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## EDUCATION

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### The University of Washington

PhD, Sociology (2021)

Dissertation: "The Consequences of Mixed-Sex Peer Groups in Adolescence & Young Adulthood"

MA, Sociology (2016)

Thesis: "Adolescence, Empathy, and the Gender Gap in Juvenile Offending"

Special Concentration in Social Science Statistics (UW Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences)

### The London School of Economics and Political Science

MSc (with merit), the Sociology of Crime, Control, and Globalisation (2010)

Thesis: "Paper Orphans: Illegal Adoption as Child Trafficking"

Special Concentration in Human Rights

### The Ohio University

BA, Sociology/Criminology (2008)

Certification in Italian Studies (2008)

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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### The University of Iowa, Department of Sociology and Criminology: Iowa City, IA

Tenure Track Assistant Professor (2024-Present)

### The UW Collective to Study the Broad Reach and Burden of Monetary Sanctions: Seattle, WA

Postdoctoral Scholar (2022-2024)

### The University of Washington, Department of Sociology: Seattle, WA

Graduate Student Teaching Instructor & Assistant (2014-2021)

Graduate Student Research Assistant (2014-2021)

## RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS (\*denotes equal authorship)

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Shannon, Sarah, Ryan Larson, Ian Kennedy, **Kate K. O'Neill**, and Alexes Harris. 2024. "Spatial Predation: Criminal legal resource extraction in two U.S. cities". *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*.

**O'Neill, Kate K.** 2023. "Mixed-Sex Peer Groups and Violent Delinquency: Understanding the influence of mixed-sex peer groups, sex, and romance on violent delinquency." *The Journal of Crime and Justice* 46(5): 607-626.

**O'Neill, Kate K.**, Tyler Smith, and Ian Kennedy. 2022. "County Dependence on Monetary Sanctions: Implications for women's incarceration." 157-172 in *RJF: Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences. State Monetary Sanctions and the Costs of the Criminal Legal System*, edited by A. Harris, M. Pattillo, and B. Sykes.

**O'Neill, Kate K.**, Ian Kennedy, and Alexes Harris. 2022. "Debtors' Blocks: How monetary sanctions Mmke between-neighborhood racial and economic inequalities worse." *The Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 8(1): 43-61.

Leverso, John, and **Kate K. O’Neill**. 2021. “Gang Membership and Victimization: How gangs facilitate violent victimization of their members.” *Deviant Behavior* 43(9): 1103-1119.

**O’Neill, Kate K.** 2020. “Adolescence, Empathy, and the Gender Gap in Delinquency.” *Feminist Criminology* 15(4): 410-437.

Matsueda, Ross L., **Kate K. O’Neill**, and Derek A. Kreager. 2020. “Embeddedness, Reflected Appraisals, and Deterrence: A symbolic interactionist theory of adolescent theft.” 239-271 in *Identity and Symbolic Interaction: Deepening Foundations; Building Bridges*, edited by R. Stryker, R. Serpe, and B. Powell. Springer.

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#### **UNDER REVIEW** (\*denotes equal authorship)

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\*Leverso, John and **Kate K. O’Neill**. “The Real Ones: Subordinate femininity in the digital streets”.  
Under review, August 2024

Leverso, John, **Kate K. O’Neill**, George Mohler, and Alex Knorre. “The Limits of Digital Liberation: The social network locations of gang-affiliated girls and women in the digital streets”.  
Under review, July 2024.

**O’Neill, Kate K.**, and Alexes Harris. “Silver Sanctions: Legal financial obligations in an aging population”.  
Under review, April 2024

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#### **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS** (\*denotes equal authorship)

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**O’Neill, Kate K.**, and Alexes Harris. “A Socio-Cultural Theory of Pile-On Punishments”.

Kennedy, Ian, **Kate K. O’Neill**, Ryan Larson, Sarah Shannon, and Alexes Harris. “A Racial Capitalist Perspective on Debt Blocks: The state-run extraction of wealth and resources from debt-burdened neighborhoods”.

Harris, Alexes, Tyler Smith, **Kate K. O’Neill**, & Clarissa Carlos. “Driving While Indebted: License suspension and financial capture, as emerging forms of coercive mobility.”

**O’Neill, Kate K.** “The Early Occupational Outcomes of Heterosocial Adolescents”.

**O’Neill, Kate K.**, and John Leverso. “We treat each other like family no matter the color of your skin’: Racial innocence and cultural appropriation in a Latino gang forum”.

Shannon, Sarah, **Kate K. O’Neill**, Natalia Piresde Vasconcelos, and Olivia T. Francis. “Fiscal Feedback Loops: Correctional burden and monetary sanction dependence across four states.”

**O’Neill, Kate K.**, Alexes Harris, and Tyler Smith. “Overlapping Jurisdictions, Overlapping Punishments: Native Americans, restitution, and Indian Country”.

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#### **AWARDS & HONORS**

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2023 (Funded Attendee) Liman Colloquium on *Budgeting for Justice: Fiscal Policy and Monetary Sanctions*. Yale Law School. New Haven, CT.

2020 (\$300) American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Emotions’ *Graduate Student Paper Award* for “Adolescence, Empathy, and the Gender Gap in Delinquency”

2017 (\$500) University of Washington Graduate School’s *Distinguished Thesis Award*  
University of Washington Sociology Department’s *Outstanding Performance for the Masters of Arts*

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#### **RECENT RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS**

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2024 “Racial Innocence and Cultural Appropriation in a Latino Gang Forum”. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

- “A Racial Capitalist Perspective on Debt Blocks”. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal QC.
- 2023 **(Discussant)** “Interlocking Systems and Monetary Sanctions”. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- (Invited)** “Don't Even Argue with Them Sis’: Social Media Use Among Gang-Involved Girls and Women”. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 **(Invited)** “Recommended NIJ Funding Priorities from the Association of Population Centers and Collective to Study the Broad Reach and Burden of Monetary Sanctions”. National Institute of Justice Virtual Listening Session with Nancy LaVigne. Washington, DC.
- “Bargaining with Gang Patriarchy: Girls in Gangs Online”. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- (Invited)** “IRP Webinar on Poverty and Monetary Sanctions”. The Institute for Research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.
- 2021 **(Invited)** “Studying the Gender Gap in Delinquency”. College of Idaho Anthropology & Sociology Department, Caldwell, ID.
- 2020 **(Invited)** “Studying the Gender Gap in Delinquency”. Whitman College Department of Sociology, Walla Walla, WA.
- “Racial, Spatial, and Temporal Influences on Monetary Sanctions and Debt in Washington State, 2004-2014”. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, New York, NY.
- 2019 (Panel Chair) “Gender Segregated Peer Groups in Childhood and Adolescence: Implications for Delinquency”. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- “Teaching Sex & Gender (When it’s Not Your Area)”. University of Washington Sociology Teaching Brownbag Series, Seattle, WA.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & AFFILIATIONS**

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### **The Multi-State Study of Monetary Sanctions: Project Manager & Research Assistant (2018-2021)**

Alexes Harris, P.I.

Laura and John Arnold Foundation, Sponsor

### **Juvenile Domestic Violence in Washington State: Research Assistant (2016-2017)**

Sarah C. Walker, P.I.

Center for the Study and Advancement of Justice Effectiveness (SAJE), Sponsor

### **Collective Efficacy and Norm Violation: An Experimental Test: Research Assistant (2015-2018)**

Ross Matsueda, P.I.

National Science Foundation, Sponsor

## **ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE OVERVIEW**

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### **University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA (2024-Present)**

#### **Undergraduates**

- Gangs and Gang Crime (Undergraduate, 300-Level)

### **University of Washington, Seattle, WA (2014-2021)**

- Special Topics: Women for Justice, Justice for Women (Undergraduate, 400-Level)
- Women in the Social Structure (Undergraduate, 300-Level)
- Introduction to Criminology (Undergraduate, 300-Level)
- Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (Undergraduate, 200-Level)

## TEACHING PUBLICATIONS

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**O'Neill, Kate K.** 2021. "Giving Students the Floor." Assignment published in *TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. Washington DC: American Sociological Association. (<http://trails.asanet.org>)

**O'Neill, Kate K.** 2020. "Women in the Social Structure." Syllabus published in *TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. Washington DC: American Sociological Association. (<http://trails.asanet.org>)

## PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP (FEATURED AND AUTHORED)

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Eckhart, Kim. 2022. "Counties That Rely on the Courts for Revenue Sentence More Women to Incarceration." *UW News*, (see also: *Futurity*, *Route Fifty*). March 2.

**O'Neill, Kate K.**, Alexes Harris, and Ian Kennedy. 2022. "Lift the Burden of Legal Fines and Fees." *The Seattle Times Sunday Edition*, February 20.

Price, Gwendolyn. 2021. "Crime, Empathy, and the Adolescent Experience." *Psychology in Action*. March 1.