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EDUCATION

- 2024- Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, USA
 PhD in Sociology
 Center for Research on Health and Inequality Affiliate
- 2024 Emory University, Atlanta, GA, USA
 B.S., Highest Honors, Quantitative Sciences and Sociology
 Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Sociology

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Medical Sociology, Aging and the Life Course, End-of-life, Quantitative Methods

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2026 Zheng Lian, Lucie Kalousová. Later-Life Friendship in Advance Care Planning: Variation by Marital Status and Gender. *Research on Aging*.
- 2025 Ross, Clifford, Brina Ratangee, Emily Schuler, Zheng Lian, Benmun Damul, Deborah Carr, Lucie Kalousová. The Impact of COVID-19 on Racial Disparities in Death Quality: The Moderating Role of Hospice and Palliative Care. *Journals of Gerontology: Series B*.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS


- 2025 Friendship and End-of-Life Discussions among Older Adults: Moderating Effects of Marital Status and Gender. Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- 2025 Change in Racial Disparities in End-of-Life Quality and Advance Care Planning: After the 2016 Medicare Incentive Reform. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, D.C. (with Lucie Kalousová, Clifford Ross, Deborah Carr).
- 2025 Friendship and End-of-Life Discussions among Older Adults: Moderating Effects of Marital Status and Gender. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2024 White Women "Outraged" by a Lynched Black (Georgia 1875-1935). SouthEastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium (SEUSS), Atlanta, GA (with Mirielle Ma).


AWARDS


- 2025 ESPO – Interdisciplinary Paper Award, Gerontological Society of America
- 2024 Sara Smith Sutker and Solomon Sutker Award, Emory University
- 2024 Highest Honors in Sociology, Emory University
- 2024 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Emory University
- 2022-2024 Dean's List, Emory University
- 2023 Alpha Kappa Delta, Emory University

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GRANTS

- 2025 The Graduate School Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, \$1000
To assist in the cost of presenting first authored research at annual conference.
- 2025 CRIH Conference Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, \$500
To assist in the cost of presenting first authored research at annual conference.
- 2024 Professional Development Grant, Vanderbilt University, \$600
To enhance research projects and assist in submission for publication.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2025- Social Media Team Member, ASA Medical Sociology Section
- 2025- Associate Editor, Work and Occupations
- 2024-2025 Graduate Student Advisory Committee Member, ASA Social Psychology Section
- 2023-2024 Peer Mentor, Sociology Department, Emory University
- Occasional Reviewer: Social Forces, Social Science & Medicine