

Rebekah Jones

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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Local Politics, Political Economy, Crime Policy, Political Geography, Race and Inequality
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EDUCATION

UC BERKELEY	Ph.D in Political Science <i>Visiting Ph.D. Fellow, Aarhus University</i> Fields: Political Economy (Designated Emphasis), Public Policy, Political Methodology, American Politics Committee: Sarah Anzia, Amy Lerman, Gabriel Lenz (<i>co-chair</i>), Paul Pierson (<i>co-chair</i>)	Expected May 2026 Spring 2024
UC BERKELEY	M.A. in Political Science	May 2022
CORNELL UNIVERSITY	B.S. in Development Sociology (<i>distinction in research</i>) Minors: Crime, Prisons, Education, and Justice; Public Policy; Law and Society	May 2020

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	Lethal Violence and the Racialized Failure of the American State with Lisa Miller. <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> . 2025.
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A Validation and Extension of State-Level Public Policy Mood: 1956 to 2020 with Peter Enns, Julius Lagodny, and Julianna Koch. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*. 2023.

WORKING PAPERS	Enclaves of Isolation: Violence and Political Participation in U.S. Cities. <i>Conditionally Accepted at the American Journal of Political Science</i> . 2025. Can Local Electoral Reforms Improve Police Responsiveness?: Evidence from California. <i>Draft available upon request</i> . Bargain Policing: How Local Fiscal Inequality Sorts Officer Quality in Law Enforcement Labor Markets. <i>Draft available upon request</i> . The Local Politics of Mass Incarceration: Capacity, Geographic Polarization, and Change Over Time. <i>Draft available upon request</i> . Examining the Consequences of Fragmented Reform: Local Variation in California's Public Safety Realignment with Amy Lerman. <i>Draft available upon request</i> .
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HONORS AND AWARDS

The Harry Frank Guggenheim Emerging Scholar Award (\$25,000)	2025
UC Dissertation-Year Fellowship (\$36,000)	2025
Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Graduate Fellows (\$2,000)	2024
Harvey Fellows Program (\$48,000)	2023
UC Berkeley Mentored Research Award (\$30,000)	2022
Center for the Study of American Democracy, UC Berkeley (\$250)	2022
Citrin Center for Public Opinion Research Grant (\$1000)	2020
Chancellor Graduate Fellowship, UC Berkeley	2020
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2019
American Political Science Association Minority Fellowship (\$2,000)	2019
Polson Institute for Global Development Conference Grant	2018
Community Partnership Funding Board Grant, Cornell University	2018
Global Development Research Methods Award, Cornell University	2018
Population Dynamics Research Award, Cornell University	2016

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

Graduate Student Instructor

University of California, Berkeley

The Politics of Public Policy, Professor Sarah Anzia	Spring 2025
The Politics of Public Policy, Professor David Broockman	Summer 2024
Introduction to Empirical Analysis, Professor David Broockman	Spring 2023

Student Instructor

College Initiative Upstate (CIU, NY)

College Prep ATI (Alternative To Incarceration), Social Policy	Spring 2019
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PRESENTATIONS

Yale CSAP Conference, MPSA, Interdisciplinary Policing Workshop, APSA (planned), Justice and Injustice Conference (planned), APPAM (planned), Research Workshop in American Politics (RWAP)	2025
Aarhus University Housing Working Group, Consortium on the American Political Economy Junior Working Group, Identity and Politics Workshop (UC Berkeley), Justice and Injustice Conference, APSA, MPSA, NCOBPS	2024
Justice and Injustice Conference, APSA, MPSA, NCOBPS	2023
APSA, MPSA	2022

SERVICE

Reviewer: *Perspectives on Politics*

Berkeley Underground Scholars	2022–Present
Mentor, Social Sciences Research Pathways, UC Berkeley	2022 - 2024
Co-chair, Black Bears, Brown Bears: Diversity Action Committee	2021 - 2024
Co-chair, Women in Political Science	2022-2023
Co-Coordinator, Berkeley Graduate Student Research Group	2022-2023
Community Partnership Specialist, Cornell Public Service Center	2018-2020
Cornell Prison Education Program (CPEP)	2020
McNair Scholars Program at Cornell University	2020

OTHER RELEVANT POSITIONS

Graduate Student Researcher - The People Lab at UC Berkeley	2020-2021
Research Assistant for Peter Enns, Cornell University	2020-2021
Research Intern, Committee on U.S. - Latin American Relations, Cornell University	2018-2020
Research Assistant for Kenneth Roberts, Cornell University	2019-2020
Research Assistant, Community Research, Evaluation, and Development (CRED) Team at the University of Arizona	Summer 2019
Research Assistant - Thomas Hirschl, Cornell University	2018-2019
Primary Researcher, School of International Training - Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales in Buenos Aires, Argentina	Fall 2018
Research Assistant for Jamila Michener, Cornell University	Summer 2018

SKILLS

Technical: R, Stata, ArcGis, Excel

Languages: Spanish (professional proficiency)

REFERENCES

Gabriel Lenz, Professor of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, glenz@berkeley.edu

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