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# **EDUCATION**

ED	UCATIO	EDUCATION			
	1995	Ph.D., Sociology, Brown University			
	1991	M.A., Sociology, Brown University			
	1984	B.A., English & American Literature, Politics, Brandeis University			
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ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS					
	2019-	Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Policy Analysis and			
	Present	Management, Cornell University			
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	2018	Visiting Research Fellow, The Australian National University (ANU), Canberra			
	2013	Visiting Research Associate, The Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic			
		Institute (NIDI), The Hague, Netherlands.			
	2012	Professor, Cornell University, Department of Policy Analysis and Management			
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	2005	Associate Professor, Cornell University, Department of Policy Analysis and			
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		Management (with Tenure as of 2008).			
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	2000-05	Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University, Department of Sociology			
	1997-00	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Hunter College/CUNY			
	1996-97	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Wellesley College			
	1995-96	NIA Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Population Dynamics,			
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	1988-89	Regional Director of Planning and Community Development,			
		The Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA			
	1986-88	Research Assistant, Center for Modern Jewish Studies, Brandeis University, MA			
	1985-86	Research Assistant, Analytics Consulting Firm, Newton, MA			
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# **RESEARCH AREAS**

**Social Demography:** Young Adult Transitions; Union Formation; Fertility; Racial & Ethnic Stratification/Immigrant Adaptation.

**Family Sociology:** Marriage, Cohabitation, Intimate Relationships, Non-marital parenting. **Sociology of Gender:** Work/Family Balance, Gender Inequality, STEM Employment.

# **FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS**

2019-2021	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Pre-Marital Cohabitation and Diverging Destinies: Gender & Class Differences in Life Trajectories and Family Formation." The Center for the Study of Inequality (CSI), Cornell University. (\$52,282).
2019-2020	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Pre-Marital Cohabitation and Diverging Destinies: Gender & Class Differences in Life Trajectories and Family Formation." The Institute for Social Sciences small grant competition. (\$8,000).
2018-2020	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Examining Couple Transitions into Marriage: Negotiation Around Timing and Finances." U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, OPRE. Family Strengthening Scholars Grant, Mentor for Lauren Griffin (Returned). (\$25,000).
2014-2020	Sharon Sassler (Co-Principal Investigator, with Jennifer Glass). "Early Career Transitions into STEM Employment: Processes Shaping Retention and Satisfaction." National Science Foundation (\$1.5 million).
2015-2019	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Diversifying the STEM Labor Force: Are Women and the Foreign-Born Complementary or Additive?" National Science Foundation (\$199,671).
2014-2016	Sharon Sassler, Beth Livingston, and Ileen Devault (Co-PIs). "Men at Work" (and Family): Caregiving Responsibilities among the Working Class." Cornell University Institute for the Social Sciences. (\$11,696).
2012-2015	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Race and Gender Variation in STEM Employment and Retention: A Cohort Analysis Using SESTAT Data." National Science Foundation (\$250,000).
2009-2013	Sharon Sassler (Co-Principal Investigator), Yael Levitte (Co-PI), and Jennifer Glass. "Entry and Retention of Women in Science: A Cohort Comparison." National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH (\$538,500).
2009-2010	Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator), Yael Levitte, and Jennifer Glass. "Entry and Retention of Women in Sciences: A Cohort Comparison." Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center (\$5,500).
2009	Sharon Sassler. Institute for Social Sciences (ISS) Small Grant Award, Fall 2009. "A Mini-Conference on Gender Inequality in Science, Math, Engineering, and Behavioral Science Occupations," Eastern Sociological Society, Boston. (\$4,400).
2007-2010	Kristi Williams and Sharon Sassler (Co-Principal Investigators). "Marriage and Cohabitation among Single Mothers: Consequences for Two Generations." National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH (\$977,594).

2005-2008 Sharon Sassler (Principal Investigator). "Class, Race, and Ethnic Differences in Family Formation and Function." United States Department of Agriculture (USDA-CSREES) (\$30,000). Sharon Sassler (PI). "Cohabiting Relationships: An Examination of the Process of 2001-2005 Union Entry." The Ohio State University Seed Grant (\$13,300). 1999-2000 Sharon Sassler (PI). "Consensual Unions: Cohabitation and the Transformation of Marriage." PSC-CUNY Research Award, Hunter College (\$5,300). Sharon Sassler (PI). "Immigrants, the Elderly, and Family Support Strategies." 1997-1998 PSC-CUNY Research Award, Hunter College (\$5,400). Hunter College, Lang Junior Faculty Development Awards. Sharon Sassler (PI). 1998-2000 "Ethnic Variation in Women's Marital Timing Over the 20<sup>th</sup> Century." (\$2,500); "Men's Roles and Changing Patterns of Family Formation." (\$2,500). 1988-1989 Sharon Sassler and Evan Mendleson (Co-Investigators). "Strategic Planning Involving Non-Profit Service Providers in the Bay Area." Koret Foundation (\$35,000).

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

Sharon Sassler and Amanda Miller. 2017. *Cohabitation Nation? Gender, Class, and the Remaking of Relationships*. University of California Press.

Winner of the *2018 Goode Book Award* (American Sociological Association Family Section). Featured on *On Point* (NPR/WBUR), 8/15/2017; *Forum* (NPR/KQED), 8/25/2017, *The Upshot* (The New York Times), 9/25/2017.

Gary Tobin with Sharon L. Sassler. 2013. *Jewish Perceptions of Antisemitism*. New York: Springer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Originally published by Plenum Press.

# **Book Chapters**

- Xing Zhang and Sharon Sassler. 2020. Chapter 6.3, "Parents, Peers, and Pressure: The Dynamics of Interracial Relationships," Pp. 277-285, in *Race and Ethnicity: Moving from Sociological Imagination to Sociological Mindfulness*, Michael Schwalbe and Jacqueline Brooks (Eds). Cognella Publishers.
- Frances K. Goldscheider and Sharon Sassler. 2018. "Family Policy, Socioeconomic Inequality, and the Gender Revolution." Pp. 199-215, in Naomi R. Cahn, June Rose Carbone, Laurie F. DeRose, and W. Bradford Wilcox (Editors), *Family Inequality in Europe and the*

- Americas: Causes and Consequences. Cambridge University Press.
- Sharon Sassler, Katherine Michelmore, and Kristin Smith. 2018. "A Tale of Two Majors: Explaining the Gender Gap in STEM Employment among Computer Science and Engineering Majors." Pp. 155-180, in Maria Charles and Sarah Thébaud, editors. *Gender and STEM: Understanding Segregation in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.* MDPI Books. Https://doi.org/10.3390/books978-3-03897-148-1.
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda Miller. 2016. "Waiting to Be Asked: Gender, Power, and Relationship Progression among Cohabiting Couples." Chapter 8 (pp. 79-88) in Constance L. Shehan (Ed), *The Family Issues Reader*. Sage.
- Sharon Sassler. 2007. "Cohabitation." *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, edited by George Ritzer. Vol. II, pp. 565-569. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.
- Michael J. White and Sharon Sassler. 1995. "Ethnic Definitions, Social Mobility, and Residential Segregation in the United States." Chapter 10 (pp. 267-297) in Calvin Goldscheider (Ed), *Population, Ethnicity, and Nation Building*. Westview Press.
- Sharon Sassler. 1991. "Service Provisions for Jewish Singles." Chapter 5 (pp. 87-103) in Lawrence Sternberg, Gary Tobin, and Sylvia Barack Fishman (Eds), *Changing Jewish Life: Service Delivery and Planning in the 1990s*. New York: Greenwood Press.
- Peer Refereed Articles (\* Graduate Student co-author. \*\* Undergraduate student co-author)
- Emily Parker\*, Sharon Sassler, and Laura Tach. *Forthcoming*. "Fatherhood and the Progression of Romantic Relationships." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. Early view: https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12733.
- Sharon Sassler and Daniel Lichter. 2020. "Cohabitation and Marriage: Complexity and Diversity in Union Formation Patterns." *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 82:35-61.
- Amanda J. Miller and Sharon Sassler. 2020. "Don't Force My Hand': Gender and Social Class Variation in Relationships Negotiation." *Arizona State Law Journal*, 51(4): 1369-1394.
- April Sutton, Daniel Lichter, and Sharon Sassler. 2019. "Rural-Urban Disparities in Pregnancy Intentions, Births, and Abortions Among U.S. Adolescent and Young Women, 1995-2017." *American Journal of Public Health*, 109(12): 1762-1769.
- Amanda J. Miller, Daniel L. Carlson, and Sharon Sassler. 2019. "His Career, Her Job, Their Future: Cohabitors' Orientations Toward Paid Work." *Journal of Family Issues*, 40(11):1509-1533.
- Xing (Sherry) Zhang and Sharon Sassler. 2019. "The Age of Independence, Revisited: The Role of Parents in Interracial Union Formation." *Sociological Forum*, 34(2):361-385.

- Fenaba Addo, Jason Houle, and Sharon Sassler. 2019. "Economic Barrier or Stigmatizing Mark? The Changing Nature of the Association between Student Loan Debt and Marital Behavior in Young Adulthood." *Journal of Family and Economic Issues*, 40(1):86-101.
- Brienna Perelli-Harris, Trude Lappegard, Ann Evans, Fenaba Addo, Stefanie Hoherz, and Sharon Sassler. 2018. "Do Marriage and Cohabitation Provide Benefits to Health in Mid-Life? The Role of Childhood Selection Mechanisms and Partnership Characteristics across Countries." *Population Research and Policy Review*, 37(5):703-728.
- Dan Carlson, Amanda Miller, and Sharon Sassler. 2018. "Stalled for Whom? Change in Housework and Its Consequences for Mid- to Low-Income Couples." *Socious: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World.* 4:1-17.
- Sharon Sassler, Katherine Michelmore, and Zhenchao Qian. 2018. "Transitions from Sexual Relationships into Cohabitation and Beyond." *Demography*. 55(2):511-534.
- Sharon Sassler, Katherine Michelmore, and Kristin Smith. 2017. "A Tale of Two Majors: Explaining the Gender Gap in STEM Employment among Computer Science and Engineering Degree Holders." *Social Sciences*. 6, 69: doi:10.3390/socsci6030069.
- Sharon Sassler, Jennifer Glass, Yael Levitte, and Katherine Michelmore. 2017. "The Missing Women in STEM? Gender Differentials in the Transition to First Jobs in STEM." *Social Science Research*. 63:192-208.
- Fenaba Addo, Sharon Sassler, and Kristi Williams. 2016. "Reexamining the Association of Maternal Age and Marital Status at First Birth with Youth Educational Attainment." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 78:1252-1268.
- Katherine Michelmore and Sharon Sassler. 2016. "Explaining the Gender Earnings Gap in STEM: Does Field Group Size Matter?" *The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*. Issue: The Changing Status of Women and Its Effects on Society, 2(4):194-215.
- Daniel Carlson, Amanda Miller, Sharon Sassler, and Sarah Hanson.\* 2016. "The Gendered Division of Housework and Couples' Sexual Relationships: A Re-Examination." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 78:975-995.

  \*Featured in Slate (7-30-14), Time (7-30-14), Livescience (7-30-14), The Daily Mail (UK). Also featured by the Council on Contemporary Families (7-29-14).
- Daniel T. Lichter, Katherine Michelmore, Richard Turner, and Sharon Sassler. 2016. "Pathways to a Stable Marriage? Pregnancy and Childbearing among Cohabiting Couples." *Population Research and Policy Review.* 35:377-399.
- Sharon Sassler, Katherine Michelmore, and Jennifer Holland. 2016. "The Progression of Sexual Relationships." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 78:587-597.

- Kristi Williams, Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo, and Adrianne Frech. 2015. "First-birth Timing, Marital History, and Women's Health at Midlife." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. 56(4):514-533.
- Jessica Su, Rachel Dunifon, and Sharon Sassler. 2015. "Better for Baby? The Retreat from Mid-Pregnancy Marriage and Implications for Parenting and Child Well-Being. *Demography*. 52(4): 1167-1194.
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda Miller. 2015. "The Ecology of Relationships: The Effect of Meeting Patterns on Cohabiting Couples' Relationship Progression." *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*. 32(2): 141-160.
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda Miller. 2014. "We're Very Careful . . .": The Fertility Desires and Contraceptive Behaviors of Cohabiting Couples. *Family Relations*. 63(4): 538-553.
- Daniel T. Lichter, Sharon Sassler, and Richard Turner. 2014. "Cohabitation, Post-Conception Unions, and the Rise in Nonmarital Fertility." *Social Science Research*. 47:134-147.
- Sharon Sassler, Soma Roy, and Elizabeth Stasny. 2014. "Men's Economic Status and Marital Transitions of Fragile Families." *Demographic Research*. 30(3):71-110.
- Jennifer Glass, Sharon Sassler, Yael Levitte, and Katherine Michelmore.\* 2013. "What's So Special about STEM? A Comparison of Women's Retention in STEM and Professional Occupations." *Social Forces*. 92(2):723-756.
- Sharon Sassler, Kristi Williams, Fenaba Addo, Adrianne Frech, and Elizabeth Cooksey. 2013. "Family Structure & High School Graduation: How Children Born to Unmarried Mothers Fare." *Genus: Journal of Population Sciences*, Vol. LXIX (No. 2), 1-33.
- Kristi Williams, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Fenaba Addo, and Elizabeth Cooksey. 2013. "Mothers' Union Histories and the Mental & Physical Health of Adolescents Born to Unmarried Mothers." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 54 (3): 278-295.
- Kristi Williams, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Fenaba Addo, and Elizabeth Cooksey. 2013. "Child and Adolescent Health and Well-Being." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 54: 277 (Policy Brief).
- Amanda Miller and Sharon Sassler. 2012. "The Construction of Gender in Cohabiting Relationships." *Qualitative Sociology*, 35(4):427-446.

  \*Featured in Bloomberg Business Report (1-9-12), New York Magazine (online- 1-9-13), The London Telegraph (1-10-13), The Globe and Mail (Canada- 1-11-13), Terrafemina (France 1-22-13), Times of India (1-24-13), The Times (South Africa- 1-25-13), The Telegraph (London, UK- 1-25-12)
- Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo,\* and Daniel T. Lichter. 2012. "The Tempo of Sexual Activity and Later Relationship Quality." *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 74:708-725.

- Amanda J. Miller, Sharon Sassler, and Dela Kusi-Appouh.\* 2011. "The Specter of Divorce: Views from Working- and Middle-Class Cohabitors." *Family Relations*, 60(5):602-616. \*Featured in Huffington Post (12/22/11, 12/30/11), The Calgary Sun (12/18/11), The Toronto Sun Times (12/18/11), The London Telegraph (U.K., 12/19/11, 1/6/12), Fox News Online (12/21/11)., The Atlantic online (2/17/12).
- Sharon Sassler and Kara Joyner. 2011. "Social Exchange and the Progression of Sexual Relationships in Emerging Adulthood." *Social Forces*. 90(1):223-245.
- Kristi Williams, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Fenaba Addo,\* and Elizabeth Cooksey. 2011. "Single Mothers, Union History, and Health at Midlife." *American Sociological Review* 76(3):465-486. \*Featured in The New York Times (6/14/11), MSNBC, Huffington Post (6/3/11), The L.A. Times (6/2/11)
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda J. Miller. 2011. "Class Differences in Cohabitation Processes." *Family Relations*, 60(2):163-177.

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- Sharon Sassler and Amanda J. Miller. 2011. "Waiting to Be Asked: Gender, Power, and Relationship Progression among Cohabiting Couples." *Journal of Family Issues*, 32(4):482-506.
  - \* Featured in the Wall Street Journal (4-30-10) and NPR's Here and Now (6-9-10)
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda J. Miller. 2010. "Class Differences in Women's Family and Work Behaviors." *Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice*. 16(2):349-367.
- Amanda J. Miller and Sharon Sassler. 2010. "Stability and Change in the Division of Labor among Cohabiting Couples." *Sociological Forum*, 25(4):677-701.
- Fenaba Addo\* and Sharon Sassler. 2010. "Financial Arrangements and Relationship Quality among Low-Income Couples." *Family Relations*, 59(4):408-423.
- Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo,\* and Elizabeth Hartmann.\*\* 2010. "The Tempo of Relationship Progression among Low-Income Couples." *Social Science Research*. 39(5):831-844.
- Daniel T. Lichter, Richard N. Turner,\* and Sharon Sassler. 2010. "National Estimates of the Rise in Serial Cohabitation." *Social Science Research*. 39(5):754-765.
- Sharon Sassler. 2010. "Partnering Across the Life Course: Sex, Relationships, and Mate Selection." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 72(3):557-575.
- Sharon Sassler, Anna Cunningham,\* and Daniel T. Lichter. 2009. "Intergenerational Patterns of Union Formation and Marital Quality." *Journal of Family Issues*. 30: 757-786.
- Frances Goldscheider, Gayle Kaufman, and Sharon Sassler. 2009. "Navigating the "New" Market: How Attitudes Towards Partner Characteristics Shape Union Formation."

- Journal of Family Issues. 30: 719-737.
- Sharon Sassler, Amanda Miller,\* and Sarah Favinger.\* 2009. "Planned Parenthood? Fertility Intentions and Experiences among Cohabiting Couples." *Journal of Family Issues*. 30:206-232.
- Kristi Williams, Sharon Sassler, and Lisa Nicholson.\* 2008. "For Better or For Worse? The Consequences of Marriage and Cohabitation for the Health and Well-Being of Single Mothers." *Social Forces* 86(4): 1481–1511.
- Sharon Sassler, Desiree Ciambrone, and Gaelan Benway. 2008. "Are they Really Mama's Boys / Daddy's Girls? The Negotiation of Adulthood among Young Adults Who Return Home." *Sociological Forum* 23(4):670-698.
- Sharon Sassler and Anna Cunningham.\* 2008. "How Cohabitors View Childbearing." *Sociological Perspectives* 51(1):3-28.
- Leanna M. Mellott\* and Sharon Sassler. 2007. "Growing Up with Single Mothers: Occupational Attainment of Daughters in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 25:73-88.
- Peter Tuckel, Sharon Sassler, Richard Maisel, and Andrew Leykam.\*\* 2006. "The Diffusion of the Influenza Pandemic of 1918 in Hartford, Connecticut." *Social Science History* 30:167-96.
- Frances Goldscheider and Sharon Sassler. 2006. "Creating Step-Families: Integrating Children into the Study of Union Formation." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 68: 75-291.
- Sharon Sassler. 2006. "School Participation of Immigrant Youths in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century: Integration or Segmented Assimilation?" *Sociology of Education*. 79(1):1-24.
- Sharon Sassler. 2005. "Gender & Ethnic Differences in Marital Assimilation in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century." *International Migration Review* 39(3):608-636.
- Sharon Sassler. 2004. "The Process of Entering into Cohabiting Unions." *Journal of Marriage* and Family 66:491-505.
- Sharon Sassler and Frances Goldscheider. 2004. "Revisiting Jane Austen's Theory of Marriage Timing: Union Formation Among American Men in the Late 20<sup>th</sup> Century," *Journal of Family Issues* 25(2):139-166.
- Sharon Sassler and James McNally. 2003. "Cohabiting Couple's Economic Circumstances and Union Transitions: A Re-Examination Using Multiple Imputation Techniques." *Social Science Research* 32(4):553-578.

- Sharon Sassler and Zhenchao Qian. 2003. "Marital Timing and Marital Assimilation: Variation and Change Among European Americans Between 1910 & 1980," *Historical Methods* 36(3):131-148.
- Michael J. White and Sharon Sassler. 2000. "Judging Not Only By Color: Ethnicity, Nativity, and Neighborhood Attainment." *Social Science Quarterly* 81(4):1015-1031.
- Sharon Sassler. 2000. "Learning to be an 'American Lady'? Ethnic Distinctiveness and Generational Change in Daughters' Activities in the Early 1900s." *Gender & Society* 14 (1):184-209.
- Sharon Sassler and Robert Schoen. 1999. "The Effect of Attitudes and Economic Activity on Marriage Behavior." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 61(1):147-159.
- Sharon L. Sassler. 1997. "Women's Marital Timing at the Turn of the Century: Generational and Ethnic Differences." *The Sociological Quarterly* 38(4): 567-585.
- Sharon Sassler and Michael J. White. 1997. "Ethnicity, Gender, and Social Mobility in 1910." *Social Science History* 21(3):321-357.
- Sharon Sassler. 1996. "Feathering the Nest or Flying the Coop? Factors Affecting Coresidence in 1910." *Journal of Family History* 21(4): 446-466.
- Sharon Sassler. 1995. "Trade-Offs in the Family: Sibling Effects on Daughters' Activities in 1910." *Demography* Vol. 32:557-575.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

- Gosta Esping-Andersen. 2015. *Families in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Reviewed in 2018 in *Contemporary Sociology*.
- Marcia J. Carlson and Paula England (Editors). 2011. *Social Class and Changing Families in an Unequal America*. Stanford: Stanford University Press. Reviewed 2013 in *Gender & Society*, Vol. 27 (2), pp. 258-260.
- Arland Thornton, William G. Axinn, and Yu Xie. 2007. *Marriage and Cohabitation*. Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press. Reviewed 2008 in *Contemporary Sociology*, Vol. 37 (5), pp. 441-443.
- Christine E. Bose. 2001. *Women in 1900: Gateway to the Political Economy of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press. Reviewed 2004 in *Work & Occupations*, Vol. 31(1), pp. 144-45.
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## TEACHING MATERIALS

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## **PAPERS UNDER REVIEW**

- Sharon Sassler and Pamela Meyerhofer. "Diverse Returns: The Role of Race and Nativity in the Computer Science Gender Wage Gap."
- Sharon Sassler, Kristin Smith, and Katherine Michelmore. "Gender Differences in Occupational Retention among Computer Science Degree Holders: Reassessing the Role of Family."
- Jennifer Glass, Sharon Sassler, Kara Takasaki, and Emily Parker. "Race, Gender, and the Job Search Process Among STEM Graduates."
- Katherine Doerr, Catherine Riegle-Crumb, Tatiane Russo-Tait, Sharon Sassler, Kara Takasaki, and Yael Levitte. "Making Merit Work Gender Salience at the Entrance to the Engineering Workforce."
- Sharon Sassler and Amanda Miller. "What Role Does Cohabitation Serve? The Heterogeneity of Relationship Progression among Cohabiting Couples."
- Sharon Sassler. "Was Attainment of the American Dream Gendered? The Occupational Attainment of Sons and Daughters in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century." *Revise and Resubmit*.

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

- Sharon Sassler and Emily Parker. "Early Transitions into the Work Force among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?"
- Daniel Carlson, Sharon Sassler, and Amanda Miller. "Has the Gender Revolution Stalled? An Analysis of Cohort Change in the Division of Household Labor."
- Rui Jie Peng, Jennifer Glass, and Sharon Sassler. "Creating our Gendered Selves: Gendered College Experiences, Work and Family Plans, and Desired Work Amenities among STEM Graduates."
- Brienna Perelli-Harris, Marta Styrc, Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo, Trude Lappegard, Ann Evans,

- "The Consequences of New Living Arrangements in Cross-National Comparison."
- Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo, Trude Lappegard, Brienna Perelli-Harris, Ann Evans, & Marta Styrc. "A Cross-National Comparison of the Consequences of Partnered Childbearing for Mother's Mid-Life Health."
- Sharon Sassler, Alexandra Cooperstock, and Jennifer Glass. "Science Doesn't Have an On/Off Switch: The Greedy Workplace and Early Career Retention among STEM Professionals.
- Sharon Sassler, Yael Levitte, and Nathan Robbins. "It Will Just Happen": Relationship Formation among Early Career Professionals."

# PRESENTATIONS / UNPUBLISHED PAPERS (AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

- "Learning to Labor over the Early Career: Long Work Hours and Career Retention among STEM Professionals," with Alexandra Cooperstock, Sharon Sassler, and Jennifer Glass. Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, April 2021.
- "STEM Retention and Job Satisfaction in the COVID-19 Era," with Alexandra Cooperstock. Poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, April 2021.
- "Early Cohabitation and Education Attainment in Young Adulthood," with Fenaba Addo and Yiling Zhang. Presented at the 2020 American Public Policy Analysis and Management virtual meeting, November 2020. To be presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, April 2021.
- "The Tempo of Entrance into Cohabitation and Plans for Move-In: Associations with Cohabitation Stability," with Maggie Thorsen. Paper for the 2020 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC (cancelled).
- ""Science Doesn't Have an On/Off Switch': The Greedy Workplace and Early Career Retention among STEM Professionals," with Alexandra Cooperstock and Jennifer Glass. Paper for the 2020 annual meeting of the Population Association of American, Washington, DC, The Work and Family Researchers Network (WFRN) Conference, New York, June 2020 (both were cancelled).
- "Early Transitions into the Work Force among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?" with Emily Parker. Presented at the 2019 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.
- "Where Have All The Women Gone? Occupational Choice among Women Leaving Computer Science." With Kristin Smith and Katherine Michelmore. Presented at the 2018 Pathways to Gender Equality Conference, November 2018, Washington, D.C. Presented

- at the 2019 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.
- "How Housing and Labor Market Conditions Influence the Progression of Romantic Relationships." With Laura Tach, Emily Parker, and Mari Amorim. Presented at the 2019 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.
- "Opting Out of Coresidential Unions? Factors Predicting Singlehood in the Fourth Decade." With Sherry Zhang. Presented at the 2019 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.
- "What Role Does Cohabitation Serve? The Heterogeneity of Relationship Progression among Cohabiting Couples." With Amanda Miller and MaryBeth Morrisey.\* Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, 2018.
- "Partnership Status and the Wage Premium in the U.S., UK, Germany, and Norway: What Explains Differentials between Married and Cohabiting Adults?" with Fenaba Addo, Brienna Perelli-Harris, Stefanie Hoherz, Trude Lappegård. Presented at the 2017 meeting of Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RCC28) in Cologne, Germany (March 2017) and the annual meeting of the Population Association of America in Chicago, USA (April 2017).
- "Having a STEM Job by Spring: Feeding the Pipeline, or Leaking Away?" with Emily Parker and Jennifer Glass. Presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago.
- "Race, Gender, and the Job Search Process among STEM Graduates," with Jennifer Glass.

  Presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago.
- "The Consequences of Partnered Childbearing for Mothers' Mid-Life Health," with Fenaba Addo, Trude Lappegard, Brienna Perelli-Harris, & Marta Styrc. Presented at the 2016 annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, D.C.; the 2015 annual meeting of the Society of Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Dublin, Ireland.
- "Comparing the consequences of cohabitation and marriage in mid-life: are the effects similar across countries?" with Marta Styrc, Brienna Perelli-Harris, Fenaba Addo, Ann Evans, Trude Lappegard. Presented at the 2015 annual meeting of the Society of Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Dublin, Ireland.
- "The Consequences of New Living Arrangements in Cross-national Comparison," with Brienna Perelli-Harris, Marta Styrc, Fenaba Addo, Trude Lappegard, Ann Evans. Presented at the 2015 annual meeting of the Society of Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Dublin, Ireland.
- "Who Doesn't Cohabit? Cross-Cohort Changes in Pre-Marital Cohabitation" with Amanda Miller and Fenaba Addo. Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.

- "The Pace of Relationship Progression: Does Timing to Sexual Involvement Matter?" with Claire Kamp-Dush. Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York.
- "Cross-Cohort Changes in Attitudes about Intimate Relationships: Growing Liberalization or Polarization?" with Amanda Miller. Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New York.
- "From Sexual Involvement to Coresidential Unions: New Findings from the 2002 NSFG Men," with Amanda Miller. Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, CA.
- "Creating an 'American' Marriage Pattern: Ethnic, Generational, and Cohort Variation in Marriage Timing in the Mid-Twentieth Century," with Michael Cardella. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA, 2004.
- "Long-Term Consensual Unions: Cohabitation and the Transformation of the Institution of Marriage in the United States." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 1998.

## **POSTERS**

- "Transitions into the Workforce among Engineering Majors," with Emily Parker. Presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- "Diverse Returns: The Role of Race and Nativity in the Computer Science Gender Wage Gap," with Pamela Meyerhofer. Presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- "Girls that Code: Estimating the Gender Wage Gap in Computer Science," with Pamela Meyerhofer. Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- "The Association of State Labor Market Conditions and Entrance into Cohabitation," with Katherine Michelmore and Xing Zhang. Presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America.
- "Links Between Weight, Age at Maturation, and Height in a Cohort of American Women," with Molly Crimmins Easterlin (first author). Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI. Poster was from Molly's Undergraduate Honors Thesis.
- "Sex Differences in Work-Family Ideology: Implications for the Opt-Out Debate," with Jamie Lewis (first author). Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Population Association

of America, New York, NY. Awarded ribbon for best poster in session. Poster was from Jamie's Undergraduate Honors Thesis.

"Men's Transitions from Sexual Involvement to Coresidential Unions," with Sarah Favinger and Amanda Miller. Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA. Awarded ribbon for best poster in session.

#### INVITED TALKS

- Princeton University, Notestein Seminar, Office of Population Research, March 2020
- The University of British Columbia, Department of Sociology, March 2020 (Early Transitions into the Work Force among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?)
- The University of Minnesota, Institute for Advanced Study (IAS), December 2019.
- The University of Minnesota, Minnesota Population Center, November 2018.
- Princeton University, Office of Population Research. October 2018.
- Ithaca College, AKD Induction Ceremony (Sociology Honors Society). October 2018.
- Australian National University, Distinguished Public Lecture. "Early Career Transitions in STEM Employment: Processes Shaping Retention and Satisfaction." July 2018. Talk sponsored by the ANU Gender Institute, ANU School of Demography, and ANU Research School of Social Sciences.
- Plenary Speaker, The Australian Population Association, Darwin, AU, July 2018.
- The International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP), Scientific Panel on New and Emerging Family Forms around the World. Barcelona, Spain, March 2018.
- Penn State University, Population Research Institute, September 2017.
- Brown University, Population Studies & Training Center, November 2016.
- The Census Bureau, Summer at Census Program, June 2016.
- Cornell University, EWISE Conference (Empowering Women in Science & Engineering), June 2016. "Progress and Remaining Challenges for Women in STEM."
- Ithaca College, Annual Meeting of the Association of Women in Chemistry, June 2015. "The Missing Women in STEM: Gender Barriers or Occupational Dead End?"
- Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research, June 2015. Fifth Annual Youth Development Update. "Social Class Differences in Relationship Processes and the Entry into Cohabitation."
- Southampton University, Centre for Population Studies, July 2014. "The Dialogue between Qualitative & Quantitative Methods: New Directions for Family Demographers?
- Queens College, CUNY, Department of Sociology, March 2014.
- The University of New Hampshire, Sociology Department Public Lecture, October 2013.
- The Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI), June 2013.
- Lund University, The Center for Economic Demography (CED), May 2013.
- Oxford University, Nuffield College Seminar in Family & Work in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Recent Developments and Prospective Trends, May 2013.
- The Alpine Population Conference, January 2013. Keynote Speaker. "Social Class Divergence in the Meaning of American Cohabitation."
- The Witherspoon Institute Seminar on Marriage, the Family, and the Social Sciences.

- June 2012. Also June 2007.
- The Family Life Development Center, Cornell University, May 2009.
- The Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University. Conference on Sexual and Romantic Relationships in Emerging Adulthood, March 2009.
- Brown University. Graduate student conference on Non-Marital Unions: Advancing Multi-Disciplinary Theory and Research in a Global Context. Keynote speaker, April 2007.

## MEDIA PARTICIPATION

- Council on Contemporary Families (CCF). Brief Reports, Challenges Facing Cohabiting Couples Differ from those of Married Couples in this Crisis. Posted on May 4, 2020. <a href="https://contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabiting-during-covid/">https://contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabiting-during-covid/</a>
- Monthly blogger for *Psychology Today* on relationship issues.
- ANU TV (Australian National University). "Patching the Leaky Pipeline of Women in STEMM," an interview with Professor Steve Blackburn, computer scientist and Associate Dean of Diversity and Inclusion at the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-pvpdthmVAc&feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-pvpdthmVAc&feature=youtu.be</a>
- *On Point*, National Public Radio live call-in discussion of cohabitation with Tom Gjelten (host) and Amanda J. Miller. Broadcast August 16, 2017. http://www.wbur.org/onpoint/2017/08/16/whos-moving-in-together-why
- *The Hill*, Opinion Contributor. March 2017. "No, Those Are Our Babies Too: Why Steve King Was Wrong." (<a href="http://thehill.com/blogs/pundits-blog/civil-rights/325973-no-those-are-our-babies-too-why-steve-king-was-wrong">http://thehill.com/blogs/pundits-blog/civil-rights/325973-no-those-are-our-babies-too-why-steve-king-was-wrong</a>.
- Podcast with *Inquiring Minds* (in collaboration with Cited), May 2017. "The Leaky Pipeline of Women in Science." <a href="https://soundcloud.com/inquiringminds/179-the-leaky-pipeline-of-women-in-science-collaboration-with-cited">https://soundcloud.com/inquiringminds/179-the-leaky-pipeline-of-women-in-science-collaboration-with-cited</a>.
- *Innovation Hub*, National Public Radio. "The Not-So-Golden-Age of Marriage," Sharon Sassler and Stephanie Coontz. Broadcast June 2016.
- Council on Contemporary Families. Press Release, June 20, 2016. Brief Report: Sharing is Sexy: The Research on Gender and Sexual Satisfaction.
   (https://contemporaryfamilies.org/sex-equalmarriages-advisory./)
- Quartz. "The truth about discrimination in science, from six female professors." By Cynthia Leifer, Hadas Kress-Gazit, Kim Weeden, Marjolein C.H.van der Meulen, Paulette Clancy, and Sharon Sassler. August 7, 2015.
- *The Conversation*. "Let's face it: Gender bias in academia is for real," Op-Ed (with Cynthia Leifer, Hadas Kress-Gazit, Kim Weeden, Marjolein C.H.van der Meulen,

Paulette Clancy. August 5, 2015.

- *New Republic*. "Gender bias plagues academia, especially in STEM." August 5, 2015, with Cynthia Leifer, Hadas Kress-Gazit, Kim Weeden, Marjolein C.H.van der Meulen, Paulette Clancy.
- Council on Contemporary Families. Press Release, July 30, 2014. Brief Report: Is the Glass Half Empty, or Three-Quarters Full? (<a href="https://contemporaryfamilies.org/gender-revolution-rebound-glass-half-empty/">https://contemporaryfamilies.org/gender-revolution-rebound-glass-half-empty/</a>).
- Council for Contemporary Families. Press Release, March 10, 2014. Council on Contemporary Families <a href="Expert Commentaries">Expert Commentaries</a> on Kuperberg's "Does Premarital Cohabitation Raise Your Risk for Divorce?" (<a href="http://www.contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabitation-divorce-press-release/">http://www.contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabitation-divorce-press-release/</a>).
- National Public Radio, Upstate New York Radio News live broadcast on "Contemporary Relationships," broadcast on February 14, 2012.
- New York Times *Room for Debate* blog, August 30, 2011. Topic: Should Parents Marry for the Kids? <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2011/08/30/shotgun-weddings-vs-cohabitating-parents?">http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2011/08/30/shotgun-weddings-vs-cohabitating-parents?</a>
- New York Times *Room for Debate* blog, December 19, 2010. Topic: Why Remarry? (<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2010/12/19/why-remarry">http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2010/12/19/why-remarry</a>).
- National Public Radio, Minnesota Public Radio News broadcast on "Living Together," broadcast on August 16, 2011. The podcast is located at: <a href="http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2011/08/16/midmorning1/">http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2011/08/16/midmorning1/</a>

#### **COURSES TAUGHT**

**Undergraduate:** Population and Public Policy; Changing Family Lifestyles; Evolving Families: Challenges to Public Policy; Modern Romance: Sex, Love, and Union Formation in the Internet Age; Population Controversies in the United States and Europe; Population Dynamics; Race and Ethnicity; Race and Public Policy; Research Methods; Social Inequality; Sociology of the Family; Women & Immigration; Work and Family in the United States; Honors Thesis Seminar.

**Graduate:** Advanced Seminar, The Future of Marriage; Sociology of Gender; Racial & Ethnic Differentiation; Migration & Social Mobility; Race, Immigration, & the Family.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**Deputy Editor,** Journal of Marriage and Family, 2016-Present.

Leadership Board, QuIRI (Qualitative and Interpretive Research Institute), Cornell University, 2020.

- The Population Association of America (PAA). Chair, **Nominating Committee**, 2020-21. Program Committee, 2012. Session Organization, 2018, 2015, 2011, 2005. Poster Judge, 2015, 2008.
- The American Sociological Association. **Family Section**, **Chair** 2018-2019; Council member, 2013-2016. Chair, Nominations Committee, 2015. Book Award Committee, 2014. Graduate Student Best Paper Award Committee, 2013. Session Organizer, 2012. Round-Table Organizer, 2008.
- The American Sociological Association. **Population Section.** Nominating Committee Chair, 2013-2014. Session Organizer, 2015.
- The American Sociological Association, Thematic Session (Marriage and Cohabitation), 2019. Thematic Session (Conflicting Visions of the Family), 2011, Regular Session, 2015.
- The Eastern Sociological Society. **Executive Committee**, 2007-2010. Chair, Candace Rogers Graduate Student Paper Award, 2010. Chair, Mirra Komarovsky Book Award, 2009.
- **Editorial Boards,** Journal of Marriage and Family, 2007- Present. Demography, 2013-Present, 2002-2005. Demographic Research, 2011-Present. Editorial Assistant, Demography, 1994.
- **Steering Committee,** 2018, IUSSP Scientific Panel on New and Emerging Family Forms Around the World, Barcelona, Spain.
- **Member,** Qualitative Research Commission Advisory Panel, *The Journal of Marriage and Family* (2012-).

**Reviewer:** American Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, Demography, Journal of Marriage and the Family, Journal of Family History, The Sociological Forum, Journal of Comparative Family Studies, Journal of Family Issues, Social Science Quarterly, Contemporary Sociology, Rural Sociology, Population Studies, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, Social Science Research, Family Relations, European Sociological Review, International Migration Review.

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Population Association of America American Sociological Association National Council of Family Relations Council on Contemporary Families International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The Goode Book Award, 2018, The Family Section of the American Sociological Association.

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities, 2016-2017, The State University of New York

Public Voices Fellow, 2017

NICHD Pre-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology, Brown University, 1989-1993 Sachar International Fellowship, Brandeis University, 1985 Magna Cum Laude, Brandeis University, 1984 High Honors in English and American Literature, Brandeis University, 1984

## **GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES**

- Emily Parker (Dissertation Member), anticipated defense in 2021.
- Pamela Meyerhofer (Dissertation Member), completed 2020: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Dept. of Agricultural Economics & Economics, Montana State University (2020-22).
- Sherry Zhang (Dissertation Chair), completed 2018. Assistant Professor, Department of Population Health, Arizona State University (started in 2020); Post-Doctoral Fellow, Health Disparities, The University of Madison, WI (2018-2020).
- Katherine Michelmore (Dissertation Chair), completed 2014. Associate Professor, Syracuse University, The Maxwell School.
- Fenaba Addo (Dissertation Chair), completed 2012. Associate Professor, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill; Assistant Professor, Department of Consumer Science, Madison, WI (2014-2020).
- Christopher Gronberg (Chair): Master's in Public Policy (2014-2016).
- Richard Turner (Dissertation Member): SPARC, The University of Mississippi.
- Amanda Miller (Dissertation Co-Chair, Thesis Chair, The Ohio State University): Full Professor, University of Indianapolis.
- Jill Kilanowski (Dissertation Member, The Ohio State University)
- Sarah Favinger (Master's Thesis Chair, The Ohio State University), Research Development Consultant, The Ohio Education Association.
- Leanna Mellott (Master's Thesis Chair, The Ohio State University), U.S. Census Bureau.
- Michael Cardella (Master's Thesis Chair, The Ohio State University), U.S. Census Bureau

## **Current Graduate Students**

- Alexandra Cooperstock. Cornell University. Department of Sociology.
- Nathan Lovell Robbins. Cornell University. Department of Policy Analysis & Management.

# **Honors Theses (Undergraduates)**

- Julia Eddelbuettel, current, anticipated December 2021.
- Pat Nowack, 2014 (Chair, College Scholar Senior Thesis, Cornell University).
- Tracy Eisser, 2012 (Chair, Sociology, Cornell University).
- Alka Vaid Menon, 2010 (Member, College Scholar Senior Thesis, Cornell University).
- Albery Melo, 2009 (Chair, Department of Human Development Mellon Mayes Thesis, Cornell University).
- Elizabeth Hartmann, 2009 (Chair, Policy Analysis & Management, Cornell University).
- Molly Crimmins Easterlin, 2008 (Chair, Biology & Society, Cornell University).
- Jamie Lewis, 2005 (Chair, Sociology, The Ohio State University).