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## Education

### **University of California, Berkeley**

PhD, Demography (in progress; expected 2023)  
Fields: Formal Demography, Spatial Demography, Statistical Demography  
MA, Demography, 2019

### **Northwestern University**

B.A., Sociology, 2018  
Minor in Critical Theory  
Fields: Quantitative Sociology, Human and Statistical Geography, Transportation, Urban Sociology, Computer Science

## Research

### **Department of Demography, UC Berkeley**

*Graduate Student Researcher—Human Mortality Database*

With: Magali Barbieri, Carl Boe, Celeste Winant

Country Specialist for Belgium, Luxembourg. Worked on county-level mortality estimates using Alexander et al 2017, A Flexible Bayesian Model for Estimating Subnational Mortality

*Should You Believe What You See (And Where You See It) On the Internet? A Geospatial Analysis of Twitter Discourse Leading Up to the 2016 Presidential Election*

Poster to be presented at PAA 2020 (Washington, DC)

*A comparative perspective on small-area mortality estimation in the US using kriging and Bayesian modeling approaches*

With Denys Duhkovnov—Poster to be presented at PAA 2020 (Washington, DC)

### **Department of Sociology, Northwestern University**

*Undergraduate Honors Thesis: Off the Rails—Visual and Statistical Evidence of the Unique Patterns of Racial and Economic Bifurcation around Chicago Public Transportation Stations*

Advisors: Mary Pattillo and Anthony Chen

Using GIS and Spatial Statistical Analysis, I looked at patterns of socioeconomic and racial clustering around Chicago's light rail stations. I found evidence of two distinct types of clusters: concentrated poverty and affluence relative to the surrounding neighborhood.

Breast Cancer Patient Empowerment and Doctor-Patient Decisionmaking Relationships

Advisor: Karrie Ann Snyder

Worked with interview data of 69 women who had recieved treatment for breast cancer. We looked for disparities in patients' role in treatment decisionmaking and sense of empowerment stratified by race, class, and other socioeconomic characteristics. Our findings were published in *Sociology of Health Care* in 2018.

**Department of Political Science, Northwestern University**

Chicago Democracy Project (CDP)

Advisor: Thomas Ogorzalek

I served as webmaster for the CDP's map-based database of Chicago elections. I worked primarily in web development to create a tool for researchers interested in spatial patterns of election results, turnout, and key neighborhood demographics.

**Department of Chemistry, O'Halloran Lab, Northwestern University**

Advisors: Thomas O'Halloran and Amanda Bayer

Conducted research in the organic synthesis of zinc-specific chelators

Grants  
Recieved

**University of California, Berkeley**

*Department of Demography*

*With Dr. Joshua Goldstein*

National Institutes of Health Trainee 2019-2021

**Northwestern University**

*With the CDP under Thomas Ogorzalek*

Office for Undergraduate Research (OUR): Undergraduate Research Assistant Program Academic Year Grant, AY 2017-18

Institute for Policy Research (IPR): Summer Research Fellow, Summer 2017

*For preliminary thesis research under Karrie Snyder*

Weinberg College Summer Grant, Summer 2016

*For work in the O'Halloran Lab*

OUR Summer Undergraduate Research Grant, Summer 2015

Courses  
Taught

**University of California, Berkeley**

Graduate Student Instructor: Demography/Sociology c126: Sex, Death, and Data

Languages

English (native), Spanish (Proficient), Hebrew (Listening)

## and Skills

Extensive Experience: R, R-Spatial (including `sf`, `sp`, `tmap`, and `GDAL`)  
JavaScript (React, GraphQL), PostgreSQL/PostGIS, QGIS, GeoDa  
Proficient: ArcGIS, Python, C++, Leaflet

## Work Experience

Norris University Center  
Productions Assistant, 2017-2018  
Evanston, IL

The House of Findings  
Photographer, 2012-2015  
Brookline, MA and Cambridge, MA

Pediatric Dental Associates of Brookline  
Office Assistant, 2012-2013  
Brookline, MA

## Leadership and Involvement

Mariachi Luz de Oro de Berekeley  
General Member (Guitarron and Vihuela)

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Music Fraternity, Iota Chapter  
Alumni Relations, Education, President, and Province Representative

Mariachi Northwestern  
General Member, Music Director

Northwestern University Wildcat Welcome Peer Advisor  
Responsible for leading a small group, 10-day, first year orientation