

**Matthew D. Bejar**

**Contact**

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**Education**

Ph.D. (2024) Sociology, University of Oklahoma  
M.A. 2019 Sociology, Arizona State University  
Thesis: The Outlaw Biker: How Labels Evolved the Tame into the Dangerous  
B.A.E. 2017 Secondary Education (History), Arizona State University  
Capstone: Women in Outlaw Biker Gangs

**Areas of Specialization**

Crime/Deviance, Theoretical Criminology, Family, and Courtship/Marriage

**Academic Employment**

2021 – Present Carceral Studies Consortium Graduate Fellow, University of Oklahoma  
2019 – Present Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Oklahoma  
2017 – 2019 Secondary Education Teacher, Trevor G. Browne High School

**Teaching Experience**

<i>Trevor G. Browne High School</i>	<i>University of Oklahoma</i>
United States/Arizona History/World History/Geography	Introduction to Sociology

**Community Positions**

2021 – Present Carceral Studies Consortium Core Board, University of Oklahoma  
2018 – 2019 AEA Union Representative, Trevor G. Browne High School  
2017 – 2019 Chess Coach, Trevor G. Browne High School  
2016 – 2017 Men's Group President, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College (ASU)

**Presentations**

2021 "Cheering for the Bad Guy? How Audiences Glorify Antiheroes through Major Criminological Theories" Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Virtual  
2016 "Women in Outlaw Biker Gangs" Arizona State University, Polytechnic Campus  
2016 "Men's Group Teaching Panel" Arizona State University, Main Campus

**Awards and Honors**

2019 – Present Graduate Tuition Waiver + Stipend  
2019 – Present OU Alumni and Foundation Recruitment Fellowship (\$30,000)  
2017 Dean's List, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College  
2013 – 2015 Dean's List, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College

**Skills**

Canvas, Blackboard, STATA, SPSS, SAS