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### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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2020 - Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Amherst

### EDUCATION

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2020 Ph.D., Sociology (Demography minor), Cornell University

Dissertation: *Institutions in Childhood and the Transition to Adulthood in the United States: Consequences of Criminal Justice and Child Welfare System Contact*

2016 M.A., Sociology, Cornell University

2010 B.A., Economics, French, Wellesley College

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING AREAS

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Inequality, Demography, Family, Race/Ethnicity, Children and Youth, Incarceration, Child Welfare, Immigration, Health, Quantitative Methods

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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2020 Sundaresh, Ram, **Youngmin Yi**, Brita Roy, Carley Riley, Christopher J. Wildeman, Emily A. Wang. “Exposure to the American Criminal Legal System and Wellbeing: A 2018 Cross-Sectional Study.” *American Journal of Public Health* 110(S1):S116-S122.kim

**Yi, Youngmin**, Frank Edwards, and Christopher Wildeman. “Cumulative Prevalence of Confirmed Maltreatment and Foster Care Placement for US Children, 2012-2016.” *American Journal of Public Health*

2019 **Yi, Youngmin**. “Leaving Home, Entering Institutions: Implications for Home-Leaving in the Transition to Adulthood.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 82(3):981-996

Enns, Peter, **Youngmin Yi**, Megan Comfort, Alyssa Goldman, Hedwig Lee, Christopher Muller, Sara Wakefield, Emily A. Wang, and Christopher Wildeman. “What Percentage of Americans Have Ever Had a Family Member Incarcerated? Evidence from the Family History of Incarceration Survey (FamHIS).” *Socius* 5:1-45.

Hall, Matthew, Emily Greenman, and **Youngmin Yi**. “Job Mobility among Unauthorized Immigrant Workers,” *Social Forces* 97(3):999-1028.

Hall, Matthew, John Iceland, and **Youngmin Yi**. “Racial Separation at Home and Work: Exploring Patterns of and Trends in Segregation in Residential and Workplace Contexts.” *Population Research and Policy Review*

Featured on Vox.com: Chang, Alvin. “American Segregation, Mapped at Day and Night.” February 18. <https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2019/2/18/18217346/work-home-segregation-map>

Hall, Matthew, Kelly Musick, and **Youngmin Yi**. “Living Arrangements and Household Complexity among Undocumented Latino Immigrants.” *Population and Development Review*

2018 Doherty Bea, Megan, and **Youngmin Yi** (equal contributors). “Leaving the Financial Nest: Connecting Young Adults’ Financial Independence to Financial Security.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 81(2):397-414.

**Yi, Youngmin**, and Christopher Wildeman. “Can Foster Care Interventions Diminish Justice System Inequality?” Issue on “Reducing Criminal Justice Inequality,” *Future of Children* 28(1):37-58.

2016 Wildeman, Christopher, Kristin Turney, and **Youngmin Yi**. “Paternal Incarceration and Family Functioning: Variation Across Federal, State, and Local Facilities.” Issue on “Criminal Justice and Family Life in America,” *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 665(1):80-97.

**Yi, Youngmin**, Kristin Turney, and Christopher Wildeman. “Mental Health among Jail and Prison Inmates.” *American Journal of Men’s Health*. doi:10.1177/1557988316681339.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

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Sundaresh, Ram, **Youngmin Yi**, Tyler Harvey, Brita Roy, Carley Riley, Hedwig E. Lee, Christopher J. Wildeman, and Emily A. Wang. “Exposure to Family Member Incarceration and Wellbeing in the United States: A Nationally Representative, Cross-Sectional Study.” *Under Review*

**Yi, Youngmin**, Joseph Kennedy, Cynthia Chazotte, Mary Hunyh, Yang Jiang, and Christopher Wildeman. “Paternal Incarceration and Birth Outcomes: Evidence from New York City, 2010-2016.” *Under Review*

**Yi, Youngmin**. “Instability in Care and Living Arrangements: Putting Foster Youth in Context.”  
*Recipient of the 2019 Robert B. McGinnis Graduate Student Paper Award, Department of Sociology, Cornell University*  
(awarded for outstanding graduate student manuscript that makes use of sophisticated sociological methods)

**Yi, Youngmin**. “Racial Inequality in the Prevalence, Intensity, and Permeation of Incarceration in Family Life.”

**Yi, Youngmin** and Frank Edwards, Natalia Emanuel, Hedwig Lee, John Leventhal, Jane Waldfogel, and Christopher Wildeman. “State-Level Variation in the Risk of Child Welfare System Contact among U.S. Children, 2008-2018.”

**Yi, Youngmin**, Peter Enns, and Christopher Wildeman. “(How) Does Incarceration Shape Civic Participation, Community Engagement, and Trust in the State?”

**Yi, Youngmin**, Joseph Kennedy, and Maria Fitzpatrick. “Estimating the Causal Effects of Paternal Incarceration on Infant Birth Outcomes in New York City.”

## **SELECTED OTHER RESEARCH PRODUCTS AND WRITING**

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2020 Van Hook, Jennifer, Jenifer Bratter, Yong Cai, Kara Joyner, and **Youngmin Yi**. “What We Still Need to Know.” *Footnotes*, “Special Issue: Sociologists and Sociology during COVID-19.” Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.

2019 **Yi, Youngmin**. “Household Instability and Complexity among Undocumented Immigrants.” Fact Sheet, Council on Contemporary Families Experts Series/The Society Pages Policy Roundup, February 6/8.

Available at: [https://contemporaryfamilies.org/household\\_undocumentedimmigrants/#](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/household_undocumentedimmigrants/#) and <https://thesocietypages.org/ccf/2019/02/08/household-instability-and-complexity-among-undocumented-immigrants/>

- 2018 Enns, Peter K., Christopher Wildeman, **Youngmin Yi\***, Megan Comfort, Maria Fitzpatrick, Alyssa Goldman, Hedwig Lee, Christopher Muller, Sara Wakefield, and Emily A. Wang. The Family History of Incarceration Study (FamHIS) – Release 1 [dataset]. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY: Roper Center for Public Opinion Research, *RoperExpress*. Available at: <https://ropercenter.cornell.edu/CFIDE/cf/action/catalog/abstract.cfm?archno=31115615>.  
\*also wrote and prepared replication code for initial publications based on these data.
- 2016 Wildeman, Christopher, Kristin Turney, and **Youngmin Yi**. “Do Inmates’ Families Do Better or Worse Depending on Whether Fathers Are Sent to Jails or to State or Federal Prisons?” *SSN Key Findings Brief*. Cambridge, MA: Scholars Strategy Network.
- 2015 **Yi, Youngmin** and Kim Weeden. “Occupational Segregation.” Ed. George Ritzer, *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing. [peer-reviewed]
- 2013 Hegewisch, Ariane, Maxwell Matite, and **Youngmin Yi**. “The Truth in the Data: How Quantifying Women’s Labor Market Experiences Changes the Conversation about the Economy.” IWPR Research-in-Brief #L004. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research.
- Hess, Cynthia, Barbara Gault, and **Youngmin Yi**. *Accelerating Change for Women Faculty of Color: Policy, Action, and Collaboration*. IWPR Report #C409. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research.
- Hess, Cynthia, Ariane Hegewisch, **Youngmin Yi**, Claudia Williams, and Justine Augeri. *The Status of Women and Girls in Colorado*. IWPR Report #R374. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research.
- 2012 Hartmann, Heidi, Jeff Hayes, and **Youngmin Yi**. *How Increasing Breastfeeding Rates Will Affect WIC Expenditures: Saving Money While Meeting the Goals of Healthy People 2020*. IWPR Report. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research.
- 2011 Miller, Kevin, Claudia Williams, and **Youngmin Yi**. 2011. *Paid Sick Days and Health: Cost Savings from Reduced Emergency Department Visits*. IWPR Report #B301. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research.
- 2010 Drago Robert, Jeff Hayes, and **Youngmin Yi**. 2010. *Better Health for Mothers and Children: Breastfeeding Accommodations under the Affordable Care Act*. IWPR Report #B292. Washington, DC: Institute for Women’s Policy Research

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- 2020 “Racial Inequality in the Prevalence, Intensity, and Permeation of Incarceration in Family Life.” August 21. DemSemX.

“Careers in Policy Research.” Guest Lecture, Policy Analysis & Management Capstone (Spring, Undergraduate, Policy Analysis & Management, Instructor: Maureen Waller)

“Leveraging Data for Studying Persons and Social Groups Impacted by Institutional Contact.” April 24. Graduate Seminar Series, Department of Sociology, Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.

“Estimating the Causal Effects of Paternal Incarceration on Infant Birth Outcomes in New York City.” April 24. Poster Session, Population Association of America. New York, NY.

“Geographies of Exclusion: A Spatial Analysis of Financial Marginalization and Systems of Social Control.” February 28. Paper Session, Eastern Sociological Society. Philadelphia, PA.

2019 “(In)stability in Care and Living Arrangements: Putting Foster Youth in Context.” September 27. Policy Analysis and Management Seminar Series, Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.

“Estimating the Causal Effects of Paternal Incarceration on Infant Birth Outcomes in New York City.” August 13. Roundtable on Incarceration and Inequality, Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance, American Sociological Association Conference. New York, NY.

Invited Presenter. June 25. Quarterly Meeting of Federal Interagency Working Group on Children of Incarcerated Parents, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

Invited Panelist. April 15. Opening Plenary Panel, National Children of Incarcerated Parents Conference. Center on Child Wellbeing, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

“State-Level Variation in the Cumulative Prevalence of Confirmed Maltreatment and Foster Care Placement among U.S. Children, 2004-2015.” April 13. Paper Session, Population Association of America Conference. Austin, TX.

Invited Discussant. April 11. WISER Dialogue on Parental Rights and Foster Care. Women’s Institute for Science, Equity and Race (WISER). Web.

2018 Invited Panelist, “Reducing Justice System Inequality.” May 9. *Future of Children* Release Event. Brookings Institution, Washington, DC.

Master of Ceremonies, Office of Academic Diversity Initiatives Honors Ceremony. May 4. Cornell University. Ithaca, NY.

“Using Linked Administrative Data to Estimate the Effects of Maternal Incarceration.” April 28. Paper Session, Population Association of America Conference. Denver, CO.

Discussant, “Mass Incarceration and Inequality in the United States.” April 27. Paper Session, Population Association of America Conference. Denver, CO.

“(In)stability in Care and Living Arrangements: Putting Foster Youth in Context.” April 26. Poster Session, Population Association of America Conference. Denver, CO.

2017 “Gendered Social Problems and Contemporary Public Policies.” April 17. Guest Lecture, Social Problems (undergraduate course, Policy Analysis & Management, Instructor: Peter Rich)

“Using Linked Administrative Data to Estimate the Effects of Paternal Incarceration on Children: Is It a Viable Possibility?” November 16. American Society of Criminology. Philadelphia, PA.

“Variation in Young Adults’ Transitions to Financial Independence and Implications for Financial Security.” April. Poster Session, Population Association of America Conference. Chicago, IL.

2016 “Leaving the Nest: Departures from the Parental Home in the Transition to Adulthood.” March 31, 2016. Paper Session, Population Association of America Conference. Washington, DC.

2015 “Leaving the Nest: Departures from the Parental Home in the Transition to Adulthood.” November 6. Poster Session, Association for Public Policy and Management Conference. Miami, FL.

“Redefining Family: The Conceptualization and Closeness of Family Networks.” August 12. Paper Session, American Sociological Association Conference. Chicago, IL.

“Redefining Family: The Conceptualization and Closeness of Family Networks.” March 11. 7<sup>th</sup> Sociology Graduate Research Colloquium. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

2014 “Love and Marriage: Socioeconomic Status and Attitudes toward Marriage.” November 3. Center for the Study of Inequality Workshop. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

“Love and Marriage: Socioeconomic Status and Attitudes toward Marriage.” August 16. Roundtable on Race, Gender, and Class, Section on Sociology of the Family, American Sociological Association Conference. San Francisco, CA.

2013 Guest Lecturer, “Policy Research: Gender and Public Policy.” January 20. American Civics Summit for U.S. High School Students, American Civics Center. Washington, DC.

2012 Panelist, “Women and Asset-Building.” June 29. Panel on Family Economic Security and Social Insurance, National Organization for Women (NOW) Conference. Baltimore, MD.

## **TEACHING**

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Elementary Statistics (Fall 2020)

2017 Teaching Assistant, Confinement! (Spring, Undergraduate, Policy Analysis & Management, Instructor: Christopher Wildeman)

2016 Teaching Assistant, Applied Multivariate Statistics for Public Affairs (Spring, Graduate, Policy Analysis & Management/Cornell Institute for Public Affairs, Instructor: Matthew Hall)

2014 Teaching Assistant, Research Design, Practice, and Policy (Fall, Undergraduate, Policy Analysis & Management, Instructor: Maureen Waller)

Teaching Assistant, Research Design, Practice, and Policy (Spring, Undergraduate, Policy Analysis & Management, Instructor: Maureen Waller)

## **ADVISING AND MENTORING**

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### **Undergraduate Students**

Tatiana Barraza (Psychology, Near Eastern Studies; Cornell University, 2018)  
 Rebecca Jackson (Policy Analysis and Management; Cornell University, 2018)  
 Aadi Kulkarni (Policy Analysis and Management; Cornell University, 2023)  
 Ava Laub (Human Development; Cornell University, 2018)  
 Anna Lifsec (Policy Analysis and Management; Cornell University, 2021)  
 Henry Manley (Policy Analysis and Management; Cornell University, 2023)  
 Miguel Martinez (Government; Cornell University, 2018)  
 Emily Miller (Policy Analysis and Management; Cornell University, 2016)  
 Jesse Sanchez (History, Government; Cornell University, 2019)

### **AWARDS, HONORS, AND FUNDING**

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2019	Robert B. McGinnis Paper Award, Sociology Department, Cornell University
2019	Flora Rose Fellowship, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University
2019	Flemmie Kittrell Fellowship, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University
2017-2018	Reading Group Grant, Institute for Comparative Modernities, Cornell University Project: <i>Within and Beyond the Prison Wall: An Exploration of Method, Theory, and Evidence in the Study of Imprisonment</i> (with Amelia Hritz, Juan Carlos Melendez-Torres, Kevin Murphy, Trishna Senapaty, and Marisa Turesky)
2017-2018	“Linking NYC Administrative Data to Estimate Parental Incarceration’s Effects on Children.” Russell Sage Foundation Grant, \$35,000 (Research and Grant-Writing Assistant, with Principal Investigator Christopher Wildeman and Co-Investigator, Maria Fitzpatrick)
2016-2017	“Linking NYC Administrative Data to Estimate Parental Incarceration’s Effects on Children.” Center for the Study of Inequality at Cornell University, \$68,825 (Research and Grant-Writing Assistant, with Principal Investigator Christopher Wildeman and Co-Investigator, Maria Fitzpatrick)
2015	Rapid Response Research Grant, Cornell Population Center, Cornell University
2014, 2016-2019	Conference Travel Grant, Cornell Population Center, Cornell University
2014-2019	Conference Travel Grant, Graduate School, Cornell University
2013	Anna Cora Smith, Jean Warren, Barbara B. Kennedy, Lillian B. Powell, Mabel A. Rollins, Martha E. Foulk, Human Ecology Alumni Association Fellowships

### **ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION**

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2018	Summer Research Institute, National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect
2016	Panel Study of Income Dynamics Data User Workshop, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan at Ann Arbor
2016	Inclusive Teaching Institute, Cornell University Center for Teaching Excellence

**Languages**

English (fluent); French (highly proficient)

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 2017 – 2018 Graduate Program Coordinator, Graduate Students Mentoring Undergraduates Program, Office of Academic Diversity Initiatives, Cornell University (nominated for Toni Morrison award for graduate mentorship).
- 2011 – 2013 Research and Program Coordinator, Institute for Women’s Policy Research, Washington, DC
- 2010 – 2011 Mariam K. Chamberlain Fellow, Institute for Women’s Policy Research, Washington, DC

**SERVICE**

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- 2018 – 2020 Student Representative, Section on Population, American Sociological Association
- 2018 – 2019 Nominations Committee Member, Section on Children and Youth, American Sociological Association
- 2018 – Alumnae Admissions Interviewer, Wellesley College
- 2014 – Graduate/Peer Mentor, Graduate Mentoring Program, Sociology Graduate Students Association
- Graduate/Peer Mentor, Graduate Mentoring Program, Graduate Students in Policy Analysis and Management
- 2017 Organizing Committee Member, Innovations in Population Science Seminar Series, Cornell Population Center/Institute for Social Sciences/Center for the Study of Inequality, Cornell University
- 2016 Mentoring and Recruitment Coordinator, Sociology Graduate Students Association, Cornell University
- 2015 Conference Social Media Team, Population Association of America, Washington, DC
- Co-President, Sociology Graduate Students Association, Cornell University
- 2014 President, Graduate Students in Policy Analysis & Management, Cornell University
- Coordinator, Sociology Graduate Research Colloquium, Sociology Graduate Students Association, Cornell University

**Occasional Reviewer**

*Advances in Life Course Research, American Journal of Men’s Health, American Sociological Review, Criminology, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Journal of Marriage and Family, Journal of Quantitative Criminology, Population Research and Policy Review, Social Forces, Social Science & Medicine, Urban Affairs Review*

**Professional Affiliations**

*American Public Health Association, American Sociological Association, American Society of Criminology, Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Population Association of America, Eastern Sociological Society, Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science*