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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| Professor, Department of Sociology, Brown University Faculty Affiliate: Population Studies and Training Center Annenberg Institute for School Reform Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy | 2023–Present |
| Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Brown University | 2019–2023 |
| Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Brown University | 2018–2019 |
| Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Kansas | 2012–2018 |

EDUCATION

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|-------|---|------|
| PhD | New York University, Department of Sociology | 2012 |
| MPhil | University of Dublin, Trinity College, Ireland, Ethnic and Racial Studies | 2005 |
| MS | University of Southern California, Rossier School of Education | 2004 |
| BA | Wesleyan University, East Asian Studies | 1999 |

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (student co-authors underlined; * indicates undergraduate)

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- Rauscher, Emily and Alexandra Cooperstock. Forthcoming. Spending in Rural and Non-Rural School Districts. *Small Yet Numerous, Isolated and Costly: Contemporary Issues in Rural Education Finance*, (Downes and Killeen, eds.).
- Rauscher, Emily and Jeremy Fiel. 2025. “Slow Progress: School Finance Reforms and Racial Disparities in Funding.” *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*.
<https://doi.org/10.3102/01623737251362855>
– Media coverage: [The 74](#), [EdWeek](#), [Phys.org](#), [Diverse](#), [The Times of India](#), [The National Coalition on School Diversity](#), [Brookings Institution](#)
- Rauscher, Emily, Greer Mellon, Susanna Loeb, and Carolyn Abott. 2025. “When Money Matters Most: Unpacking the Effectiveness of School Spending.” *Sociology of Education*. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/00380407251349165>
– Media coverage: [EdWeek](#)
- Rauscher, Emily, Greer Mellon, and Sarah Hodgman. 2025. “School Spending and Student Achievement: Mechanisms.” *Policy Insights from the Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/epub/10.1177/23727322251353713>
- Rauscher, Emily and Xinyan (Joyce) Cao. 2024. “Unequal Effects of Wildfire Exposure on Infant Health by Maternal Education, 1995-2020.” *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 10(1):255-274. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/48757528>

- Rangel, David and Emily Rauscher. 2024. "Racial and Ethnic Variation in the Relationship between Parental Educational Similarity and Infant Health." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 89:100887. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rssm.2023.100887>
- Rauscher, Emily and Ailish Burns. 2023. "State Approaches to Simplify Medicaid Eligibility and Implications for Inequality of Infant Health." *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 9(4):32-60. <https://doi.org/10.7758/RSF.2023.9.4.02>
- Rauscher, Emily and Yifan Shen. 2022. "Variation in the Relationship between School Spending and Achievement: Progressive Spending Is Efficient." *American Journal of Sociology* 128(1): 189-223. <https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/full/10.1086/719956>
- Rauscher, Emily and Haoming Song. 2022. "Learning to Value Girls: Greater Equality of Infant Sex Ratios at Higher Levels of Parental Education." *Demography* 59(3): 9968420. <https://doi.org/10.1215/00703370-9968420>
- Jackson, Margot, Emily Rauscher, and Ailish Burns. 2022. "Social Spending and Educational Gaps in Infant Health in the United States, 1998-2017." *Demography* 59(5):1873-1909.
- Jackson, Margot, Chinyere Agbai, and Emily Rauscher. 2021. "The Effects of State-Level Medicaid Coverage on Family Wealth." *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 7(3):216-234.
- Rauscher, Emily and Ailish Burns. 2021. "Unequal Opportunity Spreaders: School Closure Timing and COVID-19 Deaths in the U.S." *Sociological Perspectives* 64(5):831-856. <https://doi.org/10.1177/07311214211005486>
- Media coverage: Consortium for Policy Research in Education (CPRE) Research Minutes Podcast <https://www.researchminutes.org/episode/school-closure-timing-and-covid-19-spread/>
- Alvord, Daniel and Emily Rauscher. 2021. "Minority Support: School District Demographics and Support for Funding Election Measures." *Urban Affairs Review* 57(3):643-674.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2020. "Delayed Benefits: Effects of California School District Bond Elections on Achievement by Socioeconomic Status." *Sociology of Education* 93(2):110-131.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2020. "Why Who Marries Whom Matters: Effects of Educational Assortative Mating on Infant Health in the U.S. 1969-1994." *Social Forces* 98(3):1143-1173.
- Presentation: Annenberg Institute <https://youtu.be/3PBe8Xmp1os>
- Rauscher, Emily. 2020. "Does Money Matter More in the Country? Education Funding Reductions and Achievement in Kansas, 2010-2018." *AERA Open* 6(4):1-38.
- Rauscher, Emily and Byeongdon Oh. 2020. "Going Places: Effects of Early U.S. Compulsory Schooling Laws on Internal Migration." *Population Research and Policy Review*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11113-020-09578-8>
- Rauscher, Emily and David Enrique Rangel. 2020. "Rising Inequality of Infant Health in the U.S." *Social Science and Medicine - Population Health* 12:100698. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmph.2020.100698>
- Media coverage: Public Health Newswire APHA, EurekAlert AAAS, Science Daily, Futurity, News Medical, Patient Engagement Healthcare Media, Medical News Today
- Rangel, David Enrique and Emily Rauscher. 2020. "Paternal Education and Infant Health: Variation by Race/Ethnicity." *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities* 8:1406-1414. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-020-00902-8>

- Rauscher, Emily, Anna Bogdanok*, and John Graves*. 2020. "Policy and Social Mobility: The Changing Importance of Family Background for Economic Attainment in the U.S." *Sociological Imagination* 56(1):9-33.
- Schwarz, Corinne, Daniel Alvord, Dorothy Daley, Megha Ramaswamy, Emily Rauscher, and Hannah Britton. 2019. "The Trafficking Continuum: Service Providers' Perspectives on Vulnerability, Exploitation, and Trafficking." *Affilia* 34(1):116-132.
- Elliott, William, Emily Rauscher, and Ilsung Nam. 2018. "Unequal Returns: Intragenerational Asset Accumulation Differs by Net Worth in Early Adulthood." *Children and Youth Services Review* 85:253-263.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2017. "Plastic and Immobile: Unequal Intergenerational Transmission by Genotype within Sibling Pairs." *Social Science Research* 65: 112-129.
 – Media coverage: KCUR National Public Radio, Boston Globe, Science Daily, Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology News, Phys.org
- Rauscher, Emily. 2017. "Marriage Delayed and Equalized: Effects of Early U.S. Compulsory Schooling Laws on Marital Patterns by Race." *The Sociological Quarterly* 58(3):447-69.
- Rauscher, Emily, Terri Friedline, and Mahasweta Banerjee. 2017. "We're Not Rich, But We're Definitely Not Poor: Young Children's Conceptions of Social Class." *Children and Youth Services Review* 83:101-111.
- Friedline, Terri, Emily Rauscher, Stacia West, Barbara Phipps, Nadzeya Kardash, Karin Chang, and Meghan Ecker-Lyster. 2017. "'They Will Go Like I Did': How Parents Think about College for Their Young Children in the Context of Rising Costs." *Children and Youth Services Review* 81:340-349.
- Rauscher, Emily, William Elliott, Megan O'Brien, Jason Callahan, and Joe Steensma. 2017. "Examining the Relationship between Parental Educational Expectations and a Community-Based Children's Savings Account Program." *Children and Youth Services Review* 74: 96-107.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2016. "Passing It On: Parent-to-Adult Child Financial Transfers for School and Socioeconomic Attainment." *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 2(6): 172-196.
 – Media coverage: EurekAlert AAAS, La Recherche
- Rauscher, Emily. 2016. "Does Educational Equality Increase Mobility? Exploiting 19th Century U.S. Compulsory Schooling Laws." *American Journal of Sociology* 121(6): 1697-1761.
 – IPUMS Research Award 2016; IPUMS Graduate Student Research Award 2011; ASA Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section Student Paper Award Honorable Mention 2012
- Rauscher, Emily and William Elliott. 2016. "The Relationship between Income and Net Worth: A Virtuous Cycle for High but Not Low Income Households." *Journal of Poverty* 20(4): 380-395.
- Rauscher, Emily and William Elliott. 2016. "Wealth as Security: Growth Curve Analyses of Household Income and Net Worth During a Recession." *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* 37(1): 29-41.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2015. "Educational Expansion and Occupational Change: U.S. Compulsory Schooling Laws and the Occupational Structure 1850-1930." *Social Forces* 93(4): 1397-1422.

- Rauscher, Emily. 2015. "Effects of Early U.S. Compulsory Schooling Laws on Educational Assortative Mating: The Importance of Context." *Demography* 52(4): 1219-1242.
- Rauscher, Emily, Dalton Conley, and Mark L. Siegal. 2015. "Sibling Genes as Environment: Sibling Dopamine Genotypes and Adolescent Health Support Frequency Dependent Selection." *Social Science Research* 54: 209-220.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2014. "Hidden Gains: Effects of Compulsory Schooling Laws on Attendance and Attainment by Social Background." *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis* 36(4): 501-518.
- Media coverage: Education Week, World News Network, Futurity, KU News
- Yeung, Wei-Jun Jean and Emily Rauscher. 2014. "Youth Early Employment and Behavior Problems: Human Capital and Social Network Pathways to Adulthood." *Sociological Perspectives* 57(3): 382-403.
- Conley, Dalton and Emily Rauscher. 2013. "Genetic Interactions with Prenatal Social Environment: Effects on Academic and Behavioral Outcomes." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 54(1): 109-27.
- Conley, Dalton, Emily Rauscher, and Mark L. Siegal. 2013. "Beyond Orchids and Dandelions: Testing the 5HTT 'Risky' Allele for Evidence of Phenotypic Capacitance and Frequency Dependent Selection." *Biodemography and Social Biology* 59(1): 37-56.
- Conley, Dalton, Emily Rauscher, Christopher Dawes, Patrik K.E. Magnusson, and Mark L. Siegal. 2013. "Heritability and the Equal Environments Assumption: Evidence from Multiple Samples of Misclassified Twins." *Behavior Genetics* 43(5): 415-426.
- Honorable mention for best paper published in *Behavior Genetics* in 2013.
- Conley, Dalton and Emily Rauscher. 2013. "The Effect of Daughters on Partisanship and Social Attitudes toward Women." *Sociological Forum* 28(4): 700-718.
- Media coverage: *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, MSNBC, Pew Research Center, *Huffington Post*
- Rauscher, Emily. 2011. "Producing Adulthood: Adolescent Employment, Fertility, and the Life Course." *Social Science Research* 40(2): 552-571.
- ASA Children and Youth Section Graduate Student Paper Award 2010

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Rauscher, Emily and Jeremy Fiel. 2026. School Finance Reforms Made Funding More Equal by Income, But Not by Race. The Brookings Institution.
<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/school-finance-reforms-made-funding-more-equal-by-income-but-not-by-race/>
- Rauscher, Emily. 2025. Review of *Designed to Fail: Why Racial Equity in School Funding Is So Hard to Achieve*, by Roseann Liu. *Contemporary Sociology* 54(3):242-244.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/00943061251330132j>
- Rauscher, Emily. 2024. School Capital Investments Improve Student Achievement and Reduce Inequality. Policy Brief. Scholars Strategy Network.
<https://scholars.org/contribution/school-capital-investments-improve-student>
- Kidane, Sagen and Emily Rauscher. 2023. "Unequal Exposure to School Law Enforcement Officers by Student Race and Income." *The Learning Curve*. Washington, DC: The Urban Institute. <https://www.urban.org/research/publication/unequal-exposure-school-resource-officers-student-race-ethnicity-and-income>

- Rauscher, Emily and Yifan Shen. 2022. Progressive School Spending Is Efficient. *Sociological Insights for Development Policy* 7(3):1-2.
<https://sociologyofdevelopment.files.wordpress.com/2022/10/rauscher-and-shen-2022-no-3.pdf>
- Rauscher, Emily. 2021. A Case for an Effectiveness Scale in Research on Racial Equality. *ASA Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility Section Newsletter* 7(1):9.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2020. Funds to Improve School Facilities Reduce Achievement Gaps in California. Policy Brief. Scholars Strategy Network.
<https://scholars.org/contribution/funds-improve-school-facilities-reduce-achievement-gaps-california>
- Ryan, Tim, Emily Rauscher, and Fredrick Schockaert. 2020. Poverty and Performance on Standardized Tests in Rhode Island and Massachusetts: Implications for Policy Reform. Memo. Scholars Strategy Network. <https://scholars.org/contribution/poverty-and-performance-standardized-tests>.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2018. Education Funding and Inequality in Kansas, 2009-2015. *Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy* 27(3):410-441.
 – Testimony provided to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Kansas Advisory Committee, Education Funding and Civil Rights in Kansas (Session IV) April 13, 2018.
- Elliott, William and Emily Rauscher. 2018. “When Does My Future Begin? Student Debt and Intragenerational Mobility.” *Sociology Mind* 8(2):175-201.
 – Media coverage: Politico, Market Watch
- Rauscher, Emily. 2017. Review of *Bounded Mobilities: Ethnographic Perspectives on Social Hierarchies and Global Inequalities* edited by Gutekunst, Hackl, Leoncini, Schwarz, and Gotz. *Contemporary Sociology* 46(6):677-678.
- Rauscher, Emily and William Elliott. 2014. “The Effect of Wealth Inequality on Higher Education Outcomes: A Critical Review.” *Sociology Mind* 4: 282-297.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2014. Review of *From Parents to Children: The Intergenerational Transmission of Advantage* edited by Ermisch, Jantti, and Smeeding. *Contemporary Sociology* 43(1): 83-85.
- Rauscher, Emily and William Elliott. 2013. “Introduction: College Completion’s Role in the Transmission of Inequality.” In W. Elliott (ed.) *Building Expectations, Delivering Results: Asset-Based Financial Aid and the Future of Higher Education. Biannual Report on the Assets and Education Field*. Lawrence, KS: Assets and Education Initiative.
- Elliott, William and Emily Rauscher 2013. “From Disadvantaged Students to College Graduates: The Role of CSAs.” In W. Elliott (ed.) *Building Expectations, Delivering Results: Asset-Based Financial Aid and the Future of Higher Education. Biannual Report on the Assets and Education Field*. Lawrence, KS: Assets and Education Initiative.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2009. “Book Review of ‘More Than Just Race’ by William Julius Wilson.” *Journal of Children and Poverty* 15(2): 143-4.
- Rauscher, Emily. 2008. “Ireland.” *Race, Ethnicity, and Society*, R.T. Schaefer (ed.). Thousand Oaks: Sage.

WORKING PAPERS (student co-authors underlined)

- Alvord, Daniel R. and Emily Rauscher. “Accounting for Legitimacy: Fiscal Crisis and the Politicization of School District Accounting Systems in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Rhode Island.” – *R&R at Qualitative Sociology*
- Rauscher, Emily and Greer Mellon. “School District Superintendents’ Perceptions of Inequalities and Support for Progressive Resource Allocation.” – *Selected for inclusion in RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences, Issue on Inequality in America: Beliefs, Attitudes, Actions*
- Rauscher, Emily, Sarah Hodgman, and Greer Mellon. “California School Funding Elections and District Human Resources.” – *R&R at EEPA*
- Rauscher, Emily, Daniel R. Alvord, and Jordan Mosby. “Innovating through Crisis: How Districts Spend Federal COVID-19 Relief Funds.” – *R&R at EFP*
- Rauscher, Emily, Greer Mellon, and Susanna Loeb. 2024. Priceless Benefits: Effects of School Spending on Child Mortality. [EdWorkingPaper: 24-1008](#) – *Under review*
- Rauscher, Emily and Valerie Zixi Li. “Effects of Capital Spending on Student Health in California, 1995-2019” – *Under review*
- Rauscher, Emily. “School-Supporting Non-Profit Funds and Persistent Inequality in U.S. Education.” – *In progress*
- Rauscher, Emily, Macy Brammer, Yifei Huang, Lela Miller. “District Spending and Staffing Changes with Increases in State Teacher Salary Schedules.” – *Under review*

SCHOLARLY MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

Podcasts and Interviews:

- Sage, Social Work Collection, [Public Library Investments and Adult Mortality](#) – February 9, 2026
- American Educational Research Association interview, [School Finance Reforms Increased Racial and Ethnic Funding Inequities](#) – September 11, 2025
- Amplified Houston KPFT 90.1 interview, [Effects of school spending on child mortality](#) – December 6, 2024
- Russell Sage Foundation Journal Issue on the [Disparate Effect of Disruptive Events on Children](#) – November 2024
- This Week in Sociological Perspective ([TWiSP](#)) Podcast, [Learning to Value Girls](#) – June 2022
- Consortium for Policy Research in Education (CPRE) [Research Minutes Podcast, School Closure Timing and Covid-19 Spread](#) – April 2021
- Annenberg Institute for School Reform, [Why Who Marries Whom Matters](#) – May 2019
- National Public Radio, [But Why: A Podcast For Curious Kids, Why Do We Have to Go to School?](#) – September 2019

Research Covered by:

EdWeek, The 74, The Atlantic, The New York Times, The Brookings Institution, The Washington Post, MSNBC, Diverse, Pew Research Center, Huffington Post, Public Health Newswire APHA, EurekAlert AAAS, La Recherche, Science Daily, Futurity, News Medical, Patient Engagement Healthcare Media, Medical News Today, Politico, Market Watch, Education Week, World News Network, KCUR National Public Radio, Boston Globe, Science Daily, Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology News, Phys.org

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GRANTS

Current

EdFund, (PI) \$75,000, 2025-2026

How School-Supporting Non-Profit Funds Change with State Education Funding Policies

Large Grant, Spencer Foundation (PI) \$374,659, 2024-2026

Hidden Funds: School-Supporting Non-Profits, School Resources, and Rising Inequality
Creating Possible Fund, Gilead Foundation (PI) \$500,000, 2022-2026

Targeting School Funds to Increase Health Prosperity through Educational Equity
Presidential Grant, Russell Sage Foundation (PI) \$74,974, 2024-2026

Hidden Money: School-Supporting Non-Profits and Rising Inequality
Officers Research Grant, William T. Grant Foundation (PI) \$50,000, 2022-2025

When Money Matters Most: Unpacking the Equalizing Effects of Education Funds
Dissertation Research Grant, National Science Foundation, \$31,900, 2023-2025

Ailish Burns – DDRIG in DRMS: The implications of algorithmic decision-making for
inequality in long-term care

Completed

Salomon Award, Brown University (PI) \$15,000, 2023-2024

Hidden Money: School-Supporting Non-Profit Funds and Persistent Inequality
Research Grant, Spencer Foundation (PI) \$50,000, 2021-2023

Funding Progressivity, COVID-19, and Inequality of School Resources by Race and SES
Research Grant, American Educational Research Association (PI) \$35,000, 2018-2020

“School Funding and Between-District Racial Inequality of Educational Achievement”
Faculty Student Research Award, Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy \$1,290

2019 – collaboration with undergraduates. “Inequality Within and Between Families”
Postdoctoral Fellowship, National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation (PI) \$70,000,
2017-2019

“When Does Money Matter? School Funding and Inequality of Educational Achievement”
Officer’s Research Grant, William T. Grant Foundation (PI) \$25,000, 2017-2018

“When Can Money Close Achievement Gaps? School Funding and Class Inequality of
Educational Achievement”

Faculty Seed Grant, Center for Migration Research (PI) \$4,965, 2017

“Going Places: Does Education Encourage Migration within the U.S.?”

General Research Fund, KU (PI) \$10,250, 2016-2017

“Unequal Intergenerational Mobility by Genetic Risk Score”

Kauffman Foundation (co-organizer) \$4,700, 2016

“Parachutes and Ladders: Education and Social Mobility in the U.S.” Symposium

University of Wisconsin – Institute for Research on Poverty Emerging Scholars Grant (PI)
\$19,658, 2014-2015

“Parental Behaviors, Genes, and the Intergenerational Transmission of Poverty”

General Research Fund, KU (PI) \$12,318, 2014-2015

“Investigating the Relationship between Educational Assortative Mating and Infant
Health in the U.S.”

New Faculty General Research Fund, KU (PI) \$8,000, 2013-14

“Intergenerational Transmission of Inequality: Behavior, Genetics, and Education”

Research Investment Council & Strategic Initiative Grant Program (co-I) \$39,809, 2013-14
“Kansas Anti-Human Trafficking and Slavery Initiative: KASHTI”

FELLOWSHIPS

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| Policy Outreach Program Fellow, American Sociological Association | 2025 – 2026 |
| Nonresident Scholar, Washington Center for Equitable Growth | 2025 – 2026 |
| Faculty Fellow, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs | 2025 – 2026 |
| EdResearch for Action Writing Fellow | 2024 |
| NAEd/Spencer Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship | 2017 – 2019 |
| NAEd/Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship | 2011 – 2012 |
| Institute for Education Sciences Pre-Doctoral Interdisciplinary Fellowship | 2009 – 2011 |
| Herbert Menzel Fellowship, Sociology Department, New York University | 2009 |
| MacCracken Fellowship, New York University | 2005 – 2010 |

AWARDS AND HONORS

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| Federation of Associations in Behavioral and Brain Sciences (FABBS), Early Career Impact Award Winner - research and award summaries, <i>nominated by AERA</i> | 2021 |
| Young Scholars Program Finalist, Foundation for Child Development | 2021 |
| International Society of the Learning Sciences, Midcareer Professional Development | 2020 |
| William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program Finalist | 2017, 2018 |
| NIH K01 Impact Score 19 – removed from consideration due to institutional move | 2018 |
| Integrated Public Use Microdata Series (IPUMS) Research Award | 2016 |
| Craig Anthony (Tony) Arnold Faculty Research Award | 2016 |
| Best Paper in <i>Behavior Genetics</i> Honorable Mention | 2013 |
| SAGE Teaching Innovations and Professional Development Award | 2012 |
| IPUMS Graduate Student Research Award | 2012 |
| Student Paper Award Honorable Mention, ASA, Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility | 2012 |
| Graduate Student Paper Award, ASA, Section on Children and Youth | 2010 |
| Rookie of the Year, American Cancer Society - Volunteer, San Gabriel Valley, CA | 2004 |
| NCAA Woman of the Year, CT, Academic, Athletic, & Comm. Service Excellence | 1999 |
| Roger Maynard Award, Wesleyan University, for Academic and Athletic Excellence | 1999 |
| Jones Award, Wesleyan University, for Athletic Excellence | 1998, 1999 |

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations

From Autopsy to Architecture: Beyond the Racial Wealth Gap and the Capability State – June 2026
Center for Empirical Research on Stratification and Inequality, Yale University – February 2026
Interdisciplinary Training Program in Education Sciences (ITP), UW-Madison – October 2025
EdWorking Papers Webinar, Annenberg Institute for School Reform, Brown – May 2025
Center for Population and Development Studies, Harvard University – February 2025
Workshop in Methods, Social Science Research Commons, Indiana University – January 2025
Chicago Education Workshop, University of Chicago – December 2024

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Amplified Houston!, KPFT 90.1 community radio station, Houston, TX – December 2024
 Applied Quantitative Methods workshop (AQMW), Northwestern University – May 2023
 Education Leadership and Policy Analysis, Univ of Wisconsin-Madison – February 2022
 Center for the Study of Wealth and Inequality, Columbia University – February 2022
 Consortium for Policy Research in Education/CPRE, Research Minutes Podcast – April 2021
 Unequal Opportunity Spreaders: Higher COVID-19 Deaths with Later School Closure in
 the United States, with Ailish Burns* <https://www.researchminutes.org/episode/school-closure-timing-and-covid-19-spread/>
 American Educational Research Association, Federation of Associations in Behavioral and
 Brain Sciences (FABBS), Early Career Impact Award Lecture – April 2021
 Social Returns to School Investments
 Annenberg Institute for School Reform, Brown University – May 2020
 Center for Demography & Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison – February 2020
 National Public Radio, *But Why: A Podcast For Curious Kids* – September 2019
 Why Do We Have to Go to School? www.vpr.org/post/why-do-we-have-go-school#stream/0
 Sociology Department, Boston College – February 2019
 Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy Symposium, KU – February 2018
 Sociology Department, University of Notre Dame – November 2017
 Center for Migration Research, KU – November 2017
 Center for Research on Educational Opportunity, University of Notre Dame – Sept 2017
 Center on Assets, Education, and Inclusion, KU - March 2016
 Professionals for Inclusion and Social Justice, KU – March 2016
 Germany Research Foundation, Wealth and Disparity: Comparative Analysis of Trends in
 Inequality in Germany and the United States, Berlin – October 2014
 Inequality in the Post-Civil Rights Era: A KU Symposium Commemorating the Sixtieth
 Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education – April 2014
 Social Psychology and Education Departments, KU – February & April 2013
 The Commons at KU – November 2012
 RAND – February 2012
 Sociology Department, University of Kansas – December 2011
 Sociology Department, Yale University – October 2011

Peer Reviewed and Other Presentations

Population Association of America – May 2026
 Effects of School Spending on Teen Fertility, with Sujung Lee
 In_equality Conference, Konstanz, Germany - April 2026
 Elite Decisionmakers' Beliefs about Inequalities and Support for Progressive Resource
 Allocation: Evidence from School District Superintendents
 American Sociological Association - August 2025
 Priceless Benefits: Effects of School Spending on Child Mortality
 Public Library Investments and Adult Mortality
 School Spending Priorities: New Experimental Evidence from an Interactive Budget
 Survey with School District Leaders
 Population Association of America - April 2025
 Priceless Benefits: Effects of School Spending on Child Mortality
 Effects of Capital Spending on Student Health in California, 1995-2019

Association for Education Finance and Policy - March 2025
 When Money Matters Most: Unpacking the Effectiveness of School Spending
 RC28 Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility - August 2024
 Priceless Benefits: Effects of School Spending on Child Mortality
 Effects of Capital Spending on Student Health in California, 1995-2019
 Nordic Sociological Association - August 2024
 School Spending and Child Well-Being in the U.S.: Targeted Spending to Reduce Racial Inequality
 American Educational Research Association - April 2024
 Hidden Money: School-Supporting Non-Profit Funds and Rising Inequality
 Presented at the following conferences 2009-2024: PAA, AEFPP, APPAM, ASA, RC28, NAEEd, IRP Wisconsin, Russell Sage Foundation, ESS, IGSS, IES Research Conference.

TEACHING – COURSES TAUGHT

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| Graduate: | | |
| Causal Analysis | | 2025 |
| Multivariate Statistical Methods II | | 2025, 2026 |
| Sociology of Education | | 2019, 2020, 2022 |
| Graduate Sociology Paper Writing Seminar | | 2019-2020 |
| Stratification | | 2016 |
| Undergraduate: | | |
| Inequality of Infant Health | | 2023, 2025, 2026 |
| Introductory Statistics for Social Research | | 2013, 2019, 2023 |
| Social Inequality: Change and Continuity in the US | | 2018, 2021, 2023, 2026 |
| Education & Inequality; Schools & Society | | annually 2012-2019 |
| Population & Society | | annually 2012-2018 |
| Research Methods | | 2010 |
| Race & Ethnicity | | 2007 |

TEACHING DEVELOPMENT

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| 2021 | Advance-CTR Mentoring Training, Brown University |
| 2021 | Hybrid Course Design, Sheridan Center, Brown University |
| 2019 | Problem-Solving Course Design Institute, Sheridan Center, Brown |
| 2018 | How Do I Design and Assess a CURE? Sheridan Center Seminar, Brown |
| 2017-2018 | Research in Departmental Curriculum Working Group, KU |
| 2017 | Best Practices Institute, KU (competitive application process) |
| 2017 | Teaching Summit, KU |
| 2016, 2017 | Population and Society course awarded a Writing Fellow, KU |
| 2016, 2017 | School and Society course awarded a Graduate Research Consultant, KU |
| 2016 | Teaching Summit, KU |
| 2014 | The Oread Project, Center for Sustainability, University of Kansas |
| 2013-2014 | Peer Teaching Quad, University of Kansas |

- 2012 ASA Teaching Conference - The Art at the Heart of Learner-Centered Teaching
 2006-2008 Teaching Certificate Program, Center for Teaching Excellence, NYU
 2007 ASA Teaching Conference - Teachers are Made Not Born
 2007 United Nations - International Institute on Peace Education Conference
 2006 Sociology of Teaching and Learning - graduate level course

INDIVIDUAL TEACHING

Ph.D. Committee

- Bryan Natividad, Department of Sociology, Brown University (chair) – Spring 2024, Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Rhode Island
 Haoming Song, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2023, Assistant Professor, Case Western Reserve University
 Tate Kihara, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2023, Assistant Professor, Keio University
 Yifan Shen, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2022, Assistant Professor, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
 Chinyere Agbai, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2022, Assistant Professor, Ohio State University
 Isabelle Notter, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2022, US Census Bureau
 Megan Collier, Department of Sociology, Brown University – Spring 2022
 Byeongdon Oh, Sociology, KU - Spring 2020, Assistant Professor, SUNY Polytechnic Institute
 Daniel Alvord, Sociology, KU - Spring 2020, Assistant Professor, Oklahoma State University
 Lauren Coleman-Tempel, Educ Leadership & Policy Studies, KU - Spring 2020, Assistant Director, Center for Educational Opportunity Programs
 Ashley Palmer, School of Social Welfare, KU - 2019, Assistant Professor, University of Texas at Arlington
 Jorge Thieroldt Llanos, Department of Sociology, KU - Summer 2017, Instructor, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru
 Doug Elmer, Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, KU - Spring 2017, Vice President, Prep KC
 Stacia West, School of Social Welfare, KU - Spring 2016, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
 Hanhao Wang, Lukas Szrot, Chelsea Bailey, Adrienne Matlock, Bryan Walker, Univ of Kansas – until 2018
 Ailish Burns, Department of Sociology, Brown University (chair), NSF Dissertation Grant
 Xinyan (Joyce) Cao, Department of Sociology, Brown University (chair)
 Sagen Kidane, Department of Sociology, Brown University
 Sarah Hodgman, Department of Sociology, Brown University
 Yingyue Jiang, Department of Sociology, Brown University (chair)
 Sujung Lee, Department of Sociology, Brown University

Master's Thesis Committee

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Diana Gandara, Sociology, Brown – 2026
 Yan Zhou, Sociology, Brown – 2026
 Sarah Hodgman – 2024 (supervisor) - Alden Speare Jr. Award Winner for best thesis
 Xinyan (Joyce) Cao Sociology, Brown – 2022 (supervisor)
 Sagen Kidane Sociology, Brown – 2022 (member)
 Owen Manahan, School of Public Health – 2022-23 (supervisor)
 Ailish Burns, Sociology, Brown – 2021 (supervisor) - Alden Speare Jr. Award Winner
 Bryan Natividad, Sociology, Brown – 2020 (supervisor) - Alden Speare Jr. Award Winner
 Megan Collier, Sociology, Brown – 2019
 Yifan Shen, Sociology, Brown – 2019
 Haoming Song, Sociology, Brown – 2019
 Nour Asfour, MPH program, Brown – 2019
 Avi Slone, Sociology, KU – 2018
 Jennifer Dueñas, Sociology, KU – 2017

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Supervisor

Brown – Haley Damon 2023-24; Justine Graziano 2019-20; Jardelle Johnson 2018-19
 KU - Paola Alor 2017-18; Matthew McReynolds 2017-18 (selected for PAA 2018 oral session - Medicaid Smoking Cessation Coverage and Infant Health); Toni Ruffedt 2017-18: Committee: John Isaac (Ike) Uri 2016-17; Allison Colburn 2012-13

Individual Graduate Advising

Seungyeon Jung, Karla Munoz, Macy Brammer, Sarah Hodgman, Sujung Lee, Xinyan Cao, Ailish Burns, Bryan Natividad, Sagen Kidane, Katie Duarte, Yifan Shen, Joelle Spotswood
 External qualifying exam member: Nicholas Pardo, USC

Undergraduate Research Assistants and Capstone/Independent Study Advising

Emily Hong, Junnie Kim, Vivian Miller, Patrick Rourke, Claire Chasse, Haley Damon, Claudia Dyer, Parth Jain, Daniela Figueroa, Mariana Witmer, Anna Bogdanok, John Graves, Justine Graziano, Samantha Haigood, Eliza Hicks, Jardelle Johnson, Benjamin Harris, Marley Presiado, Kaitlyn Lee, Micah Melia, Paola Alor, Matthew McReynolds, Toni Ruffedt

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, SERVICE, ACTIVITIES

Department & University Service

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| 2026 | Review Committee, Investing in Rhode Island’s Workforce, Brown University |
| 2026 | Reappointment Review, PSTC |
| 2025-2026 | Committee on Academic Programs and Faculty Appointments, SPS |
| 2025-2026 | Executive Committee, Sociology Department (elected), Brown University |
| 2024-2025 | Steering Committee, PSTC, Brown University |
| 2022-2025 | Graduate Council Member, Brown University (elected); Vice Chair 2023-24 |
| 2022-2025 | Director of Graduate Studies, Sociology Department, Brown University |
| 2024 | BIRCH HRPP Transition Ad Hoc Faculty Advisory Committee, Brown Univ |
| 2023 | Staff Pay Equity Study Steering Committee & Core Selection Committee |
| 2023 | 21st-Century Ph.D. Mellon Proctorship, awarded and supervised |

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2022-2023 Faculty Leadership Program, Brown University
2022 Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion (EDI) Postdoctoral Fellow Selection Committee
2022 Mentor, Leadership Alliance, Summer Research Early Identification Program
2020-2021 Graduate Studies Committee, Sociology Department, Brown University
2019-2021 First- & Second-Year Advisor, Brown University
2021- Co-organizer, Sociology of Education Workshop, Brown Sociology Department
2020, 2021, 2022 Search Committee Diversity Representative, Postdoctoral Research Associate in Spatial Analysis (S4) or PSTC, Brown University
2020 Senior Professor Recruitment Committee, Sociology, Brown University
2019-2020 Search Committee, Annenberg Institute, Brown University
2019-2020 Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan Committee, Sociology Dept, Brown
2019- Inequality Workshop, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown
2019 Graduate Admissions Committee, Brown Sociology Department
2017-2018 Committee on Sabbatical Leaves, KU
2017-2018 University Senate Libraries Committee, KU
2016-2018 University Senate Organization and Administration Committee, KU
2016 Department Chair Search Committee, Sociology Department, KU
2016 John Ise Award Committee, Dean's Office, KU
2014-2019 Faculty Director, Center on Assets, Education, & Inclusion, Univ of Michigan
2014-2016 Budig Teaching Professorship Award Committee member, KU
2012-2018 Undergraduate Studies Committee Member, Sociology, Univ. of Kansas
2012-2015 Faculty Representative, Students for Education Reform, Univ. of Kansas
2009-2010 Job Placement Committee, Graduate Student Association, NYU
2006-2008 Pro-Seminar Committee, Graduate Student Association, NYU
2007 Graduate Orientation Moderator: Transitioning to Graduate School NYU

External Service

2025-2026 Chair – Sociology of Education Section, American Sociological Association (elected)
2025 Mixed Methods Session Organizer – Methodology Section, ASA
2025 Chair, Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship in Population Award Member, Zelizer Book Award, Economic Sociology Section, ASA
2023-2026 Council Member – Population Section, American Sociological Association (elected)
2022-23, 2024-25 Mentor – National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation Fellows Program
2024 Co-Organizer – RC28 Research Conference, August 2024
2024 Chair, Population Section Best Book Award Committee, ASA
2024 Zelizer Best Book Award Committee Member, Economic Sociology, ASA
2024 National Science Foundation Reviewer
2023 Co-Chair – APPAM Conference Program Sub-Committee on Health
2023 Research-to-Policy Collaboration Scholar

- 2021-2023 Treasurer/Secretary – Sociology of Education Special Interest Group, American Educational Research Association (elected)
- 2022 Willard Waller Career Award Committee, Sociology of Education Section, ASA
- 2022 Member, Clifford Clogg Award for Best Graduate Student Paper, Methodology Section, ASA
- 2022 Discussant, AERA, “Spatial Stratification: The impact of neighborhood racial change on enrollment and student assignment”
- 2022 Discussant, PAA, “New Approaches to Social Mobility and Inequality”
- 2022 Discussant, ASA, “The Uses of Polygenic Scores in Sociology”
- 2022 Organizer, Biosociology/Biosocial Interaction Regular Session, ASA (invited)
- 2022 Reviewer, AERA, Sociology of Education and Educational Policies and Politics Conference Submissions
- 2018-2021 Council Member – Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility Section, American Sociological Association (elected)
- 2021 Reviewer, AERA Fellowship Program, Study of Deeper Learning
- 2021 Chair, Nominations Committee – Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility Section, ASA
- 2021 Session Organizer, Historical Studies of Inequality, PAA
- 2021 Book Award Committee Member – Sociology of Education Section, ASA
- 2021 Goode Book Award Committee Member – Family Section, ASA
- 2020 Chair, Book Award Committee – Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility Section, ASA
- 2020 Discussant, Sociology of Education Session, ASA
- 2019 Nominations Committee – Inequality, Poverty, & Mobility Section, ASA
- 2019 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee - Children and Youth Section, ASA
- 2019-2023 Mentor, Women’s Mentoring Workshop, Wesleyan University Athletics
- 2018 Panelist, Transition from Graduate Student to Assistant Professor, AERA Fall Research Conference
- 2018 Testimony provided to U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Kansas Advisory Committee, Education Funding and Civil Rights in Kansas
- 2018 Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee - Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility Section, American Sociological Association
- 2017-2018 Annual Meeting Session Organizer, Sociology of Higher Education, American Sociological Association
- 2016-2017 Annual Meeting Session Organizer and Discussant, Intergenerational Mobility, Population Association of America
- 2016 Willard Waller Award Committee, Sociology of Education Section, ASA
- 2016 Conference Co-Organizer “Parachutes and Ladders: Education and Social Mobility in the U.S.” Center on Assets, Education, and Inclusion, KU
- 2014 Reviewer for AERA Annual Conference Division L, Section 7 (Social Policy and Context) and Sociology of Education Special Interest Group
- 2012 Roundtable Presider, Children and Youth Section, ASA
- 2009-2011 Student Representative, Children and Youth Section, ASA
- 2009-2011 Membership Committee, Children and Youth Section, ASA
- 2008-2009 Conference Scheduling Committee, Eastern Sociological Society

2007 Volunteer Facilitator, NCCJ youth workshop on diversity
 2005-2007 Assistant Editor, *Sociological Forum*, New York University
 2001-2004 Assistant Director, International Admission, Univ. of Southern California
 2000 Volunteer, Peace Corps, Považská Bystrica, Slovakia
 1994-1995 Rotary Exchange Student, Niikawa High School, Uozu, Japan

Editorial Board: *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 2022-2024
Research in Social Stratification and Mobility 2022-2024
Sociological Perspectives 2020-2024

Occasional Reviewer: *PLOS One*, *PNAS*, *American Journal of Sociology*,
American Sociological Review, *Sociology of Education*, *Social Forces*,
Demography, *Sociological Science*, *American Journal of Political
 Science*, *Nature Human Behavior*, *Sociological Methodology*, *Educational
 Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, *Social Problems*, *Social Science and
 Medicine*, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, *European
 Sociological Review*, *Social Science Research*, *Sociological Perspectives*,
Economic Journal, *Educational Researcher*, *Review of Social Economy*,
European Journal of Population, *Population Research and Policy Review*,
Review of Educational Research, *AERA Open*, *Journal of Health and
 Social Behavior*, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *Sociological Forum*,
Social Science and Medicine – Population Health, *Youth and Society*,
Economics and Human Biology, *Journal of Family Issues*, *Journal of
 Women, Children and Youth Services Review*, *Politics & Policy*, *Theory
 and Society*, *Social Currents*, *Journal of Community and Practice*, *History
 of Education*, *Sociological Imagination*, *Review of Higher Education*
 Books/Grants: *Oxford University Press*, National Science Foundation,
 William T. Grant Foundation, Spencer Foundation

Professional Memberships: *American Sociological Association*; *Population Association of
 America*; *American Educational Research Association*; *Association for Education
 Finance & Policy*; *International Sociological Association*, RC28
 Policy Collaboration Memberships: *Scholars Strategy Network*; *Research-to-Policy
 Collaboration*

STATISTICAL AND RESEARCH TRAINING

2025-2026 ASA Policy Outreach Program Fellow
 Spring 2024 EdResearch for Action Writing Fellow
 May 2024 Text Analysis Workshop, Andras Zsom
 January 2022 GIS Institute, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Kevin Mwenda
 June 2021 Python Programming and Best Practices, Center for Computation and
 Visualization, Andras Zsom and Matt Slivinski
 January 2020 Python and Data Science, Guixing Wei and Zhenchao Qian
 April 2019 IPUMS Time Use Data for Studying Health and Well-Being, Sayer & Flood
 January 2019 Introduction to Bayesian Analysis Using Stata, Gustavo Sanchez

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| January 2016 | China Multigenerational Panel Datasets Workshop, Cameron Campbell |
| October 2014 | Statistical Genetics Workshop, Thomas Hoffman |
| October 2013 | Statistical Genetics Workshop, Genome-Wide Analysis, Matt McQueen |
| Spring 2013 | Experimental Methods for Testing Causal Theories, Dustin Tingley |
| 2009-2011 | Institute for Education Sciences Pre-Doctoral Interdisciplinary Seminar |
| Spring 2011 | Event History Analysis, Larry Wu, audited |
| April 2011 | Graphical Models for Causal Inference, Felix Elwert |
| Summer 2010 | Social Change: A Harvard–Manchester Initiative, Bruce Western |
| Spring 2010 | Missing Data, Jennifer Hill |
| Fall 2009 | Multilevel Growth Models, Marc Scott |
| Summer 2009 | NLS Summer Workshop, Ohio State University |
| Summer 2009 | National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute |
| Spring 2009 | Cells to Society Summer Biomarker Institute, Northwestern University |
| Spring 2009 | Causal Inference, Jennifer Hill, audited |
| Fall 2008 | Applied Microeconometrics, Matt Wiswall, audited |
| Spring 2008 | Advanced Multivariate Statistics, Dalton Conley, audited |