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2021 Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia

B.A. in Sociology, Global Politics, Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude

Research Interests

Spatiality and Inequality, Poverty, International Migration, National Identity, Social Theory

Manuscripts

In preparation Eastwood, Jonathan and Claire R. Smith. "Some Strategies for Thinking about

Social Structure."

Conference Presentations

2021 "Some Strategies for Thinking About Social Structure." American Sociological

Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL (Virtual). Scheduled to present August 2021.

Scholarships, Honors, and Awards

2021	The Robinson Award in English Literature, History, and Social Sciences, Washington and Lee University (Awarded to graduating senior who attains the highest academic record in English, History, and Social Sciences)
2021	The Emory Kimbrough Jr. Prize, Sociology and Anthropology Department, Washington and Lee University (Awarded to graduating senior for outstanding work in sociology)
2021	Nominee, The Edward Lee Pinney Prize, Washington and Lee University (Awarded by the Student Affairs Committee to an undergraduate student who demonstrates extraordinary commitment to personal scholarship and to the nurturing of intellectual life at Washington and Lee)
2020, 2021	The James McDowell Scholarship, Washington and Lee University (Awarded to students who attain the highest academic record during past two years)
2017-2021	Johnson Scholarship for Leadership and Integrity, Washington and Lee University (Four-year, full-cost-of-attendance, merit-based scholarship)

Research Experience

2021-present	Predoctoral Research Fellow, Poverty and Inequality Research Lab, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland Under the supervision of Dr. Stefanie DeLuca and Dr. Nicholas Papageorge
2020-2021	Winter Research Scholar, "Some Strategies for Thinking About Social Structure" Research Project, Washington and Lee University With Dr. Jonathan Eastwood
2020-2021	Senior Honors Thesis, "Borders from Within and Without: Exploring Heterogeneity in the Relationship between National Identity Type and Immigration Attitudes in the U.S.", Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Washington and Lee University
Teaching	
2021	Data Project Teaching Assistant for "Introduction to Sociology" Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Washington and Lee University Instructor: <i>Dr. Jonathan Eastwood</i>
Related Professional Experience	
2019	Intern, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, Washington, D.C.
2018	Intern, ACLU of Tennessee, Nashville, TN
Leadership	
2020-2021	Captain, W&L NCAA DIII Women's Cross Country Team, Lexington, VA
2020-2021	Editor-in-Chief, The Washington and Lee Political Review, Lexington, VA
2019-2021	Leadership Team, RUF Campus Ministry, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA
2019-2021	Career Fellow, W&L Career and Professional Development Office, Lexington, VA
Skills	
Languages	Arabic (Limited working proficiency)
Programming	R (Advanced); MaxQDA (Basic)