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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2017-present Associate Professor of Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 2010-2017 Assistant Professor of Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

## EDUCATION

- 2010 Ph.D. in Sociology  
Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies  
University of Michigan
- 2007 M.A. in Sociology  
University of Michigan
- 2003 B.A. in Sociology  
Certificate in Women's Studies  
*Magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa  
Ohio University Honors Tutorial College

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Journal Volume*

Kazyak, Emily. (Ed.). 2020. "Special Issue: Geographies of Sexualities." *Journal of Lesbian Studies* 24 (3): 172-325.

### *Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*

Burke, Kelsy, **Emily Kazyak**, and Alice MillerMacPhee. Forthcoming. "LGBT Employment Nondiscrimination: Debating Sexuality and Citizenship" *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*.

**Kazyak, Emily** and Nicholas Park. 2020. "Doing Family: The Reproduction of Heterosexuality in Accounts of Parenthood." *Journal of Sociology* 56 (4): 646-663.

**Kazyak, Emily**, Kelsy Burke, and Mathew Stange. 2018. "Logics of Freedom: Debating Religious Freedom Laws and Gay and Lesbian Rights." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World* 4: 1-18.

\*Among the top 10 most downloaded articles from the journal *Socius* in 2019

\*Among the top 25 most downloaded articles from all journals published by the American Sociological Association in 2018

- Kazyak, Emily**, Brandi Woodell, Kristin Scherrer, and Emma Finken. 2018. "Law and Family Formation among LGBTQ-Parent Families." *Family Court Review* 56: 364-373.
- Smyth, Jolene, Alexis Swendener, and **Emily Kazyak**. 2018. "Women's Work? The Relationship Between Farm Work and Gender Self-Perception." *Rural Sociology* 83 (3): 654-676.
- Kazyak, Emily** and Mathew Stange. 2018. "Backlash or a Positive Response? Public Opinion of LGB Issues after *Obergefell v. Hodges*." *Journal of Homosexuality* 65 (4): 2028-2052.
- Schmitz, Rachel and **Emily Kazyak**. 2017. "Checking Privilege at the Door: Men's Reflections on Masculinity in Women's and Gender Studies Courses." *Gender Issues* 34 (2): 129-148.
- Kazyak, Emily**, Nicholas K. Park, Julia McQuillan, and Arthur L. Greil. 2016. "Attitudes Toward Motherhood Among U.S. Sexual Minority Women." *Journal of Family Issues* 37 (13): 1771 – 1796.
- Kazyak, Emily** and Brandi Woodell. 2016. "Law and LGBTQ-Parent Families." *Sexuality & Culture* 20 (3): 749-768.
- Park, Nicholas K., **Emily Kazyak**, and Katie Slauson-Blevins. 2016. "How Law Shapes Experiences of Parenthood for Gay and Lesbian Couples." *Journal of GLBT Family Studies* 12 (2): 115-137.
- Stange, Mathew and **Emily Kazyak**. 2016. "Examining the Nuance in Public Opinion of Pro-LGB Policies in a 'Red State.'" *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 13 (2): 142-157.
- Schmitz, Rachel and **Emily Kazyak**. 2016. "Masculinities in Cyberspace: An Analysis of Portrayals of Manhood in Men's Rights Activist Websites." *Social Sciences* 5 (2): 1-16. Published in special issue "Backlash: Contemporary Obstructions to Social Justice."
- Woodell, Brandi, **Emily Kazyak**, and D'Lane Compton. 2015. "Reconciling LGB and Christian Identities in the Rural South." *Social Sciences* 4 (3): 859-878. Published in special issue "LGBTQ Lives in Context: The Role of Place."
- Kazyak, Emily**. 2015. "'The Law's the Law, Right?' Sexual Minority Mothers Navigating Legal Inequities and Inconsistencies." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 12 (3): 188-201.
- Scherrer, Kristin S., **Emily Kazyak**, and Rachel Schmitz. 2015. "Getting 'Bi' in the Family: Bisexual People's Disclosure Experiences." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 77 (3): 680-696.

**Kazyak, Emily. 2012.** “Midwest or Lesbian? Gender, Rurality, and Sexuality.” *Gender & Society* 26 (6): 825-848. **Lead article**

**\*Distinguished Article Award, Honorary Mention,** American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities

**\*Reprinted in:** *Exploring Masculinities: Identity, Inequality, Continuity and Change.* Edited by C.J. Pascoe and Tristan Bridges. Oxford University Press, 2015.

Kazyak, Emily. 2011. “Disrupting Cultural Selves: Constructing Gay and Lesbian Identities in Rural Locales.” *Qualitative Sociology* 34 (4): 561-581.

Kazyak, Emily. 2011. “Same-Sex Marriage in a Welcoming World: Rights Consciousness of Heterosexuals in Liberal Religious Institutions.” *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* 8 (3): 192-203

Martin, Karin, David Hutson, **Emily Kazyak**, and Kristin Scherrer. 2010. “Advice When Children Come Out: The Cultural ‘Tool-Kits’ of Parents.” *Journal of Family Issues* 31 (7): 960-991.

Martin, Karin and **Emily Kazyak**. 2009. “Hetero-romantic Love and Heterosexiness in Children's G-Rated Films.” *Gender & Society* 23 (3): 315-336.

**\*Reprinted in:** *Gendered Lives, Sexual Beings: A Feminist Anthology.* Edited by Joya Misra, Mahala Dyer Stewart, and Marni Alyson Brown. Sage, 2018.

**\*Reprinted in:** *Cinematic Sociology: Social Life in Film, 2nd edition.* Edited by Jean-Anne Sutherland and Kathy Feltey, Sage Press, 2018.

**\*Reprinted in:** *Feminist Frontiers.* 9<sup>th</sup> Edition. Edited by Verta Taylor, Nancy Whittier, and Leila J. Rupp. McGraw Hill, 2012.

**\*Reprinted in:** *Understanding Society: An Introductory Reader.* 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. Edited by Margaret L. Andersen, Kim A. Logio, and Howard F. Taylor. Wadsworth, 2011.

### **Book Chapter**

**Kazyak, Emily** and Emma Finken. 2019. “Law and Same-Sex Couples’ Experiences of Childbirth.” In *Health and Well-being of Sexual Minority Couples.* Edited by Hui Liu, Corinne Reczek, and Lindsey Wilkinson. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.

### **Book Reviews**

Kazyak, Emily. 2019. *How Places Make Us: Novel LBQ Identities in Four Small Cities* by Japonica Brown-Saracino. *American Journal of Sociology* 125 (1): 272-274.

Kazyak, Emily. 2014. *Just Queer Folks: Gender and Sexuality in Rural America* by Colin R. Johnson. *Gender & Society* 28 (3): 507-509.

Kazyak, Emily. 2010. *Out in the Country: Youth, Media, and Queer Visibility in Rural America* by Mary L. Gray. *Journal of Research in Rural Education* 25 (6): 1-2.

### ***Other Publications***

Kazyak, Emily. 2020. "Introduction: Special Issue: Geographies of Sexualities." *Journal of Lesbian Studies* 24 (3): 173-185.

Burke, Kelsy and **Emily Kazyak**. 2020. "Devil in the detail of SCOTUS ruling on workplace bias puts LGBTQ rights and religious freedom on collision course." Op-ed published in the national magazine, *The Conversation*

Burke, Kelsy and **Emily Kazyak**. 2019. "A Red-State View of Religious Liberty and Non-Discrimination Protection for LGBT people." *Contexts* 63-65.

Kazyak, Emily and Kelsy Burke. 2018. "Nebraskans who support and oppose 'religious freedom' laws actually share many of the same values." Op-ed published in the national magazine, *The Conversation*

Kazyak, Emily. 2016. "Rural and Urban Communities." In *The SAGE Encyclopedia of LGBTQ Studies*, pp. 973-976. Edited by Abbie Goldberg. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

### ***External Grants***

2019-2022 National Science Foundation. SES - Sociology. \$324,228.  
Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Dr. Kelsy Burke): "Religious Exemption Laws and Minority Rights"

### ***Internal Grants***

2019 Collaboration Initiative. University of Nebraska. \$20,000.  
Co-Investigator (PI: Dr. Debra Hope): "Nebraska Consortium on Sexual and Gender Minority Health"

2018 Haas Faculty Award for Research in Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$5,000

2016 Social & Behavioral Science Research Consortium Seed Grant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$4,959  
Principal Investigator: "Recruiting Sexual Minority Populations Using Probability Sampling: A Feasibility Study"

- 2015 Research Council Faculty Seed Grant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$8,500  
Principal Investigator: “The Role of Family Support in Sexual Minority Parent Families”
- 2015 Enhance CAS Faculty Enhancement Program, College of Arts & Sciences, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$5,000  
Principal Investigator: “Assessing Changes in Public Opinion of LGB Rights”
- 2015 Haas Faculty Award for Research in Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$5,000
- 2012 Layman Award, Office of Research and Economic Development, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$10,000  
Principal Investigator: “Making Laws Matter: How Families Navigate Legal Uncertainty”
- 2011 Haas Faculty Award for Research in Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. \$5,000
- 2008 Dissertation Research Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan. \$2,500
- 2008 Research Grant, Institute for Research on Women and Gender, University of Michigan. \$500
- 2008 Graduate Student Research Grant, Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan. \$3,000
- 2008 Research Grant, Center for the Education of Women, University of Michigan. \$750
- 2000-2002 Voinovich Undergraduate Research Scholar Grants, Ohio University Honors Tutorial College

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

- 2021 College Distinguished Teaching Award, awarded by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Arts & Sciences
- 2018 Early Career Award, awarded by the American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities
- 2018 International Travel Award, awarded by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Arts & Sciences

- 2016 Dean's Award for Excellence in Graduate Education, awarded by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Office of Graduate Studies. University-wide award given annually to one Full Professor and one Assistant or Associate Professor
- 2015 Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award, awarded by the Nebraska Association for Sociology Graduate Students, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of Sociology
- 2015 LGBTQA+ Voice for Equality in Nebraska, awarded by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln LGBTQA+ Resource Center
- 2013 Distinguished Article Award, Honorary Mention, American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities
- 2010 One-Term Dissertation Fellowship awarded by the University of Michigan Rackham School of Graduate Studies
- 2009 SAGE & Pine Forge Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award
- 2009 American Sociological Association Student Forum Travel Award
- 2009 Funded participant for "A Primer on Empirical Research on Sexual Orientation" training sponsored by The Williams Institute, UCLA School of Law
- 2007 Fellowship to recognize outstanding progress awarded by the University of Michigan Department of Women's Studies
- 2006 High Pass on Preliminary Examination in Gender and Sexuality awarded by the University of Michigan Department of Sociology
- 2004-2006 Regents Fellowship awarded by the University of Michigan Rackham School of Graduate Studies to support outstanding incoming doctoral students
- 2002 Phi Beta Kappa, Ohio University
- 2000-2003 Dean's Scholarship awarded by Ohio University
- 1999-2000 Freshmen Provost Scholarship awarded by Ohio University

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### ***Invited Presentations***

- 2021 University of South Carolina Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies Program Colloquium.  
 "Religion, Sexuality, and Freedom: The Social and Legal Landscape of Religious Liberty and LGBTQ Rights" (with Dr. Kelsy Burke)

- 2021 Vanderbilt University Sociology Department Colloquium.  
“Religion, Sexuality, and Freedom: The Social and Legal Landscape of Religious Liberty and LGBTQ Rights” (with Dr. Kelsy Burke)
- 2020 Pacific Sociological Association Conference. Eugene, Oregon.  
“Rural Landscapes through a Different Lens: Sexualities in Rural America” Panel
- 2014 American Sociological Association Conference. San Francisco, California.  
“Queer Life Outside the Center” Panel

***Conference Presentations***

- 2021 American Sociological Association Conference.  
“Religious Exemption, LGBTQ Rights, and the Social Construction of Harm and Freedom” (with Kelsy Burke, Lora McGraw, and Maia Behrendt)
- 2021 Midwest Sociological Association Conference.  
“Intergenerational Ambivalence in LGBTQ Families” (with Rosalind Kichler, University of Jess Morrow, and Eliza Thor)
- 2020 American Sociological Association Conference.  
“Bathroom Battles: Public Perceptions of Transgender Rights and the Making of Sex and Gender” (with Kelsy Burke and Rosalind Kichler)
- 2019 Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting. Denver, Colorado.  
“Feminist Strategies for Academic Advancement” (with Laura Hirshfield, Zakiya Luna, Carla Pfeffer, and K Scherrer)
- 2018 American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities Pre-Conference. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
“Queer Citizenship: Debating Discrimination and Religious Exemption” (with Alice MillerMacPhee and Kelsy Burke)
- 2018 International Sociological Association Conference. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.  
“Doing Family: The Reproduction of Heterosexuality in Accounts of Parenthood” (with Nicholas Park)
- 2018 Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia.  
“Promising Practices: Developing and Sustaining Feminist Working Groups in the Academy” (with Laura Hirshfield, Zakiya Luna, Carla Pfeffer, and Kristin Scherrer)
- 2017 American Sociological Association Conference. Montreal, Quebec, Canada  
“Logics of Religious Freedom” (with Kelsy Burke and Mathew Stange)
- 2016 Midwest Sociological Society Conference. Chicago, Illinois.  
“All in the Family? (Mis)Recognition of LGBQ Parents” (with Nicholas K. Park)

- 2015 American Sociological Association Conference. Chicago, Illinois.  
Identity and Culture Panel  
“Country Rednecks and City Cosmopolitans”
- 2015 Social Theory Forum Conference. Boston, Massachusetts.  
“The Promise and Pitfalls of Intersectional Approaches in Sexuality Studies”
- 2015 Southwestern Social Science Association Conference. Denver, Colorado.  
“The Family Systems of Bisexual Identified People”  
(with Kristin Scherrer and Rachel Schmitz)
- 2014 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Conference. Omaha, Nebraska.  
“Coming Out as Bisexual in the Family” (with Kristin Scherrer and Rachel Schmitz)
- 2014 American Sociological Association Conference. San Francisco, California.  
“Reconciling LGB and Christian Identities in the Rural South”  
(with Brandi Woodell and D’Lane Compton)
- 2013 National Women’s Studies Association Conference. Cincinnati, Ohio.  
“Fertility Intentions and Importance of Motherhood among U.S. Lesbians”  
(with Nicholas K. Park, Julia McQuillan, and Arthur L. Greil)
- 2012 American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities Pre-Conference  
Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities. Denver, Colorado.  
Panelist, “Spaces and Places”
- 2011 Midwest Sociological Association Conference. Chicago, Illinois.  
“Lesbians and Motherhood: The Need for Extra Effort or Deciding to Opt-Out”  
(with Nicholas K. Park, Julia McQuillan, and Arthur L. Greil)
- 2009 National Women’s Studies Association Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.  
“Constructions and Disruptions of Heteronormativity in Rural America”
- 2009 American Sociological Association Conference. San Francisco, California.  
"Negotiating Sexuality and Class in Rural and Urban Communities"
- 2009 American Sociological Association Conference. San Francisco, California.  
“Advice When Children Come Out: The Cultural ‘Tool-Kits’ of Parents”  
(with Karin Martin, David Hutson, and Kristin Scherrer)
- 2009 Society for the Study of Social Problems Conference. San Francisco, California.  
“Analyzing Sexuality in a Post-Closet Era: Theoretical Tools from Pragmatism to Queer Theory”



- 2008 American Sociological Association Conference. Boston, Massachusetts.  
“Being Gay, Being Rural: The Urban/Rural Binary in an Era of Increased Gay Visibility in the Public Sphere”
- 2008 National Women’s Studies Association Conference. Cincinnati, Ohio.  
“Exploring Identity, Intersectionality, and Resistance”
- 2008 How Class Works Conference. Stony Brook, New York.  
“‘If We Were Rednecks’: Constructing Class Boundaries in Rural Communities”
- 2008 International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry Conference. Champaign, Illinois.  
“Rural, Midwest, and Gay?: The Experiences of GLB people in the Rural Midwest”
- 2007 National Women’s Studies Association Conference. St. Charles, Illinois  
“Extending Feminist Theorizing and Analysis for Current and Future Work on Marginalized Sexual Subjectivities”
- 2006 American Sociological Association Conference. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.  
“Gay Marriage in a Welcoming World: Understandings of the Legal Right to Marry in a Liberal Religious Congregation”

***University, Department, and Community Presentations***

- 2019 Qualitative and Mixed Methods Interest Group. University of Nebraska-Lincoln Social & Behavioral Sciences Research Consortium. (with Kelsy Burke)  
“Designing a Large-Scale Qualitative and Mixed Methods Project”
- 2016 Study of the U.S. Institute Project (SUSI). University of Nebraska-Lincoln.  
“LGBTQ Civil Rights in the United States: Progress and Possibilities”
- 2016 Kutak Center for the Teaching and Study of Applied Ethics. University of Nebraska-Lincoln. (with Rachel Schmitz, Brandi Woodell, and Rosalind Kichler)  
“Ethics in Research with LGBTQ Populations”
- 2016 Adult Education Seminar on Same-Sex Marriage. Westminster Presbyterian Church. Lincoln, Nebraska.  
“What Social Science Research Tells Us about Same-Sex Marriage”
- 2015 Study of the U.S. Institute Project (SUSI). University of Nebraska-Lincoln.  
“LGBTQ Civil Rights in the United States: Progress and Possibilities”
- 2012 Department of Sociology Colloquium Series. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.  
“Midwest or Lesbian? Gender, Rurality, and Sexuality”
- 2011 Department of Sociology Colloquium Series. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.  
“Preparing for the Teaching Presentation on the Job Market” (with Helen Moore)

- 2010 Qualitative Research Interest Group. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.  
“Qualitative Inquiries in Sexuality, Identity, and Law”
- 2010 Department of Sociology. University of Michigan.  
“Job Market and Career Advice for Gender and Sexuality Scholars.”
- 2009 Emerging Rural, Nonmetropolitan, & Working-Class Perspectives in LGBTQ Studies Symposium. Department of Women’s Studies. University of Michigan.  
“Rejecting Cultural Markers of Queerness: Sexual Identity Constructions of Rural Gays and Lesbians”
- 2008 Faculty-Graduate Student Women’s Studies Colloquium. Department of Women’s Studies. University of Michigan.  
“Doing Gender and Sexuality in Sociology” (with Karin Martin)
- 2007 Parents, Friends, and Family of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). Jackson, Michigan.  
“Being In Community, Being Rural and Gay.”

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Courses Taught*

#### **Undergraduate:**

Sexuality and Power  
Introduction to LGBTQ Studies  
Sociology of Social Change: Sex and Society  
Sociological Theory  
Senior Sociology Capstone Seminar

#### **Graduate:**

LGBTQ Families  
Contemporary Sociological Theory  
Publications Seminar

### *Graduate and Undergraduate Advising*

#### Ph.D. Students

Advisor, Dissertation Committee

*Current:* Rosalind Kichler, Jess Morrow, Marissa Oliver

*Completed:* Brandi Woodell

Member, Dissertation Committee

*Current:* Trenton Haltom, Zachary Huit, Grace Kelly, Katie Meidlinger, Allura Ralston, Darcy Wente-Hahn

*Completed:* Erin Bertram, Allison Bonander, Katie Schmid Henson, Christina Ivey, Robert Lipscomb, Alian Kasabian, Nicholas Park, Rachel Schmitz, Bryan Snyder, Mathew Stange, Alexis Swendener, Nick White

#### M.A. Students

Advisor, Master’s Thesis Committee

*Current:* Eliza Thor

*Completed:* Rosalind Kichler

Member, Master's Thesis Committee

*Completed:* Kari Gentzler, Jess Morrow, Rachel Schmitz, Eliza Thor, Alexis Swendener

#### Undergraduate Students

Advisor, Undergraduate Honors Thesis

*Current:* Audrey Holbeck

*Completed:* Alyssa Bakulski, Samantha Lunde, Lindsay Spaulding, Rachel Sullivan

Faculty Sponsor, Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experience (UCARE)

*Completed:* Emma Finken

Faculty Sponsor, Undergraduate Sociology Teaching and Research (USTAR) Program.

*Current:* Micah Levine

*Completed:* Jackson Belva, Emma Finken

### **PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING**

2020 Summer Institute for Online Teaching. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

2016 Midwest Sociological Society Conference.

Workshops: Igniting Theoretical Imaginations: A Workshop on Engaging Undergraduates in Sociological Theory; Online Teaching; Teaching Beyond Lecture: An Introduction to Team Based Learning

2016 Sociology Colloquium Series. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Active Learning Strategies: Increasing Student Engagement and Participation

2015 Teaching and Learning Symposium. University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Workshops: Holistic Course Redesign; Service Learning and Civic Engagement; Assessing and Documenting Student Learning in the Peer Review of Teaching Project

2009 Preparing Future Faculty Seminar. University of Michigan.

2009 Graduate Teaching Certificate. University of Michigan.

2009 Teachers Are Made, Not Born Pre-Conference, American Sociology Association Section on Teaching and Learning

2009 Six-Session Training for Multicultural Facilitation in the Classroom. Center for Research on Teaching and Learning. University of Michigan.

2007 Teaching Writing in the Disciplines Semester Course. Sweetland Writing Center. University of Michigan.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### Disciplines

- 2020-present Editorial board member, *Journal of Lesbian Studies*
- 2019-present Editorial board member, *Gender & Society*
- 2019 Guest Editor for a special issue of *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, “Geographies of Sexualities”
- 2019 Tenure reviewer for jointly appointed faculty member in Women’s and Gender Studies and Sociology
- 2017 Presider, Author Meets Critics Session for *Legalizing LGBT Families: How the Law Shapes Parenthood* by Amanda Baumle and D’Lane Compton American Sociological Association Conference. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- 2015 Presider, “Regular Session Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgender Studies” American Sociological Association. Chicago, Illinois.
- 2015 Faculty Mentor, Mentorship Program for Graduate Students American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities
- 2014 Member, Distinguished Book Award Committee American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities
- 2012 Discussant, “Space, Place, and Sexualities” Dissertation Panel American Sociological Association Section on Sexualities Pre-Conference “Crossing Boundaries, Workshopping Sexualities.” Denver, Colorado.
- 2010 Panel organizer (with Kristin Scherrer), “Sexuality in a Family Context” and “Teaching Sexuality in Sociology Courses” Pacific Sociological Association. Oakland, California.

Ad hoc manuscript reviewer: *American Journal of Sociology*, *Annual Review of Law & Social Science*, *Gender & Society*, *Gender, Place, and Culture*, *Journal of Bisexuality*, *Journal of Family Communication*, *Journal of Family Issues*, *Journal of Homosexuality*, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, *Men & Masculinities*, *Population Research and Policy Review*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Rural Sociology*, *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*, *Social Forces*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Social Problems*, *Sociological Forum*, *Sociological Quarterly*, *Symbolic Interaction*

Ad hoc grant proposal reviewer: National Science Foundation Social and Economic Sciences Division

## University & Departments

### *University of Nebraska-Lincoln*

- 2020-present Advisor for the LGBTQ/Sexuality Studies Minor
- 2019-present College of Arts and Sciences Research Advisory Committee
- 2019-2020 Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Gender and Sexual Identities
- 2018 Search Advisory Committee Member, College of Arts and Sciences Dean Search
- 2018 Preparing Future Faculty Presenter  
"How to Get Tenure at an R1"
- 2013 Reviewer for the Layman Foundation and the Arts and Humanities Research Enhancement Program, Office for Research & Economic Development

### *Sociology Department*

#### Department Committees

Current: Graduate Committee

Past: Executive Committee, Resource and Planning Committee, Undergraduate Committee

#### Area Committees

Current: Social Inequality

Past: Family, Sex & Gender, Sociological Theory

#### Other Department Service

Past: Search Committee Member for Assistant Professor Hire in Sexualities, Co-organizer for Social Inequality Faculty-Graduate Student Working Group

### *Women's and Gender Studies Program*

#### Program Committees

Current: Advisory Board Committee, Curriculum & Assessment Committee

#### Colloquium Series and No Limits Conference Service

Co-organizer for 3 colloquium series: Trans Identities and Families; Teaching and Social Justice; LGBTQ Perspectives on Health and Well-Being

Moderator for 4 panels at No Limits Conferences: Sex and Gender on Campus; Rhetorical Analyses of Sex Work and LGBTQ Activism; Social Media: Solidarity, Friendship – Even Marriage

Other Program Service

Current: Mentor for junior faculty member with a joint appointment in Psychology and Women's and Gender Studies

Past: Search Committee Member for New Director

**SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE**

*Public Opinion on LGBTQ Rights*

[SCOTUS LGBTQ Ruling Not End All](#). Nebraska Public Radio

[Nebraskans Who Support and Oppose Religious Freedom Laws Actually Share Many of the Same Values](#). Salon

[Majority of Nebraskans Support LGBT Non-Discrimination Workplace Laws](#). Nebraska Public Radio

[Nebraskans Skeptical About Religious Freedom Laws](#). Nebraska Public Radio

[Statewide Survey Shows Nebraska Breaking Red State Stereotype on Social Issues](#). Nebraska Public Radio

*Rural LGBTQ Lives*

[Is She a Lesbian or Just From the Midwest?](#) Autostraddle

[Why Lesbians and Gay Men Don't Live in the Same Areas](#). Pacific Standard Magazine  
[Prairie Home Companions](#). Pacific Standard Magazine

[Gender and Acceptance of Lesbian Women and Gay Men in Small Town, USA](#). *Gender & Society* Blog

*LGBTQ Families*

[Motherhood Complex for Lesbians, Bi Women](#). Washington Blade

[Study: Income Affects Legal Info Available to Same-Sex Families](#). UNL Today

*Media Representations of Sexuality*

[Why Are There No gay Disney Characters?](#) Salon

[Merida From \*Brave\* Isn't a Lesbian, But She Could Be](#). Jezebel

[Hot Button: Disney's 'Hetero' Bias](#). The Washington Times

[Researchers: Disney Movies “Elevate” Heterosexuality.](#) Jezebel

[Disney Needs to Start Waving Around a Rainbow Flag.](#) Mic.

[The Dumbest Stereotypes That Almost Stopped Bisexual People From Coming Out.](#) Mic.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association  
Midwest Sociological Association

Sociologists for Women in Society  
National Women’s Studies Association