Faculty and graduate students regularly work together on research projects. Joint publications in the past three years (students in red) include:

**Bates, Littisha A. & Paul D. Anderson**
"Do Expectations Make the Difference? A Look at Educational Expectations and Academic Performance on College Enrollment"
*Race and Social Problems*, 2014

**Bommaraju, Aalap, Jennifer Malat, Jennifer Mooney**
"Reproductive Life Plan Counseling and Effective Contraceptive Use among Urban Women Utilizing Title X Services"
*Women's Health Issues*, 2015

**Carter, Jennifer, Erynn Masi de Casanova, & David J. Maume.**
"Gendering Olympians: Olympic Media Guide Profiles of Men and Women Athletes"
*Sociology of Sport Journal*, 2015

**Green, Aaryn & Annulla Linders**
"The Impact of Comedy on Racial and Ethnic Discourse"
*Sociological Inquiry*, 2016

**Timberlake, Jeffrey M. & Elaina Johns-Wolfe**
"Neighborhood Ethnoracial Composition and Gentrification in Chicago and New York, 1980 to 2010"
*Urban Affairs Review*, 2016

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**The Cincinnati Project**
Grants to graduate students for research benefiting disadvantaged Cincinnati communities.

**University Research Council**
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Focused on social inequality. Our primary concentrations are community and urban sociology and the sociology of health and medicine, with secondary specializations in race and ethnicity and gender and family. We encourage prospective students who are interested in these topics to join us!

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ABOUT

The PhD Program

SPOTLIGHTS

FACULTY

Littisha A. Bates, PhD
Dr. Bates is a sociologist of education and early child development. Her current research project examines the changes in the magnet school enrollment processes in the City of Cincinnati, focusing on the impact of the change from first-come-first-serve enrollment to a district wide lottery.

"Graduate students in the department of sociology have the opportunity to become experts in the study of social inequality in an urban environment under award-winning faculty, including many scholars of color. UC has made clear its commitment to diversity and excellence. What student wouldn't want to train in such an environment?!"

Danielle Bessett, PhD
Dr. Bessett's research interests are in medical and family sociology, focusing on inequalities in reproduction. She co-leads the Ohio Policy Evaluation Network, which conducts rigorous, impactful, and forward-thinking social-science research on the reproductive health of Ohioans. Dr. Bessett's other projects focus on women's experiences of pregnancy in the U.S., abortion stigma, and disparities in infant mortality.

"PhD students should come to UC because UC Sociology offers incredible opportunities to engage in cutting-edge, critical research with real-world implications for policy and practice."

STUDENTS

Alan V. Grigsby, ABD
Mr. Grigsby's dissertation research is an ethnography of social life in Shaker Heights, OH. His project investigates how the black people who occupy this space—as residents, employees, and visitors—think about, describe, and participate in social life in a diverse suburb.

"The UC sociology faculty encourage scholarly achievement in all their students. They also support creativity, innovation, and the development of roles outside of academia. I have received invaluable training and mentoring on how to be a successful scholar, educator, and member of the broader community."

Megan Underhill, PhD
Dr. Underhill is a race and family scholar whose research examines what—and more importantly, how—middle and lower-class white parents teach their children about race, including implicit racial socialization, protective parenting practices in diverse neighborhoods, and parental discussions of racial tension and protest.

"If you're interested in pursuing a graduate degree in an urban environment among diverse faculty and students who are deeply committed to questions of social inequality, then look no further! Students work closely with faculty members and exit the program well-prepared for academic and research careers."

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Nevada State College

Megan Underhill (2016)
University of North Carolina-Asheville

Ciera Graham (2015)
Washington State University-Everett

Aaron Howell (2014)
Farmingdale State College (NY)

Mark Killian (2013)
Whitworth University (WA)

Ying Ma (2012)
Austin Peay State University (TN)