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PhD Candidate

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**Education**

**2021-present-** PhD, University of Maryland, College Park, Criminology and Criminal Justice (expected 2027)

**2024** M.A., Criminology, University of Maryland

**2020** B.A., Sociology, University of Virginia

**Research Interests**

Schools and crime, Student safety, stigma and school punishment

**Reports**

Bersani, Bianca, Greg Midgette, Veyli Ortiz, Abbey Potter, Erin Tinney, Codey Carr, Jae Eun Lee, Casey Kindall, Camila Soler. 2024. ***Baybrook Violence Reduction Strategy: Evaluation Report.*** Maryland Crime Research and Innovation Center.

**Working Papers**

“The Association Between Suspension and Expulsion and Later School Sanctions: Differences by Student Race and School Racial Composition”. This Paper explores the relationship between school sanctions and later punishment risk in varying racial contexts, extending labeling theory using insights from Racial Threat and Racial Control Theories.

**Research Experience**

**Fall 2024-present** Research and Teaching Assistant to Dr. Rachel Ellis

* Focus on training and mentoring in qualitative methodology

**Summer 2024-present** Research Assistant to Dr. Angela Henneberger, Maryland Longitudinal Data System

* Focus on working with very large administrative datasets, understanding the relationship between justice system contact and workforce outcomes for MD youth

**Spring 2022- Fall 2024** Research Assistant to Dr. Wade Jacobsen

* Focus on criminological theory and use of FFCWS, NLSY, PROSPER (social network) datasets

**Spring 2023-Fall 2024** Interviewer, Data Analysis Baybrook Chosen Leaders, Dr. Bianca Bersani

* Conducting interviews with youth in Baltimore, coding and working with qualitative data

**Summer 2023** Research Intern, the Urban Institute’s Center on Education Data and Policy

**Teaching Experience**

* **Corrections** (undergraduate, 60 students), *Teaching Assistant to Dr. Rachel Ellis* (2024-2025)
* **Honors thesis seminar** (undergraduate, 20 students), Teaching Assistant to Dr. Wade Jacobsen (2023-2024)
* **Introduction to Criminology** (undergraduate, 120 students), Teaching Assistant to Dr. Brett Lacey and Professors Jessica Morabito and Kyle Dorsey (2021-2023)

**Conference Presentations**

* Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, 2024, “Impacts of Suspension and Expulsion on Later School Sanction Risk; The Importance of Student Race and School Racial Composition”
* Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, 2023, “Risk for Repeat Exclusionary Punishment: Race and School Racial Composition”