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EDUCATION

2025- PhD Indiana University-Bloomington, Sociology
- 2024 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow

2024 BA The College of New Jersey, Sociology, Magna Cum Laude,
Minors in Psychology and International Studies
Senior Thesis: "Are They the Right One? Uncertain Love in American and Danish Heterosexual Romantic Relationships."
- 2024 Kenen Prize for Outstanding Thesis in Sociology

RESEARCH POSITIONS

2024-25 Research Analyst, ICF
- Research Analyst, Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC), U.S. Department of Justice, 2024—2025
  - Projects:
    - Victim Services Training and Technical Assistance (VSTTA)
    - National Elder Fraud Hotline (NEFH)
    - Technical Assistance Center (TAC)
- Research Analyst, The Evaluation of the Victims of Crime Human Trafficking Collective (HTC), U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime, 2024–2025.
- Research Analyst, Project Roadmap, Office for Victims of Crime, 2024 – 2025.
- Research Analyst, Evaluation of the Office on Trafficking in Persons, National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center (NHTTAC), 2024—2025.

2022-25 Sociology Research Assistant, Justice and Blameworthiness Lab, The College of New Jersey (PI: Elizabeth Borland, PhD)

2023 Research Project Assistant, Mathematica

JOURNAL ARTICLES:

2025 Borland, Elizabeth, Mary Nell Trautner, **Jordan Ekstrom**, Cameron Keating, Elizabeth Wood, Janette Fennell, and Amber Rollins. 2025. "Justice and Parental Blameworthiness: Gender and Racial Disparities in the Criminalization of Hot Car Deaths." *Law & Policy* 47(3). doi:10.1111/lapo.70002.

2024 **Ekstrom, Jordan**. "I Don't Want to Be a Bitch": The Structure of Impression Management Among College Students. *TCNJ Journal of Student Scholarship*. https://joss.tcnj.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/176/2024/04/2024-Ekstrom-Sociology.pdf

PRESENTATIONS

2024 Borland, E., **Ekstrom, J**., Keating, C., & Burke, C. *Lawyer Characteristics and Client Outcomes: Prosecutors, Defenders and Disparities in Hot Car Death Cases.* Paper presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society 2024, Washington, D.C.

2024 **Ekstrom, Jordan.** *Are They the Right One? Uncertain Love in American and Danish Heterosexual Romantic Relationships.* Paper presentation at The College of New Jersey Celebration of Student Achievement, 2024 Ewing, NJ.

2024 **Ekstrom, Jordan**. *Feeling Uncertainty in Danish Romantic Relationships.* Paper presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society 2024, Washington, D.C.

2023 **Ekstrom, Jordan**. *I Don't Want to Be a Bitch: The Structure of Impression Management Among College Students.* Paper presentation at the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.

2023 Borland, E., **Ekstrom, J**., Keating, C., & Wood, E. *Justice and Blameworthiness: Racial and Gender Disparities in the Criminalization of Hot Car Deaths.* Paper presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society 2023, Baltimore, MD.

2023 **Ekstrom, J**. & Keating, C. *Justice and Prosecutorial Discretion: Gender Disparities in the Criminalization of Hot Car Deaths.* Poster presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society 2023, Baltimore, MD.

TEACHING POSITIONS

2023 Sociology Learning Assistant, The College of New Jersey

- *Course Assisted*: Quantitative Research Methods (Professor Zachary Kline)

AWARDS AND HONORS

2025 Honorable mention for the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation

2024 Regina Kenen Prize for Outstanding Thesis in Sociology, The College of New Jersey Department of Sociology and Anthropology

2024 Induction into Phi Beta Kappa, The College of New Jersey

2023 American Sociological Association Honors Program Participant

2023 DIS Travel Scholarship, DIS Danish Institute for Study Abroad

2023 Induction into Alpha Kappa Delta, The College of New Jersey Department of Sociology and Anthropology

2023 Induction into Sigma Iota Rho, The College of New Jersey Department of International Studies

2022 Mentored Undergraduate Summer Experience Participant, The College of New Jersey

2020-24 Dean's List, The College of New Jersey School of Humanities and Social Sciences

2023 Mary Roebling Award for International Travel, The College of New Jersey School of Humanities and Social Sciences