**Rebecca Shankman**

**Curriculum Vitae, September 2022**

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**Academic History**

**The Ohio State University Columbus, OH**

Sociology PhD Student 2021 Cohort

Advisors: Dr. Christopher Browning & Dr. Hollie Nyseth Nzitatira

**University of Maryland College Park, MD**

B.A. Sociology, Double Major: Criminology & Criminal Justice *May 2021*

Honors in Criminology and Criminal Justice

* + - * Honors Thesis: The Effects of Physiological Impairment on Police Behavior
      * GPA: 3.7
      * Dean’s List (8 Semesters)

**Conference Proceedings**

Doan, Long, Rashawn Ray, Connor Powelson, Genesis Fuentes, Rebecca Shankman, Shaun Genter and Jasmón Bailey. 2021. “Evaluation of a Virtual Reality Simulation Tool for Studying Bias in Police-Civilian Interactions.” In: Schmorrow D.D., Fidopiastis C.M. (eds) Augmented Cognition. HCII 2021. Lecture Notes in Computer Science, vol 12776. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-78114-9\_26

**Opinions and Editorials**

Ray, Rashawn and Rebecca Shankman. 2020. “How COVID-19 Is Changing the Gun Debate.” *Brookings*. Retrieved September 17, 2020 (https://www.brookings.edu/blog/fixgov/2020/06/17/how-covid-19-is-changing-the-gun-debate/).

**Research Experience**

**Research Assistant** **Columbus, OH**

Ohio Regional Traumatic Brain Injury Model System,

Dr. Mike Vuolo *Sept 2022-Present*

* TBD

**Undergraduate Research Assistant****College Park, MD**

Serious Violent Offender Project, Dr. Bianca Bersani *June 2020- May 2021*

* Compiled user friendly database of publicly available Open Baltimore data
* Researched, reviewed, and summarized successful and not successful community violence prevention initiatives aimed at serious violent offender population
* Brainstormed implementation ideas for violence prevention organizations to bring to Baltimore

**Lead Undergraduate Research Assistant****College Park, MD**

Lab for Applied Social Science Research, Dr. Rashawn Ray *May 2019- May 2021*

* Facilitated individual experiments for virtual reality studies
* Analyzed results and theorized about explanations for actions with team and primary investigator
* Improved skills in research design, development and data interpretation

**Undergraduate Research Assistant College Park, MD**

Group Processes Lab, Dr. Long Doan *Feb 2018- May 2019*

* Conducted group and individual experiments for social psychology studies
* Instructed new lab members as to protocol and lab best practices
* Assisted in development of new studies

**Teaching Experience**

**Recitation Leader,** Undergraduate Research Methods**Columbus, OH**

Ohio State University Sociology *Aug 2022-Dec 2022*

* Lead weekly sessions for 50 students focused on turning class material into tangible papers
* Grade assignments building into full research proposal

**Professional Experience**

**Assistant to the Program Chairs,** Southern Sociological Society**Remote**

2021 Sociological Society Annual Meeting *Sept 2020- April 2021*

* Coordinated and scheduled over 400 presentations and sessions at Southern Sociological Society Annual Conference 2021
* Communicated role responsibilities to presiders and participants
* Organized private and public facing program of events and contents

**Social Justice Consultant,** Women’s National Basketball **Remote**

Players Association *June 2020- April 2021*

* Provided historical background and information on the national anthem’s history
* Met with teams, councils, and union staff to determine league approach to anthem policy
* Assisted in creation of video demonstrating player’s views on anthem usage at games

**Research Assistant,** Black Onyx Management, Inc**Remote**

Ivy Tech Community College Diversity Project *Sept 2020- November 2021*

* Reviewed organizational diversity literature to bring standards of practice to diversity team
* Developed interview protocol and host interviews for students and faculty at the 44 campus community college
* Composed report addressing strengths and weaknesses of diversity on campuses while providing suggestions for improvement

**Intern,** Towards Employment**Cleveland, OH**

Research Intern *May 2020- Aug 2020*

Policy and Special Projects Intern *May 2019- Aug 2019*

* Assisted with creating programming for reentry workshops both online and in person
* Followed, reviewed and wrote weekly briefs on state and federal policy changes for executive director and board concerning criminal justice and social assistance policy
* Created informational guides about government resources in Cleveland for impoverished populations

**Research Intern,** The Brookings Institution **Washington, DC**

Race, Prosperity and Inclusion Initiative *Jan 2020- May 2020*

* Compiled and analyzed data sets for interpretation and publication in Brookings reports including issues like gun purchasing, social mobility in Charlotte, NC, loan request reasons, and more
* Managed logistics and communication systems for nationwide research studies focusing on social mobility in Charlotte, NC
* Generated report summaries and fact sheets for scholars to use in blogs and reports on topics like police brutality, police misconduct payouts, global health protocol in impoverished communities and more

**Presentations**

Discarding Hate, A Conversation with Derek Black and Rebecca Shankman *Feb 4, 2020*

*Bahai Chair for World Peace and Critical Race Initiative Speaker Series, University of Maryland College Park*

Police Accountability: Pursuing Racial Equity in Policing *Feb 2020*

*The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC*

How to Get Involved in Research as an Undergraduate *Nov 2018*

*UMD SOCY 110*

**Fellowships & Grants**

University Fellowship, The Ohio State University *Aug 2021- Aug 2022*

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program *Spring 2021*

Honorable Mention

LEV Fellowship, Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland *June 2020- Aug 2020*

Ira Berlin Scholarship Winner, College Park Scholars*Summer 2019*