

## Justin Lucas Sola

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### Education

PhD candidate, University of California Irvine (2018-19 Cohort), 4.0 GPA

*Criminology, Law & Society (CLS) Program with Race and Justice Emphasis*

- Elected graduate representative of CLS program in Spring 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Harvard College 2014

*Honors in Social Studies, Secondary in Psychology*

- Senior thesis [\*Guns In The Ideal Society\*](#) based on 36 interviews with police and gun owners

### Publications

- *Forthcoming* (Summer 2021) – **Sola, Justin L.** Transmitting Desire: An Experiment on a Novel Measure of Gun Desirability in a Pandemic. *Sociological Perspectives* (Sociological Perspectives on Guns: A Sociology of Firearms for the 21st Century (*Special Issue*)).
- (2008) **Sola, Justin L.** The New Industrial Revolution in China: Shenzhen and the Migrants Who Created It (1979-2006), *The Concord Review*, Concord, MA.

### Ongoing Publications

- *Under Review* (Summer 2021) – Sykes, B., .... & **Sola, J.** Robbing Peter to Pay Paul: Financial Double-Dealings, Public Assistance, and the Repayment of Criminal Justice Debt. *Russell Sage Foundation*.

### Competitive Funding

**2020** – Division of Teaching Excellence & Inclusion Fellow – \$5,000 – University of California Irvine

**2020** – Graduate Student Research Award – \$1,000 – UCI Center for Psychology & Law

**2018** – Arnie Binder Stipend – \$20,000 over 5 years – UCI School of Social Ecology

### Research Experience

**Graduate Student Researcher, UCI**

**2019-2021**

- (Summer 2019) – Prof. Bryan Sykes – Writing NSF grant investigating the epistemic distortions of case selection and case comparison in social sciences, particularly mixed methods research
- (Spring 2021) – Prof. Simon Cole – Researching the sociology of forensic statistics for [CSAFE](#)

**Irvine Laboratory for the Study of Space and Crime**

**2019-2021**

- Sociology and spatial criminology research group

**Research Assistant, University of Vermont**

**Summer 2012**

- Prof. Eleanor Miller – Research project in microsociology and higher education gender policy

## Teaching Experience

### Teaching Assistant, UCI

2018-2021

- TA for C7 Intro to Criminology, Law & Society (Fall 2018) - Prof. Muñiz
- Sole TA for C110 Community Contexts of Crime (Winter 2019) - Prof. Tita
- Sole TA for C103 US Legal Thought (Spring 2019) - Prof. Seeds
- TA for C7 Intro to Criminology, Law & Society (Fall 2019) - Prof. Dalton
- Sole TA for C106 Crime & Public Policy (Winter 2020) - Prof. Owens
- TA for C7 Intro to Criminology, Law & Society (Spring 2020) - Prof. Reiter
- Sole TA for C132 Forensic Science (Fall 2020) – Prof. Cole
- Sole TA for C164 Social Control of Delinquency (Winter 2021) – Prof. Magidson
- Mean scores exceeding 6 on a 7-point Likert scale

### Division of Teaching Excellence & Inclusion Fellow

Summer 2020

- Trained in inclusive teaching, transitioned courses to remote instruction

### Teaching Assistant, Harvard University

2010-2011

- Developed curricula and taught philosophy in Shanghai during the summer of 2010, under the auspices of Harvard Summit for Young Leaders in China (HSYLC) program

## Academic Service and Volunteer Roles

### Editorial Assistant for *Sociological Perspectives*

2019-2021

### Reviewer for *Criminology*

2020-2021

### CLS Graduate Representative

2019-2020

### Chair of CLS social committee

2019-2020

### Organizer, Civic Series, Boston

2017-2019

### Sophomore Advisor, Harvard University

2017-2019

### Python User Group Founder, Endeavour Partners

2015-2018

### Social Studies Tutor, Harvard University

2014-2018

## Presentations

- **2020 – Sola, Justin L.** Deadly Desires: An Experiment on the Impetus of U.S. Gun Desirability. *Accepted for presentation* as a paper at ASC 2020 Annual Meeting.
- **2020 – Huebner, B., ... Sola, Justin L.** Economic Injustice: Multi-State Studies of Legal and Financial Obligations. *Accepted for presentation* at Thematic Session of ASC 2020 Meeting.
- **2020 – Parker, S., ... Sola, Justin L.** Guns and Gun Laws: Neighborhoods, Disparities and Illicit Markets. *Accepted for presentation* at Thematic Session of ASC 2020 Meeting.
- **2019 – Sola, Justin L.** The Formation of Sheepdogs and an Experiment on the Proximal Causes of US Gun Acquisition. Roundtable paper presentation at ASC Annual Meeting.
- **2019 – Sykes, B., Verma, A., Hancock, B.H. & Sola, Justin L.** Case-to-Case Transfer as a Logic of Generalization and Inference in Mixed-Methods Research. Eastern Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

- **2019 – Sola, Justin L.** Sheepdogs: Origins, Social Media, and Sociopolitical Ideology of a Subgroup of Gun Owners. Paper presentation at Western Society of Criminology Annual Meeting.
- **2018** – Invited expert at MGH Gun Violence Prevention Challenge Summit & Hack-a-thon, *Kennedy Institute*.
- **2014** – Invited presentation on *Guns in the Ideal Society*, *UVM Sociology Department*.
- **2014** – *Guns in the Ideal Society* (senior thesis), *Leverett House, Harvard University*.

### Research Interests and Skills

- Active research on sociolegal causes of community gun interest (personal research), implications of mixed methods case selection (Prof. Sykes), carceral effects on system inclusion and community deprivation (with Prof. Sykes), differential decline in US gun homicide (with Prof. Tita), sociology of forensic statistics and lab practice (Prof. Cole)
- Experience with community research, participant observation, and semi-structured interviews
- Analytic and software skills:
  - **Stata** (via UCI coursework and research)
  - **Python** ([via MITx](#) and professional experience)
  - **SQL** (via professional experience in conjunction with Python)
  - **R** ([via HarvardX](#) and research)
  - **GitHub** (via [personal site](#) and professional experience)

### Professional Experience

#### Data Analyst at Komodo Tech, Cambridge, MA

**2018**

- Used Python, SQL, Github, and Unix to clean, merge, and analyze large signal datasets

#### Consultant at Endeavour Partners, Cambridge, MA

**2014-2018**

- Led capital investment and cellular data consumption simulations
- Developed NASA centennial strategy focus on public-private partnerships (SpaceX)

### References

**Prof. Bryan Sykes** – Associate Professor of Criminology, Law & Society at UCI - [bsykes@uci.edu](mailto:bsykes@uci.edu)

**Prof. George Tita** – Professor of Criminology, Law & Society UCI - [gtita@uci.edu](mailto:gtita@uci.edu)

**Dr. Lauren Brandt** - Assistant Dean of Students at Harvard College - [lbrandt@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:lbrandt@fas.harvard.edu)

**Prof. Eleanor Miller** - Professor of Sociology at UVM - [eleanor.miller@uvm.edu](mailto:eleanor.miller@uvm.edu)