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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Wisconsin-Madison National Institute of Aging T32 Postdoctoral Scholar Center for Demography of Health and Aging	2026 – Present
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EDUCATION

University of Iowa, Ph.D. in Sociology Dissertation: <i>Women's Aging in the Shadow of the Carceral State</i> Committee: Mark T. Berg (Chair), Amber Powell, Victor Ray, Sarah Harkness, Lesa Hoffman	2026
University of Iowa, Master of Arts in Sociology Thesis: <i>System Overload: Testing Life-Course and Developmental Theoretical Models of Adversity and Physiological Dysregulation</i>	2022
Indiana University, Bachelor of Science in Human Biology	2020
Indiana University, Bachelor of Science in Psychology	2020

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Structural Inequalities	Racism & Stratification	Population Health
Health Disparities	Aging	Carceral State
Punishment	Social Determinants of Health	Social Science Quantitative Methods

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Brown, Erika* and **Kendall Riley**. 2025. "When (Financial) Knowledge Isn't Power: Race as a Disruptor to Financial Literacy's Association on Health Precarity." *Sociology Compass* 19. <https://doi.org/10.1111/soc4.70115>

Berg, Mark T., **Kendall Riley**, and Man Kit Lei. 2025. "The heart of the matter: neighborhood violent crime and deprivation, cardiometabolic disease, and the racial invariance thesis." *Journal of Crime and Justice*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2024.2394224>

- Invited for special issue, "Intersections of Crime and Health: Structural Inequalities, Spatial Dynamics and Policy"

Berg, Mark T., **Kendall Riley**, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L. Simons. 2024. "Incarceration Exposure, Biological Aging, and Depression Symptoms in an African American Sample of Older Adults." *Journal of Health and Aging* 0. <https://doi.org/10.1177/08982643241257065>

Berg, Mark T., Ethan M. Rogers, **Kendall Riley**, Man Kit Lei, and Ronald L. Simons. 2022. "Incarceration Exposure and Epigenetic Aging in Neighborhood Context." *Social Science & Medicine* 310. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115273>

* Graduate student coauthor

UNDER REVIEW

Riley, Kendall. "Structural Violence and the Geography of Disease: The Child Welfare System as a Threat to Population Health." *Under Review*.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Riley, Kendall. [Manuscript Available]. “Embodied Politics of the Carceral State: State Power, Carceral Control, and the Manufacturing of Aging Inequities Among Women.”

- Selected as a semifinalist for the American Sociological Association’s Race, Gender, and Class Graduate Student Paper Award

Riley, Kendall. [Manuscript Available]. “Governed by a Contested State: How Approaches of Managing Social Insecurity Manufacture Health Inequity.”

Riley, Kendall. [Manuscript Available]. “Mapping Carceral Landscapes: Towards a Multi-institutional Theory and Measure of State Punishment and Carceral Control.”

Berg, Mark, **Kendall Riley**, Yi-Fang Lu, Ethan Rogers, Mei Ling, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L. Simons. [Data Analysis in Progress]. “Early Life Adversity, Community Resilience, and Aging Among Black Youth.”

Berg, Mark, **Kendall Riley**, Yi-Fang Lu, Ethan Rogers, Mei Ling, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L. Simons. [Data Analysis in Progress]. “Cognitive, Emotional, and Psychological Factors as Internal Mechanisms of Resilience for Black Youth.”

FUNDING & AWARDS

American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship Program (\$20,000)	2025
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National Institutes of Aging Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Promote Diversity (R36) <u>Principal Investigator.</u> Women's Aging in the Context of Structural Harm <u>Amount:</u> \$150,000 <u>Score:</u> 25 (Mechanism Dissolved)	2024
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Law and Society Association Graduate Student/Early Career Workshop (\$750)	2025
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American Society of Criminology Ruth D. Peterson Fellowship (\$8,000)	2024
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University of Iowa Department of Sociology and Criminology Graduate Studies Research and Travel Award (\$500/ year)	2021 – 2023
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National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships Program (\$108,000)	2022 – 2026
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University of Iowa Graduate College Recruitment Fellowship (\$30,000/ year)	2020 – 2026
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Midwestern Psychological Association Psi Chi Regional Research Award (\$400)	2020
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TEACHING

Guest Lecture Q&A on Neighborhoods, Weathering, and Aging in Place	Fall 2026
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Community Health and Social Equality (Instructor: Phil Tostado), Cornell College

Guest Lecture

Q&A on Podcast “Why Is Murder Spiking? And Can Cities Address It Without Police” 2022

Communities and Crime (Instructor: James Wo), University of Iowa

Teaching Assistant, University of Iowa

Juvenile Delinquency 2020

American Crime 2021

Communities and Crime 2021, 2022

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Indiana University

Bioanthropology 2019

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

2025 Riley, Kendall. “Embodied Politics of the Carceral State: Advancing a Structural Perspective of Carceral Control as a Determinant of Women’s Health.”

- University of Missouri-St. Louis, Department of Criminal Justice, St. Louis, MO
- North Carolina State University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Raleigh, NC
- University of Arkansas, Department of Sociology and Criminology, Fayetteville, AR
- Auburn University, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work, Auburn, AL

Conference Presentations

2026 Riley, Kendall. “Embodied Politics of the Carceral State: Punishment, State Contexts, and Women’s Cognitive Decline.” Paper submitted to the 2026 Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting in National Harbor, MD.

Riley, Kendall. “The Racialized Burden of the Carceral State: Advancing a Structural Approach to Carceral Control as Structural Determinant of Health.” Paper accepted for the 2026 American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.

Riley, Kendall. “Embodied Politics of the Carceral State: Advancing a Structural Perspective of Carceral Control as a Determinant of Women’s Health.” Paper presented at the 2026 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York City, NY.

Riley, Kendall. “Mapping Carceral Landscapes: Towards a Multi-institutional Theory and Measure of State Punishment.” Paper accepted to the 2026 The Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, New York City, NY.

2025 Riley, Kendall. “Mapping Carceral Landscapes: Towards a Multi-institutional Theory and Measure of State Punishment.” Paper presented at the 2025 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago IL.

House-Niamke, Stephanie, **Kendall Riley**. “Mules uh de World”: Religiosity as a Protective Mechanism on Black Women’s Aging. Paper presented at the 2025 Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Riley, Kendall. “Mapping Carceral Landscapes: Towards a Multi-institutional Theory and Measure of State Punishment.” Paper presented at the 2025 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

- Riley, Kendall, Mark T. Berg, Ethan R. Rogers, Yi-Fang Lu. "Pathways of Resilience: Countering Deficit Narratives in Examining Childhood Protective Factors and Healthy Aging Among Black Adults." Paper presented at the 2025 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- Riley, Kendall. "Gendered State Violence and Health: The Role of Child Welfare Services in Cardiometabolic Disease Distribution." Poster accepted at the 2025 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2024 Riley, Kendall. "Child Welfare Contact as a Source of Structural Violence: An Ecosocial Analysis of Cardiometabolic Disease Distribution." Poster presented at the 2024 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Berg, Mark T., **Kendall Riley**, Man Kit Lei. "The Heart of the Matter: Neighborhood Violent Crime and Deprivation, Cardiometabolic Disease, and the Racial Invariance Thesis." Poster presented at the 2024 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science, St. Louis, MS.
- Berg, Mark T., **Kendall Riley**, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L. Simons. "Incarceration and Aging in Older Populations." Paper presentation at the 2024 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science, St. Louis, MS.
- 2023 Riley, Kendall. "Incarceration and Aging in Older Populations." Paper accepted at the 2023 Association of Black Sociologists, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Riley, Kendall**, Mark T. Berg, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L. Simons, "Incarceration and Aging in Older Populations." Paper presented at the 2023 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 *Riley, Kendall. "System Overload: Testing Life-Course Theoretical Models of Adversity and Physiological Deterioration." Paper presented at the 2022 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- 2021 Berg, Mark T., Ethan E. Rogers, **Kendall Riley**, Ronald L. Simons, Man Kit Lei. "Incarceration Exposure and Epigenetic Aging in the Context of Neighborhood Stressors." Paper presented at the 2021 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2020 **Riley, Kendall**, Tennisha N. Riley "Subjective Social Status as an Indicator of Health: Effect of Neighborhood Rating on Health Outcomes in Black and Latinx Populations." Poster submitted to the Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society, Bloomington, IN.
- + **Riley, Kendall**, Tennisha N. Riley. "Family Emotional Climate and Youth Victimization of Peers: Mediating Effects of Disinhibition and Emotion Regulation." Poster submitted to the 92nd Annual Midwestern Psychological Association Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Riley, Kendall**, Dorainne D. Green, Kathryn M. Kroeper, Mary C. Murphy. "Anticipated Negative Interaction Experiences Between People with Differing Political Views Lead to Interaction Avoidance." Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- 2019 **Riley, Kendall**, Tennisha N. Riley. "Effects of Family Emotional Climate on Youth Disinhibition and Aggressive Behaviors." Poster presented at the 25th annual Indiana University Undergraduate Research Conference, Bloomington, IN.
- *Chair of panel
- + Psi Chi Undergraduate Research Poster Award

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA PI: Amber Powell, Ph.D. Title: Prison Rape Reform and the Quest for Sexual Safety	2024 – 2026
Graduate Research Fellow, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA Public Policy Center Supervisor: Mark Berg, Ph.D.	2022 – 2023
Collaborative Research Partner, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Black Youth Emotional Development and Identity in Group Contexts Research Lab PI: Tennisha Riley, Ph.D.	2020 – 2026
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Study of Affective Disorders and Classification of Treatment Research Lab PI: Lorenzo Lorenzo-Luaces, Ph.D. Supervisor: Tennisha N. Riley Ph.D.	2019 – 2020
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Mind and Identity in Context Research Lab PI: Mary Murphy, Ph.D. Supervisor: Dorainne Green, Ph.D.	2019 – 2020
Undergraduate Research Scholar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society (CRRES) Supervisor: Tennisha N. Riley, Ph.D.	2019 – 2020

SERVICE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Department

Criminology Workshop Group	2023 – 2026
Sociology and Criminology Department Chairperson	2023 – 2026
New Student Orientation Committee Sociology and Criminology Department	2021 – 2024
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Sociology and Criminology Department	2020-2021

University

Race Workshop Administrative Committee	2021 – 2026
Obermann Center for Advanced Studies Chairperson	2023 – 2024
Society for Black Graduate and Professional Students Executive Board Treasurer	2024 – 2026
Summer Research Opportunities Program Graduate Student Ambassador	2023, 2025
Peer-to-Peer Mentor Graduate Success	2023 – 2025

STEM Unfiltered Alumni Panelist 21 st Century, Hudson and Holland Scholarship Program, and Groups Scholars	2025
Graduate Students Panelist Association of Latinos Moving Ahead	2025
Graduate Student Panelist Big 10 Alliance	2023
Discipline Fellowship and Grant Writing Graduate Student Panelist Sociology of Education Association	2025
Registration Worker Volunteer Study for Societal Social Problems	2024
Paper Session Presider Midwestern Sociological Society	2024
Black Women in STEM Mentor and Ambassador Indiana University's Center of Excellence for Women and Technology	2020 – 2024

TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

2025	Applied Methods for Studying Structural Racism, Sexism, and Other Forms of Oppression, ICPSR Summer Data Workshop Summer Data Workshop Future of Families and Child Wellbeing Study Beyond Recidivism: Reconsidering the Value and Purpose of Higher Education in Prison, Seed Coalition
2023, 2024	Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Training The University of Iowa
2022	“Entering Mentoring” Seminar The University of Iowa
2021	Workshop on Data Equity Issues in Quantifying Racism, Race, and Ethnicity University of Maryland
2021	Writing in the Sciences Stanford University, Coursera

REVIEWER

The Journals of Gerontology-Social Sciences
BMC Public Health
The International Journal of Prison Health
The Journal of Economics and Ageing

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Criminology (ASC)
American Sociology Association (ASA)
Association of Black Sociologists (ABS)

Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences (IAPHS)
Gerontological Society of America (GSA)

RESEARCH SKILLS

Regression Analyses, Multilevel and Cluster Analyses, Factor Analysis/ Structural Equation Modeling, Longitudinal Analyses, Inverse Probability Treatment Weighting, Life History Interviews, Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Microsoft Teams), Google Suite (Sheets, Docs, Forms), Qualtrics, Stata, Mplus

REFERENCES

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