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Bio

BIO

Matthew Clair is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and (by courtesy) the Law School. His research interests include law and society, race and ethnicity, cultural sociology, criminal justice, and qualitative methods. He is the author of the book *Privilege and Punishment: How Race and Class Matter in Criminal Court*.

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Sociology
- Assistant Professor (By courtesy), Stanford Law School

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- American Studies

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Harvard University , Sociology (2018)
- A.M., Harvard University , Sociology (2015)
- A.B., Harvard College , Government (2009)

Teaching

COURSES

2023-24

- Classics of Modern Social Theory: SOC 170, SOC 270 (Spr)
- Workshop: Qualitative and Fieldwork Methods: SOC 380W (Spr)

2021-22

- Classics of Modern Social Theory: SOC 170, SOC 270 (Aut)
- Crime and Punishment in America: AFRICAAM 179A, AMSTUD 179A, CSRE 179A, SOC 179A, SOC 279A (Aut)
- Sociology Colloquium: SOC 396 (Aut, Win, Spr)
- Workshop: Qualitative and Fieldwork Methods: SOC 380W (Aut, Win, Spr)

2020-21

- Classics of Modern Social Theory: SOC 170, SOC 270 (Aut)
- Crime and Punishment in America: AFRICAAM 179A, CSRE 179A, SOC 179A, SOC 279A (Win)
- Ethnographies of Race, Crime, and Justice: SOC 246A, SOC 346A (Aut)
- Sociology Colloquium: SOC 396 (Aut, Win, Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Sophie Allen, Brian Cabral, Amy Casselman Hontalas, Kimya Loder, Reagan Ross, Kia Turner, Iris Zhang

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Meghan Warner

Doctoral Dissertation Co-Advisor (AC)

Caylin Moore

Doctoral (Program)

Michael Cerda-Jara, Nya Hardaway

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Being a Disadvantaged Criminal Defendant: Mistrust and Resistance in Attorney-Client Interactions** *SOCIAL FORCES*
Clair, M.
2021; 100 (1): 194-217
- **Blood, Powder, and Residue: How Crime Labs Translate Evidence into Proof (Book Review)** *SOCIAL FORCES*
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2021; 100 (1)
- **Unequal Before the Law** *NATION*
Clair, M.
2020; 311 (13): 32–36
- **Jurors' Subjective Experiences of Deliberations in Criminal Cases** *LAW AND SOCIAL INQUIRY-JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN BAR FOUNDATION*
Winter, A. S., Clair, M.
2018; 43 (4): 1458–90
- **Racialized legal status as a social determinant of health** *SOCIAL SCIENCE & MEDICINE*
Asad, A. L., Clair, M.
2018; 199: 19–28
- **Destigmatization and health: Cultural constructions and the long-term reduction of stigma** *SOCIAL SCIENCE & MEDICINE*
Clair, M., Daniel, C., Lamont, M.
2016; 165: 223–32
- **HOW JUDGES THINK ABOUT RACIAL DISPARITIES: SITUATIONAL DECISION-MAKING IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM** *CRIMINOLOGY*
Clair, M., Winter, A. S.
2016; 54 (2): 332–59
- **What is missing? Cultural processes and causal pathways to inequality** *SOCIO-ECONOMIC REVIEW*
Lamont, M., Beljean, S., Clair, M.
2014; 12 (3): 573–608