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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Lecturer (2015 -)

Co-Director of Undergraduate Studies – Sociology and Social Analysis and Research (SAR) (2016 -)

Associate Director of Graduate Studies – Masters in Social Analysis and Research (MSAR) (2015 -)

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PREVIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies – Sociology and Social Analysis and Research, 2015

Sociology Concentration Advisor, 2012 – 2015

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2007 – 2015

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology, Brown University, May 2007

M.A., Applied Sociology, University of Massachusetts Boston, 2000

B.A., Sociology, Providence College, 1998

TEACHING

Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Brown University, 2015 –

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Brown University, 2007 – 2015

Courses:

- Perspectives on Society
- The Family
- Sex, Gender, and Society
- Methods of Sociological Research
- Introductory Statistics
- Sociology Senior Seminar
- Market and Social Surveys
- Market Research in Public & Private Sectors
- Population and Society
- Human Sexuality in a Social Context
- Business, Entrepreneurial, and Organizations Capstone

Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Boston, Fall 2000;

Spring 2004, 2006; Summers 2002 – 2008

Course: Methods of Research

Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of Rhode Island, Spring 2006

Course: Sociology of Sex and Gender

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

Sheridan Center Writing Across the Curriculum Program, Academic Year 2018-2019

Applied and accepted into program that provides support for faculty to (re)design, develop, and teach a course that supports writing in their discipline. During this program on writing pedagogy and course design, I redeveloped my assignments for SOC 1020 – Methods of Social Research and have re-designed the course material to create a semi-flipped classroom experience (by creating modules in Canvas) in order to devote more class time working on low-stakes writing and active learning activities. This program continues throughout this academic year.

CIS Academic Technology, Instructional Technology Group Teaching with Technology Institute, Winter 2016

Attended interactive lectures and participated in workshops on integrating new technologies in the classroom. During the institute, I completed an individual project titled “Increasing Student Engagement Using Technology in Large Enrollment Classes.” Many of these new technologies are used in my courses currently, including using a wireless microphone embedded in a foam cube (CatchBox) that can be tossed around the room to facilitate discussion in the large lecture hall and REEF iClickers.

Sheridan Center Teaching Certificate Program I: Teaching Excellence, Brown University, 2003 – 2004

Attended lectures and participated in workshops on developing a reflective teaching practice, establishing clear course goals, teaching to different learning styles, obtaining constructive feedback and assessment, and communicating effectively in the classroom. Program also offered an opportunity to complete a practice teaching session and get feedback from colleagues within Sociology, as well as general feedback from a Sheridan Center staff member.

CURRENT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Program Evaluator, 2009 –

The Leadership Alliance, Brown University

As the primary program evaluator for the Leadership Alliance, I work closely with the executive director, Dr. Medeva Ghee (formerly Dr. Valerie Petit Wilson), to examine the effectiveness of programming and the experiences of undergraduate students and faculty participating in several different Leadership Alliance programs. These programs include: Summer Research Early Identification Program (SR-EIP), Leadership Alliance Mellon Initiative (LAMI), First-Year Research Experience (FYRE), Career Development Workshops (CDW), and SYNERGI Academic Year Workshops. Specific duties include developing evaluation pre-surveys and post-surveys, analyzing survey data, conducting focus groups and in-depth interviews, and production and presentation of an annual report of evaluation results for each program evaluated.

Program Evaluator, 2017, 2018 –

Brown PREP, Brown University

Serve as the external evaluator for the NIH-funded Brown Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP) (PIs: Andrew Campbell, Carlos Aizenman, Medeva Ghee, and Marlina Duncan). The program specifically addresses the critical transition into, and successful completion of doctoral training programs in biomedical and behavioral sciences by improving participants’ academic credentials, enhancing research skills and building confidence in their abilities to successfully matriculate and complete a Ph.D. program. Specifically, I conduct in-person interviews with program participants both at the start of the program and at its conclusion and provide a written report and presentation to program PIs.

Program Evaluator, 2018 –

Washington University in St. Louis

Serve as the program evaluator for two NIH proposed programs (PI: Damena Agonafer) aimed at increasing STEM-based educational experiences for underrepresented students at all stages of the educational pathway. Specifically, I will provide formative feedback, as well as assess the short- and immediate-term impact of the educational outreach programs on participating students.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Co-Investigator, 2016 - 2018

Women & Infants Hospital, Providence, RI

Collaborating with PI Kristen Matteson, MD, MPH on clinical research study using conjoint analysis to assess women's preferences for treating menorrhagia.

Internal Evaluator, 2009 – 2012

ADVANCE at Brown, Brown University

Serve as internal evaluator of NSF funded program which seeks to increase the retention and advancement of women faculty in science and engineering. Work closely with PI's and staff to evaluate all aspects of the ADVANCE at Brown program which awards grants for research and professional development, sponsors seminars and public lectures, provides grant librarian support, as well as networking opportunities that seek to foster faculty success. Specific duties include developing survey questionnaires, analyzing survey, university, and COACHE data, conduct focus groups, produce reports of results, and advise staff on yearly NSF update reports.

Research Associate, 2006 – 2008

Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

Worked with PI's (D. Lindstrom and D. Hogan) on a Packard Foundation funded study examining the determinants of early life course transitions and sexual and reproductive health choices of Ethiopian youth. Assisted in the primary data collection process by creating and formatting longitudinal survey questionnaires and building subsequent data entry programs. Conducted analyses for policy briefs and co-authored additional research papers.

Consultant, 2005 – 2007

NICHD Transition to Fatherhood Project, (P01HD045610), University of Maryland

Collaborated with co-principal investigator (S. Hofferth) and other consultants, on sub-project titled "Family Processes, Intergenerational Learning and Involved Fathering." The research project assesses the role of men in the timing and circumstances of transitioning to biological fatherhood, the relationship between the transition to fatherhood and other transitions to adulthood, the determinants of responsible fathering, as well as the social, economic, policy, relationship and individual factors associated with men having additional births after already becoming fathers.

Research Assistant, 2001 – 2005

Department of Sociology and Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

Conducted research with PI's (D. Hogan and F. Goldscheider) on a NIH funded study of the effects of child disability on the family using matched 1993 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) and 1995 National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG) datasets. Manipulated this large, matched, dataset and analyzed data using event history techniques. Displayed results visually for poster presentations, as well as co-authored papers for conference presentations.

Survey Consultant, 2001 – 2003

Rhode Island Department of Health, Providence, Rhode Island

Collaborated with the Office of Parents and Children with Special Needs on the planning and development of survey instruments. Advised team of appropriate survey methodology and sampling design. Provided technical support in the analysis and interpretation of collected survey data.

Assistant Study Director, 1999 – 2001

Center for Survey Research, University of Massachusetts Boston

Assisted principal investigators with the design and implementation of survey research studies. Duties included: organizing samples, developing survey instruments, coordinating focus groups, managing daily activities of studies, creating coding schemes, cleaning and analyzing data, and report writing.

Research Assistant, 1998 – 1999

Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Boston

Assisted PI (S. Gore) on a NIH funded longitudinal study of students' transitions from high school to work or school. Responsibilities included coding and entered data for open-ended survey questions, updating respondents' files, cleaning data, and analyzing data for school reports.

Research Apprentice, 1997 – 1998

BOTEC Analysis Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Worked with Dr. Michael Forcier conducting in-person interviews with prisoners and prison staff on the classification system at MCI-Concord. Also collected data from prisoners' files and conducted extensive literature reviews.

PUBLICATIONS

Hogan, Dennis P. and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2009. "Collecting Life Histories." *The Craft of Life Course Studies*, Edited by Glen H. Elder, Jr. and Janet Giele. Guilford Press.

Goldscheider, Frances, Sandra Hofferth, **Carrie E. Spearin**, and Sally Curtin. 2009. "From Sons to Fathers in the NLSY79." *Journal of Family Issues*, Vol. 30: pp. 586 - 604.

Shandra, Carrie, Dennis P. Hogan, and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2008. "Parenting a Child with a Disability: An Examination of Resident and Nonresident Fathers." *Journal of Population Research*, Vol. 25(3): pp. 357-377.

D'Ottavi, Maryhelen, and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2005. "Disability and Values." *Encyclopedia of Disability*, edited by G. Albrecht, Sage Publication.

Panarace, Jeanne, Dave Hamel, Hanna Kim, Roger Avery, Jennifer Park, and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2004. "Access to Health Care for Persons with Disabilities in Rhode Island: Results from the Primary Care Practitioner Survey." *Medicine and Health Rhode Island*, Vol. 87 (5).

Panarace, Jeanne, Hanna Kim, Donald Churnick, Dave Hammel, Jennifer Park, and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2002. "Access to Medical Services and Assistive Technology in Rhode Island: Results from the Survey of Adults with Communication Impairment." RIDOH: *Health by Numbers*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Spearin, Carrie E., Carrie A. Shandra, and Dennis P. Hogan. "How Do Mothers with Disabilities Thrive as Parents and Homemakers? A Comparison to Mothers without Disabilities Using the American Time Use Survey"

Loft, Lisbeth Trille G., **Carrie E. Spearin**, and Dennis P. Hogan. "Not Just Luck: Characteristics and Attitudes Related to Employment in Different Sectors in Rural Ethiopia."

PRESENTATIONS

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Carrie E. Spearin, Loft, Lisbeth Trille G., and Dennis P. Hogan. 2016. "Not Just Luck: Characteristics and Attitudes Related to Employment in Different Sectors in Rural Ethiopia." JLFSY Conference, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University.

Luke, Nancy, Jamie McPike, Susan Short, and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2014. "Using a Life History Calendar to Measure Time Use in South India." Population Association of America's Annual Meeting in April, Boston.

Loft, Lisbeth Trille G., **Carrie E. Spearin**, and Dennis P. Hogan. 2010. "Not Just Luck: Characteristics and Attitudes Related to Employment in Different Sectors in Rural Ethiopia." Population Association of America's Annual Meeting in April, Dallas, TX.

Spearin, Carrie E. 2007. Children and the Union Formation Process: Using the NLSY79 to Examine Relationship Status for Men and Women over the Life Course. Population Association of America's Annual Meeting in March, New York, NY.

Goldscheider, Frances, Sandra Hofferth, **Carrie E. Spearin**, and Sally Curtin. 2006. "From Sons to Fathers in the NLSY79." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Spearin, Carrie E. and Berna M. Torr. 2006. "Stepfamilies in the United States: Exploring Cohort Changes in Stepparenthood." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Spearin, Carrie E. 2005. "Fatherhood, Couple Commitment, and Relationships with Coresidential Children in the United States." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Spearin, Carrie E. and Berna M. Torr. 2005. "An Historical Perspective of Stepparenting in the United States: Exploring Changes in the American Family Using an Age-Period-Cohort Model." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Spearin, Carrie E. and Maryhelen D'Ottavi. 2005. "Child Disability and Parent's Workforce Participation: A Study Using Matched 1993 NHIS and 1995 NSFG Data." Population Association of America's Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Spearin, Carrie E. and Frances K. Goldscheider. 2003. "Marital Dissolution and Child Disability." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Spearin, Carrie E. 2002. "Applying Situational Theory: How Child Disability Influences Gender Role Attitudes?" American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Spearin, Carrie E. and Susan Gore. 2001. "The Role of High School Curricula in Young Adult Career Development." Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- Spearin, Carrie E.**, Carrie A. Shandra, and Dennis P. Hogan. 2014. "How Do Mothers with Disabilities Thrive as Parents and Homemakers? A Comparison to Mothers without Disabilities Using the American Time Use Survey." Population Association of America's Annual Meeting in April, Boston, MA.
- MacInnes, Maryhelen D. and **Carrie E. Spearin**. 2010. "Child Disability and Paternal Involvement: An Examination of Nonresidential Father-Child Engagement and Financial Support among Children with Disability." Population Association of America's Annual Meeting in April, Dallas, TX.
- D'Ottavi, Maryhelen, **Carrie E. Spearin**, and Catherine Andrzejewski. 2006. "The Division of Household Labor in Families with a Disabled Child: Insights from Quantitative and Qualitative Research." 2006. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.
- Spearin, Carrie E.**, Maryhelen D'Ottavi, Jennifer M. Park, and Frances K. Goldscheider. 2004. "Child Disability and Mothers' Labor Force Participation." Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Spearin, Carrie E.**, Jennifer M. Park, Frances K. Goldscheider, and Maryhelen D'Ottavi. 2003. "Child Disability and Mother's Divorce: Evidence Using Matched Records from the 1993 NHIS and the 1995 NSFG." Population Association of America Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
Winner of the PAA Poster Award.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES

- Carrie E. Spearin**, October 2018. Invited Panelist, Mellon Mays University Fellowship, Brown University, Providence, RI.
- Carrie E. Spearin**, June 2018. Invited Panelist, Mellon Mays University Fellowship, Brown University, Providence, RI.
- Carrie E. Spearin**, Spring 2010. Invited Guest Speaker, Local Chapter of the American Association of University Women, Taunton, MA.
- Carrie E. Spearin**, Spring 2006. Invited Guest Speaker, Alpha Kappa Delta - Sociology Honor Society Induction Dinner, Providence College, Providence RI.
- Carrie E. Spearin**. Spring 2005/2006/2007/2008. "Careers that Use Statistics: Being a Sociologist and Demographer." Silver Lake Regional High School, Kingston, Massachusetts.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Teaching and Advising Award, 2014

Brown University Undergraduate Council of Students

Dissertation Fellowship, 2006-2007

Brown University Graduate School, Brown University

Demography Trainee Fellowship, 2003-2006

Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (NICHD)

Selected Participant, 2004

National Longitudinal Surveys Workshop in August at the Ohio State University

Poster Award, Population Association of America, Session on Fertility and Family, 2003

Poster award given to most outstanding poster based on quality of poster content, interest and significance, visual appeal, innovation, presenter's explanation, and overall impression.

Diversity Ambassador, 2002- 2003

Rhode Island Governor's Office/Department of Administration

Book Award for Academic Excellence in Sociology, 2000

University of Massachusetts Boston

Kappa Alpha Delta, Sociology Honors Society, 1999

University of Massachusetts Boston

BROWN UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department of Sociology

Co-Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2016 –

Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2015 – 2016

Concentration Advisor, 2012 – 2015

Senior Honors Thesis Advisor or Reader

2011 – Meredith Hunt

2012 – Carly Arison, Heather Arison

2013 – Drew Heckman, Julia Ellis-Kahana, Miriam Furst

2015 – Kyle Albert, Jordan DeLoach, Nicole Lee, Angie Ocampo, Sophie Putka, S. Williamson

2016 – Jada Flake, Shannon Frost, Diane Turner, Cara Mund

2017 – Elena Joukowsky, Tala Doumani

2018 – Hans Britsch

Dissertation Committee Member

2010 – L. Trille Loft

Department Committees

Undergraduate Committee – 2017 –

Department Diversity Committee – 2017 –

MSAR Admissions Committee 2015 –

BEO Reform Committee, 2018 –

University Committee

Executive Committee on Academic Standing – 2019 to 2020

Committee on Academic Standing – 2018 to 2020

Dean of the College

Sociology Department Representative at DOC DUS Lunch Series, 2015 –

First Year Student Advisor, 2010 –

Sophomore Student Advisor, 2009 –

Faculty/Dean Liaison to the Department of Athletics (Men's Varsity Baseball), 2016 –

CareerLAB at Brown, Brown Connect

Selection Committee Member – LINK/SEW Grant Awards, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Engaged Scholars Program, Swearer Center

Sociology Department Representative, 2016 – 2017

International Mentoring Program (IMP)

Sociology Department Representative, 2016 – 2019

ADVANCE at Brown

Steering Committee Member, 2009-2012

Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award (UTRA)

Advisor to Le Tran, Fall 2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member Committee, 2016 – 2019

Section on Teaching and Learning, American Sociological Association

Peer Reviewer, 2003 - 2019

Journal of Marriage and the Family

The Sociological Quarterly

American Review of Sociology

Elected Committee Member, 2004 - 2007

Space Committee

Department of Sociology, Brown University

Appointed Student Representative, 2004 - 2006

Workgroup on Research Methodology,

Population Studies and Training Center (PSTC), Brown University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association, 1999 – present

Sections: Teaching and Learning, Sociology of the Family, Sociology of Population

Population Association of America, 2001 - present

Eastern Sociological Society, 1999 – present

American Evaluation Association – 2017 - present

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Raynham Youth Soccer, U8 & U10 Boys Coach, 2016, 2017, 2018

Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District Superintendent's Advisory Council Member, 2015-2017

LaLiberte Elementary School, School Council Member, 2015-2018

L.B. Merrill Elementary School, School Council Member, 2014-2015

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, Daisy Troop Leader, 2013-2014

Early Childhood Parents Organization, Committee Chair, 2013-2014

Junior Women's League of Taunton, Massachusetts, 2005 - 2008

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, 2005 - 2008

Team Captain, 2006; 2007

South Shore Walk for Hospice, 2003 - 2004

Habitat for Humanity, 2003

REFERENCES

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