

**Kaylee T. Matheny**

Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

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Ph.D., Sociology of Education, Education Policy Certificate in Quantitative Research in Education Stanford Graduate School of Education, Stanford University	2022 (Expected)
M.A., Sociology Stanford School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University	2020
B.A., Sociology, English-Creative Writing Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Kappa Delta Emory College of Arts and Sciences, Emory University	2015

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Sociology of Education | Social Stratification | Socioeconomic Inequality | Education Policy | Mixed Methods

**ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS**

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**Manuscripts in Preparation**

**Matheny, Kaylee T.,\*** Marissa E. Thompson,\* Carrie Townley Flores,\* and Sean F. Reardon. In progress.  
 “Uneven Progress: Variation in District-Level Trends in Test Performance.”

Horwitz, Ilana M., **Kaylee T. Matheny\*** and Krystal Laryea.\* In progress. “Oriented and Open: Why Do American Jews Have Such High Levels of Educational Attainment?”

**Matheny, Kaylee T.** In Progress. “A Seat at the Table: How Tennessee Saw Rapid Achievement Gains While Advancing Equity.”

Bettinger, Eric P.\* and **Kaylee T. Matheny.\*** In progress. “Optimizing Opportunity: Patterns in College Matching and Financial Aid.”

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**FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS**

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Karr Fellowship Stanford Graduate School of Education, Stanford University	\$19,370	2020
GSE Students’ Collaborative Learning Fund Stanford Graduate School of Education, Stanford University	\$2,970	2019
Student Projects for Intellectual Community Enhancement (SPICE) Grant Office of the Vice Provost for Graduate Education, Stanford University	\$2,300	2019

Institute of Education Sciences Fellowship, Stanford Interdisciplinary Doctoral Training Program in Quantitative Education Policy Analysis Center for Education Policy Analysis, Stanford University	\$120,000	2017
I. James and Viola Quillen Fellowship Stanford Graduate School of Education, Stanford University	\$12,441	2017
STAR Teacher Griffin High School		2017
Solomon and Sara Sutker Outstanding Student Award Sociology Department, Emory University		2015
Phi Beta Kappa Academic Honor Society		2014
Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society		2013
Best Presentation in Social Sciences Scholarly Inquiry and Research at Emory Undergraduate Symposium		2013
Robert W. Woodruff Merit Scholarship Emory University	\$220,000	2011

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference, Fort Worth, TX <b>Matheny, Kaylee T.</b> In Progress. "A Seat at the Table: How Tennessee Attained Rapid Achievement Gains While Advancing Equity Across Student Groups."		2020
Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference, Fort Worth, TX Lu, Amanda, <b>Kaylee T. Matheny</b> , Eric P. Bettinger, and Gregory Kienzl. In Progress. "Everyone's Own Good Reason: Evaluating the Implementation of a Federal Experiment for Pell Grants to Fund Dual Enrollment."		2020
Association for the Study of Higher Education Annual Meeting, Portland, OR Horwitz, Ilana M., <b>Kaylee T. Matheny</b> and Krystal Laryea. In Progress. "From Bat-Mitzvah to the Bar: How Ethno-Religious Culture Shapes Women's Educational Aspirations and Attainment."		2019
Association for the Study of Higher Education Annual Meeting, Portland, OR Bettinger, Eric P.* and <b>Kaylee T. Matheny.*</b> In progress. "Optimizing Opportunity: Patterns in College Matching and Financial Aid."		2019
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Denver, CO <b>Matheny, Kaylee T.,*</b> Marissa E. Thompson,* Carrie Townley Flores,* and Sean F. Reardon. In progress. "Uneven Progress: Variation in District-Level Trends in Test Performance."		2019
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY <b>Matheny, Kaylee T.,*</b> Marissa E. Thompson,* Carrie Townley Flores,* and Sean F. Reardon. In progress. "Uneven Progress: Variation in District-Level Trends in Test Performance."		2019
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY Horwitz, Ilana M., <b>Kaylee T. Matheny</b> and Krystal Laryea. In progress. "Understanding Jewish Women's Educational Aspirations and Attainment."		2019
Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference, Kansas City, MO <b>Matheny, Kaylee T.,*</b> Marissa E. Thompson,* Carrie Townley Flores,* and Sean F. Reardon. In progress. "Uneven Progress: Variation in District-Level Trends in Test Performance."		2019

- Sociology of Education Association Annual Conference, Pacific Grove, CA 2019  
**Matheny, Kaylee T.,\*** Marissa E. Thompson,\* Carrie Townley Flores,\* and Sean F. Reardon. In progress. "Uneven Progress: Variation in District-Level Trends in Test Performance."
- Sociology of Education Association Annual Conference, Pacific Grove, CA 2019  
 Horwitz, Ilana M., **Kaylee T. Matheny** and Krystal Laryea. In progress. "Oriented and Open: Why Do American Jews Have Such High Levels of Educational Attainment?"
- Scholarly Inquiry and Research at Emory Undergraduate Symposium, Atlanta, GA 2013  
**Matheny, Kaylee T.,** Shala N. Blue, Elizabeth A. White, and Patricia J. Bauer. 2013 (Poster Only). "Impact of Reader on Successful Knowledge Formation in Children."

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## SCHOLARLY LECTURES

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- National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships, Salt Lake City, UT 2019  
*Evaluating the ExSites Pell Experiment.* Talk delivered to practitioners summarizing quantitative and qualitative findings from our evaluation of the Federal Pell Experimental Sites Initiative.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Sociology Department, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University 2019-Present  
 Principal Investigator: David B. Grusky  
 American Voices Project
- Center for Education Policy Analysis, Graduate School of Education, Stanford University 2017-Present  
 Advisor: Sean F. Reardon  
 Educational Opportunity Monitoring Project
- Emory College Honors Program, Sociology Department, Emory University 2015  
 Committee: Tracy Scott (Chair), Richard Rubinson, Christine Ristaino  
 Thesis: "Forging Ahead: A Study of Socioeconomic Status as It Relates to the College Transitions of Emory University Undergraduate Students"
- Research in Sociology at Emory (RISE), Emory University 2014  
 Advisor: Tracy Scott
- Scholarly Inquiry and Research at Emory (SIRE), Emory University 2013  
 Bauer Memory at Emory Lab  
 Advisor: Patricia Bauer  
 Poster: "Impact of Reader on Successful Knowledge Formation in Children"

## ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- SOCI 100: Introduction to Sociology, Skyline College Spring 2020  
 Instructor of Record.
- SOC 332/EDUC 310: Sociology of Education, Stanford University Fall 2019  
 Teaching Assistant for Mitchell Stevens. Co-developed the course syllabus, readings, and assignments; provided supplemental teaching support; graded assignments.  
 Effectiveness of instruction: 4.8/5 (n=15)  
 Sample Teaching Evaluation Feedback:

*“Through her extensive feedback, she also helped me improve my writing and critical thinking.”*  
*“Her creative activities gave us an opportunity...to apply the readings to real-world situations.”*

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

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President, Stanford Graduate School of Education Student Guild	2019-Present
MA Student Representative, Association of Sociology Graduate Students	2019-Present
Director, Sociology and Education Network, Stanford University	2019-Present
Mentor, Stanford Graduate School of Education Mentorship Program	2018-Present
Academic Chair, Stanford Graduate School of Education Student Guild	2018-2019
Member, Sociology and Education Network, Stanford University	2017-2019

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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American Sociological Association  
 Association for Education Finance and Policy  
 Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management  
 Association for the Study of Higher Education  
 Sociology of Education Association

## NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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Pre-College and Graduate Instructor and Tutor, Kaplan Inc. I taught standardized test preparation for the SAT, GRE, and GMAT and tailored the curriculum to my students to help them succeed on assessments that impact some of the biggest opportunities of their lives. I also provided one-on-one tutoring.	2017-2018
English Teacher for Summer School, Griffin-Spalding County Schools I collaborated with another English teacher to develop and teach the first summer school curriculum for students re-taking the high school English exams required for graduation.	2017
World Literature Teacher & 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Content Lead, Griffin High School I walked in with a pacing guide, the state standards, and a textbook; I left behind a standards-aligned curriculum, including instructional materials, interactive activities, research guides, and tests. I also taught workshops on instructional resources, coached the Book Bowl and Academic teams, and sponsored the Book Club.	2015-2017
Academic Coach, Office for Undergraduate Education at Emory University I developed individualized plans for students struggling with skills such as time management, prioritization, and studying efficiently, even helping one student to successfully complete the semester without withdrawing.	2015
Emory Scholars Fellow, Emory Scholars Program at Emory University I planned events with 100+ attendees (Senior Brunch; Finalists' Week Activity Fair), evaluated the peer mentorship program, managed and maintained hospitality in the lounge, and developed a handbook for current and future Fellows.	2013-2015
Probation Unit Summer Intern, DeKalb County Juvenile Court I eased the transition for the Commitment Alternative Program's (CAP's) probation office turnover by preparing court documents, compiling files, and working in the field.	2014
Salesperson, Waffle House, Inc. (Unit 1772)	2009-2014

Through high school and college summers/winters I crafted hundreds of customers' experiences each day. I made our establishment appealing to customers, contributed to team morale, and improved workflow systems.

## CREATIVE PUBLICATIONS

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"Swinging" The Kitchen Drawer Fiction Short Story, 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2016
"The Vase" The Kitchen Drawer Fiction Short Story, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	2015
"The Boxer Rebellion" The Pulse Fiction Short Story	2013