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EDUCATION

In Progress	Ph.D., Sociology Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Committee: Jennifer Barber (co-chair), Brian Powell (co-chair), Keera Allendorf, Andrew Halpern-Manners Qualifying Exam: Sociology of Families, January 2024 PhD Minor: Social Science Research Methods
2023	M.A., Sociology Indiana University, Bloomington, IN Thesis: "Perceptions of Sub-Fecundity and the Risk of Pregnancy during the Transition to Adulthood" Committee: Brian Powell, Jennifer Barber
2021	B.S., Psychology and Sociology, Honors Scholar Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL Honors Thesis: "Women's STEM Success in Biological and Biomedical Science Graduate Programs: An Exploratory Study"

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Fertility	Family Demography	Intimate Relationships
Sexuality	Reproductive Health	Gender

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Montgomery, Shannon C., **Jessica R. Short**, Thomas Ledermann, Jonathan G. Kimmes, Kasey E. Longley, Emmanuel Manhiri, and Joseph G. Grzywacz. 2022. "Work and Family Transitions Throughout Adulthood and the Impact on Health: A Systematic Review." *Journal of Population Ageing*. doi: 10.1007/s12062-022-09382-6.

UNDER REVIEW

Short, Jessica R. "Perceptions of Sub-Fecundity and the Risk of Undesired Pregnancy during the Transition to Adulthood"

IN PROGRESS

Short, Jessica R. "Seriousness and Instability: Bisexual and Heterosexual Women's Intimate Relationship Patterns during Young Adulthood" *Draft Available*

Barber, Jennifer S., **Jessica R. Short**, Tim F. Liao, Yasamin Kusunoki. "Dating during the Transition to Adulthood: Patterns of Prevalence, Instability, and Non-Linearity" *Draft Available*

Short, Jessica R. and Jennifer S. Barber. "Common Patterns of Contraceptive Use and Pregnancy Risk among Bisexual and Heterosexual Young Women" *Draft Available*

Mead, Cassie and **Jessica R. Short.** "Becoming Exclusive: Weekly Factors Predicting Women's Non-Exclusive Relationship Outcomes"

PRESENTATIONS

2026	**Short, Jessica R**. "Intimate Partner Conflict and Violence among Bisexual Women during Young Adulthood" Population Association of America; St. Louis, MO. Paper Presentation
2025	Barber, Jennifer S., **Jessica R. Short**, Tim F. Liao, Yasamin Kusunoki. "Dating during the Transition to Adulthood: Patterns of Prevalence, Instability, and Non-Linearity" Population Association of America; Washington, DC. Paper Presentation
2024	**Short, Jessica R.** "Intimate Relationship Patterns of Bisexual Women during Young Adulthood" American Sociological Association; Montreal, CA. Paper Presentation
2024	**Short, Jessica R.** and Jennifer S. Barber. "Common Patterns of Contraceptive Use and Pregnancy Risk among Bisexual and Heterosexual Young Women" Population Association of America; Columbus, OH. Paper Presentation
2024	Mead, Cassie and **Jessica R. Short** "Becoming Exclusive: Weekly Factors Predicting Women's Non-Exclusive Relationship Outcomes" Population Association of America; Columbus, OH. Poster Presentation
2023	**Short, Jessica R.** "Attitudes, Desires, and Expectations Related to Sex, Pregnancy, and Marriage in Bisexual Women" American Sociological Association; Philadelphia, PA. Roundtable Session
2023	**Short, Jessica R.** "Perceptions of Sub-Fecundity and the Risk of Pregnancy during the Transition to Adulthood" Population Association of America; New Orleans, LA. Paper Presentation
2022	**Short, Jessica R.** and Jennifer S. Barber "Perceptions of Sub-Fecundity and the

Risk of Pregnancy during the Transition to Adulthood" Kinsey Institute 75th Anniversary Research Symposium; Bloomington, IN. Poster Presentation

2020 **Short, Jessica R.** "Women's STEM Success in Biological and Biomedical Science Graduate Programs: An Exploratory Study" American Sociological Association Honor's Program; Virtual

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2022 Researcher Assistant, Sociological Research Practicum
Faculty Mentor: Brian Powell, Indiana University

2021 - Research Assistant
Faculty Mentor: Jennifer S. Barber, Indiana University

2020 - 2021 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Faculty Mentor: Shannon Montgomery, Florida State University

2018 - 2019 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Cougle Lab
Faculty Mentor: Jesse Cougle, Florida State University

AWARDS AND HONORS

2026 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (DDRIG), American Sociological Association ($15,643)
2026 Schuessler Award for Graduate Research, Department of Sociology, Indiana University ($3,000)
2025 – 2026 College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Research Fellowship, Indiana University ($24,000)
2025 Graduate Student Investigator Award, American Sociological Association Social Psychology Section ($2,000)
2025 Catherine Sherwood-Laughlin & James Laughlin Student Research Fund ($500)
2024 Indiana University Graduate School Distinguished Master's Thesis Award ($1,500)
2024 - 2025 Irsay Fellow, The Irsay Institute, Indiana University ($11,000)
2023 - 2024 NIH T32 Common Themes in Reproductive Diversity Fellowship, Indiana University ($30,000)
2022 Surgeon General C. Everett Koop HIV/AIDS Research Grant, Indiana University Rural Center for AIDS/STD Prevention ($2,000)
2020 American Sociological Association Honor's Program
2020 Bess H. Ward Honors Thesis Award, Honor's Program, Florida State University ($725)
2019 Bess H. Ward Honors Travel Grant, Honor's Program, Florida State University ($800)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2024 Instructor of Record, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- Sociology of Families, S316 (Fall 2024)

2021 – 2025 Teaching Assistant, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- Sociology of Families, S316 (Summer 2025; Instructor: Cassie Mead)
- Introduction to Sociology, S100 (Summer 2024; Instructor: Dr. Jacob Miller)
- Social Theory, S340 (Spring 2023; Instructor: Dr. Fabio Rojas)
- Sociology of Mental Illness, S324 (Fall 2022; Instructor: Dr. Jacob Miller)
- Sociology of Asian America, S101 (Spring 2022; Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Lee)
- Sexual Diversity, S321 (Fall 2021; Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Barber)

SERVICE

Professional

2024 - Graduate Student Representative (elected), Sociology of Population Section of the American Sociological Association

2023 - Scribe, Scientific Advisory Board of the General Social Survey

Departmental

2023 - 2025 First Year Mentor, Department of Sociology, Indiana University

2022 - 2026 Graduate Student Association, Department of Sociology, Indiana University
- Personnel Committee (2024 - 2026)
- Recruitment Committee (2022 – 2024)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association
Family Section
Sociology of Population Section

Population Association of America

REFERENCES

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