

Kayla Lendy

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EDUCATION

MA in Sociology, Washington State University – Pullman, WA
Chair: Dr. Dylan Bugden

November 2025

BA in Sociology, North Central College – Naperville, IL
Summa cum laude
Minor in Gender and Women's Studies

June 2019

AA in Liberal Arts and Sciences, College of DuPage – Glen Ellyn, IL

December 2016

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Climate Change • Degrowth/Economic growth • Social and Environmental Policy • Animals, Plants, and Society • Gender and Environment • Media • Political Identity and Environment • Ideology, Hegemony, and Cultural Beliefs

PUBLICATIONS

Amorim, M., B. Brunjes, G. Colburn, C. Hall, J. Karon, S. Kioko, **K. Lendy**, X. Wu. 2025. *Home Equity Sharing Agreements in Washington State*. Washington Department of Financial Institutions.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Fellowships

Summer Research Fellowship, Washington State University
Fred R. Yoder Graduate Fellowship, Washington State University

June 2024

May 2024

Awards

First Year Graduate Student Award, Washington State University

June 2023

ACADEMIC AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant – Washington State University Dept. of Sociology

Jan. 2025-May 2025

Project with Dr. Mariana Amorim, in collaboration with University of Washington and Washington State Department of Financial Institutions investigating Home Equity Share Agreements

Project with Dr. Dylan Bugden: "Neutralizing Collective Action: Frame Repertoires in Conservative Media Coverage of Climate Change from 2005-2024"

Aug. 2024-Dec. 2024

Guest Lecturer (Washington State University)

SOC 337 – Climate Change in Your Lifetime: "Degrowth and the Environment"

Spring 2024

Select Teaching Assistantships (Washington State University)

SOC 332 – Sustainability and Society

Fall 2023

SOC 317 – Research Methods in Sociology

Fall 2023; Spring 2024

SOC 337 – Climate Change in Your Lifetime

Spring 2024

SOC 340 – Social Inequality

Fall 2024

PRESENTATIONS

Lendy, Kayla. "How Class Position and Economic Ideology Shape Public Support for Degrowth Policy in the U.S." Paper session. *International Association for Society & Natural Resources*. Vancouver, CA.

June 2025

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Sociology Graduate Student Organization, Washington State University

Vice President

Aug. 2024- Aug. 2025

Undergraduate Studies Committee

Aug. 2024-Present

Graduate Studies Committee

Aug. 2023- Aug. 2025

Department of Sociology, Washington State University

Graduate Peer Mentor

Aug. 2024- Present

Horticulture Club, College of DuPage

Vice President

Aug. 2021- Jun. 2022

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Sociological Association (Section Memberships: Environmental Sociology)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Work Opportunities

Inclusion Assistant, Lincoln Elementary School

2021-2023

Certified Trainer, Chipotle Mexican Grill

2015-2020

Volunteer experience

Volunteer, The Morton Arboretum

2019-2023

Volunteer, Soles for Africa

2014-2020

Volunteer, Feed My Starving Children

2012-2013