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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2023-present	Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of California, Davis Research Affiliate, Center for Poverty & Inequality Research
2022-2023	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Syracuse University Senior Research Associate, Center for Policy Research
2021-2022	Early Career Fellow in Sociology, Columbia University
2017-2018	Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Department of Sociology, Columbia University, 2021 Committee: Shamus Khan, Adam Reich, Tey Meadow, Bruce Western, C. Riley Snorton
M.A.	Department of Sociology, Columbia University, 2016
M.A.	Department of Women's & Gender Studies, Rutgers University New Brunswick, 2015
B.A.	Department of History and Department of Gender Studies (Double major), Scripps College, 2011 <i>Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa</i>

PEER REVIEWED BOOKS

Gender Bound: Prisons, Trans Lives, and the Abolitionist Horizon. University of California Press. In press, expected June 2026.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (*denotes equal co-authorship)

- 2025 **Joss Greene** and Isaac Dalke.* "The symbolic currency of labor at the parole board." *Punishment & Society* 27(4): 694-712.
- 2024 **Joss Greene** and Woods Ervin. "The cost of crossing gender boundaries: Trans women of color and the racialized workplace gender order" *Gender, Work & Organization* 31(6): 2585-2600.
- 2024 Dalke, Isaac and **Joss Greene**.* "Prerequisites and pathways: How social categorization helps administrators determine moral worth." *Theory & Society* 53: 41-66.
- 2023 "Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018." *American Journal of Sociology* 128(4): 993-1030.
*Lead Article
- Distinguished Article Award, ASA Sociology of Sex & Gender Section, 2024
- 2023 "The insurgent agency of incarcerated trans women of color." *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 48(4): 873-896.
- Best Article Award, ASA Sociology of Body and Embodiment Section, 2024

- 2023 Levin, Rachel N., Zach C. Schudson, Kristin Raphael, Alexis N. Takahashi, Jennifer Franks, Anna Fiastro, **Joss Greene**, Eli Hamilton, and Ian Hannigan. "Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation and the Prenatal Androgen Theory: Re-evaluating definitions, cognitive tests and somatic markers" *Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*.
- 2021 **Greene, Joss** and Isaac Dalke.* "'You're still an angry man': Parole boards and logics of criminalized masculinity." *Theoretical Criminology* 25(4): 639-662.
- 2021 "Labor of love: The formalization of care in transgender kinship organizations." *Organization* 28(6): 930-948.
- 2020 Khan, Shamus, **Joss Greene**, Claude Ann Mellins, and Jennifer S. Hirsch. "The social organization of sexual assault." *Annual Review of Criminology* 3: 139-163.
- 2019 "Categorical exclusions: How racialized gender regulation reproduces reentry hardship." *Social Problems* 66(4): 548-563.
- Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award for the best paper on women and social justice, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2020
 - Sally Hacker Best Graduate Student Paper Award (Honorable Mention), ASA Sex & Gender Section, 2019

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"The gendered economy of prison intimacy."

"Gendered frames or gendered differences? Social life in men's and women's prisons."

Creating the "We": How Social Movements Cohere or Collapse in Times of Crisis (book project)

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2026 *Imperial Policing: Weaponized Data in Carceral Chicago*, by Andy Clarno, Enrique Alvear Moreno, Janaé Bonsu-Love, Lydia Dana, Michael De Anda Muñoz, Ilā Ravichandran, and Haley Volpintesta. *Contemporary Sociology* 55(2): 138-140.
- 2019 *Performing Masculinity: Body, Self and Identity in Modern Fiji*, by Geir Henning Presterudstuen. *Gender & Society* 33(6): 995-997.
- 2017 *Trans: Race and Gender in an Age of Unsettled Identity*, by Rogers Brubaker. *British Journal of Sociology* 68(3): 582-584.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 Woods Ervin and **Joss Greene**. *Trans Women and Femmes of Color at Work*
- Publication Award for Significant Contributions to Applied and Public Sociology, ASA Section on Sociological Practice and Public Sociology, 2022

- 2019 “Homelessness” and “Policing.” In Kerith J. Conron and Bianca D.M. Wilson (Eds.), *A Research Agenda to Reduce System Involvement and Promote Positive Outcomes with LGBTQ Youth of Color Impacted by the Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Systems* (pp. 33-41). Los Angeles, CA: The Williams Institute.
- 2017 “[A Call to Multiply our Tactics.](#)” As part of “Virtual Roundtable on Engaged Scholarship and Teaching.” September 18. Public Books.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS (selected)

Awards

- 2026 College of Letters & Science Research Innovation Award, UC Davis
- 2025 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Mentoring Undergraduate Research, UC Davis
- 2024 Distinguished Article Award, ASA Section on the Sociology of Sex & Gender
- 2024 Best Article Award, ASA Section on the Sociology of Body and Embodiment
- 2022 Publication Award for Significant Contributions to Applied and Public Sociology, ASA Section on Sociological Practice and Public Sociology
- 2021 Inkeles Award for Best Published Article, Sociology Department, Columbia University
- 2020 Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award for the best paper on women and social justice, Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2020 Daniel Bell Award for Public Sociology, Sociology Department, Columbia University
- 2019 Dr. Devon T. Wade Mentorship and Service Award, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, Columbia University
- 2017 Charles Tilly Award for Outstanding Teaching and Scholarship, Sociology Department, Columbia University

Fellowships

- 2024 Tin House Writers Workshop (Creative Nonfiction)
- 2021 Research Justice at the Intersections Scholar, Mills College
- 2020 Zuckerman Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, Columbia University
- 2019 SPACE on Ryder Farm residency
- 2019 Dissertation Fellowship, Center for Engaged Scholarship
- 2014 Dean's Diversity Fellowship, Columbia University

INVITED TALKS

- 2026 “Accountability, Community, and Methods in U.S. Trans Studies.” UC Irvine Anthropology and UC Cross-Campus Trans Studies Initiative, May.
- 2026 “Gender Bound: Prisons, Trans Lives, and the Abolitionist Horizon.” Boston University, April.
- 2026 “Gender Bound: Prisons, Trans Lives, and the Abolitionist Horizon.” University of Pennsylvania, Family and Gender workshop, March.
- 2026 “Gender Bound: Prisons, Trans Lives, and the Abolitionist Horizon.” Gender, Power, Theory conference, Columbia University, March.
- 2025 Plenary panelist. “Feminism(s) in Crisis.” Gender, Power, Theory conference, University of California, Berkeley, April.

- 2023 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” New York University, Carcerality, Law and Punishment workshop, November.
- 2023 Invited panelist. “Teaching Feminist Sociology in an Era of Authoritarianism and Anti-Gender Backlash,” Gender, Power, Theory conference, Princeton University, May.
- 2022 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Princeton University, Program in Gender and Sexuality Studies, December.
- 2022 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” University of California, Davis, Department of Sociology, November.
- 2022 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Brown University, Department of Sociology, October.
- 2022 “Trans women of color and the racialized workplace gender order,” ASA section on Sociological Practice and Public Sociology webinar, October.
- 2022 “Trans women of color at work,” Research Justice at the Intersections Fellows Symposium, Mills College, April.
- 2021 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Rutgers University, New Brunswick, Department of Sociology, November.
- 2021 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Department of Political Science and Program in Legal Studies, November.
- 2021 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Villanova University, Department of Sociology and Criminology, October.
- 2021 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Syracuse University, Department of Sociology, October.
- 2021 “The promise and limits of trans politics,” Thematic session for Sex & Gender session, American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2021 “Lessons for collective survival: Black trans organizing during COVID-19,” Presidential Panel on Sexuality in the Time of COVID, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, February.
- 2020 “Struggling for safety: How incarcerated transgender women navigate prison violence,” Suffolk University, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, November.
- 2019 “Gender Bound: Prison regulation of gender-nonconformity, 1941-2018,” Reframing Transgender Violence symposium, Columbia University, January.
- 2015 “Affection and danger: Negotiated relationships between parole officers and parolees,” The Craft of Ethnography, Columbia University, October.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Trans women who care: Reproductive labor and intersectional domination,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2025 “Trans women who care: Reproductive labor outside the charmed circle,” Gender, Power, Theory conference, University of California, Berkeley, April.
- 2024 “The symbolic currency of labor at the parole board.” American Society of Criminology annual meeting, November.
- 2024 “Trans women who care: Race, gender, and reproductive labor,” American Sociological Association annual meeting. August.
- 2024 “Gender bound: Prison, Trans politics, and the mutability of struggle,” Comparative-Historical Society mini-conference, American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.

- 2024 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” British Society of Criminology Conference, July.
- 2024 “The symbolic currency of labor at the parole board.” Law and Society Association annual meeting, June.
- 2024 “Trans women who care: Race, gender, and reproductive labor,” Gender, Power, Theory conference, Northwestern University, May.
- 2024 “The cost of crossing gender boundaries: Trans women of color and the racialized workplace gender order,” Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting, March.
- 2024 “Silence, opacity and lies: Ambivalences of empiricism,” Sociologists for Women in Society winter meeting, January.
- 2023 “Dedication to work as the antidote to prison: Narrating transformation at the parole board,” Prisoner Work in the Americas international conference. National University of Litoral (Argentina) and University of Toronto (Canada), co-organizers. December.
- 2023 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” American Society of Criminology annual meeting, November.
- 2023 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2023 “Community organizing during COVID-19,” Collective Behavior and Social Movements pre-conference, American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2023 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” Law and Society Association annual meeting, June.
- 2023 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” Gender, Power, Theory conference, Princeton University. May.
- 2023 “Trans women of color and the racialized workplace gender order,” Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting, February.
- 2022 “The insurgent agency of incarcerated trans women of color,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2022 “Prerequisites and pathways: How social categorization helps administrators determine moral worth,” Law and Society Association annual meeting, co-presented with Isaac Dalke, July.
- 2022 “The abolitionist fight for trans prisoners’ rights,” Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting, March.
- 2021 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2021 “The insurgent agency of incarcerated trans women of color,” Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting, August.
- 2021 “The insurgent agency of incarcerated trans women of color,” Law and Society annual meeting, May.
- 2021 “Lessons for collective survival: Black trans organizing during COVID-19,” Radical Care conference, Institute for Research on Women, Gender & Sexuality, Columbia University, May.
- 2020 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Gender and Sexuality workshop, Columbia University, October.
- 2020 “Struggling for safety: Survival strategies of incarcerated trans women,” Thinking Gender conference, UCLA Center for the Study of Women, March.
- 2020 “Gender bound: Making, managing, and navigating prison gender boundaries, 1941-2018,” Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting, March.
- 2019 “Gender Bound: Prison regulation of gender-nonconformity, 1941-2018,” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, August.

- 2019 “Categorical exclusions: How racialized gender regulation reproduces reentry hardship,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2019 “Gender Bound: Prison regulation of gender-nonconformity, 1941-2018,” Sociologists for Women in Society winter meeting, February.
- 2017 “Blurring the work-life boundary: Organizational brokerage and upward mobility in transgender women’s reentry,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, August.
- 2016 “Blurring the work-life boundary: Organizational brokerage and upward mobility in transgender women’s reentry,” Race, Ethnicity, and Migration Workshop, Columbia University, April.
- 2014 “The intimate as target: Technologies of bodily microregulation,” Queer Intimacies Conference. The University of Maryland, College Park, April.
- 2014 “The intimate as target: Technologies of bodily microregulation,” Defiant Bodies: Corporeal Politics and Unheard Voices Conference. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, March.

TEACHING

University of California, Davis

- Sociology of Gender
- Criminology
- Queer Social Movements
- Sexualities and Space
- Intersectional Analyses of Punishment

Syracuse University

- Intro to Criminal Justice
- Qualitative Methods

Columbia University

- Race, Crime and Law
- Race, Gender, Sexuality and Punishment

Guest lectures and classroom visits

- Mar. 2023 Police and Prison Abolition class. Professor Julia Mendoza. Loyola Law School.
- Mar. 2023 Law & Society class. Professor Jennifer Carlson. University of Arizona.
- Sept. 2022 Social Research Methods class. Professor Gerard Torrats Espinosa. Columbia University.
- Mar. 2022 Police and Prison Abolition class. Professor Julia Mendoza. Loyola Law School.
- Oct. 2020 Power, Politics and Sociology class. Professor Luciana de Souza Leao. University of Michigan.
- June 2020 Race, Crime, and Law class. Professor Brittany Fox-Williams. Columbia University.
- Nov 2017 Introduction to Criminal Justice & Public Policy class. Professor Caitlin Kelly Henry. Sonoma State University.
- Oct. 2016 Gender and Organizations class. Professor Heather Hurwitz. Barnard College.

ADVISING

Graduate Advising

- Jyun-Jie Yang, Sociology, UC Davis (Dissertation committee)
- Reema Saad, Sociology, UC Davis (Qualifying Exam committee)

Cristina Zito, Sociology, UC Davis (Qualifying Exam committee)
 Roman Wolosz, Sociology, UC Davis (Major Advisor)
 Anna Watkins, Sociology, UC Davis (Qualifying Exam committee)
 Elyx Deslover, Cultural Studies, UC Davis (Dissertation committee, Qualifying Exam committee)
 Evan Baughman, Sociology, UC Davis (Dissertation committee)
 Erika Dvorak, Sociology, UC Davis (Dissertation Committee, Qualifying Paper committee, Qualifying Exam committee)
 Wen Guan, Sociology, UC Davis (Major Advisor, Qualifying Exam committee, Qualifying Paper committee)
 Elizabeth Witcher, Sociology, UC Davis (Qualifying Paper committee)

Undergraduate Thesis Advising

<i>Year</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Topic</i>
2024-25	Asiyah Darwish	The impact of equity gag orders in K-12 classrooms
2024-25	Bee Smith	Trans young adults in conservative regions
2024-25	Chloe Even	Cisgender siblings of trans people
2022-23	Molly Cummins	After-school programs and social capital

PUBLIC IMPACT (selected)

2024 Collaborator with Dancing Through Prison Walls project, Montalvo Arts Center residency.

2022 Interviewed by PBS NewsHour for special on LGBTQ people and reentry. November 30. <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/incarcerated-lgbtq-americans-find-little-to-no-support-system-upon-release>

2021 Quoted in “LGBTQ groups across the US consider a new flag meant to be more inclusive of the transgender community and people of color,” by Keely Aouga and Taylor Romine, CNN.

2019 Shamus Khan and **Joss Greene**. “What Pakistan gets right and the US gets wrong on trans rights.” CNN. <https://www.cnn.com/2019/01/31/opinions/united-states-pakistan-transgender-rights-khan-greene/index.html>

2019 Research sharing workshop. “Regulating gender in California prisons, 1941-2018.” The Transgender, Gendervariant, Intersex Justice Project. San Francisco, CA.

2019 Invited panelist. “113 Million: Organizing the Power of Families Impacted by Mass Incarceration.” Beyond the Bars conference. New York, NY.

2018 Invited speaker. “Scholars on Scene,” an event for LGBTQ History Month. Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Office for Academic Diversity and Inclusion. New York, NY.

2018 Co-presenter. “Issues for Incarcerated Transgender People.” California Board of Parole Hearings. Sacramento, CA.

2017 Invited panelist. “Mass Incarceration Conversation Series: Within the Margins of the Marginalized.” NYU School of Social Work. New York, NY.

2016 Co-facilitator: “Research Ethics for Teachers and Students: Social Media in the Classroom.” Online workshop sponsored by FemTechNet, the Center for Solutions to Online Violence, Arizona State University, and Yale University.

2016 Guest Lecturer. “Alternative economies among formerly incarcerated transgender people.” The Occupy Alternative Banking Group. New York, NY.

2016 Research sharing workshop. “Addressing reentry inequality for transgender people.” The Transgender, Gendervariant, Intersex Justice Project. San Francisco, CA.

SERVICE

Elected and invited roles:

- 2026- NYU Press *Feminist Worlds* series, Advisory Board Member
- 2025- ASA Sexualities Section, Elected Publications Committee Member
- 2025- *Sex & Sexualities*, Editorial Board Member
- 2024- ASA Crime, Law & Deviance Section, Elected Council Member
- 2024-2025 Center for Engaged Scholarship, Advisory Board Member

Committees:

- 2025-26 ASA Crime, Law & Deviance section, Chair of Inclusion/Engagement committee
- 2025 ASA Crime, Law & Deviance section, Ida B. Wells-Barnett Distinguished Book Award committee
- 2025 ASA Body & Embodiment section, Best Article Award committee
- 2024 American Society of Criminology program committee for annual meeting, Sub-area chair (Rape & Sexual Assault)
- 2024 ASA Sex & Gender section, Book Award committee
- 2024 ASA Sexualities section, Simon & Gagnon Lifetime Award committee
- 2024 ASA Crime, Law & Deviance section, Student Paper Award committee
- 2022 ASA Sex & Gender section Sally Hacker Student Paper Award committee
- 2022 Society for the Study of Social Problems, Sexual Behavior, Politics, & Communities division Best Article Award committee
- 2021-22 Sociologists for Trans Justice, Co-Chair of Supporting Trans, Non-binary and Intersex Scholars committee
- 2018-20 Sociologists for Trans Justice, Member of Peer Review and Grants committee

Reader and discussant:

- 2025 Faculty discussant, Fordham University HIV and Drug Use Prevention Research Ethics Training Institute (RETI)
- 2024 Discussant, "The law in prison," Law and Society Association annual meeting
- 2024 Reader, Author Meets Critics session on *Forbidden Intimacies: Polygamies at the limits of Western tolerance* (Melanie Heath), Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting
- 2023 Discussant, "Gender & sexual classifications," American Sociological Association annual meeting
- 2023 Reader, Author Meets Critics session on *Sex is as Sex Does: Governing Transgender Identity* (Paisley Currah), Law and Society Association annual meeting
- 2023 Discussant, Center for Engaged Scholarship workshop for fellows
- 2022 Discussant, "The classificatory power of the state," American Sociological Association annual meeting
- 2022 Discussant, Center for Engaged Scholarship workshop for fellows
- 2021 Discussant, Center for Engaged Scholarship workshop for fellows
- 2020 Discussant, Center for Engaged Scholarship workshop for fellows

Webinars and workshops (selected):

- 2026 Co-facilitator, "Creating your spring writing plan," ASA Crime, Law & Deviance section.
- 2025 Invited speaker, "Starting a new big project after your dissertation book," Center for Engaged Scholarship workshop.

- 2025 Panelist, “Mentorship in action: Faculty × students in conversation,” Undergraduate Research Center, UC Davis.
- 2025 Panelist, “Assessing “Fit” with a Potential Graduate Program,” Broadening Participation in Social Inequality Research Program, UC Davis.
- 2025 Co-organizer, “Theory & Movements for Social Justice” panel, ASA Theory section.
- 2025 Panelist, “How to conference (as a CLD scholar),” ASA Crime, Law & Deviance section.
- 2021 Panelist, “Research and Writing Outside the Academy,” Sociologists for Trans Justice Writing Symposium.
- 2020 Workshop facilitator, “How Inside-Out classes can respond to COVID-19,” Claremont Colleges Critical Justice Education Program.
- 2016 Panelist, “Bridging the Gap: Humanities in Action,” Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University.

Institution:

- 2024-25 Reviewer, UC President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, University of California system
- 2021-22 Dr. Devon T. Wade Mentorship and Service Award committee, Columbia University

Department:

- 2025 Hiring committee, UC Davis Sociology Department
- 2025-26 Promotion and awards committee, UC Davis Sociology Department
- 2024-25 Colloquium committee, UC Davis Sociology Department
- 2024 Law & Society emphasis revision committee (ad hoc), UC Davis Sociology Department
- 2023-24 Awards committee, UC Davis Sociology Department
- 2015-16 Co-representative for Graduate Students, Columbia University Sociology Department

Ad-hoc reviewer:

American Journal of Sociology; American Sociological Review; British Journal of Sociology; Canadian Journal of Psychiatry; Culture, Health, & Society; Gender & Society; Humans; IJERPH; Organization; Open Science Journal; Law & Social Inquiry; Law & Society Review; Punishment & Society; Sexuality Research & Social Policy; Signs; Social Problems; Social Sciences; Societies; Sociological Theory; Socius; Theoretical Criminology; University of California Press