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EDUCATION

University at Buffalo, SUNY

Ph.D. in Sociology

Buffalo, NY

2024 – 2029

University of Florida

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, *Cum Laude* (GPA: 3.95/4.00)

UF Honors Program Graduate, Dean's List

Alpha Kappa Delta

Gainesville, FL

2020-2023

University of Florida

Bachelor of Arts in Criminology, *Cum Laude* (GPA: 3.95/4.00)

UF Honors Program Graduate, Dean's List

Gainesville, FL

2020-2023

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Dwyer Emory, Allison and **Sophia Olsinski**. Revise and Resubmit. "National Estimates of Multisystem Contact Among Urban Families." *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

WORKING PAPERS

Barr, Ashley B., Zhe Zhang, Sara DiPasquale, and **Sophia Olsinski**. "Juvenile Punishment and Young Adult Attitudes towards Police: The Role of Obedience to Authority"

Dwyer Emory, Allison and **Sophia Olsinski**. "Surveilling System Entanglement: Personal and Place Risk Factors." **Presented at the Population Association of America 2025 and the American Sociological Association 2025 Annual Meeting*

Dwyer Emory, Allison, **Sophia Olsinski**, and Devon Skufca. "Testing Reciprocal Pathways Between Jails and Distress in Rural Counties."

Olsinski, Sophia. "When Policing Shapes Community: Legal Cynicism and Collective Efficacy Among Urban Youth."

Olsinski, Sophia. "Disrupting the Neighborhood Effect: Mentorship and Youth Trajectories into Emerging Adulthood."

Olsinski, Sophia, Ashley Barr, Kristen Schultz Lee, Chris Dennison, Chandler Fairbanks, Laura Sills, and Zhe Zhang. "Childhood Adversity and Cognitive Health in Midlife: What Role Do Adult Offspring and Romantic Partners Play?"

Zhang, Zhe, **Sophia Olsinski**, and Ashley Barr. "Gentrification and Romantic Relationship Quality among Young Adults: A Research Brief." **Presented at the American Sociological Association 2025 Annual Meeting*

Zhang, Rachel, Chandler Fairbanks, and **Sophia Olsinski**. "Community Disadvantage and Substance Use among Rural and Urban Adolescents, 1976-2019." **Presenting at the American Society of Criminology 2025 Annual Meeting*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Linking Adult Offspring Challenges and Parental Cognitive Health: Risk and Resilience in Rural Contexts

Buffalo, NY

Research Assistant (PI: Dr. Ashley Barr and Dr. Kristen Lee)

01/2024 - Present

Research utilizing AddHealth, NSLY, and NHATS to evaluate the impact of rurality on the relationship between young adult challenges during transition to adulthood and parent's cognitive health.

Alachua County Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

Alachua County, FL

Research Consultant (PI: Dr. Michael Capece)

04/2024 – 09/2024

Research to support, reform, and improve cross-system collaboration and improve public safety responses and outcomes for people with mental illness and substance abuse who intersect with the justice system.

University of Florida Internship Program Evaluation

Gainesville, FL

Research Assistant (PI: Dr. Michael Capece)

01/2023 – 04/2023

Evaluate the University of Florida Sociology and Criminology Department's internship program, identifying areas of improvement and additional materials.

University of Florida Legal Eyewitness & Applied Decision Making (LEAD) Lab

Gainesville, FL

Research Assistant (PI: Dr. Amanda Lewis)

05/2023 – 12/2023

Qualitative research examining the total impact of wrongful convictions on primary and secondary exonerees from first accusation to post-release, utilizing in-depth semi-structured interviews.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Childcare Resources of Indian River

Vero Beach, FL

Grants Specialist

09/2023 – Present

- Oversee grant initiatives and prepare grant proposals to secure 44% of a \$3.8M operating budget.
- Monitor grant expenditures and prepare reports for funders.
- Investigate and pinpoint new funding sources, develop fundraising appeal, and steward donor relationship

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Present Vice-President, Sociology Graduate Student Association (SGSA)

Present Services Committee Member, University at Buffalo Graduate Student Association

Present Graduate Reviewer, American Educational Association 2026 Annual Meeting

Present	Social Media Managing Editor, University at Buffalo Department of Sociology and Criminology
Present	Member, American Sociological Association (ASA) Graduate Student Advisory Committee, Social Psychology Section Member, Community and Urban Sociology Section Member, Crime, Law, and Deviance Section
Present	Member, American Society of Criminology (ASC)
Present	Member, Grant Professionals Association
2021-2023	Criminal Justice Chair, Gainesville For All University of Florida Chapter
2021-2023	Campus Representative, University of Florida American Psychology-Law Society Chapter

METHODOLOGY TRAINING

Monitoring the Future Data Analysis Workshop, Summer 25
 Social Research Methods Course, Spring 25
 Advanced Qualitative Methods Course, Spring 25

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CRX601 Portfolio Guidance, Teaching Assistant
 CRX606 Social Research Methods, Teaching Assistant
 SOC309 Social Change, Teaching Assistant
 SOC529 Sociology of Punishment, Teaching Assistant
 SOC348 Urban Sociology, Teaching Assistant
 SOC328 Social Inequality, Teaching Assistant

HONORS AND AWARDS

Reyes Award for Departmental Engagement	2025
This award recognizes graduate students who have made significant contributions to the Department through their service, engagement, and/or formal support of their peers.	
Stephanie Niciszewska Mucha Graduate Fellowship	2024
Graduate fellowship providing \$20,000 for promising scholars of Polish heritage	
Congressional Gold Award	2024
Recipient of the Congressional Award Gold Medal for commitment to community service, leadership, and personal development.	
University of Florida Honors Program Graduate	2023
One of 300 students from a graduating class exceeding 10,000 to achieve the distinction of graduating from the University of Florida's honors program.	

Criminology Honors Graduate	2023
Sociology Honors Graduate	2023
Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar Merit-based scholar program for individuals of Hispanic heritage	2022
Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar Merit-based scholar program for individuals of Hispanic heritage	2021