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### Curriculum Vitae

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#### EDUCATION

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- 2006        **Princeton University**  
              **Ph.D., Sociology and Demography**
- 2002        **Princeton University**  
              **M.A., Sociology**
- 2000        **Hunter College, City University of New York**  
              **B.A., Psychology**  
              Honors: *Summa cum laude*

#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- 2017-        **University of Western Ontario, Associate Professor**  
              Department of Sociology
- 2017-19     **University of Wyoming, Research Professor**  
              Department of Kinesiology and Health
- 2014-16     **University of Wyoming, Associate Professor**  
              Department of Sociology
- 2009-14     **University of Wyoming, Assistant Professor**  
              Department of Sociology
- 2009-16     **University of Colorado Boulder, Research Affiliate**  
              Population Program, Institute for Behavioral Research
- 2007-09     **University of Michigan, NIA Postdoctoral Fellow**  
              Population Studies Center, Institute for Social Research  
              Center for Social Epidemiology and Population Health, School of Public Health
- 2006-07     **University of Texas at Austin**  
              Population Research Center, Research Affiliate  
              Department of Mathematics, Lecturer

#### PUBLICATIONS

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**Zajacova, Anna**, Richard G. Rogers, Eric Grodsky, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. 2020, "Relationship between educational attainment and pain in US adults 30-49." Accepted at *Journal of Pain*.

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- Raykov, Tenko, Philip B. Gorelick, **Anna Zajacova**, and George A. Marcoulides. 2018. "Discrete Time Survival Analysis Via Latent Variable Modeling: A Note on Lagged Depression Links to Stroke in Middle-Late Life." *Structural Equation Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Journal*, 25(1); 115-120.
- Zajacova, Anna**, Snehalata Huzurbazar, and Megan Todd. 2017. "Gender and the Structure of Self-Rated Health across the Adult Life Span." *Social Science and Medicine*, 187: 58-66.
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- Simanek, Amanda M., **Anna Zajacova**, Jennifer B. Dowd, and Allison E. Aiello. 2015. "Unpacking the 'Black Box' of Total Pathogen Burden: Is Number or Type of Pathogens Most Predictive of All-Cause Mortality in the U.S.?" *Epidemiology and Infection*, 143(12): 2624-34.
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- Zajacova, Anna**, and Jennifer B. Dowd. 2011. "The Importance of Assessing the Reliability of the Self-Rated Health Measure." (Response to Letter to the Editor). *American Journal of Epidemiology* 174(8): 977-983.
- Zajacova, Anna**, Robert A. Hummer, and Richard G. Rogers. 2011. "Education and Health Among U.S. Working-Age Adults: A Detailed Portrait Across the Full Spectrum of Credentials." *Biodemography and Social Biology* 58(1): 40-61.
- Raykov, Tenko, and **Anna Zajacova**. 2011. "On Latent Change Model Choice in Longitudinal Studies." *Structural Equation Modeling Journal* 19(4): 580-592.
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- Zajacova, Anna**, Jennifer B. Dowd, and Allison Aiello. 2009. "Socioeconomic and race/ethnic patterns in persistent infection burden among U.S. adults." *Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences* 64A(2): 272-279.
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- Dowd, Jennifer, and **Anna Zajacova**. 2007. "Does the Predictive Power of Self-Rated Health for Subsequent Mortality Risk Vary by Socioeconomic Status in the US?" *International Journal of Epidemiology* 36(6): 1214-1221.
- Zajacova, Anna**. 2006. "Education, Gender, and Mortality: Does Schooling Have the Same Effect on Mortality for Men and Women in the U.S.?" *Social Science and Medicine* 63(8): 2176-2190.
- Zajacova, Anna**, Scott M. Lynch, and Thomas Espenshade. 2005. "Self-Efficacy and Stress as Predictors of Academic Performance and Persistence of Nontraditional Students in Urban Commuter College." *Research in Higher Education* 46(6): 677-706.
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**Zajacova, Anna.** 2000. "New Slovak Immigrants in New York: Social Networks and Adjustment." *Sociologia* 32(3): 257-272.

### Under review

**Zajacova, Anna,** Anthony Jehn. "Health Returns to Postsecondary Education in Canada."

Brite, Jennifer, Jennifer B. Dowd, and **Anna Zajacova.** "Educational attainment and all-cause mortality by race."

**Zajacova, Anna,** Zachary Zimmer, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Pain Prevalence among American Adults 2002-2017: Trends, Disparities, and Correlates."

Zimmer, Zachary, **Anna Zajacova,** and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "The Increase in Pain Prevalence among Adults 50 and Older across Europe, 2004 to 2011."

Montez, Jennifer Karas Montez, Jason Beckfield, Julene Kemp Cooney, Jacob M. Grumbach, Mark D. Hayward, H. Zeyd Koytak Steven H. Woolf, **Anna Zajacova.** "Policies, Politics, and U.S. Life Expectancy."

Stokes, Andrew, Wubin Xie, Dielle J. Lundberg, Katherine Hempstead, **Anna Zajacova,** Zachary Zimmer, Dana A. Gleib, Samuel H. Preston. "Obesity and the Increasing Prevalence of Chronic Pain in Middle-Aged US Adults, 1992 to 2016."

### In progress

**Zajacova, Anna,** and Elizabeth Lawrence. "Health Outcomes of College Noncompleters."

**Zajacova, Anna** and Anna Dahl (authorship order TBD). "Race and ethnic differences in BMI trajectories among older adults."

**Zajacova, Anna,** S. Huzurbazar, and Andrea Riebler. "A Bayesian Age-Period Cohort Analysis of Heterogeneous Time Trends of Health Returns to Some College Education."

**Zajacova, Anna,** and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Why Adults with a GED Have Worse Health Than High School Graduates."

**Zajacova, Anna,** and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Health Disparities by Education Across U.S. States: Influence of State Policies and Contexts."

Burgard, Sarah A., Shauna Dyer, and **Anna Zajacova.** "Wage gains, but few health returns to some college: A role for employment histories?"

Farina, Matthew, and **Anna Zajacova**. “Educational Disparities in the Trends in Chronic Conditions among Mid-Life US Adults.”

**Zajacova, Anna**, and Matthew Farina. “Anomalies in the Education-Health Gradient in US Adults.”

Sheehan, Connor, **Anna Zajacova**, and TBD. “Educational Disparities in Sleep across US States.”

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## GRANTS

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### Current

- 2017-2022 National Institutes of Health. “Educational Attainment, Geography, and U.S. Adult Mortality Risk.” 1R01AG055481-01. Role: Co-I, with Jennifer Karas Montez (PI).
- 2019-2020 University of Western Ontario, Faculty of Social Science Internal Collaborative Research Grant. “Advancing Data Visualization for Effective Dissemination of Education-Health Research Findings.” (\$10,000 CAN). Role: PI.

### Completed

- 2016-2019 National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health. “Anomaly in the gradient: Health of U.S. adults with subbaccalaureate education.” 5R03AG050130-02 (\$145,000). Role: PI.
- 2018-2019 University of Western Ontario, Faculty Research Development Fund. “Educational Disparities in Health Outcomes among Canadian Adults: Focus on the Subbaccalaureate Group.” (\$9,500 CAN). Role: PI.
- 2017-2018 University of Western Ontario, Faculty of Social Science, Samuel Clark Grant. “Disability Trends among Canadian Adults by Educational Attainment.” (\$4,800 CAN). Role: PI.
- 2016 University of Michigan, Population Studies Center, Freedman Fund Grant. “Wage gains, but few health returns to some college: A role for employment histories?” (\$11,000). Role: Co-I, with Sarah A. Burgard (PI).
- 2013-15 National Institutes of Health. “Clinical and Translational Research Infrastructure Network CTR-IN IDeA CTR.” 1U54GM104944-01A1. (\$163,000). Role: PI on Wyoming subcontract in years 1 and 2; Co-I in years 3-5, with Snehalata Huzurbazar (PI in years 3-5) and Richard Larson (PI/PD).
- 2015 Network on Life Course Health Dynamics and Disparities in 21st Century America. “Trends in US Women’s Health 1997-2014 by Education Level.” (\$11,500) Role: PI
- 2012-14 Wyoming INBRE Pilot Project Grant. “Variability in long-term body weight trajectories among older adults, health, and mortality: implications for public health recommendations.” (\$86,000) Role: PI.
- 2014 Wyoming Geriatric Education Center. “College of Health Sciences Faculty Development in Aging Mini-Grant.” (\$2,015). Role: PI.



- 2010-13 National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health. "Effect of Cancer on the Survivors' and Their Families' Economic Well-Being." R03 CA149072. (\$99,300) Role: PI.
- 2012-13 Institute of Translational Health Sciences, University of Washington. Pilot Grant. "Establishing the feasibility of functional data analysis for determining the health consequences of body weight changes among older adult." (\$6,800) Role: PI.
- 2013 Wyoming Geriatric Education Center. "College of Health Sciences Faculty Development in Aging Mini-Grant." (\$1,895). Role: PI.
- 2011 Northern Rockies IDEa Networks for Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) Program Research Support. "The Relationship Between BMI and Health Outcomes Among Older Adults." (\$10,000). Role: PI.
- 2010-11 University of Wyoming, Faculty Grant-in-Aid Program. "Shape of the Association between BMI and Biological Risk Indicators." (\$5,000) Role: PI.
- 2008-11 National Institutes of Health. "Understanding the role of stress and immune function in health disparities." (1R21NR011181-01). Role: Consultant, with Jennifer Beam Dowd (PI).
- 2010 University of Wyoming, Course Redesign Grant. (\$1,000) "Global Population Issues."
- 2009 University of Michigan, Population Studies Center, Freedman Fund Grant. "The Effect of Cancer on Economic Well-Being of Survivors and their Families." (\$5,000). Role: PI, with Robert F. Schoeni, Jennifer Beam Dowd, and Robert B. Wallace (Co-PIs).
- 2007-8 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. "Under the skin: Understanding the links between socioeconomic status, stress, immune function and health." Role: Consultant, with Jennifer B. Dowd (PI).
- 2008-9 National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health. "Heterogeneous Treatment Effects in Social and Behavioral Sciences." (1 R21 HD053696). Role: Consultant, with Yu Xie (PI).
- 2006-9 National Institute for Child and Human Development, National Institutes of Health. "Educational Differences in U.S. Adult Mortality." (1 R01 HD053696). Role: Consultant, with Robert A. Hummer (PI).

### Under review

- 2019 NIH. "The Demography of Chronic Pain: A Population Approach to Pain Trends, Pain Disparities, and Pain-Related Disability and Death." Role: Co-I, with Grol-Prokopczyk (PI).
- 2019 CIHR. "The Demography of Pain: A Global Study of Trends, Trajectories, Transitions and Disparities in Pain, Disability and Death." Role: Co-Applicant, with Zachary Zimmer (PI).
- 2018 CIHR. "Health deterioration of immigrants: a case for considering pre-migration conditions and neighborhood amenities." Role: Co-Applicant, with Kate Choi (PI).

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**HONORS AND AWARDS**

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- 2019 Dean's Excellence Award, Faculty of Social Science, University of Western Ontario.
- 2018- Member, TRENDS: Evaluating Trends in Old-Age Disability, University of Michigan Network.
- 2015- Member, Network on Life Course Health Dynamics and Disparities.
- 2017 Faculty Travel Grant, Faculty of Social Science, Western University.
- 2017 Promoting Intellectual Engagement Teaching Award. Student-Nominated Award for engaging freshman-level class, University of Wyoming.
- 2016 Elected Fellow, The Gerontological Association of America.
- 2016 Extraordinary Merit in Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Wyoming.
- 2016 Own It! Award. Awarded to women who made contributions to STEM research, leadership, and mentoring, University of Wyoming.
- 2015 NLSY97 Postsecondary Research Network Award. "Understanding Health Outcomes of College Noncompleters: Do Credit Hours or Credentials Matter More?" Pilot Award from the NLSY 1997 Postsecondary Research Network funded by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development of the National Institutes of Health under award number 5R01HD061551-02 and by the Population Research Center at the University of Texas at Austin.
- 2015 Network on Life Course Health Dynamics and Disparities in 21st Century America. "Explaining Inequalities in Women's Mortality Between U.S. States." Role: Consultant, with J.K. Montez (PI).
- 2015 INBRE Bioinformatics Training Travel Award to attend a Bayesian Statistics course at the ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, July 2015.
- 2015 University of Wyoming Research Office Award. "STEM Advance Pre-Application Data Collection. Role: Co-PI, with S. Huzurbazar (PI).
- 2014 IPUMS Research Award "Explaining the Widening Education Gap in Mortality among U.S. White Women," with Jennifer Karas Montez.
- 2014 IPUMS Graduate-Student Research Award "Education as 'the Great Equalizer': Health Benefits for Black and White Adults," with Christopher J. Holmes.
- 2013 College of Arts and Sciences Student Council "Thumbs-up" Award for Outstanding Positive Contributions to the University of Wyoming.
- 2012 Gerontological Society of America Senior Service America Junior Scholar Award, for paper titled "Why has the Educational Gradient of Mortality Risk Increased Among US Women?," with Jennifer Karas Montez.
- 2011 Extraordinary Merit in Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Wyoming.
- 2007 Population Association of America Poster Session Award.
- 2006 Ohio State University Junior Scholar Competition Travel Award.
- 2003,4 Princeton University Graduate School Summer Fellowship Award.
- 2003-4 Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honoric Fellowship, Princeton University.

- 2002 RAND Workshop on the Demography, Economics, and Epidemiology of Aging Travel Award.
- 2000-3 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship.

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Social epidemiology, population health, lifecourse and aging, health inequalities, demography, causal inference, applied statistics.

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## INVITED TALKS

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- 2020 Zajacova, Anna. "Higher Education and Health among US Adults." Social Statistics and Population Dynamics Seminar, McGill University.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna. "Anomalies in the education-health gradient in US adults: explanations and implications for research and policy." Department of Kinesiology and Health, University of Wyoming.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna. "The Education-Health Gradient: Regularities and Anomalies." Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Western Ontario.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna, and Zachary Zimmer. "Pain in the United States and Abroad: A Demographic Perspective." Department of Sociology, SUNY Buffalo.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna. "Social Gradient in Health Outcomes Among US Adults: Focus on Anomalies at Postsecondary Levels." Canadian Centre for Health Economics, University of Toronto, Toronto ON.
- 2016 Zajacova, Anna. "Anomalies in the Education-Health Gradient: Patterns, Explanations, and Implications." University of Texas at Austin Population Research Center Seminar series, February 15, Austin TX.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Trends in US Women's Morbidity and Disability by Education Level, 1997-2014." Presidential Symposium of the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando FL.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna. "Trends in U.S. Women's Health by Education Level." Presented at the TRENDS Network Meeting, May 22, Ann Arbor MI."
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna. "Anomalies in the education-health gradient among U.S. adults." Presented at Population and Health Seminar Series, Sociology, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT."
- 2012 Montez, Jennifer K., and Anna Zajacova. "Why has the Education Gradient in U.S. Mortality Risk Increased among White Women?" Presented to the Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies, Harvard University, Boston, MA."
- 2010 Zajacova, Anna, Robert F. Schoeni, Jennifer Beam Dowd, and Robert Wallace. "The Economic Impact of Cancer Diagnosis on Cancer Survivors and their Families." Presented at the Cancer and the New Economy conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

- 2009 Zajacova, Anna. "Education Inequalities in Health: Years vs. Credentials." Presented to the Center for Social Epidemiology and Population Health, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

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## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2020 Zajacova, Anna, and Elizabeth Lawrence. "No Student Left Behind? College Attendance, Credentials, and Health Benefits in Adulthood" Invited to present at the 2020 PAA Annual Meeting in Washington DC.
- 2020 Zimmer, Zachary, Anna Zajacova, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Trends in Pain Prevalence among Adults 50 and Older across Europe, 2004 to 2015." Invited to present at the 2020 PAA Annual Meeting in Washington DC.
- 2020 Montez, Jennifer Karas, Jason Beckfield, Julene Kemp Cooney, Mark D. Hayward, Jacob M. Grumbach, H. Zeyd Koytak, Steven Woolf, and Anna Zajacova. "US State Policies, Politics, and Life Expectancy." Invited to present at the 2020 PAA Annual Meeting in Washington DC.
- 2020 Jehn, Anthony, and Anna Zajacova. "Health Returns to Postsecondary Education in Canada." Invited to present a poster at the 2020 PAA Annual Meeting in Washington DC.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna, Zachary Zimmer, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Chronic pain as a powerful summary measure of population health." Presented at the 2019 IAPHS Annual Meeting in Seattle WA.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna, and Elizabeth Lawrence. "Examining anomalies in the education-health gradient: A new research direction." Presented at the 2019 IAPHS Annual Meeting in Seattle WA.
- 2019 Grol-Prokopczyk, Hanna, Zachary Zimer, and Anna Zajacova. "Have American Pain-Reporting Styles Changed Over Time? An Assessment Using Objective Measures of Function" Presented at the 2019 ASA Annual Meeting in New York, NY.
- 2019 Zimmer, Zachary, Anna Zajacova, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Trends in the Prevalence of Pain Among Adults Aged 50+ Across Europe, 2004 to 2017." Presented at the 2019 SHARE Users Conference in Budapest, Hungary.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna, Anthony Jehn, and Chizoba Oriuwa. "Health Returns to post-secondary education in Canada." Presented at the 2019 CPS Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna, Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk, and Zachary Zimmer. "Stability versus Change in Reporting of Chronic Pain among US Adults 2002-2017: Impact on Pain Trend Estimates." Presented at the 2019 TRENDS Annual Meeting in Ann Arbor MI.
- 2019 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Health Disparities by Education across U.S. States: Influence of State Policies and Contexts." Presented at the 2019 PAA Annual Meeting in Austin, TX.
- 2019 Dowd, Jennifer Beam, and Anna Zajacova. "Trends in Mid-life Mortality in the UK and Canada: Is the United States an Anomaly?" Presented at the 2019 PAA Annual Meeting in Austin, TX.

- 2019 Brite, Jennifer, J B Dowd, and Anna Zajacova. "Race and Ethnic Differences in the Association of Education and Mortality." Presented at the 2019 PAA Annual Meeting in Austin, TX.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna, Richard G. Rogers, Eric Grodsky. "Low Health Returns to Subbaccalaureate Educational Attainment: The Role of Background and Skills." Presented at the 2018 IAPHS Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
- 2018 Hayward, Mark, Matthew Farina, Anna Zajacova, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Geographic Inequality in Health Status Life Expectancies (HLE) in the US: How US State Differences in Disability and Mortality Shape HLE inequality." Presented at the 2018 Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna, and Zachary Zimmer. "The rising pain prevalence among US and Canadian adults: A comparative study." Presented at the 2018 REVES/TRENDS Annual Meeting, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2018 Dowd, Jennifer B., and Anna Zajacova. "Mid-life mortality in the UK and Canada: Is the U.S. an anomaly?" Presented at the 2018 REVES/TRENDS Annual Meeting, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2018 Jehn, Anthony, and **Anna Zajacova**. "Disability Trends in Canada: 2001-2014 Population Estimates and Correlates." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Population Society, Regina SK.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna, and Zachary Zimmer. "The Rising Pain Prevalence Among Midlife Americans: How Steep, for Whom, and Why?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- 2018 Zajacova, Anna. "Anomaly in the Social Gradient in Pain: Why Does the Subbaccalaureate Group Stand out?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- 2018 Montez, J.K., Hayward, Mark, and Anna Zajacova. "How U.S. State Contexts Shape Educational Disparities in Adult Disability." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- 2017 Montez, J.K., and Anna Zajacova. "Multiple Americas: The Role of State Contexts for Understanding Educational Disparities in Mortality Across U.S. States." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the IAPHS, Austin TX.
- 2017 Burgard, Sarah A., Shauna Dyer, Anna Zajacova. "Wage gains, but few health returns to some college: a role for employment histories?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.
- 2017 Montez, J.K., and Anna Zajacova. "Contextualizing the Social Determinants of Health: Educational Disparities in Disability across U.S. State." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the SSSP, Montreal, Canada.
- 2017 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Explaining the Increasing Disability Trends among Older Adults Using the Disablement Process." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Population Society, Toronto, CA.
- 2017 Zajacova, Anna, Snehalata Huzurbazar, and Megan Todd. "Gender and the Structure of Self-Rated Health across the Adult Life Span ." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Population Society, Toronto, CA.

- 2017 Zajacova, Anna, and Snehalata Huzurbazar. "Projecting Health Inequalities by Educational Attainment: Bayesian Hierarchical Age-Period-Cohort Analysis." Presented a poster at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Population Society, Toronto, CA.
- 2017 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Explaining the Increasing Disability Trends among Older Adults Using the Disablement Process." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 Lawrence, Elizabeth M., Richard G. Rogers, Anna Zajacova, and Tim Wadsworth. "For Better or Worse? Marriage, Happiness, Health, and Longevity." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 Brown, Dustin, Anna Zajacova, and Lois M. Verbrugge. "Excluding Nursing Home Residents Artificially Lowers Older Adult Disability and Morbidity Prevalence Estimates in the United States." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 Burgard, Sarah A., Anna Zajacova, and Shauna Dyer. "Wage Gains, but Few Health Returns to Some College: A Role for Employment Histories?." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 Montez, Jennifer Karas, and Anna Zajacova. "Contextualizing the Social Determinants of Health: Educational Disparities in Disability across U.S. States." Presented at the SSSP, Montreal, Canada.
- 2016 Zajacova, Anna, Jennifer Karas Montez. "Explaining the Increasing Disability Trends Among Older Adults Using the Disablement Process." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2016 Montez, Jennifer Karas, and Anna Zajacova. "Why are Educational Differences in Disability Large in Some U.S. States but Small in Others?." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2016 Zajacova, Anna, and Sarah Burgard. "Postsecondary Education and Mental Health: Effects of Earned Credits versus Credentials." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle WA.
- 2016 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Trends in US Women's Physical Functioning By Education Level, 1997-2014." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington DC.
- 2016 Zajacova, Anna, Megan Todd, and Snehalata Huzurbazar. "Self-Rated Health Thresholds across Groups: A Proof of Concept Study" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington DC.
- 2016 Montez, Jennifer, and Anna Zajacova. "Why Are Educational Differences in Mortality Large in Some U.S. States but Small in Others?" Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington DC.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "Explaining the Health Disadvantage of GED Recipients in Midlife Using Sibling Fixed-Effects Models." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando FL.

- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Anna Dahl Aslan. "BMI Trajectories among Older Americans and their Socioeconomic Determinants: Focus on Race/Ethnic Differences." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando FL.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Vicki Johnson-Lawrence. "Unpacking the Black Box of the Multimorbidity: How Do Different Combinations of Conditions Predict General Health?" Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando FL.
- 2015 Johnson-Lawrence, and Anna Zajacova. "Multimorbidity, Race/Ethnicity, and Education Among Working-Aged Adults in the National Health Interview Survey." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Epidemiological Research, Denver CO.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Vicki Johnson-Lawrence. "Anomaly in the Education-Health Gradient: The Health Penalty for College Noncompleters." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, San Diego CA.
- 2015 Zajacova, Anna, and Hyeyoung Woo. "Examination of Age Variations in the Predictive Validity of Self-Rated Health." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, San Diego CA.
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, and Vicki Johnson-Lawrence. "Anomaly in the Gradient: Adults with Some College Have Worse Health than High School Graduates." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, Snehalata Huzurbazar, and Mark Greenwood. "Long-Term BMI Patterns, Exercise, Health, and Mortality in Older Adults." Paper accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
- 2014 Johnson-Lawrence, and Anna Zajacova. "Patterning of Lifecourse Socioeconomic Experiences and Multimorbidity Burden in U.S. Adults." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
- 2014 Woo, Hyeyoung, and Anna Zajacova. "Why Self-Rated Health Predicts Mortality Less Well at Older Ages." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, H. S. Nguyen, and Snehalata Huzurbazar. "Long-Term Body Weight Trajectories and Mortality in Older Adults: Hierarchical Clustering of Sparse Functional Data." Poster presented at the European Population Conference, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, and Hyeyoung Woo. "Why Self-Rated Health Predicts Mortality Less Well at Older Ages: Physical and Mental Health Correlates of Self-Rated Health." Paper presented at the European Population Conference, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2014 Montez, Jennifer Karas, and Anna Zajacova. "Explaining the geographic pattern in U.S. women's mortality trends." Paper presented at the European Population Conference, Budapest, Hungary.

- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, Huong (Sophie) Nguyen, and Snehalata Huzurbazar. "Long-Term Body Weight Trajectories and Mortality in Older Adults: Hierarchical Clustering of Sparse Functional Data." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
- 2014 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas Montez. "The Health Value of the GED: Testing the Role of Noncognitive Skills, Health Behaviors, and Labor-Market Factors." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
- 2014 Montez, Jennifer Karas, and Anna Zajacova. "Explaining the Geographic Pattern in U.S. Women's Mortality Trends." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
- 2014 Dowd, Jennifer Beam, and Anna Zajacova. "Long-Term Obesity and Physical Functioning in Older Americans." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
- 2013 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Beam Dowd. "Self-Reports of Cancer: Reporting Errors and Their Consequences." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (poster session), New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Zajacova, Anna, and Sarah A. Burgard. "Impact of Mortality Selection on Aging Cohorts." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (poster session), New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Dowd, Jennifer Beam, and Anna Zajacova. "Long-term Obesity and Functional Limitations in Older Americans." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (poster session), New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Zajacova, Anna, and Katrina Walsemann. "Adolescent Health and Educational Attainment: An Examination of Reverse Causality." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Zajacova, Anna, and Sarah A. Burgard. "Healthier, Wealthier, and Wiser: A Demonstration of Compositional Changes in Aging Cohorts Due to Selective Mortality." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Woo, Hyeyoung, and Anna Zajacova. "Predictive Strength of Self-Rated Health on Mortality Risk: Does It Differ by Race and Ethnicity?" Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2012 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Beam Dowd. "Weight Gain in Adulthood Versus Long-Term Exposure to Excess Weight: What Is More Detrimental to Health?" Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.
- 2012 Zajacova, Anna, and Katrina Walsemann. "Adolescent Health and Educational Attainment: An Examination of Reverse Causality." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.
- 2012 Zajacova, Anna, Snehalata Huzurbazar, and Sophie Nguyen. "Projecting Health Inequalities Among Older Adults: Bayesian Hierarchical Age-Period-Cohort Analysis." Paper accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.



- 2012 Zajacova, Anna, Jennifer K. Montez, and Pamela Herd . “Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health Among Older Adults: Implications for the Retirement Age Debate.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, CO.
- 2012 Holmes, Christopher, and Anna Zajacova. “Education as the Great Equalizer: Health Benefits for Blacks and Whites.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, CO.
- 2012 Woo, Hyeyoung, and Anna Zajacova. ”Predictive Strength of Self-Rated Health on Mortality Risk: Does It Differ by Race and Ethnicity?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, CO.
- 2012 Zajacova, Anna, Jennifer K. Montez, and Pamela Herd. “Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health: Implications for the Retirement Age Debate.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 Montez, Jennifer K., and Anna Zajacova. “Why has the Education Gradient in U.S. Mortality Risk Increased among White Women?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 Pham, Diem, Nguyen, H.M., Boivin, Thomas, Anna Zajacova, and Harold Bergman. “Predictors for Serum Dioxin Concentrations in Da Nang and Bien Hoa, Vietnam.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry North America, Long Beach CA.
- 2011 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer Karas-Montez. “Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health: Implications for the Retirement Age Debate.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- 2011 Zajacova, Anna, and Snehalata Huzurbazar. “Variability in Body Weight Trajectories and Health Outcomes Among Older Adults.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- 2011 Zajacova, Anna, and Bethany Everett. “The Non-Equivalent Health of High School Equivalents.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 Pham, Diem, Nguyen, H.M., Boivin, Thomas, Anna Zajacova, and Harold Bergman. “Risk Factors Associated with Blood Dioxin Concentrations in Vietnamese Citizens Living Near Agent Orange Hot Spots in Da Nang and Bien Hoa.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, Boston MA.
- 2011 Zajacova, Anna, Robert F. Schoeni, Jennifer Beam Dowd, and Robert Wallace. “Impact of Cancer on Economic Status among Survivors and Their Families.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.
- 2011 Simanek, A.M., Dowd, J.B., Zajacova, A. Aiello, A.E. “Specific Combinations of Infections Rather Than Number of Infections Predicts Mortality in the U.S.” Presented at the North American Congress of Epidemiology, Montreal, Quebec
- 2011 Everett, Bethany, and Anna Zajacova. “Emergent Educational Gradients in Health: A Comparison of Self-Reported Morbidities and Objective Biomarker Measures.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.

- 2011 Zajacova, Anna, Jennifer Ailshire, and Tenko Raykov. "Weight Trajectories and Mortality among Older Adults." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.
- 2010 Zajacova, Anna, Jennifer Ailshire, and Hiram Beltran. "BMI Trajectories as Predictors of Mortality Among Older Adults." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2010 Zajacova, Anna. "Body Mass and C-Reactive Protein Levels in US Adults and Elderly: Shape of the Association." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2010 Zajacova, Anna, Sarah A. Burgard, and Deborah S. Lowry. "Joint Model of Health Trajectories and Survival Among Older Americans: Testing the Cumulative Inequality Theory." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- 2010 Hinkson, Leslie, and Anna Zajacova. "Black Skin, White Coats: How Race Drives Treatment Regimens for Hypertension." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- 2010 Rogers, Richard G., Bethany G. Everett, Anna Zajacova, and Robert A. Hummer. "Educational Degrees and Mortality in the United States." Paper presented at the Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC.
- 2010 Zajacova, Anna, Sarah A. Burgard, and Jennifer B. Dowd. "Overweight Adults May Have the Lowest Mortality – Do They Have the Best Health?." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- 2010 Hinkson, Leslie, and Anna Zajacova. "Black Skin, White Coats: How Race Drives Treatment Regimens for Hypertension." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- 2009 Zajacova, Anna, Robert F. Schoeni, Jennifer B. Dowd. "Consistency and Accuracy of Cancer Reporting in the Panel Study of Income Dynamics." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- 2009 Lowry, Deborah S., and Anna Zajacova. "Childhood Disadvantage and Health Declines of Chinese Elderly." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- 2009 Zajacova, Anna, and Robert A. Hummer. "The Association between Education and Health among Working-Age Adults: An Examination of Quantity versus Credentials Effects." Poster presented at the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.
- 2009 Dowd, Jennifer B., Allison Aiello, and Anna Zajacova. "Social and Physical Predictors of Inflammation in U.S. Children Aged 6-17." Paper presented at the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.
- 2009 Dowd, Jennifer B., Anna Zajacova, and Allison Aiello. "Origins of the Fire Within: Correlates of Inflammation in U.S. Children Aged 3-17." Paper presented at the International Population Conference, Marrakech, Morocco.

- 2008 Dowd, Jennifer B., Anna Zajacova, Allison Aiello, and Amanda M. Simanek. "Persistent Infections and Mortality in Older Americans." Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America 61st Annual Scientific Meeting, National Harbor, MD.
- 2008 Zajacova, Anna, Robert F. Schoeni, Jennifer Beam Dowd, Robert Wallace. "The Economic Impact of Cancer on Cancer Survivors and their Families." Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the American Society of Health Economists, Durham, NC.
- 2008 Hinkson, Leslie, and Anna Zajacova. "Race Differences in Control and Treatment of Hypertension." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholars, Aspen, CO.
- 2008 Zajacova, Anna, and Robert A. Hummer. "Gender Differences in Education Inequalities in Mortality, by Specific Causes and Birth Cohorts: Do Resource Substitution vs. Resource Multiplication Theories Apply?" Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston, MA.
- 2008 Zajacova, Anna, and Jennifer B. Dowd. "Different Profiles of Biological Risk Across Self-Rated Health Categories by Socioeconomic Position." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Epidemiological Research, Chicago, IL.
- 2008 Zajacova, Anna, and Robert A. Hummer. "Gender Differences in Education Gradients in Mortality by Cause for 60 US Birth Cohorts." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2008 Zajacova, Anna. "Shape of the BMI-Mortality Association by Cause of Death, Using Generalized Additive Models: NHIS 1986-2002." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2008 Dowd, Jennifer, and Anna Zajacova. "Infectious Burden and Socioeconomic Status in U.S. Children." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

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### Editorial and Reviewing Service

- 2018- Associate Editor: *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*  
 2016-18 Deputy Editor: *Sociological Perspectives*  
 2011- Editorial Board Membership: *Journal of Aging and Health*  
 2015- Editorial Board Membership: *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*  
 2015-18 Editorial Board Membership: *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*  
 2011- Editorial Board Membership: *Innovations in Aging*

### Ad-Hoc Reviewer

*Demography, American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, American Sociological Review, The Lancet, Journal of Health and Social Behaviors, Demography, Social Science and Medicine, Social Science Research, Sociology of Education, Sociological Perspectives, Journal of Aging and Health, Research on Aging, Annals of Epidemiology, Population Research and Policy Review, International*

*Journal of Epidemiology, Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences, Obesity, Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health, Alcohol and Alcoholism, Women's Health Issues, International Journal of General Medicine, Brain, Behavior, and Immunity, British Medical Journal – Public Health, Health Reports, Medical Science Monitor, Journal of Family Issues, Epidemiology and Infection, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, Computational and Mathematical Methods in Medicine, Journal of Women's Health, Issues and Care, BMC Health Services Research, Current Diabetes Reviews, American Journal of Preventive Medicine, Sociological Focus, Journal of National Medical Association, Innovative Teaching, Health Education Journal, Scandinavian Journal of Public Health, Vienna Yearbook of Population Research, Advances in Life Course Research, Biodemography and Social Biology, PLOS ONE, Educational Researcher, Journal of Population Research, Sociological Forum, SAGE Open, Demographic Research, Ethnicity and Health, Epidemiology, PLOS Medicine, SSM - Population Health.*

### Review of Conference Abstracts

2019	Submissions to the 2019 Annual Meeting of the IAPHS
2017	Late Breaker Poster Submission to the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics
2016	Submissions to the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America
2015	Submissions to the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America
2014	Submissions to the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America
2013	Submissions to the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America
2013	Submissions to the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America
2012	Submissions to the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America

### Review of Grant Applications

2018	NIH: USRDS Review Panel ZDK1 GRB1 J5 NIH/NIDDK, December 2018
2018	NIH: RFA-AG-18-011 (R01) Socioeconomic Disparities in Aging, March 2018
2016	NIH: Special Emphasis Review Panel SH16-001, March 2016
2015	NIH: SSPA Review Panel, May 2015
2014	NIH: Special Emphasis Review Panel ZMD1 DRI (01)
2013	Open Research Area Plus (ORA Plus) Grant Applications
2012	NIH: Special Emphasis Review Panel SSPS-H (09)
2011	NSF: The National Science Foundation Grant Applications

### Other Service to the Profession

2020	Member, Canadian Sociological Association Awards Committee.
2019-	Council Member, Canadian Population Society.
2018-2019	Lead, IAPHS Mentoring Award Committee.
2019-2020	Member, Mentoring Committee, IAPHS.
2018	Member, Mentoring and Professional Development Committee, IAPHS.
2017	Chair of the Margret M. and Paul B. Baltes Award Committee, Behavioral and Social Sciences Section, GSA.

- 2016 Chair-elect of the Margret M. and Paul B. Baltes Award Committee, Behavioral and Social Sciences Section, GSA.
- 2015-2018 Member, Nominations Committee, Section on Aging and Life Course, ASA.
- 2015-2018 Council Member, the Population Section of the ASA.
- 2015-2016 Membership Planning Committee, Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science.
- 2015 Participant, PAA/APC Advocacy Day in Washington DC, March 2015.

### Conference Session Organizer, Chair, or Discussant

- 2020 CPS Annual Meeting. Co-Organizer, "Health, Morbidity, and Mortality."
- 2019 IAPHS Annual Meeting. Organizer and Chair, "Mortality."
- 2019 CPS Annual Meeting. Organizer, "Mortality."
- 2019 PAA Annual Meeting. Chair, "Aging in the U.S.: Minorities and Other Vulnerable Populations."
- 2018 PAA Annual Meeting. Organizer and chair, "Trends and Causes of Adult Mortality in the U.S.."
- 2018 CPS Annual Meeting. Organizer, "Mortality."
- 2017 PAA Annual Meeting. Discussant, "Contextualizing the Social Determinants of Health."
- 2017 SSS Annual Meeting. Invited Session Organizer, "SES and Health."
- 2016 ASA Annual Meeting. Discussant, "Sociology of Education Session."
- 2016 ASA Annual Meeting. Session Organizer, "Section on Sociology of Population Refereed Roundtables."
- 2015 PAA Annual Meeting. Discussant, "Social Determinants of Health" Session.
- 2015 PAA Annual Meeting. Co-Organizer (with Sarah Burgard), "Gender Issues in Health and Mortality" Session.
- 2014 GSA Annual Meeting. Chair, "Demography of Aging I" Session.
- 2014 GSA Annual Meeting. Co-Organizer (with Jacqueline Angel and Nick Turiano), BSS Discovery Exchange Sessions.
- 2014 PAA Annual Meeting. Chair, Session on Socioeconomic Status and Health: Pathways and Mechanisms.
- 2013 PAA Annual Meeting. Co-organizer (with Robert Hummer), "Socioeconomic Status, Health, and Illness" Sessions.

### Member

Population Association of America  
 Canadian Population Society  
 American Sociological Association  
 Gerontological Society of America

### SERVICE TO WESTERN UNIVERSITY, 2017-

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### Faculty of Social Science

- 2020 Member, CRC Tier 2 Gender and Inequality Search Committee

- 2018- Member, Executive Committee of the Center for Computational and Quantitative Social Science
- 2019 Member, CRC Tier 1 Gender and Policy Search Committee
- 2019 Member, Faculty of Social Science SSHRC Doctoral Award Adjudicating Committee

### Departmental Service

- 2019- Graduate Program Chair
- 2019- Member, Hiring Committee
- 2017-19 Member, Graduate Committee
- 2017-19 Co-organizer, Sociology Department Colloquium Series
- 2017- Co-organizer, Balakrishnan Lecture Series
- 2017 Member, SSHRC Doctoral Applications Internal Review Committee

### SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, 2007-2016

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#### University and College of Arts and Sciences Service

- 2014-16 Member, Research Advisory Committee, University of Wyoming
- 2013-14 Chair, Research Advisory Committee, University of Wyoming
- 2013-16 Aging Minor Curriculum Development Group
- 2010-13 Member, Research Advisory Committee, University of Wyoming
- 2009-16 Representative, Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Wyoming
- 2009-14 Organizer, Faculty Research Writing Support Group, University of Wyoming

#### Departmental Service

- 2013-16 Member, Undergraduate Committee, University of Wyoming
- 2013 Member, Department of Sociology Hiring Committee, University of Wyoming
- 2012-16 Director of Graduate Studies, Sociology Department, University of Wyoming
- 2011-12 Chair, Graduate Committee, Sociology Department, University of Wyoming
- 2009-11 Member, Graduate Committee, Sociology Department, University of Wyoming
- 2009-14 Advisor, Organization of Students Interested in Sociology, University of Wyoming
- 2009 Member, Department of Sociology Hiring Committee, University of Wyoming

### TEACHING INTERESTS

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Social epidemiology, medical sociology, population health, demography, demographic methods, statistics.

**COURSES TAUGHT**

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**University of Western Ontario**

- 2017-            **Undergraduate classes**
- Sociology of Health and Illness: Lower-Division Undergraduate Sociology Class.
  - Statistics for Sociology: Lower-Division Undergraduate Sociology Class.
  - Social Determinants of Population Health: Senior-level Undergraduate Sociology Class.
  - Advanced Sociology of Health and Illness: Senior-level Undergraduate Sociology Class.

**University of Wyoming**

- 2009-16        **Undergraduate classes**
- Medical Sociology: Upper-Division Undergraduate Sociology Class.
  - Introduction to Sociology.
  - Internship Supervising Faculty/Mentor.
  - Principles of Population: Upper-Division Undergraduate Sociology Class.
- 2009-16        **Graduate classes**
- Social Statistics: Graduate Statistics and Sociology Class.
  - Sociology of Health and Illness: Graduate Seminar.
  - Population: Graduate Sociology Class.
- 2015-16        **Fully or partly online classes**
- Sociology of Aging: Upper-Division Sociology Class. Taught Online.
  - Introduction to Sociology. Hybrid (In-person/online) Undergraduate Class.
- 2016            **Teaching for other Divisions**
- Biostatistics and Epidemiology. A part of the WWAMI Wyoming Medical School Foundations – Integrated Science Curriculum.

**University of Texas at Austin**

- 2016            **Lecturer**
- Elementary Statistical Methods: Lower-Division Mathematics Class.

**Princeton University**

- 2002-03        **Lecturer**
- Research and Statistical Methods: Princeton Preparatory Program.
- Writing tutor**
- Princeton Writing Program.

**DISSERTATION CHAIR**

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Anthony Jehn, PhD expected 2021.

**DISSERTATION COMMITTEES**

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Member      Travis Hackshaw  
Samantha Skinner  
Jennifer Brite (external member, PhD Committee, Hunter College, City University of New York, completed 2017)

**MA THESIS OR MA RESEARCH PAPER STREAM**

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Chair            Kirsten Brown, MA expected 2020  
Ina Palii, MA expected 2020  
Alexandra Janeiro, MA completed 2019  
Janelle Rottweiler, defended MA thesis in 2014  
Matthew Thompson, defended MA thesis in 2011  
Lawrence J. Panas, defended MA thesis in 2010

Member        Muneyuki Kato, MA earned in 2010  
Diem Thu Pham (external member), defended MA in Zoology and Physiology/  
Environmental and Natural Resources thesis in 2012  
Huong (Sophie) Nguyen (external member), defended MA in Statistics in 2013  
Ana McCormick, defended MA thesis in 2014  
Cristina Mendoza (external member), MA in Statistics earned in 2015  
Josey VanOrsdale, MA earned in 2017

**PhD Proposal Examiner**

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Mary Bamimore, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Spring 2019.

**PhD University Examiner**

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Yuki Onozuga, Economics, Fall 2019.

**PhD Comprehensive Exams**

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- Member, Aging and Life course and Health comprehensive exam committee, Spring 2019.
- Chair, Health comprehensive exam committee, Fall 2019.

**MA Thesis Defense Chair**

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- Georgina Chuatico, Fall 2019;
- Kathya Aathavan, Summer 2019;
- Kyle Militelo, Fall 2017.



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**SELECTED COURSES AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

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- 2019      **Western University**  
Structural Equation Modeling in R Workshop. Brief course taught by Georg Krammer.
- 2019      **Western University**  
Linear Modeling in R Workshop. 1-day course offered by the Network on Economic and Social Research with John Fox.
- 2017      **Western University**  
Advanced Topics in R. 1-day course offered by the Department of Statistical and Actuarial Sciences.
- 2015      **University of Michigan**  
Bayesian Analysis. 4-day course at the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research.
- 2015      **Udemy Online Courses**  
Data Visualization in R. An online self-paced course on graphing in the R software.
- 2014      **National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity**  
Faculty Success Program. 15-week program to increase academic efficiency and productivity.
- 2013      **The Institute for Statistics Education**  
Bayesian Regression Modeling via MCMC Techniques. 4-week online class taught by Peter Congdon.
- 2013      **The Institute for Statistics Education**  
Introduction to Bayesian Computing and Techniques. 4-week online class taught by Peter Congdon.
- 2012      **The Institute for Statistics Education**  
Introduction to Bayesian Statistics. 4-week online class taught by Bill Bolstad.
- 2012      **University of Wyoming**  
Mathematical Theory of Probability. Upper-division/graduate mathematics course.
- 2011      **University of Michigan**  
Panel Data Analysis Using Stata. 5-day course at the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research.
- 2011      **University of Wyoming**  
Introduction to Real Analysis. Upper-division mathematics course, introduction to proofs.
- 2010      **Stata Corp.**  
Introduction to Stata Programming. A 4-week online class.
- 2009-10      **Colorado State University**  
Data Analysis and Regression. A core requirement for an MS degree in statistics.

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- 2008 **University of Michigan**  
Categorical Latent Variable Modeling in Mplus. A 2-day workshop organized by the Center for Statistical Consultation and Research taught by Bengt Muthén.
- 2008 **University of Michigan**  
Statistical Analysis with R. A 2-day workshop organized by the Center for Statistical Consultation and Research.
- 2006 **Ohio State University**  
Inequalities in Health and Well-Being over the Life Course. A day-long conference organized by the Department of Sociology
- 2003-4 **Rutgers University, NJ**  
Mathematical Statistics courses (core courses for M.S. in Statistics)
- 2003 **Princeton University, NJ**  
Geographic Information Systems. A 2-part workshop organized by the Geospatial Information Center
- 2002 **Princeton University, NJ**  
Education and Health: Building a Research Agenda. A 2-day conference organized by the Center for Health and Wellbeing and the National Institutes of Health
- 2002 **University of Michigan**  
Structural Equation Modeling. A 4-week course in the ICPSR Summer Program
- 2002 **RAND, CA**  
Workshop on the Demography, Economics, and Epidemiology of Aging. A 4-day workshop
- 2001 **University of Essex, UK**  
Multilevel Analysis. A 2-week course at the Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis