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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2024- **Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track)**, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice University of Maryland, College Park
- Fall 2023 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice University of Maryland, College Park

EDUCATION

- 2023 Ph.D., Sociology & African American Studies, Yale University
- 2020 M.Phil., Sociology & African American Studies, Yale University
- 2016 M.P.P., Social Policy, University of Michigan- Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy
- 2011 B.A., Business Administration, University of St. Thomas-MN (*cum laude*)

AFFILIATIONS

- 2024-Present Dept. of African American & Africana Studies, University of Maryland, College Park
- 2023-Present NCID - Diversity Scholars Network, University of Michigan
- 2023-Present Maryland Population Research Center, University of Maryland, College Park

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Community Safety, Policing, Racism, Inequality, Lynching & Historical Racial Violence, Law & Society, Du Boisian Sociology, Mixed Methods (Archival, Interviews, Statistical, Computational)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES (*denotes equal authorship; † graduate student)

- 2024 Rocha Beardall, Theresa, Rahim Kurwa, and **Demar F. Lewis IV**. "Mended Windows, Not Broken Windows: A Du Boisian Analysis of Urban Policing." *City & Community* 0(0):1-21. [[article link](#)]
- 2023 Anderson, Andrew*, **Demar F. Lewis IV***, Paul Shafer, Jordan Anderson, and Thomas A. LaVeist. "Public Trust is Earned: Historical Discrimination, Carceral Violence, and the COVID-19 Pandemic." *Health Services Research* 58(52):218-228. [[article link](#)]
- 2021 **Lewis, Demar F., IV**. "Troubling America's Historical Waters: Towards the Transdisciplinary Study of U.S. Lynchings as an Active Present." *Sociology Compass* 15(11): e12931. [[article link](#)]
♦ Honorable Mention, 2021 ASA Theory Section Best Graduate Student Paper Award

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Lewis, Demar F., IV. “To Agitate a Southern Audience: Revisiting the Impact of Abolition on Tuskegee Institute’s Institutional Interventions, Anti-Lynching Advocacy, and Sociological Contributions.”

- ◆ Awardee, 2024 ASA Sociological Practice and Public Sociology Section Robert F. Dentler Student Practitioner Award (i.e., best graduate student paper)
- ◆ Awardee, 2023 ASA History of Sociology and Sociological Thought Best Graduate Student Paper Award

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS (*denotes equal authorship; † graduate student)

Lewis, Demar F., IV* and Roderick L. Pearson*†. “More Municipal Divestment, More Crime? A Spatial Analysis of Gentrification, Vacancies, & Crime Patterns in Cincinnati, 2018-2022.”

Lewis, Demar F., IV, Nicholas C. Smith, Lindsay S. Dieudonne, Jason Ashe, Muna Adem, and Terrill Taylor. “Weathering the Storm: Vicarious Racism, Linked Fate, and Self-Reported Health Among Black Americans After the First Year of COVID-19.” (In-Preparation)

Lewis, Demar F., IV. “Before 2020, #Defund Was in the Streets: Unpacking Television News Networks’ Representation of #DefundThePolice, 2011-2019.” (In-Preparation)

Lewis, Demar F., IV and Mark Mills†. “The Revolving Door: Revisiting the Practical Limitations of Pattern-or-Practice Agreements to Promote Structural Police Reform in the 21st Century.” (In-Preparation)

Lewis, Demar F., IV. “From Cultural Displacement to Communal Erasure: Illuminating Gentrification as a Threat to Safety Beyond Gentrifying Neighborhoods in a Mid-sized Chocolate City.” (In-Preparation)

Lewis, Demar F., IV. “Defund, ‘Refund’, or Abolish the Police? Age Differences in Evaluations of the #DefundThePolice Mandate and its Implications for the Future of Policing.” (In-Preparation)

BOOK CHAPTERS AND BOOK REVIEWS

Lewis, Demar F., IV. 2024 (forthcoming). Book Review. “Beyond Policing.” *Sociology of Race & Ethnicity*

Lewis, Demar F., IV. 2019. Book Review. “Doing Violence, Making Race: Lynching and White Racial Group Formation in the U.S. South, 1882-1930.” *Sociology of Race & Ethnicity* 5(3): 440-441.

Lewis, Demar F., IV. 2016. “Transforming the Black Silent Majority into an Engaged Black Majority.” *Harvard Journal of African American Public Policy* 22: 18-20.

Lewis, Demar F., IV. 2016. “Interview With Courtney Carter: Unpacking the Mandate Rhetoric of HBCU Diversity Discourse.” In Penny A. Pasque, Noe Ortega, John C. Burkhardt and Marie P. Ting, (Eds.) *Transforming Understandings of Diversity In Higher Education: Demography, Democracy, and Discourse* Sterling, VA: Stylus.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP AND MEDIA SELECTIONS

- 2022 [“Walk it Like We Talk It’: Reimagining Community Safety in the United States.”](#)
Award-winning participant in Yale University 3-Minute Thesis Competition.
- 2021 [“Connecticut Bar Association Policing Task Force—Report and Recommendations.”](#) Co-authored research report with colleagues Matthew G.T. Denney* and Alberto Cifuentes that sustained policy recommendations of the Connecticut Bar Association’s Policing Task Force. Co-presented findings to Attorney General William Tong.
- 2021 [“Public Sociology & Social Theory: An Interview With Demar Lewis.”](#) Interviewed by the ASA Theory Section.
- 2020 Interviewed for ‘The People vs. The Klan’ CNN Documentary by Blumhouse Films.
- 2020 [“Housing the Formerly Incarcerated Should Be A Fundamental Right, Especially In A Pandemic.”](#) *The Appeal*
- 2020 [“Anti-Lynching Policy and Ahmaud Arbery.”](#) Interviewed for the *Coloring Health Policy* Podcast.

GRANT FUNDING

External

- 2022 Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (\$28,000)
- 2020 Racism & COVID-19 Systems and Policy Change Funding Award, Health Policy Research Scholars Program, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (\$40,000)(Co-PI)
Dissertation Award, Health Policy Research Scholars Program, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (\$10,000)
- 2018 Health Policy Research Scholars Program, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (\$120,000)

Internal

- 2024 Dean’s Research Initiative, College of Behavioral & Social Sciences, University of Maryland (\$20,000)
- 2023 Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, Yale University (\$750)
- 2023 Conference Travel Grant, Graduate Student Assembly, Yale University (\$800)
- 2022 Dissertation Research Funding, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University (\$2,500)
- 2021 Dissertation Research Funding, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University (\$2,500)
- 2019 Graduate Policy Fellowship, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University (\$5,500)
- 2018 Graduate Research Fellowship, Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University (\$2,000)
Summer Research Fellowship, Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, & Transnational Migration, Yale University (\$1,000)
Corpus Creation Grant, Digital Humanities Lab, Yale University (\$1,500)
CAMP Mini-Grant, Department of Sociology, Yale University (\$500)
Conference Travel Grant, Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, & Transnational Migration, Yale University (\$500)

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, & HONORS

- 2023 Fellow, Summer Institute for Computational Social Science, University of Pennsylvania

2023	Inductee, National Center for Institutional Diversity - Diversity Scholars Network, University of Michigan
2022	Fellow, Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2022	Inductee, Scholars Network on Masculinity and the Well-Being of African American Men
2021-2022	Program Co-Director, Graduate Policy Fellows Program, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University
2021	Fellow, Notre Dame Future Faculty Workshop, University of Notre Dame
2021	Inductee, Edward A. Bouchet Graduate Honor Society, Yale University
2021	Alternate/Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2020-2023	Spencer Fellow, Institute for Critical Quantitative Computational and Mixed Methodologies-Cohort 1
2020	Law & Society Association Graduate Student/Early Career Workshop
2019-2020	Graduate Policy Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University Magee Fellow, Dwight Hall at Yale Center for Public Service and Social Justice
2018-2022	Fellow, Health Policy Research Scholars Program-Cohort 3
2018	Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship
2016-2017	Fellow, Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers
2014-2016	Fellow, Rackham Merit Fellowship, University of Michigan
2009-2010	Fellow, Ronald E. McNair Scholars Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program

INVITED TALKS, PANELS, AND GUEST LECTURES (**forthcoming)

2024	“Abolition as Research Methodology.” Education Beyond Carcerality: Realities, Possibilities, and Futures Convening—Wesleyan University. Middletown, CT, USA.
2024	“Policing Data and Equity.” More to Do: Police accountability and Public Safety Regional Conference—Children’s Law Center, City of Cincinnati, University of Cincinnati, and Cincinnati Black United Front. Cincinnati, OH, USA.
2024	“From Cultural Displacement to Communal Erasure: Illuminating Gentrification as a Threat to Safety Beyond Gentrifying Neighborhoods in a Mid-sized Chocolate City.” University of Memphis-Department of Sociology. Memphis, TN, USA.
2024	“Defund, ‘Refund’, or Abolish the Police? Age Differences in Evaluations of the #DefundThePolice Mandate and its Implications for the Future of Policing.” American Bar Foundation. Chicago, IL, USA
2024	“‘Living Otherwise’: Carework, Death Work, and Abolition.” Center for Black Life and the Law—Mitchell Hamline School of Law. Saint Paul, MN, USA
2022	“Unveiling the Trauma of the Routine: Illuminating Levels of Persisting Inequity in Conceptions of Community Safety.” Department of Sociology-SOC 501. New York University, New York, NY, USA
2022	“Troubling America’s Historical Waters, Towards the Transdisciplinary Study of U.S. Lynchings as an Active Present.” Department of African American Studies-AFAM 200. American University, Washington, D.C., USA
2020	“Putting Policing and Racial Justice in Historical Context.” Institution for Social and Policy Studies. Yale University, New Haven, CT, USA
2020	“Unpacking the Durable Tangle of Racial Inequities and Police Violence in the United States.” Department of Psychology-PSYCH 211. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA
2020	“Is it Juneteenth Yet?” Washington University St. Louis-Racism Pandemic Town Hall Series. Washington University St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, USA
2019	“Pretrial Detention and Police Violence in Connecticut.” School of Social Work-Macro

- 2018 Foundations of Social Work Practice. University of Connecticut, Hartford, CT, USA.
“Making Sense of the Numbers: A Du Boisian Approach to the Study of Prisoner Reentry.” Contemporary Studies of Race & Ethnicity Workshop. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (**forthcoming)

Panels Organized

- 2024 Session Presider, “Liberation Sociology: From Africa to Asia,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- 2022 Session Co-organizer, “Unlearning Core Concepts in Urban/Community Sociology,” Community & Urban Sociology Section, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, USA.

Papers Presented

Before 2020, #Defund Was in the Streets

- 2024 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, USA**

The Revolving Door

- 2024 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, USA**
2024 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, USA

More Municipal Divestment, More Crime?

- 2024 Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, USA
2023 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA

Defund, ‘Refund’, or Abolish the Police?

- 2024 Stockholm Criminology Symposium, Stockholm, Sweden
2023 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA

From Cultural Displacement to Communal Erasure

- 2024 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada**
2023 Gentrification and Displacement Conference, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA

Mended Windows, Not Broken Windows

- 2024 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada**
2023 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico

To Agitate a Southern Audience

- 2024 “Intersectional Solidarity: Emerging Comparative Historical Perspectives”, McGill University, Montreal, Canada
2024 “Emancipatory Politics in Times of Crises”, McGill University, Montreal, Canada
2020 Eastern Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland
Course (UG): Lynching, Race, and the Law (Fall 2024)
Course (UG): Race, Crime, and Criminal Justice (Spring 2024, Fall 2024)

Instructor of Record, Departments of Sociology & African American Studies, Yale University
Course: Race, Gender, & Class Inequities in the U.S. (Summer 2022 & Summer 2023)

Graduate Student Instructor, Departments of Sociology & African American Studies, Yale University
Course: Theories and Methods in Measuring and Detecting Racism (Fall 2021)
Course: Methods of Inquiry (Spring 2020)
Course: Ethnography of the African American Community (Fall 2019)

Other Course Instruction (Community-Based)
Course: Social Science Research Methods, New Haven Health Leaders Program (Fall 2021)

NATIONAL-LEVEL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer *American Sociological Review, Social Problems, Sociology of Education, Du Bois Review, Race & Social Problems, Critical Sociology, Journal of Ethnic & Migration Studies, Women & Criminal Justice*

Book Reviewer Columbia University Press

Board Service **Alumni Representative** to the National Advisory Committee—Health Policy Research Scholars Program, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (2024-Present)
Elected Representative to the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy Alumni Board, University of Michigan (2017-2019)

American Sociological Association

2022-2023 Elected Graduate Student Representative
ASA Sociology of Law Section

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY-LEVEL SERVICE

2024-Present Advisory Board Member, Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program
University of Maryland

2023-Present Undergraduate Teaching Committee
University of Maryland, Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice

2018-2021 Undergraduate Writing Tutor at the Poorvu Center for Teaching & Learning
Yale University

Spring 2019 Elected Representative at Large to the Yale Graduate and Professional Student Senate
Yale University

2017-2019 African American Studies Representative to the Yale Graduate Student Assembly
Yale University

2018-2019 Elected Graduate Student Representative to the Yale Department of Sociology

Yale University

- 2015-2016 Elected Student Representative, Ford School Executive Committee
University of Michigan
- 2015-2016 Graduate Student Representative, Ford School Strategic Diversity Planning Committee
University of Michigan
- 2015-2016 Executive Board Member, Students of Color of Rackham
University of Michigan
- 2010-2011 Student Liaison to the Board of Trustees
University of St. Thomas

GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING (*signals completion)

- MA Thesis Committee: Codey J. Carr, UMD - CCJS (2024-*present*), Member
Mohamed Salama, UMD - Merrill Coll (2024-*present*), Member
- Graduate Research Assistants: Grace Phelps, UMD - CCJS (2024-*present*)
Sara-Laure Faraji, UMD - CCJS (Summer 2024)
Michael J. Lebron, UMD - CCJS (Summer 2024)
Mark Mills, UMD - CCJS (2023-2024)*

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT MENTORSHIP (*signals completion)

- Undergraduate Research Assistants: Isaiah Jenkins, UMD - CCJS (Fall 2024- *present*)
Taije Harrell, UMD - CCJS (Fall 2024- *present*)
Amanda Esteves Correia, UMD - CCJS (Spring-Summer 2024)*
Leen Osman, UMD - CCJS (Spring 2024-Summer 2024)*
Karilyn Shin, UMD - CCJS Honors Program (Spring 2024)*
- Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program: Leen Osman, UMD - CCJS (Fall 2024- *present*), Chair/Advisor

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Criminology, American Sociological Association, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Association of Black Sociologists, Population Association of America, Law & Society Association, Association for Public Policy and Management, National Center for Institutional Diversity - Diversity Scholars Network