscripts in Progress

Dirlam, Jonathan, Choi, In, and Lee, Heeyoung. "Changes in Gender and Racial Occupational Composition 1972-2019"

Dirlam, Jonathan and Elliot, Lindsey. "Quantitative Literacy Gaps in Sociology Graduate Student Methods Training: Graduate Student Perspectives"

Dirlam, Jonathan, Chao, Samantha, and Lee, Heeyoung. "Content Analysis on the Police Use of Lethal Force"

Dirlam, Jonathan and Lee, Heeyoung. "Eye for an Eye: Reciprocity in the Police Use of Lethal Force and the Killing of Police Officers"

Lee, Yuna and Dirlam, Jonathan. "Content Analysis on DOJ Police Investigation Reports"

Data Infrastructure Projects

Occupational Gender and Racial Segregation Database 1972-2024: Expected Completion Fall 2026

Killing of Police Officers Database 2000-2024: Expected completion Spring 2027

Mass Shootings Database 1980-2025: Expected completion Spring 2027

Grants and Fellowships

Fellowships

2023 Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice Fellowship

Role: DEISJ Fellow

Project: SUNY DEISJ Fellowship Program

Source: State University of New York

Time Period: Summer 2023 – Summer 2024

Total Funding: \$15,000 (**funded**)

2017 Dissertation Fellowship

Role: Dissertation Fellow
 Project: Cycle of Violence: Interconnections between the Killing of Police Officers and Justifiable Homicides Committed by the Police and Citizens
 Source: The Presidential Fellowship, Ohio State University
 Time Period: Fall 2017 – Summer 2018
 Total Funding: \$25,750 (**funded**)

Grant Proposals*2023 NSF Grant*

Role: Co-Investigator
 Project: BILPOC Spark
 Source: National Science Foundation
 Time Period: Fall 2024 – Fall 2029
 Total Funding: \$4,098,047 (**not funded**)

2023 NCGVR Proposal

Role: Principal Investigator
 Project: Mass Shootings in the United States
 Source: The National Collaborative on Gun Violence Research
 Time Period: Fall 2029 – Fall 2021
 Total Funding: \$80,000 (**not funded**)

Minor Awards (less than \$10,000)

2016 CJRC Travel Grant Award (for the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting).
 Ohio State University, \$500
 2015 Langeloth Scholarship (for the 8th Academic and Health Policy Conference on
 Correctional Health), \$2,000
 2013 CJRC Travel Grant Award (for the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting).
 Ohio State University, \$500

Invited Talks

Dirlam, Jonathan. “Are Content Warnings Necessary? Why Creating a Safe and Inclusive Environment is Important When Discussing Sensitive Topics.” Presenter at BILPOC Faculty Group Inaugural Conference, University at Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY, 2024.

Dirlam, Jonathan. “Governance and the Policing Crisis Panel” Presenter at Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy Policing Crisis Conference, University at Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY, 2022.

Conference Presentations

Choi, In, and Dirlam, Jonathan. “The Effects of Work-Family Dissatisfaction on Health and Health Behaviors Among Married Working Females.” Paper presented at 121st Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2026.

Shin, Jungmin and Dirlam, Jonathan. "Devaluation or Differential Values? The Effect of Occupational Segregation on Wages and Work Values." Paper presented at 119th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC, Canada, 2024.

Dirlam, Jonathan. "Managing DEI Discussions in the Classroom." Presenter at The State University of New York DEISJ in the Curriculum Conference, Albany, NY, 2023.

Choi, In, and Dirlam, Jonathan. "Work and Family Conflicts and Health Outcomes: Cumulative Disadvantage of Job and Relationship Dissatisfaction." Poster presented at Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA, 2023.

Dirlam, Jonathan. "The Killing of Police Officers." Paper presented at 75th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA, 2019.

Dirlam, Jonathan. "The Police Use of Lethal Force: A Longitudinal Analysis." Paper presented at 114th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2019.

Dirlam, Jonathan and Merry, Joseph. "Is the Beneficial Effect of College on Self-Esteem and Mastery Overstated?" Paper presented at 113th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA, 2018.

Dirlam, Jonathan. "The Police Use of Deadly Force in Large U.S. Cities." Paper presented at 72nd Annual Meeting of The American Society of Criminology, New Orleans, LA, 2016.

Dirlam, Jonathan and Zheng, Hui. "Job Satisfaction Developmental Trajectories and Health: A Life Course Perspective." Paper to be presented at 111th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA, 2016.

Dirlam, Jonathan and Kosla, Martin. "Gender Composition and Job Satisfaction: Are People Happier in Gender Segregated Jobs?" Paper presented at 110th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, 2015.

Dirlam, Jonathan, Cislo, Andrew, and Aseltine, Robert. "Timing and Causes of Mortality among Former Inmates in Connecticut." Paper presented at 8th Academic & Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health, Boston, MA, 2015.

Zheng, Hui and Dirlam, Jonathan. "The Body Mass Index-Mortality Link across the Life Course: Two Selection Biases and Their Effects." Paper presented at 109th Annual Meeting of The American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 2014.

Dirlam, Jonathan, and Jacobs, David. "Economic Inequality or Racial Threat: The Determinants of Police Strength." Paper presented at 69th Annual Meeting of The American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA, 2013.

Dirlam, Jonathan, and Jacobs, David. "Economic Inequality or Racial Threat: The Determinants of Police Strength." Paper presented at 108th Annual Meeting of The American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2013.

Cobb, Ryon, Tope, Daniel, Pickett, Justin, and Dirlam, Jonathan. "Othering Obama: Racial Attitudes and Dubious Beliefs about the President." Paper presented at 108th Annual Meeting of The American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2013.

Teaching

Courses Taught

- 2020-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
Undergraduate Courses: ASOC 385 Sociology of Law; ASOC 283 Juvenile Delinquency, ASOC 481W The Police
Graduate Courses: ASOC 666 Sociology of Law; ASOC 609 Multivariate Analysis, ASOC 666 Panel Data Management Using the NLSY
- 2011-2018 Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University
Undergraduate Courses: Research Methods in Sociology; Work, Employment and Society; Juvenile Delinquency
Teaching Assistant: Criminology; Introduction to Sociology
- 2007-2009 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of California, Irvine
Teaching Assistant: Economic Accounting Decisions; Labor Economics; Basic Economics 1 and 2
- 2006-2007 Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of California, San Diego
Teaching Assistant: Elements of Economics 1, 2 and 3

Mentoring

Dissertation Committees

Chamanka Gamage, Expected Spring 2028, Committee Member
 Fan Wang, Expected Spring 2028, Committee Member
 Libin Fan, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 Lindsey Elliot, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 Alexander Perry, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 Heeyoung Lee, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 In Choi, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 Jungmin Shin, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Chair
 Chin-Han Chan, Expected Spring 2027, Committee Member
 Maggie Smith, Expected Spring 2027, Public Health Major, Committee Member
 Bonnie Siry-Bove, Expected Fall 2026, Committee Chair
 Dan He, Fall 2023, Committee Member

Master's Thesis Committees

Radhika Prasad, Fall 2024, Committee Member
 Allison Kropf, Spring 2022, Committee Chair

Comprehensive Exam Committees

Xiaoyu Yao, Fall 2026, Medical Sociology, Committee Member
 Amanda Connella, Spring 2026, Sociology of Law, Committee Chair
 Chamanka Gamage, Spring 2026, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member
 Jianheng Huang, Fall 2025, Sociology of Law, Committee Chair
 Yuhang Li, Fall 2024, Quantitative Methods, Committee Member
 Lindsey Elliot, Winter 2024, Sociology of Law, Committee Chair

Heeyoung Lee, Winter 2024, Medical Sociology, Committee Member
 Bonnie Siry-Bove, Fall 2023, Medical Sociology, Committee Chair
 Fan Wang, Fall 2023, Work and Organizations, Committee Chair
 Yuna Lee, Fall 2023, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member
 Heeyoung Lee, Fall 2023, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member
 Jungmin Shin, Winter 2023, Work and Organizations, Committee Chair
 Libin Fan, Fall 2022, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member
 Chin-Han Chan, Winter 2021, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member
 Tawnee Crews, Fall 2021, Crime and Deviance, Committee Member

Undergraduate Student Mentoring

2025-2026, Senior Honor's Thesis Advisor
 2025-2026, Research Supervisor on Police Killings Data Project
 2023-2024, Senior Honor's Thesis Advisor
 Summer 2023, Guest Speaker at UAlbany Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)
 2021-2022, Community Reengagement (Co-Re) Mentor

Service

Department Service

2026-Present	Human Subjects Review Representative, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
2024-2026	Teaching Committee Member, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
2023-Present	Quantitative Research Group Founding Member and Faculty Committee Member, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
2022-2024	Diversity and Inclusion Main and Subcommittee Member, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
2022-2023	Undergraduate Committee Member, Department of Sociology, University at Albany
2021-2024	Sociology Department Liaison, UAlbany in the High School Program, University at Albany
2020-2022	Teaching Committee Member, Department of Sociology, University at Albany

University Service

2022-Present	BILPOC Faculty Advancement Initiative Founding Member and Steering Committee Member, University at Albany
2021	Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Award Committee Member, Graduate School, University at Albany

SUNY Service

2023-2024	Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Social Justice Fellow, State University of New York
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Professional Service

Journal Reviewer:	American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, Sociological Focus, Sociological Forum, Social Problems, Social Forces, Numeracy, Socius, BMJ Open, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, Justice Quarterly, Journal of Health and Social Behavior
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