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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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2018 - *Associate Professor*, Department of Sociology, Cornell University  
2012 - Faculty Affiliate, Center for the Study of Inequality  
Faculty Affiliate, Cornell Population Center  
2012 - 2018 *Assistant Professor and Sesquicentennial Faculty Fellow*, Department of Sociology, Cornell University  
2011 - *Research Affiliate*, Center on the Demography and Economics of Aging, University of Chicago and NORC  
2010 - 2012 *Visiting Assistant Professor*, Department of Sociology, Cornell University  
2008 - 2010 *Postdoctoral Associate*, Department of Sociology, Cornell University

## EDUCATION

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2008 Ph.D., Sociology, University of Chicago  
2002 M.A., Sociology, University of Chicago  
1999 B.A. *summa cum laude*, Sociology, Wellesley College

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Urban Sociology – neighborhood context; household-neighborhood interface; neighborhood disorder; activity spaces; community and social connectedness  
Health and Aging – role of neighborhood context, social networks, and support; real-time symptoms, acute illness, and disease management; biomarkers  
Sociology of Law – organization of criminal courts; social status in legal processes; jury deliberations; legal mobilization; inequalities in legal outcomes  
Social Inequality – neighborhood inequality; social capital, status processes, disparities in legal and health outcomes

## PUBLICATIONS

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(\* graduate student co-author)

- Cagney, Kathleen A. and **Erin York Cornwell**. 2018. "Place, Aging, and Health." Pp. 131-158 in M.D. Hayward and M.K. Majmundar, eds. *Future Directions for the Demography of Aging*. Washington, DC: National Academies Press.
- York Cornwell, Erin**, Emily Taylor Poppe\*, and Meg Doherty Bea\*. 2017. "Networking in the Shadow of the Law: Informal Access to Legal Expertise through Personal Network Ties." *Law & Society Review* 51:635-668.
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Kathleen A. Cagney. 2017. "Aging in Activity Space: Results from Smartphone-Based GPS-Tracking of Urban Seniors." *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 72:864-875.
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Matthew Hall. 2017. "Neighborhood Problems across the Rural-Urban Continuum: Geographic Trends and Racial and Ethnic Disparities." *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 672:238-256.
- York Cornwell, Erin**. 2016. "Household Disorder, Network Ties, and Social Support in Later Life." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 78:871-889.
- Featured in the NIH's OBSSR Connector Blog:
- York Cornwell, Erin. 2016. "Household Conditions Shape the Maintenance of Social Ties in Later Life." *National Institutes of Health Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research: OBSSR Connector Blog*. 1 November. Available at: <https://obssr.od.nih.gov/household-conditions-shape-the-maintenance-of-social-ties-in-later-life/>
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Alex Currit\*. 2016. "Racial and Social Disparities in Bystander Support During Medical Emergencies on US Streets." *American Journal of Public Health* 106(6):1049-1051.
- Findings reported in the [Washington Post](#), [Boston Globe](#), [Huffington Post](#), [Reuters](#), [Yahoo](#), [Daily Mail](#), and other media outlets.
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Rachel Behler\*. 2015. "Urbanism, Neighborhood Context, and Social Networks." *City & Community* 14:311-335.
- York Cornwell, Erin**. 2015. "The Trials of Indigent Defense: Type of Counsel and Case Outcomes in Felony Jury Trials." *Albany Law Review* 78(3):101-121.
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Kathleen A. Cagney. 2014. "Assessment of Neighborhood Context in a National Survey." *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 69 (Supplement 2):S51-S63.
- York Cornwell, Erin**. 2014. "Social Resources and Disordered Living Conditions: Evidence from a National Sample of Community-Residing Older Adults." *Research on Aging* 36(4):399-430.
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Linda J. Waite. 2012. "Social Network Resources and Management of Hypertension." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 53:215-231.
- Findings featured in an interview recorded for the SAGE Podcast, June 14, 2012. Available at: <http://hsb.sagepub.com/content/53/2/215/suppl/DC2>
- York Cornwell, Erin** and Valerie P. Hans. 2011. "Representation through Participation: A Multilevel Analysis of Jury Deliberations." *Law & Society Review* 45:667-698.
- Translated to Spanish and reprinted in: Hans, Valerie P. and Gastil, J., eds. 2014. *El Juicio Por Jurados: Investigaciones Sobre la Deliberación, el Verdicto y la Democracia*. Pp. 81-125. Buenos Aires, Argentina: Ad Hoc.

Cagney, Kathleen A. and **Erin York Cornwell**. 2010. "Neighborhoods and Health in Later Life: The Intersection of Biology and Community." *Annual Review of Gerontology and Geriatrics*. 30:323-348.

**York Cornwell, Erin**. 2010. "Opening and Closing the Jury Room Door: A Socio-Historical Consideration of the 1955 Chicago Jury Project Scandal." *Justice System Journal* 31(1):49-73.

**York Cornwell, Erin** and Linda J. Waite. 2009. "Measuring Social Disconnectedness and Perceived Isolation Using Multiple Indicators from the NSHAP Study." *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. 64B:i38-i46.

**York Cornwell, Erin** and Linda J. Waite. 2009. "Social Disconnectedness, Perceived Isolation, and Health among Older Adults." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 50(1): 31-48.

Findings reported in *Reuters* and *United Press International* news wires, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *FoxNews.com*, *Science Daily*, *Medical News Today*, and *Self* magazine.

**York Cornwell, Erin** and Benjamin Cornwell. 2009. "Access to Expertise as a Form of Social Capital: An Examination of Race- and Class-Based Disparities in Network Ties to Experts." *Sociological Perspectives* 51(4):853-876.

**York, Erin**. 2008. "Reconsidering Social Status and Jury Deliberations: How Does Social Class Determine Influence in the Jury Room?" *Court Manager* 23(1):6-13.

**York, Erin** and Benjamin Cornwell. 2006. "Status on Trial: Social Characteristics and Influence in the Jury Room." *Social Forces* 85(1):455-477.

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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Principal Investigator. "Neighborhood Context and Health Inequalities in Later Life." Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality Faculty Research Grant. \$50,132. 7/1/18-12/31/19.

Co-Principal Investigator (with Marty Wells). "Criminal Record Inaccuracies and the Impact of a Record Education Intervention on Employment-Related Outcomes." United States Department of Labor. \$244,603. 1/17/2017-1/16/2019.

Principal Investigator. "The Cornell Criminal Records Panel Survey (CCRPS): Sample Expansion and Linkage to Administrative Records." Cornell University Institute for Social Sciences (ISS) Small Grant. \$6,200. 2017-2018.

Co-Investigator. "Activity Space, Social Interaction, and Health Trajectories in Later Life." National Institute on Aging, R01AG050605-01A1. \$2,993,849. 9/1/2016-5/30/2021.

Principal Investigator. "Social Environments and Real-Time Fluctuations in Pain among Older Adults in New York City." Translational Research Institute on Pain in Later Life (TRIPLL) Pilot Grant, Weill Cornell Medical College. \$20,872. 2016-2017.

Principal Investigator. "Analysis of Real-Time Data on Social Context and Health." Cornell Population Center Rapid Response Small Grant. \$1,870. 2015-2016.

Principal Investigator. "Moving Beyond the Census Tract: Activity Space and Social Networks in Later Life, Cohorts 2 and 3." Cornell University Institute for the Social Sciences (ISS) Small Grant. \$11,786. 2014-2015. (Declined)

Principal Investigator. "Moving Beyond the Census Tract: Activity Space and Social Networks in Later Life, Cohort 1." Cornell Population Center Seed Grant. \$10,000 (direct). 2014-2015.

Principal Investigator. "Social Status, Legal Consciousness, and Mobilization of the Law." Survey questions proposed and accepted for inclusion in the 2012 Cornell National Social Survey, Survey Research Institute, Cornell University.

Principal Investigator. "Geographic Variations in Health and Social Relationships: National Social Life, Health, and Aging Project." Center for the Demography and Economics of Aging, University of Chicago. \$30,000. 2011-2013.

Co-Investigator. "Pilot Study: Using Smartphones to Track Activity Space, Social Networks, and Health among Older Adults." (Kathleen Cagney, PI) National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. \$15,000. 2011-2012.

Center on the Demography and Economics of Aging Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Chicago, 2006-2008.

University of Chicago Century Fellowship, 2000-2004.

Jerome A. Schiff Fellowship for Honors Thesis Research, Wellesley College. \$2,000. 1998-1999.

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

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Parker, Emily and Erin York Cornwell. "Crime, Policing, and Fear among Older Adults: Results from a Smartphone-Based Study of Urban Seniors." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 13, 2017, Montreal, Quebec.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Neighborhood Problems and Distress in Real Time: Implications for Healthy Aging in Suburbia." Working Summit on Aging in Suburbia, Stony Brook University. October 7, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin and Matthew Hall. 2016. "Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Neighborhood Problems in Urban, Suburban, and Rural Areas, 1985-2013." Conference on the New Rural-Urban Interface. Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania. September 30, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin and Alex Currit. "Community Context and Disparities in Bystander Support during Medical Emergencies." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA), Seattle, WA, August 20-23, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin, Emily Taylor Poppe, and Meg Doherty Bea. "Networking in the Shadow of the Law: Informal Access to Legal Expertise through Personal Network Ties." Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association (LSA), New Orleans, LA, May 2, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Disadvantage, Disorder, and Distress in Everyday Life: Results from a Smartphone-Based Study in New York City." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America (PAA), Washington, DC, April 1, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Social Environments and Real-Time Fluctuations in Pain Among Older Adults in New York City." Translational Research Institute on Pain in Later Life (TRIPLL) Work-in-Progress Seminar, Weill Cornell Medical College. March 11, 2016.

York Cornwell, Erin and Rachel L. Behler. "Urbanism, Neighborhood Context, and Social Networks." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 22, 2015.

York Cornwell, Erin and Alexander Currit. "Inequalities in Bystander Support during Medical Emergencies." Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality (CSI) Workshop. April 20, 2015.

York Cornwell, Erin and Rachel L. Behler. "Neighborhood Disadvantage, Disorder, and Social Disconnectedness in a National Sample of Older Adults." Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality (CSI) Workshop. November 18, 2013.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Court Organization, Attorney Type, and Case Outcomes in Criminal Jury Trials." Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, May 30, 2013.

York Cornwell, Erin. "A Closer Look at Residential Context: Social Relationships and Physical Disorder in the Household." Department of Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University. September 20, 2012.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Households as Neighborhoods: Physical Disorder and Social Relationships in Household Context." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, CO. August 19, 2012.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Social Inequality in the Jury Room." Phi Alpha Delta, Pre-Law Chapter, Cornell University. March 27, 2012

York Cornwell, Erin. "Where Goes the Neighborhood?: A New Approach to Locating Relevant Social Spaces in the Metropolis." Department of Sociology, Cornell University. February 13, 2012.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Social Science in Legal Research and Practice." Society for Women in the Law, Cornell University. October 3, 2011.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Private Attorneys and Case Outcomes in Criminal Trials: An Examination of Competing Theories." Center for the Study of Economy and Society, Department of Sociology, Cornell University. April 7, 2011.

York Cornwell, Erin and Linda J. Waite. "Social Networks and Support in Disease Management: An Examination of Older Adults." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, D.C., April 1, 2011.

York Cornwell, Erin and Linda J. Waite. "Awareness and Management of Hypertension among Older Adults: Do Social Networks and Support Matter?" Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 14, 2010.

Hans, Valerie P. and Erin York Cornwell. "Who Participates in Jury Deliberations?" Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, March 25, 2010.

York Cornwell, Erin. "Disorder and Decline: Household Conditions and Health among Older Adults." Department of Health Studies, University of Chicago, March 3, 2010.

Hans, Valerie P. and Erin York Cornwell. "Judicial Efficiency and the Jury." Conference on Judicial

Efficiency, Turin, Italy, December 3, 2009.

York Cornwell, Erin and Valerie P. Hans. "Contextualizing Jury Participation: Case-, Jury-, and Juror-Level Predictors of Participation in Jury Deliberations." Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, University of Southern California Law School, November 20, 2009.

Waite, Linda, Martha McClintock, Erin York Cornwell, Lissa Patterson, and Juyeon Kim. "The Link Between Social Isolation and Inflammation: Dimensions, Measures, and Mechanisms." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. April 30, 2009. Detroit, MI.

York, Erin. "Reconsidering Residential Context: Implications of the Household Environment for Health and Social Relationships." Cornell University, Department of Policy Analysis and Management, November 13, 2007.

York, Erin and Benjamin Cornwell. "Access to Expertise as a Form of Social Capital: Race- and Class-Based Disparities in Network Ties to Experts." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 12, 2007. New York, NY.

York, Erin and Linda J. Waite. "Social Isolation and Health Among Older Adults: Assessing the Contributions of Objective and Subjective Social Isolation." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 13, 2007. New York, NY.

York, Erin. "Social Status in Jury Deliberations: 1957 and Today." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 13, 2006. Montreal, Quebec.

## **TEACHING AND ADVISING**

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### **Cornell University**

#### ***Undergraduate-Level Courses***

Sociology 2560, "Sociology of Law" taught Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2014

Sociology 2160, "Health and Society" taught Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2013

Sociology 3120, "Urban Sociology" taught Spring 2012, Fall 2013, Spring 2015

Sociology 3160, "Social Context and Health" taught Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

#### ***Graduate-Level Courses***

Sociology 5180, "Social Inequality: Contemporary Theories and Debates" taught Spring 2014

Sociology 6440, "Urban Structure and Process" taught Spring 2015, Spring 2017

Sociology 6160, "Survey Methods" taught Spring 2016, Spring 2018

### **University of Chicago**

#### ***Undergraduate-Level Courses***

Social Sciences 13200, "Democracy and Social Science, Part II" (Introduction to the statistical analysis of social survey data), Winter 2007

Social Sciences 13300, "Democracy and Social Science, Part III" (Investigating health inequalities), Spring 2007

## **Graduate Student Advising, Cornell University**

### ***Committee Chair***

Alex Currit: urban sociology, social networks, social inequality, health

Theresa Rocha Beardall: social inequality, law

### ***Committee Member***

Rachel Behler, PhD 2016: social networks, neighborhood context, social inequality, health

Emily Taylor Poppe, PhD 2016: legal profession, access to justice, social inequality

Allison Dwyer Emory, PhD 2017: urban sociology, families, social inequality, juvenile delinquency

Adisa Soren (MS in Design and Environmental Analysis, 2017): aging, environment, health

Johanna Carroll Eldridge (PhD in Division of Nutritional Sciences): health, social relationships

Youngmin (Min) Yi: inequality, urban sociology, immigration, family

Alyssa Goldman: social networks, health, inequality

Meaghan Mingo: social inequality, sociology of law, education

### ***Supervised Concentration for Part One of the A-Exam***

Bridget Brew: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (2014)

Alex Currit: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (2014); Social Networks (2016)

Paul Muniz: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (2014)

Youngmin (Min) Yi: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (2014)

Theresa Rocha Beardall: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (2016)

Meaghan Mingo: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (in-progress)

Camille Portier: Sociology of Health (in-progress)

## **Undergraduate Student Advising, Cornell University**

### ***Honors Theses Advised***

Beatriz Barros. 2016-2017. "Mind the Gap: A Study of Inequality in Public Transportation Access in Baltimore City, Maryland."

Yooha Park. 2016-2017. "Examining the Contributions of Different Social Relationships to Immigrant Health Inequalities in the United States."

Jessica Barragan. 2014-2015. "Racial and Ethnic Inequalities in Jury Deliberations."

Daniel Rubin. 2014-2015. "Legal Change and Shifting Public Acceptance for Gay Marriage."

Dominique Corley. 2013-2014. "Sounding Guilty: African American English and Racial Inequality in the Criminal Justice System."

Visha Meyer. 2012-2013. "The Role of Organizational Membership in the Relationship between Neighborhood Disorder and Fear."

Dayna Zolle. 2010-2011. "Gender and Judicial Decision Making: An Examination of Supreme Court Opinions in Sex Discrimination Cases (1961-2005)."

Maryam Zhuravitsky. 2009-2010. "Neuroscience, Social Structure, and Criminal Intent: An Exploration of Gender Differences in the Insanity Defense."

Hee Jeong Won. 2008-2009. "Ageism in the University: Professor Age, Technology Use, and Teaching Effectiveness."

### **Other Undergraduate Advising at Cornell University**

External member of honors thesis committee for Alice Kim, Department of Psychology, 2015-2016

Advisor for Brennan Cumming, Cornell Rawlings Presidential Research Scholar, 2013-2014.

Independent Study advisees:

Laura Bakst, Emily Cusick, Mitchell Drucker, Elizabeth LeBow, Lindsay Marano, Evelyn Murphy, Oliver Jacob, Kayla Richards, and Jessica Hadjukiewicz

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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Institute for the Social Sciences Faculty Fellowship, Cornell University, 2015-2016

Merrill Presidential Scholars' Recognition for Excellence in Teaching and Mentoring, Cornell University, 2011

Patricia Lynn Baker Prize, awarded to a graduate student paper addressing institutionalized social inequality, University of Chicago, 2007

Honors Pass on Special Field Exam, "Health and Social Context," University of Chicago, 2006

*Alpha Kappa Delta* Award, Wellesley College, 1999

*Phi Beta Kappa*, Wellesley College, 1999

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES**

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#### **Department and University Service**

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, 2014-present

Faculty Advisor, Cornell Graduate Student Association of Multidisciplinary Legal Studies (GAMLS): 2013-present

Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, 2014-2015

Department of Sociology Graduate Admissions Committee, 2013-2014

Department of Sociology Colloquium Committee: 2012-2013, 2013-2014

Faculty Advisor, Kappa Alpha Omega: Cornell Undergraduate Pre-Law, Public Policy, and Criminal Justice Fraternity, 2013-2014

Faculty Advisor, Cornell Women's Club Golf Team: 2012-2014

Organizer, *Law in Social Context Seminar Series*: 2008-2009

#### **Disciplinary Service**

Member of Harry J. Kalven Prize Committee, recognizing empirical scholarship in the advancement of socio-legal research, Law and Society Association, 2016-2017.

Organizer for session on "Law and Inequality: Criminal, Civil, and the Intersection of the Two" for the Sociology of Law Section of the American Sociological Association, 2017.



Organizer for three sessions on “Contextual and Environmental Factors Associated with Health and Mortality,” for the Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, 2017.

Chair, Graduate Student Workshop Committee (planning and conducting two-day workshop for 32 graduate students, with 5 committee members, prior to the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association (LSA)), May 31-June 1, 2016.

Editorial Board, *Research on Aging*, 2013-present

Discussant, “Aging and Well-Being: Social, Economic, and Psychological Dimensions.” *Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America*, Washington, DC, March 31, 2011.

Member of Graduate Student Paper Prize Committee, Theory Section, American Sociological Association, 2009-2010

Occasional Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Sociological Review*, *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences*, *City & Community*, *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Journal of Rural Studies*, *Law & Human Behavior*, *Research on Aging*, *Social Forces*, *Social Networks*, and *Social Science & Medicine*.

Ad Hoc Proposal Reviewer for the *National Science Foundation*

*American Journal of Sociology*

Associate Editor, 2004-2005

Book Review Board Member, 2002-2004

Editorial Assistant, *Law & Society Review*, 1997-1999.

### **Research Consulting and Assistance**

Research Advisor, Older Adults Technology Services (OATS), 2016-present

Consultant, AARP Foundation, 2012-2015

Consultant/Expert witness in legal case involving allegations of elder abuse and social isolation, Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, 2015

Consultant, National Social Life, Health, and Aging Project (NSHAP), 2008-2014

Consultant, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett, & Dunner, LLP, 2008-2009

Project Coordinator, National Social Life, Health, and Aging Project (NSHAP), 2003-2006

### **Memberships**

American Sociological Association

*Section Memberships:* Aging and Life Course, Community and Urban Sociology, Medical Sociology, Sociology of Population, and Sociology of Law

Law and Society Association

Population Association of America