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World-renowned expert on gun violence and mental illness, white identity politics and race and health.

Biography

Jonathan Metzl is the Frederick B. Rentschler II Professor of Sociology and Psychiatry, and the Director of the Center for Medicine, Health, and Society, at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. Metzl is a gun violence expert, a professor, and a psychiatrist -- a unique combination that allows him to speak and write about gun violence in America, and in particular to address stereotypes that link guns with race or mental illness, or that blame mental illness for mass shootings and other gun crimes. Metzl has addressed these issues in numerous media outlets, including MSNBC, the Washington Post, USA Today, and more. His latest book is Dying of Whiteness: How the Politics of Racial Resentment is Killing America's Heartland.

Areas of Expertise

Guns in America, Guns and Mental Illness, Gun Violence, Race, Gender and Social Justice in Healthcare, Race and Health, Politics, Mental Health, Psychiatry, Psychology, Gender, History of Mental Health, Gun Control, Mass shootings

Selected Event Appearances

How to Talk About Guns in the Classroom Division of Health Humanities

PLENARY PANEL CHAIR/PRESENTATION: Feeling Race in the Public Eye: Media and Race during the Trump Era

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting

PANEL CHAIR/PRESENTATION: Guns in Trump?s America

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting

Education

University of Missouri-Kansas City M.D.

University of Michigan Ph.D.

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