

Maia Behrendt

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- Expected 2023 Ph.D., Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
 Dissertation: *Creating Community and Dismantling Settler Colonialism: Indigenous Women's Art* (Advisor: Dr. Kelsy Burke)
 Ph.D. Specialization: Ethnic Studies
- 2019 M.A., Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
 Thesis: *Drinking Behaviors, Relationships and Recovery: A Relational Sociological Examination of Addiction*. (Advisor: Dr. Kirk Dombrowski)
- 2017 B.A., High Distinction, Anthropology, University Honors Program, Minors: English, Ethnic Studies, Music, Native American Studies, University of Nebraska-Lincoln,
 Thesis: *Contentious Spaces: Museums and the War Between Scientific Inquiry and Indigenous Traditional Knowledge Systems*. (Advisors: Drs. Raymond Hames and Mathew Douglass)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Qualitative Methods, Race and Ethnicity, Sociology of Art, Cultural Sociology, Social Movements, Gender

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Behrendt, M. C. (2022). Settler colonial origins of intimate partner violence in Indigenous communities. *Sociology Compass*, e13019.

Behrendt, M., & Burke, K. "Moral Narratives and Higher Powers: Alcoholics Anonymous as a Lived Religion." [In Preparation for December 2022 Submission to *Sociological Spectrum*]

Bleed P., Douglass, M., Sumner, A., **Behrendt, M.**, & McKay, A. (2017). Photogrammetrical Assessment of Procedural Patterns and Sequential Structure in "Handaxe" Manufacture: A Case Study along the Doring River of South Africa. *Lithic Technology* (1).

Burke, K., Kazyak, E., & **Behrendt, M.** "“In a Religious Celebration”?: The Religious Defense of LGBT Rights in U.S. Federal Courts." [Submitted to *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*]

Kazyak, E., Burke, K., **Behrendt, M.**, Oliver, M. "Religious Exemption, LGBT Rights, and the Social Construction of Harm and Freedom." [Revise & Resubmit at *Law & Social Inquiry*]

Kazyak, E., Burke, K., Oliver, M., & **Behrendt, M.** "Making the Case: Examining Outcomes of Religious-based Claims in Federal Litigation involving LGBT Rights." [Revise & Resubmit at *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*]

Rentschler, J., **Behrendt, M.**, Hoyt, D., & Whitbeck, L. “Recruitment and Retention of Native American Youth and Caregivers in a Culturally Adapted Prevention Program” [Revise & Resubmit at Transcultural Psychiatry]

RESEARCH REPORTS

Behrendt, Maia, Jamy Rentschler, Kathleen Starkweather, Cindy McDougall, and Devan Crawford. 2022 “Participating Community Reports*: Youth Results Wave 1 - Wave 3.” Bii-Zin-Da-De-Dah Project (DA037177: PI Leslie B. Whitbeck). University of Nebraska Lincoln.*Four separate reports, three approx. 150 pgs and one approx. 65 pgs.

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

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| 2022-2023 | Presidential Fellowship, University of Nebraska Lincoln (\$24,000) |
| 2022 | John Mohr Dissertation Award, American Sociological Association, Sociology of Culture Section (\$1000) |
| 2022 | Joyce O. Hertzler Sociology Research Award, Dept. of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (\$1000) |
| 2022 | J.J & Elanor S. Ogle Academic Semester Fellowship, Dept. of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Declined due to receiving the UNL Presidential Fellowship. |
| 2021 | Preparing Future Faculty Fellow, University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| 2021 | Alice Frost Howard Graduate Student Research Fellowship (\$1000) |
| 2018 | Graduate Travel Award for travel to present paper at the American Anthropological Association Annual conference (\$800), Dept. of Sociology University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| 2018 | James M. Reinhardt Graduate Student Summer Research award (\$3000) |
| 2016-2017 | Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences: <i>Interacting with Hominin Skeletal Remains: The Benefits and Limitations of 3D Printing, Modeling, and Photogrammetric Processes</i>
Directed by Dr. Emily Hammerl, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. (\$2400) |
| 2015-2016 | Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences: <i>Historic Communities of the Plains: Form and Formation</i>
Directed by Drs. LuAnn Wandsnider and Matthew Douglass, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (\$2400) |
| 2015 | Thomas McGinnis Award for Research: “Digital Production Sequences: An Exploration of South African Early Stone Age Handaxe Production using Photogrammetric Models From a Non-Collection Survey.” (\$300) |

TEACHING

Fall 2020

Drugs and Society (SOC 309), Instructor of Record, Online Course, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- 59 students across 2 sections
- Independent lesson planning and instruction

Fall 2017-Spring 2020

Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), Recitation Instructor and Grader, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- 217 students across 7 different sections
- Grader for SOC 101 for 60 students across 3 sections

2015-2016

OASIS Student Success Program, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- 14 Students across 1 section

TEACHING DEVELOPMENT

2018 Teaching Portfolio Workshop, Teaching Working Group, Nebraska Association of Sociology Graduate Students (NASGS), University of Nebraska-Lincoln Facilitated by Dr. Helen Moore, Emeritus Professor

INVITED LECTURES

- 2022 Guest Lecturer for University Honors Program course, Creativity & Citizenship, presenting on Indigenous Artistic Activism, scheduled for November 14
- 2022 Guest Lecturer for Introduction to Sociology, presenting on Race and Ethnicity, scheduled for October 26
- 2018 “The Cybernetics of ‘Self’: A Theory of Alcoholism” presented for Sociology 309: Drugs & Society

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- 2021-Present Book Review Assistant Editor for *Gender & Society*
- Assist in the selection of books for review by the journal
 - Assist in the selection of reviewers
 - Manage the Book Review Office inbox and communications
 - Create annual reports for the PUBS committee for SWS’s summer and winter meetings
- 2021 Editorial Assistant for Dr. Kelsy Burke
- Assisted Dr. Burke with over 600 endnote citations for her book, *The Pornography Wars: The Past, Present, and Future of America's Obscene Obsession* (2022, Bloomsbury Press)
- 2020-2022 Graduate Research Assistant
- Project name: Religious Exemption Laws and Minority Rights
Directed by Drs. Emily Kazzyak and Kelsy Burke, Dept. of Sociology
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- Assisted with qualitative coding of hundreds of federal court cases
- Assisted with manuscript writing, editing, and citations
- Contributed to the development of interview recruitment materials
 - Assisted with recruitment via contact with potential sites
- Managed the inbox and communications with research participants
- Managed data
- Conducted qualitative interviews with participants

2018-2020 Graduate Research Assistant

Project name: Bii-Zin-Da-De-Dah (Listening to One Another)

Directed by Drs. Les Whitbeck and Dan Hoyt, Dept. of Sociology

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- Assisted with data management and quantitative analysis
- Assisted with authorship on a publication
- Created four individual data reports for the Indigenous communities in the study
- During this research assistantship, I was also serving as a Graduate Teaching Assistant—development of stronger multi-tasking management skills.

2017 Undergraduate Student Research Assistant for Dr. Kirk Dombrowski

- Assisted with an extensive literature review on relational sociology and substance use studies
- Application of network analysis to examine ties within Indigenous kinship groups

PRESENTATIONS

Professional Conference Presentations

- 2022 Burke, K., Kazyak, E., & **Behrendt, M.** ““In a Religious Celebration”: Federal Case Law Involving Religion Based Claims that Support LGBT Rights.” Paper Session. Los Angeles, California: August 5th-August 9th, 2022.
- 2022 **Behrendt, M.** “Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls: Indigenous Women's Art and Identity.” *Sociologists for Women in Society*. Virtual Roundtable. February 5, 2022.
- 2021 Kazyak, E., Burke, K., McGraw, L. & **Behrendt, M.** “Religious Exemption LGBTQ Rights, and the Social Construction of Harm and Freedom.” *American Sociological Association*. Synchronous Zoom Paper Presentation. August 6-10, 2021.
- 2020 **Behrendt, M.** “Drinking Behaviors, Relationships, and Recovery: A Cybernetic Approach to Alcoholism and Addiction.” Midwest Sociological Society. Paper accepted. Omaha, Nebraska: April 3rd-5th, 2020. *Conference cancelled due to Covid-19
- 2020 **Behrendt, M.** “Gendered Differences in Perceptions of Substance Use Harm and Risk”. *Sociologists for Women in Society*. Roundtable. San Diego, California January 30th – February 1st, 2020.

- 2018 **Behrendt, M.** “The Museum and the Representation of Indigenous Cultures: From Static Dioramas to Fluid and Evolving Spaces for Collaboration”. *American Anthropological Association*. Paper presentation. San José, California: November 14th-18th, 2018
- 2018 **Behrendt, M.** “Public Health Processes: An Examination of Canadian and Greenland Inuit Responses to Rising Rate of Obesity among Adults and Adolescents”. *Midwest Sociological Society*. Roundtable. Minneapolis, Minnesota: March 22nd-25th, 2018.
- 2015 Douglass, M., **Behrendt, M.**, and Magnani, M. “Towards a digital archive of artifact collections from private lands: A discussion of the 2015 USDA/UNL Artifact Roadshows.” *73rd Annual Plains Anthropological Conference*. Paper Presentation. Iowa city, Iowa: October 14th-17th, 2015.

Local and Campus Presentations

- 2018 **Behrendt, M.** “Drinking Behaviors, Relationships And Recovery: A Relational Sociological Examination Of Addiction” Poster presented at the Sociology Graduate Research Colloquium at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE.
- 2018 **Behrendt, M.** “Increasing Rates of Childhood Obesity: A Conceptual Model of Arctic Indigenous Youth Health Outcomes.” *Nebraska Academy of Sciences*. Paper Presentation. Nebraska Wesleyan University: April 20th, 2018
- 2017 **Behrendt, M.** “The Educational Opportunities of 3D Printing Skeletal Remains: A Pedagogical Examination.” *Nebraska Academy of Sciences*. Paper Presentation. Nebraska Wesleyan University: April 21st, 2017
- 2017 **Behrendt, M.** “Educational Opportunities of 3D Printing of Skeletal Remains: A Pedagogical Examination.” Poster presented at the Undergraduate Poster Session and Creative Exhibition at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln: April 4th, 2017
- 2016 **Behrendt, M.** “Emerging in Controversy and Fueled by New Technologies: Bioarchaeology Reveals a Storied Past.” *Nebraska Academy of Sciences*. Paper Presentation. Nebraska Wesleyan University: April 22nd, 2016
- 2016 **Behrendt, M.** “USDA/UNL Artifact Roadshow: The Development of a 2D Archive of Great Plains Projectile Points from Private Lands.” *Nebraska Academy of Sciences*. Paper Presentation. Nebraska Wesleyan University: April 22nd, 2016
- 2015 **Behrendt, M.** “Digital Production Sequences: An Exploration of South African Early Stone Age Handaxe Production using Photogrammetric Models from a Non-Collection Survey.” *Nebraska Academy of Sciences*. Nebraska Wesleyan University: April 17th, 2015

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association

American Sociological Association

Sections: Culture, Indigenous Peoples & Native Nations, Human Rights

Midwest Sociological Society

Sociologists for Women in Society

Society for Anthropology of North America

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta

SERVICE

2022

Graduate Student Representative, Ad Hoc Search Committee for Tenure Track Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2020-2021

Vice President of Representation for the Graduate Student Assembly
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2019-2020

Member of Diversity and Inclusion Committee for the Graduate Student Assembly
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2019-2020

Sociology Graduate Student Representative for the Graduate Student Assembly
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2019

Moderator for panel session titled "Access to Rural Healthcare." Minority Health Disparities Initiative annual conference. February 28th, 2019.

2015-2016

Peer Mentor for the OASIS Student Success Program
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2015

University Honors Program Student Ambassador
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

2013-2015

Undergraduate curatorial assistant
Anthropology Collections
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

REFERENCES

Dr. Kelsy Burke, Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Email: kburke@unl.edu

Dr. Emily Kazyak, Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Email: ekazyak2@unl.edu

Dr. Julia McQuillan, Willa Cather Professor of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Email: jmcquillan2@unl.edu