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### Academic Appointments

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2018-Present Assistant Professor of Sociology and Educational Policy Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Faculty affiliate:* Center for Demography and Ecology; Institute for Research on Poverty; Interdisciplinary Training Program in the Education Sciences; Robert M. La Follette School of Public Affairs

2017-2018 Anna Julia-Cooper Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Wisconsin-Madison

### Education

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2017 Ph.D., Sociology, Northwestern University

*Dissertation:* "All Money is Not Created Equal: Racial Differences in Children's Educational Returns to Parental Income"

*Dissertation Committee:* Quincy Stewart (co-chair), Simone Ispa-Landa (co-chair), Leslie McCall, Jim Rosenbaum

2014 M.A., Sociology, Northwestern University

2012 B.A., double-major in Sociology and Rhetorical Theory and Criticism, Bates College (*Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa*)

### Research Interests

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Sociology of Education; Stratification and Inequality; Race, Class, and Gender; Income and Wealth; Family

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Forth. **Conwell, Jordan A.** and Natasha Quadlin. "Race, Gender, Higher Education, and Socioeconomic Attainment: Evidence from Baby Boomers at Mid-Life." *Social Forces*.

- Forth. **Conwell, Jordan A.** and Leafia Zi Ye\*. "All Wealth is Not Created Equal: Race, Parental Net Worth, and Children's Achievement." *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of Social Sciences*.
- Forth. **Conwell, Jordan A.** "Diverging Disparities: Race, Parental Income, and Children's Math Scores, 1960-2009." *Sociology of Education*. Preprint available: <https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/rcb4s/>.
- 2021 Quadlin, Natasha and **Jordan A. Conwell**. "Race, Gender, and College Savings: Assessing Economic and Academic Factors." *Sociology of Education* 94(1):20-42. DOI: 10.1177/0038040720942927.
- 2020 **Conwell, Jordan A.** and Catherine J. Doren. "Maternal Education, Family Formation, and Child Development: The Continuing Significance of Race." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. DOI: 10.1111/jomf.12697.
- 2020 **Conwell, Jordan A.** and Simone Ispa-Landa. "Principals in Urban Schools Under Pressure: Relations with Parents in the Era of Test-Based Accountability." *Urban Education* 00(0):1-29. DOI: 10.1177/0042085920937764.
- 2016 **Conwell, Jordan A.** "Josephs without Pharaohs: The Du Boisian Framework for the Sociology of Education." *The Journal of Negro Education* 85:28-45. DOI: 10.7709/jnegroeducation.85.1.0028.
- 2015 Ispa-Landa, Simone, and **Jordan Conwell**. "'Once You Go To a White School, You Kind of Adapt': Black Adolescents and the Racial Classification of Schools." *Sociology of Education* 88:1-19. DOI: 10.1177/0038040714555434.

## Book Reviews

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- 2019 **Conwell, Jordan A.** "Race at Predominantly White Independent Schools: The Space between Diversity and Equity." *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 48(3): 306-308. DOI: 10.1177/0094306119842138q.

## Manuscripts Under Review and In Progress (\* Indicates Graduate Student Co-Author)

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- Conwell, Jordan A., Heather Hill, and Brenda Gellner\*. "Race-by-Income Inequalities in Parental Spending on Children's Care and Education." *In progress*.
- Conwell, Jordan A., Natasha Quadlin, and Jia Wang\*. "MRS Degrees for Whom? Women's Household Financial Returns to College Quality." *In progress*.

## Grants and Fellowships

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*External*

- 2020 National Academy of Education/ Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2016 National Academy of Education/ Spencer Dissertation Fellowship
- American Educational Research Association Dissertation Grant (declined)
- 2014 Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship

*Internal*

- 2012-2017 Applied Quantitative Research Fellowship, Northwestern University Department of Sociology
- 2015 MacArthur Summer Research Grant, Northwestern University Department of Sociology (\$1,250, shared with Mary Pattillo)

**Awards**

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- 2016 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University
- Award for Graduate Student Service to the Undergraduate Major, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University
- 2014 Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University
- Honorable Mention, Robert F. Winch Memorial Award for Graduate Student Best Second Year Paper, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University

**Invited Lectures (Including Scheduled)**

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- 2021 University of Texas at Austin, Population Research Center
- 2020 Duke University, Department of Sociology, Race Workshop
- Duke University, Center for Child and Family Policy, Early Childhood Initiative Lecture Series. [Video](#)

- 2019, 2020 Graduate Center of the City University of New York, Stone Center on Socio-Economic Inequality, Inequality by the Numbers Summer Workshop (Invited Instructor: Inequality and Education). [Video \(2020\)](#)
- 2019 University of Pennsylvania, Population Studies Center. [Video](#)  
Brown University, Department of Sociology
- 2018 University of California, Davis, Center for Research on Poverty  
University of California, Berkeley, Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society (with Mary Pattillo). [Video](#)
- 2016 University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Sociology, Race & Ethnicity Brownbag Seminar
- 2015 Bates College, Department of Sociology
- 2014 DePaul University, Department of Sociology

### **Selected Conference Presentations (Including Scheduled)**

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- “Race, Income and Wealth, and Parental Spending on Children” (with Heather Hill and Brenda Gellner)
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2020 (cancelled).
  - Sociology of Education Association, Virtual, February 2021.
- “All Wealth is Not Created Equal: Race, Parental Net Worth, and Children’s Achievement” (with Leafia Zi Ye)
- Russell Sage Foundation RSF Journal Conference, “Wealth Inequality and Child Development: New Evidence for Policy and Practice,” New York, NY, February 2020.
- “Maternal Education, Family Formation, and Child Development: The Continuing Significance of Race.” (with Catherine Doren)
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August 2019.
- “Race, Gender, Higher Education, and Socioeconomic Attainment: Evidence from Baby Boomers at Mid-Life” (with Natasha Quadlin)
- Midwest Sociology of Education Conference, Evanston, IL, October 2019.
  - American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, August 2020.
- “Race, Parental Income, and Children’s Schooling, 1960-2009.”
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 2018.
  - Midwest Sociology of Education Conference, West Lafayette, IN, October 2017.

## Teaching and Advising

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### University of Wisconsin-Madison

Sociology 357: Research Methods for Sociology (undergraduate)  
Sociology 995: Demography Training Seminar (graduate)  
Educational Policy Studies/ Sociology 648: Sociology of Education (mixed)  
Educational Policy Studies 780: Graduate Student Proseminar (graduate)

Undergraduate senior thesis advisor: Karl Vachuska  
Dissertation committee member (non-chair): Jaymes Pyne, Christian Smith

### Northwestern University

#### *Lead Instructor as Graduate Student*

Analysis of Social Data (undergraduate)

#### *Teaching Assistant*

Introduction to Quantitative Data Analysis (graduate; Prof. Quincy Stewart)  
Applied Regression Methods I (graduate; Prof. Lincoln Quillian)  
Applied Regression Methods II, Binary and Categorical Outcomes (graduate; Prof. Jeremy Freese)

## Service to Disciplines, Universities, and Departments (Including Scheduled)

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### *Disciplines*

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| 2021-2023 | Editorial Board, <i>Sociology of Education</i>  |
| 2021      | Annual Meeting Program Committee, Sub-Committee on Education, Work, and Economic Inequality, Population Association of America, Virtual |
|           | Organizer, "Ethno-Racial Disparities in Education and the Labor Market," Annual Meeting of Population Association of America, Virtual   |
|           | Discussant, "Intergenerational Mobility and the Role of Education," Annual Meeting of Population Association of America, Virtual        |
|           | Award Committee, Bourdieu Best Book Award, Section on Sociology of Education, American Sociological Association                         |
|           | Award Committee, Best Graduate Student Paper, Section on Children and Youth, American Sociological Association                          |

- 2020 Conference Planning Committee, Section on Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility, American Sociological Association
- Award Committee, Coleman Best Paper Award, Section on Sociology of Education, American Sociological Association
- 2019 Discussant, "Power and Inequality in the Lives of Children and Youth," Section on Children and Youth, American Sociological Association Annual Meetings, New York, NY
- Discussant, "Inequality and Segregation: New Findings," Section on Sociology of Education, American Sociological Association Annual Meetings, New York, NY
- 2015-2017 Student Representative, Section on Children and Youth, American Sociological Association
- 2016-2017 Student Representative, Section on Sociology of Education, American Sociological Association

*Universities*

- 2020-2023 Immigration and International Issues Committee, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Departments*

*University of Wisconsin-Madison*

- 2020-2021 For Sociology: Concentration in Analysis and Research Committee
- 2019-2020 For Sociology: Outreach and Wisconsin Update Committee, Concentration in Analysis and Research Committee, Placement Committee
- For Educational Policy Studies: Department Awards Committee; Selection Committee, Wisconsin Center for Education Research Fellows
- 2018-2019 For Sociology: Newsletter Committee
- For Educational Policy Studies: Department Awards Committee; Selection Committee, Wisconsin Center for Education Research Fellows

*Northwestern University*

- 2016-2017 Committee on Statistical Training, Department of Sociology
- 2014-2016 Co-coordinator, Applied Quantitative Methods Workshop, Department of Sociology
- 2014, 2015 Reader for Exum Award (for best undergraduate paper on race/ ethnicity), Department of Sociology

2013-2015 Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Sociology

*Reviewer:* American Educational Research Journal, American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Child Development, Contemporary Sociology, Du Bois Review, Educational Researcher, Journal of Negro Education, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America (PNAS), Sociology of Education, Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, SAGE Open, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Science Research, Socius, Teachers College Record

### **Professional Affiliations**

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American Educational Research Association  
American Sociological Association  
Association of Black Sociologists  
Population Association of America

### **References**

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Available on request