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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociology, Emory University [Expected 2019]

*Dissertation: "Talk of Death: American Discourse in Three Spheres"*

*Chairs: Timothy J. Dowd & Frank J. Lechner*

M.A. in Sociology, Emory University [2017]

B.A. in Sociology and Philosophy, The University of Iowa [2013]

*Honors Thesis: "People Got to Be Free: Value Trends in American Popular Music"*

*Advisor: Steven Hitlin*

## PUBLICATIONS

**Bernau, John A.** [Under Review]. "I Wanna Hear Some Jones': Social Identity & Boundary Work in Country Music Lyrics."

Xu, Bin and **John A. Bernau**. [Under Review]. "The Sympathetic Leviathan: How Do Modern States Culturally Respond to Disasters?"

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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| 2018      | Martin Levin ICPSR Training Award. Department of Sociology. Emory University.              |
| 2018-2019 | Digital Humanities Fellowship. Emory Center for Digital Scholarship. Emory University.     |
| 2016      | DHSI Course Scholarship. Emory Center for Digital Scholarship. Emory University. (\$1,200) |
| 2013-2018 | Laney Graduate School Fellowship. Emory University.                                        |
| 2009      | Old Gold Scholarship. The University of Iowa. (\$12,000)                                   |

## TEACHING

### *Instructor*

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| 2018 | SOC 333: Sociology of Religion. Emory University [Spring] |
| 2017 | SOC 333: Sociology of Religion. Emory University [Spring] |

### *Workshop Instructor*

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| 2018 | Data Cleaning and Manipulation in R<br>Emory Center for Digital Scholarship [Spring]                                             |
| 2018 | Data Visualization in R<br>Emory Center for Digital Scholarship // Institute for Quantitative Theory and Methods [Spring(x2)]    |
| 2017 | Data Visualization in R<br>Emory Center for Digital Scholarship // Institute for Quantitative Theory and Methods [Spring & Fall] |
| 2016 | Zotero for Academic Research and Publishing<br>Department of Sociology, Emory University [Spring]                                |

## TEACHING

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### *Teaching Assistant – Emory University*

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|------|----------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------------------|
| 2017 | SOC 506: Applied Regression* [Spring]  | 2015 | SOC 355: Social Research [Spring]            |
| 2016 | SOC 389: Cont. Chinese Culture [Fall]  | 2014 | SOC 457: Dvlp. of Sociological Theory [Fall] |
| 2016 | SOC 343: Mass Media & Society [Spring] | 2014 | SOC 221: Culture & Society [Spring]          |
| 2015 | SOC 101: Intro to Sociology [Fall]     | 2013 | SOC 101: Intro to Sociology [Fall]           |

\*Graduate-level

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2018 “Communion to Compassion: The Changing Language of Death in America,” Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, April 2018. New Orleans, LA.
- 2017 “The Sympathetic Leviathan: How Do Modern States Culturally Respond to Disasters?” Paper presented at the Social Science History Association, November 2017. Montreal, QC, Canada.
- 2017 “From Leibniz to Lefty: Country Music as Theodicy.” Paper presented at the American Sociological Association, August 2017. Montreal, QC, Canada.
- 2016 “‘I Wanna Hear Some Jones’: Benchmarks and Boundary Work in Country Music Lyrics.” Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, April 2016. Atlanta, GA.

## DEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT

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- Chair of Culture and Social Psychology Study Group. Emory University. [Spring 2016]
- Southeastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium. Session Presider. Emory University [Spring 2016]
- New Faculty Hire Candidate Host and Guide [Spring 2015]
- Department of Sociology Graduate Recruitment Committee [2013-2015]

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2016 – Present Digital Scholarship Specialist II  
Emory Center for Digital Scholarship (ECDS)  
Emory University, Atlanta, GA  
*Authored original training materials, led bi-annual half-day workshops on R and data visualization, worked with ECDS staff/faculty on digital projects. Specialization: data visualization, text analysis, WordPress development.*
- 2015 – 2016 Digital Scholarship Specialist I  
Emory Center for Digital Scholarship (ECDS)  
Emory University, Atlanta, GA  
*Worked with faculty, staff, and students on digital research and pedagogy-related questions. Consultation expertise: R, python, data analysis / manipulation / visualization, Canvas, WordPress, Dropbox, EmoryBox, Zotero, Trello, Slack, Timeneye, iMovie, Audacity, high-resolution scanning.*
- 2014 – 2015 Student Supervisor  
Robert W. Woodruff Library Service Desk  
Emory University, Atlanta, GA  
*Supervised undergraduate assistants, served as account and circulation specialist.  
May 2014 - October 2015 (1 year and 5 months)*
- 2014 – 2015 Audio Conservation Assistant  
Audio-Visual Conservation Department  
Emory University, Atlanta, GA  
*Worked with Emory archives in converting analog audio collections to a digital format. Converted cassette tapes, reel-to-reel, and vinyl formats using SoundForge software. (8 months)*