

# JOSHUA BALDWIN

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## Current Positions

I am currently an Instructional Support Assistant at the New York State Youth Justice Institute. I have conducted research on Youth Justice laws in the State of New York and various other issues in the field. I am also a Research Assistant for Dr. Christine Bird at the University of Albany. A project that I am assisting on is looking at the law database subscriptions of State Courts and the influence that they might play on each other decisions. Through the experiences I am receiving a variety of skills in research, writing and communication.

## Research Interests

- American Politics and Institutions
- Judicial Politics
- Criminal Rights and Procedure
- Prisons and Racialized Policing
- Comparative Studies of Judicial Systems
- Research Methodology

## Education

### Bachelor of Arts | May 2022 | University at Albany, SUNY (Albany, NY)

- Major: Political Science
- Minor: Sociology and Criminal Justice

## Research Experience

### New York State Youth Justice Institute

Instructional Support Assistant | January 2022 – Present

- Started as a Scholar in January to May and after completion of undergraduate, was hired as current role.
- I have served as a research assistant on various projects and fulfilled technical assistance requests along with numerous reoccurring tasks completed weekly

### Research Assistant with Dr. Christine Bird

Research Assistant | May 2022- Present

- I have served as a research assistant to Dr. Bird after taking numerous classes with her at SUNY Albany
- The work that I have done has included coding and necessary background research for projects

## **Current and Past Research and Projects**

### **News Project – Status Offenses (NYS Youth Justice Institute)**

- Developed with a team a database of news articles to examine the prevalence of Status Offenses in news media.
- Reference Megan: Willows malsleben@albany.edu

### **Prevalence of Immigration Rhetoric in News and Legislation (Co-Authorship)**

- I am working with PhD Candidate Megan Willows (SUNY Albany), to examine recent mass waves of Central American migration while looking at the divisive political and media responses to this migration which has inspired us to consider recent migration policies and how the media has been reporting on this issue nationally and in NYS.
- Reference: Megan Willows malsleben@albany.edu

### **Federalist Society Affiliations Network (Research for Dr. Christine Bird)**

- As a Research Assistant I coded thousands of Federalist Society meetings and conferences to look at the most common substantive themes for a multi-article project examining the presence and influence of the FedSoc Affiliate Network in American politics.
- Reference: Dr. Christine Bird ccbird@albany.edu

### **State High Court Influence (Research for Dr. Christine Bird and Abby Matthews)**

- Managed database creation of subscription-based resources purchased by State High Courts. Dr. Bird and Dr. Matthews looked then at the potential influence that State High Courts may have on each other's decisions through the use of databases.
- Reference Dr. Christine Bird [ccbird@albany.edu](mailto:ccbird@albany.edu)

### **Safe Harbour Law (New York State Youth Justice Institute)**

- I co-authored with members of the NYS Institute a memorandum on the passage, implementation, and future work of the Safe Harbour law in NYS. The memo was created for the Office of Children and Family Services to highlight the work that they have done for the law. My work on the project was mostly looking at the passage of the law and its functionality.
- Reference: Youth Justice Institute youthjustice@albany.edu

## **Skills and Abilities**

### **Computer Skills**

- Proficient in Microsoft applications

- Word, Power Point, Teams, Outlook
- Introductory skills in STATA and Excel
- Introductory skills in data visualization software
  - Tableau, NVivo
- Skills in graphic design software
  - Canva, MURAL

### **Writing Skills**

- I am a confident, clear, and effective writer in any subject that is required of me
- I enjoy feedback and editing on my writing and the process of creating work that is publishable and final

### **Communication**

- I enjoy working with others on projects or being able to add advice or edits when needed
- I am confident in giving presentations and creating visuals that are informative for papers and presentations
- I respond quickly to emails, can schedule meetings, run them and take effective notes during meetings
- I am able run meetings and panels on Zoom

### **Other Experience**

#### **Chipotle Mexican Grill**

Service Manager | 2020-Present

- Managed shifts by myself, ensuring food safety and quality, great guest experience and good working environment