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Education

Rice University, Houston, Texas

Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, 2019
Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning, 2019
Master of Arts in Sociology, 2015

University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, 2013

Cochise College, Douglas, Arizona

Associate of Arts in Sociology, 2011

Employment

Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana

Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2019-

Areas of Interest

Family, Race and Ethnicity, Poverty and Inequality, Neighborhoods and Housing

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Note: Underlined names indicate a student co-author.

Howell, Junia, Ellen Whitehead, and Elizabeth Korver-Glenn. *Forthcoming*. "Still Separate and Unequal: Persistent Racial Segregation and Inequality in Subsidized Housing." *Socius*.

Korver-Glenn, Elizabeth, Sofia Locklear, Junia Howell, and Ellen Whitehead. 2023. "Displaced and Unsafe: The Legacy of Settler Colonial Racial Capitalism in the U.S. Rental Market." *Journal of Race, Ethnicity and the City*. *Online First*.

Holtzman, Mellisa, Ellen Whitehead, and Ayrlia Welch. 2023. "Adjusting Class Policies Amid a Pandemic: How Lessons Learned During COVID-19 Can Help Faculty Prepare for Other Institution-Wide Crises." *Teaching and Learning Inquiry* 11:1-14.

- Whitehead, Ellen and Taryn Jonet. 2022. "Are In-Laws Substituting or Supplementing?: Mothers' Receipt of Support from Paternal Kin." *Family Relations*. Online first.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2022. "Heterogeneity in Neighborhood Social Integration: Understanding the Role of Private Support." *Sociological Focus* 55(2):109-129.
- Whitehead, Ellen, Allan Farrell, and Jenifer Bratter. 2021. "'If You Don't Know Me by Now...': Assessing Race Mismatch through Differences in Race Reports of Fathers in the Fragile Families Survey." *Du Bois Review* 18(2):365-392.
- Sharp, Gregory, Ellen Whitehead, and Matthew Hall. 2020. "Tapped Out? Racial Disparities in Extra-Kin Resources and the Loss of Homeownership." *Demography* 57(5):1903-1928.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2018. "Paying for Their Stay: Race, Coresiding Arrangements, and Rent Payments among Fragile Families." *Journal of Family Issues* 39(17):4041-4065.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2018. "'Be My Guest': The Link between Concentrated Poverty, Race, and Family-Level Support." *Journal of Family Issues* 39(12):3225-3247.
- Bratter, Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. 2018. "The Ties That Bind?: Comparing Kin Support Across Mixed-Race and Monoracial Families." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 80(4):951-962.

Reports, Teaching Resources, and Other Publications

- Whitehead, Ellen. 2023. "Adjusting Class Policies Amid a Pandemic: How Lessons Learned During COVID-19 Can Help Faculty Prepare for Other Institution-Wide Crises." ISSOTL Blog. International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2022. "The Private Safety Net in Emerging Adulthood." Pp. 26-36 in *Making the Invisible Visible: Applying Sociology to Our World*. Ball State Sociology SOC 100 Reader.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2020. "Meme Assignment." Featured as a Teaching Assignment. Breaking the Prejudice Habit. <http://breakingprejudice.org/teaching/assignment-page/paper-assignments/meme-assignment.html>
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2019. "Teaching about the Growth Machine in the Aftermath of Hurricane Harvey." The Southern Sociologist Newsletter. Southern Sociological Society.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2019. "Community Bridges Fellows Study Urban Inequality Inside and Outside the Classroom." Urban Edge Blog. Kinder Institute for Urban Research.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2018. "Why Programs for the Poor Need to Take into Account the Benefits and Burdens of Mutual Family Assistance." Scholar Strategy Network Research Brief.

- Whitehead, Ellen. 2018. "Exploring Neighborhood Inequality with Census Data." TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology. American Sociological Association.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2018. (book review) "Families in America," by Susan L. Brown. *Teaching Sociology* 46(4):369-371.
- Whitehead, Ellen and Jenifer Bratter. 2017. Introduction to "The Uneven Playing Field: How Race and Ethnicity Shape Life Chances." Chapter in *Unmaking Race and Ethnicity: A Reader*. Oxford University Press.
- Whitehead, Ellen. 2016. "Support from Family Does Not Replace the Social Safety Net." Policy Brief for the UC Davis Center for Poverty Research.
- Bratter, Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. 2015. "Population Composition by Race and Ethnicity: North America." *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, edited by Irma Elo, Andrew Foster, and James Wright.

Grants and Fellowships

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| 2022-2026 | Wornell, Emily (PI), Ellen Whitehead (Co-PI), Justin Schupp (Co-PI), and Karen McCormack (Co-PI). "Rural Informal Work in Economically, Socially, Culturally, and Technologically Changing Contexts." National Institute of Food and Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture. Funds Awarded: \$649,997. |
| 2023 | Whitehead, Ellen (Co-PI) and Emily Wornell (Co-PI). "Residential Decision-Making of College Students in an Era of Increasing Political Bifurcation and Devolution of Individual Rights." Faculty Fellowship. Center for Middletown Studies, Ball State University. Funds Awarded: \$6,000. |
| | Whitehead, Ellen (Co-PI) and Mellisa Holtzman (Co-PI). "'It's Pedagogical and It's Selfish:' The Role of Classroom Policies in Student Socialization, Faculty-Student Rapport, and Faculty Legitimacy." Scholarship Support Program. Office of the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Ball State University. Funds Awarded: \$2,000. |
| 2022-2023 | Whitehead, Ellen. "Online Crowdfunding as an Emerging Safety Net for American Families." Aspire Junior Faculty Research Grant. Sponsored Projects Administration, Ball State University. Funds Awarded: \$13,505. |
| 2020-2022 | Korver-Glenn, Elizabeth (PI), Junia Howell (Co-PI), and Ellen Whitehead (Co-PI). "How Rental Property Management Shapes Social and Economic Inequality." Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Authority Grant. Funds Awarded: \$49,345. |

- 2017 Clifford C. Clogg Scholar. Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research. Funds Awarded: Waiver for tuition (~\$4,200).
- 2016 Junior Scholar Fund Award. Children and Families Working Group, Rice University. Funds Awarded: \$1,500.
- 2015 Visiting Graduate Student Scholar. Center for Poverty Research, University of California, Davis. Funds Awarded: \$8,000

Manuscripts Under Review

Note: Underlined names indicate a student co-author.

Whitehead, Ellen, Taryn Jonet, and Mellisa Holtzman. “Coresident Households and IPV Risk: An Analysis of Prevalence and Correlates.” *Under Review*.

Manuscripts in Progress

Note: Underlined names indicate a student co-author.

Whitehead, Ellen, Natalia Langham, and Brianna Lopez. “Assessing Racial Disparities in Crowdfunding Donations through an Experimental Survey.”

Whitehead, Ellen and Natalia Langham. “Sounds like a Normal American Problem”: Decisions to (Not) Donate to Crowdfunding Campaigns.”

Whitehead, Ellen, Alison Winiarski, Emily Wornell, Justin Schupp. “Time and Money: COVID-19’s Impact on the Nonstandard Work Sector”.

Winiarski, Alison, Ellen Whitehead, Justin Schupp, Emily Wornell, and Karen McCormack. “Work Outside the Formal Sector: Differentiating Informal and Gig Work.”

Whitehead, Ellen and Mellisa Holtzman. “‘It’s Pedagogical and It’s Selfish’: The Role of Classroom Policies in Student Socialization, Faculty-Student Rapport, and Faculty Legitimacy.”

Whitehead, Ellen. “Leaving the Nest, Unable to Fly? How Living with Family Shapes Future Housing Outcomes.”

Presentations

Note: Underlined names indicate a student collaborator.

Invited Talks

- 2022 Whitehead, Ellen and Taryn Wield. “Interpersonal Violence within Multigenerational Households: An Analysis of Fragile Families.” STAPH Population Health Lab. Department of Sociology, Rice University.

- 2021 Whitehead, Ellen and Taryn Wiold. "Mother's Receipt of Kin Support from In-Laws." Women's Week Research Presentation. Women's and Gender Studies and Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society, Ball State University. March 21, 2021.
- 2019 Whitehead, Ellen. "Are Families a Long-term Safety Net for Young Adults?" Big Questions, Big Ideas. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Ball State University, and Muncie Public Library. November 1, 2019.
- 2018 Whitehead, Ellen. "The Myth of Meritocracy: How Support from Family Members Perpetuates Inequality." University of Houston Diversity Institute. April 12, 2018.
- 2015 Whitehead, Ellen. "Residence, Race, and Shared Resources: Does Kin Support Matter for Neighborhood Attainment?" Center for Poverty Research Fall Retreat, University of California, Davis. September 20-22, 2015.

Papers Presented at Professional Conferences

- 2023 Whitehead, Ellen, Alison Winiarski, Emily Wornell, Justin Schupp, and Karen McCormack. "Time and Money: COVID-19's Impact on the Nonstandard Work Sector." Accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 17-21, 2023. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Whitehead, Ellen and Natalia Langham. "Assessing Racial Disparities in Crowdfunding Donations through an Experimental Survey." Annual Meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. March 23-24, 2023. Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- Winiarski, Alison, Ellen Whitehead, Justin Schupp, Emily Wornell, and Karen McCormack. "Work Outside the Formal Sector: Differentiating Informal and Gig Work." (Presented by Alison Winiarski) Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Minneapolis, Minnesota. March 23-26, 2023.
- 2022 Korver-Glenn, Elizabeth, Sofia Locklear, Junia Howell, and Ellen Whitehead. "Racism and Unsafe Housing Conditions Across the United States." (Presented by Junia Howell) Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 5-9, 2022. Los Angeles, California.
- Whitehead, Ellen and Taryn Wiold. "Interpersonal Violence within Multigenerational Households: An Analysis of Fragile Families." Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, Illinois. April 13-16, 2022.
- Whitehead, Ellen, Hailee Campbell, and Brianna Lopez. "Thoughts, Prayers, and Money: Investigating Appeals to Potential Donors in Crowdfunding Campaigns." (Presented by Hailee Campbell) Annual Meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. Indianapolis, Indiana. April 1-2, 2022.

Whitehead, Ellen, Brianna Lopez, and Hailee Campbell. “Who is 'Worthy?': How Crowdfunding Campaigns Construct Layers of Deservingness.” (Presented by Brianna Lopez) Annual Meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. Indianapolis, Indiana. April 1-2, 2022.

Holtzman, Mellisa, Ellen Whitehead, and Ayrlia Welch. “Faculty Reflections on Crisis-Driven Changes in Class Policies.” (Presented with Mellisa Holtzman) Provost’s Faculty Summit: A Commitment to Inclusive Excellence. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana. February 17-18, 2022.

2021 Whitehead, Ellen. “Making Methods Manageable: A Semester-Long, Introductory-Level Methods Activity.” Teaching and Learning Symposium, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 6-10, 2021.

Whitehead, Ellen and Taryn Wiold. “Mother’s Receipt of Kin Support from In-Laws: The Role of Relationship Status and Father’s Involvement.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. May 5-8, 2021.

Whitehead, Ellen, Ayrlia Welch, and Mellisa Holtzman. “‘It’s Pedagogical and It’s Selfish’: The Role of Classroom Policies in Student Socialization, Faculty-Student Rapport, and Faculty Legitimacy.” (Presented by Ayrlia Welch) Annual Meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. April 7-10, 2021.

Whitehead, Ellen, Ayrlia Welch, and Mellisa Holtzman. “‘I Still Want to be Really Flexible but You Can't Just Throw a Whole Semester Away’: Leniency Around Deadlines and Attendance Policies in the Era of COVID-19.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. March 18-21, 2021.

2020 Whitehead, Ellen and Lynn Fahey. “The Politics of Policies: Extensions, Make-up Work, and Attendance Policies.” Teaching and Learning Symposium, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 8-11, 2020.

Whitehead, Ellen and Melinda Messineo. “A Case of Regional and Metropolitan Variation?: Composition of Coresidential Households Before, During, and After the Great Recession.” Accepted for presentation at the 2020 Small Cities Conference. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana. May 8-9, 2020. Conference canceled due to COVID-19.

Whitehead, Ellen. “Mother’s Receipt of Kin Support from In-Laws: The Role of Relationship Status and Father’s Involvement.” Accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. April 22-25, 2020. Session canceled due to COVID-19.

- Whitehead, Ellen and Melinda Messineo. "Composition of Coresidential Households Before, During, and After the Great Recession." Accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. March 27-29, 2020. Session canceled due to COVID-19.
- 2019 Sharp, Gregory, Ellen Whitehead, and Matthew Hall. "Tapped Out? Racial Disparities in Extra-Familial Resources and the Loss of Homeownership." (Presented by Gregory Sharp) Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Austin, Texas. April 10-13, 2019.
- 2018 Whitehead, Ellen. "'Stuck in Place' with Family?: A Longitudinal Analysis of Multigenerational Households and Neighborhood Attainment." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. August 11-14, 2018.
- Whitehead, Ellen. "Moving On, Moving Out—but Where To?: Residential Trajectories after Coresiding with Family or Friends." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Denver, Colorado. April 26-28, 2018.
- Whitehead, Ellen. "Tracking the Housing Status of Coresiders Over Time: An Application of Latent Class Analysis." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society. New Orleans, Louisiana, April 4-7, 2018.
- 2017 Whitehead, Ellen. "Greater Distance, Less Assistance: Race, Kin Support, and Spatial Proximity between Parents and Children." Annual Meeting of the Southern Demographic Association. Morgantown, WV. October 25-27, 2017.
- Whitehead, Ellen, Allen Farrell, and Jenifer Bratter. "If You Don't Know Me by Now...": Observed and Reported Race in the Fragile Families Survey." (Presented by Allan Farrell) Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. August 12-15, 2017.
- Whitehead, Ellen. "Neighborhood Connectivity and Residential Circumstances: Understanding the Role of Public and Private Support." Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Chicago, Illinois. April 27-29, 2017.
- Whitehead, Ellen. "Are In-Laws Substituting or Supplementing?: Receipt of Kin Support from Paternal Relatives and the Brokering Role of Fathers." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society. Greenville, South Carolina. March 29-April 1, 2017.
- 2016 Whitehead, Ellen. "Neighborhood Experiences and Residential Circumstances: Understanding the Role of Public and Private Support." Annual Meeting of the Southern Demographic Association. Athens, GA. October 12-14, 2016.

Whitehead, Ellen. "Single but Not Alone: Extended Family Co-Residence, Race, and Poverty among Single Mother Families." Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 20-23, 2016.

Whitehead, Ellen. "'Be My Guest': Concentrated Poverty, Race, and Family-Level Support Among New Mothers. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. August 20-23, 2016.

Whitehead, Ellen. "Paying for their Stay: The Coresident Circumstances of New Mothers." Center for Research on Families and Relationships International Conference. Edinburgh, Scotland. June 13-15, 2016.

Bratter, Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. "The Ties That Bind Across Racial Lines: Comparing Kin Support Across Mixed-Race and Monoracial Families." (Presented by Jenifer Bratter) Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Washington, D.C. March 31-April 1, 2016.

Whitehead, Ellen. "Paying for their Stay: The Coresident Circumstances of New Mothers." Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Association. Atlanta, GA. April 13-16, 2016.

Bratter, Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. "The Ties That Bind Across Racial Lines: Perceived Kin Support Across Mixed-Race and Monoracial Families." (Presented by Jenifer Bratter) Council on Contemporary Families Annual Meeting. Austin, TX. March 4-5, 2016.

2015 Whitehead, Ellen. "Residence, Race, and Shared Resources: Does Kin Support Matter for Neighborhood Attainment?" Annual Meeting of the Southern Demographic Association. San Antonio, TX. October 14-16, 2015.

Bratter, Jenifer and Ellen Whitehead. "The Ties That Bind Across Racial Lines: Comparing Kin Support Across Mixed-Race and Monoracial Families." (Presented by Jenifer Bratter) Cornell Population Center, Cornell University. September 18, 2015.

2014 Whitehead, Ellen. "Exploring Segregation through Intersectionality: Family Structure, Race, and Class." Center for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Annual Graduate Symposium. Rice University. April 11, 2014.

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record

Sociology 100: "Principles of Sociology", Ball State University (Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2023)

Sociology 224: “Family and Society”, Ball State University (Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022)

Sociology 684: “Advanced Sociological Data Analysis”, Ball State University (Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023)

Sociology 699: “Seminar in Selected Topics in Sociology” (5-week unit on Racial and Ethnic Inequality), Ball State University (Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023)

First-Year Writing Intensive Seminar 145: “Poverty in the U.S.: Definitions, Debates, and Determinants,” Rice University (Spring 2019)

Sociology 470: “Inequality and Urban Life”, Rice University (Spring 2018, Spring 2019)

Sociology 469: “Community Bridges Training”, Rice University (Fall 2017, Fall 2018)

Teaching Assistantships

Spring 2018 First-Year Writing Intensive Seminar 152, Rice University

Fall 2016 “Introduction to Sociology” (Sociology 101), Rice University

Spring 2015 “Social Statistics” (Sociology 382), Rice University

Spring 2013 Preceptor. “The Pursuit of Happiness: The Sociology of Happiness” (Sociology 357), University of Arizona

Spring 2011 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant. “Introduction to Sociology” (Sociology 101), Cochise College

Additional Teaching Experience

2022-2023 Instructor, Jumpstart Summer Program. College of Sciences and Humanities, Ball State University.

2018-2019 Graduate Fellow. Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University.

Organizer and Presenter, Pedagogy Institute for Graduate Students and Postdocs. Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University. Oct. 9, 2018.

Guest Lectures

Fall 2019 “Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies” (WGS 210), Ball State University.

Spring 2017 “Inequality and Urban Life” (Sociology 470), Rice University.

Spring 2016 “Inequality and Urban Life” (Sociology 470), Rice University.

Spring 2015 “Race, Society, and Population Change” (Sociology 543), Rice University.

Student Advising and Mentorship

MA Thesis Chair

2022-2023 Natalia Langham

Senior Honors Thesis Chair

2022 Lauren Latham

MA Thesis Committee Member

2023- Dillon King
Aliyah Johnson

2021-2022 Taryn Wield

2020-2021 Ayrilia Welch
Kenny McKee

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member

2020- Brandy Reichle, Educational Leadership (Member at Large)

Independent Study Faculty Mentor

2023 Giovanni Guia, “Families and Immigration”

Additional Advising and Mentorship

2021-2022 Hailee Campbell (faculty mentor for the Ball State Teacher-Scholar Program)

Brianna Lopez (faculty mentor for the Ball State Honors Undergraduate Fellowship)

2021 Camille Engle (faculty mentor for the Ball State Teacher-Scholar Program)

Honors and Recognitions

2023 Nominated for the Lawhead Teaching Award
Ball State University

2022 Nominated for the Graduate Faculty Mentor Award
Graduate School, Ball State University

2018 Graduate Instructor of Record Award, Finalist
Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University

Workshops and Trainings

2023 Peer Review of Teaching Program. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

Professional Development Passport Program. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

Mental Health First Aid Training. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

2022-2023 Equitable Grading Practices in Higher Education Faculty Learning. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

2022 Excellence in Innovation in the Core Faculty Learning Community. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

2021 Teaching Poverty 101 Workshop. Institute for Research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. May 24-27, 2021.

2020 Online Teaching Refresher Bootcamp. Organized by the Division of Online and Strategic Learning. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

Skills Infusion Program. Organized by the Career Center. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

2019-2020 Active Learning Academy and Community of Practice. Organized by the Division of Online and Strategic Learning. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

2017 Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality. Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group, University of Chicago. August 7-11, 2017.

ICPSR Summer Program. Courses: Multilevel Modeling I, Maximum Likelihood Estimation I, Introduction to R, Multilevel Modeling II, Longitudinal Analysis. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. June-August, 2017.

Panel Study of Income Dynamics User Training Workshop. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. June 12-16, 2017.

Poverty Tracker Data Training Workshop. Columbia University, New York, NY. May 18-19, 2017.

2016 Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study Summer Data Workshop. Columbia University, New York, NY. June 15-17, 2016.

University of Texas Summer Statistics Institute. Courses: Hierarchical Linear Modeling and Time Series Modeling. University of Texas, Austin, TX. May 23-26, 2016

Service

Service to the Discipline

2023- Editorial Board Member, TRAILS (Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology). American Sociological Association.

2021- Membership Chair, North Central Sociological Association.

Student Paper Award Committee Member, North Central Sociological Association.

2023 Session Presider, “Everyday Life Racialized” and “Race and Gender in Society”. North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

Panelist, “Navigating the Academic Job Market.” Hosted by the Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University.

Session Organizer for the 2023 Annual Meeting, Midwest Sociological Society.

2022 Session Presider, “Social Problems.” North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

2021 Session Presider, “Race and Gender.” North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

Session Presider, “The Effects of Covid-19 on Teaching and Learning.” Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting.

2020-2021 Mentor, Alpha Kappa Delta Mentorship Program.

2019-2021 Membership Committee Member, Section on Teaching and Learning. American Sociological Association.

2020 Invited Presenter, “What I Wish I had Known in Graduate School.” Professionalization Workshop for the Rice Sociology Graduate Program. February 7, 2020.

- 2017-2019 Member of the Student Forum Advisory Board, American Sociological Association.
- Chair of the Awards Committee and Member of the Workshop Committee (2017-2018), Chair of the Workshop Committee and Member of the Awards Committee (2018-2019).
 - Student Forum Session Organizer for 2018 Annual Meeting.
- 2018 Session Discussant, “Migration and Mobility.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2017 Session Presider, “Fathering and Family Outcomes.” Southern Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2016 Session Presider, “Working Through It: Strategies for Managing Poverty.” Southern Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

Ad Hoc Manuscript Reviewer: American Sociological Review, Social Problems, Journal of Marriage and Family, Population Research and Policy Review, Journal of Family and Economic Issues, Children and Youth Services Review, Race and Social Problems

Service to the Department and University

- 2023- Co-Leader, “Policies & Practices for AI in Higher Education” Faculty Learning Community. In partnership with the Division of Online and Strategic Learning, Ball State University.
- 2021- Alternate Member, Institutional Review Board. Ball State University.
- 2019- Undergraduate Committee Member. Department of Sociology, Ball State University.
- Faculty Co-advisor to Zeta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society. Department of Sociology, Ball State University.
- 2023 Judge for the Student Research Symposium. Hosted by the Sponsored Project Administration, Ball State University.
- Panelist, “AI/ChatGPT Panel”. Faculty Professional Development Event. Hosted by the Office of the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Ball State University.
- 2021, 2023 Discussion Co-Leader. Skills Infusion Program, Ball State University.
- 2022 Core Faculty Learning Community Representative. Faculty Learning Community Showcase, Ball State University.

- 2021-2022 Member of the First-Year Seminar Planning Team. Ball State University
Co-Chair of the SOC 100 Reader Committee. Department of Sociology, Ball State University.
- Member of the DFW Rates Faculty Learning Community. College of Sciences and Humanities, Ball State University.
- 2020-2022 Salary Committee Member. Department of Sociology, Ball State University.
- 2019-2021 Social Media Committee Chair. Department of Sociology, Ball State University.
- 2015-2018 Sociology Department Graduate Student Liaison. Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University.
- 2017 Selection Committee Member, Graduate Teaching Award for Independent Instruction. Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University.
- Selection Committee Member, Graduate Teaching Assistant Award. Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University.
- 2016-2017 Graduate Student Quantitative Working Group, Founder and Organizer. Department of Sociology, Rice University.
- Graduate Student Representative. Department of Sociology, Rice University.
- 2015 Undergraduate Paper Competition Committee Member. Department of Sociology, Rice University.
- Judge for the Rice Undergraduate Research Symposium. Rice University.
- 2014-2015 Graduate Student Liaison. Student Wellbeing Office, Rice University.
- Graduate Student Representative. Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Rice University.
- Graduate Student Representative. GLBT Campus Climate Committee, Rice University.
- 2013 Undergraduate Representative for the Undergraduate Studies Committee. Department of Sociology, University of Arizona.

Service to the Community

- 2020 Invited discussant. "LGBTQ Families." Muncie OUTreach LGBTQ Youth Group. January 17, 2020.

Professional Affiliations

Scholar Strategy Network
American Sociological Association
Population Association of America
Midwest Sociological Society
North Central Sociological Association