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EDUCATION

2024 (expected)	Ph.D., Sociology The Ohio State University Columbus, OH 43210
2019	M.A., Sociology The Ohio State University Columbus, OH 43210
2017	B.A., Sociology University of Maryland—College Park College Park, MD 20742

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health Disparities	Social Demography	Sexual and Reproductive Health
Racial/Ethnic Inequality	Health Policy	Life Course

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Bijou, Christina , and Cynthia G. Colen. 2022. "Shades of Health: Skin Color, Ethnicity, and Mental Health among Black Americans." <i>Social Science & Medicine</i> 115387. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115387 .	November 2022
Thomeer, Mieke Beth, Rin Reczek, Clifford Ross, and Christina Bijou . "Sequencing of Births by Wantedness: Implications for Changes in Mid-life Health among Aging NLSY79 Women." Accepted for publication at <i>Journal of Gerontology</i> .	Forthcoming

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Bijou, Christina , Cynthia G. Colen, Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. "The Long Arm of Pregnancy Loss? Whether Unexpected Pregnancy Loss Matters for Mental Health at Midlife."	<i>Social Science & Medicine</i>
Reczek, Rin, Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Christina Bijou . "How Intergenerational Estrangement Matters for Maternal and Adult Children's Health."	<i>Journal of Health and Social Behavior</i>
Padamsee, Tasleem J., Christina Bijou , Paige Swinehart-Hord, Megan Hils, Anna Muraveva, Rachel J. Meadows, Kate Shane-Carson, Lisa D. Yee, Celia E. Wills, Michael E. Pennell, and Electra D. Paskett. "Risk-Management Decision-Making Data from a Community-Based Sample of Racially Diverse Women at High Risk of Breast Cancer: The Daughter Sister Mother Survey".	<i>Breast Cancer Research</i>

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Bijou, Christina, Coralia Balasca. “Trends in Psychological Distress Among Ohioans, 2008-2019.”

Bijou, Christina, Cynthia Colen, and Terri Hood-Brown. “The Use (and Overuse) of Surgical Sterilization among Rural Appalachian Women.”

Balasca, Coralia and **Christina Bijou**. “Lingering Questions: Race, Health, and the Role of NGOs in Ohio.”

Bijou, Christina and Hollie Nyseth Nzitira. “Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) among Genocidaires in Rwanda.”

Meadows, Rachel, Tasleem Padamsee, and **Christina Bijou**. “Racial Differences in Awareness and Uptake of Breast Cancer Prevention Methods: Prevention Decision-Making Data from a Community-Based Sample of Racially Diverse Women at High Risk of Breast Cancer”

Rachel J. Meadows, Anna Muraveva, **Christina Bijou**, Kate Shane-Carson, Coralia Balasca, Celia E. Wills, Lisa D. Yee, Electra D. Paskett, and Tasleem J. Padamsee. “Awareness, Utilization, and Guideline-Adherence to Breast Cancer Risk Management Behavior Among a Community-Based Sample of High-Risk Women”

GRANTS, AWARDS, & HONORS

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Diversity Supplement Grant , Motherhood Biographies and Midlife Women's Health Project (3R01AG069251-01A1S1), The Ohio State University. \$28,384.	August 2021
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Dean's Graduate Enrichment Fellowship , The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 43210. \$55,716.	August 2017
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Undergraduate Researcher of the Year , 2017 Undergraduate Researcher of the Year Competition, University of Maryland College Park (Winner). \$1,000.	April 2017
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2016 Undergraduate Paper Competition Winner , “Women in the Workforce: The View of Women as Domestically Oriented”, Association of Black Sociologists	September 2016
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Dean's List , University of Maryland College Park, College Park, MD.	Fall 2015- Spring 2017
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REPORTS

Nemeth, J. M., Padamsee, T. J., & the Needs Assessment Writers' Team . (2020). Ohio's COVID-19 Populations Needs Assessment: Minimizing the Disparate Impact of the Pandemic and Building Foundations for Health Equity. The Ohio State University College of Public Health. https://go.osu.edu/inequitable-burdens-covid-19 .	November 2020
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Balasca, Coralia, Christina Bijou , and Davon Norris. 2018. “Mental Health, Addiction, and Trauma: Stigma, Studies, & Statistics”. Report prepared for the PEER Center. Columbus, OH.	April 2018
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Norris, Davon, Coralia Balasca, and **Christina Bijou**. 2018. "Addressing Community Opposition: Strategies to Combat NIMBYism" Report prepared for the PEER Center. Columbus, OH.

April 2018

INVITED PANELS & PRESENTATIONS

Bijou, Christina, Candice Crutchfield, Paola Echave, and Sarah Walton. "Diversity, Racial Justice & Policy Implications: A Panel Discussion" Justice and Activism: Research on Self and Society. University of Louisville, Louisville, KY. April 2023

Bijou, Christina. "How Do We Improve Mental Health Among U.S. Blacks? Recognize Within Group Differences" Justice and Activism: Research on Self and Society. University of Maryland College Park, College Park, MD. October 2021

Bijou, Christina. "The Black Psyche: A Panel on Mental Health" The Black Mental Health Coalition. The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. April 2021

Bijou, Christina. "Translating Research" JOUR 3010: Advanced Reporting. University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH. February 2021

Bijou, Christina. "Racial Health Disparities: Maternal and Child Health" SOCIOL 3306: Sociology of Poverty. The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. October 2019

PANELS & PRESENTATIONS

Bijou, Christina, Cynthia G. Colen, Mieke Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. "The Long Arm of Pregnancy Loss? Whether Pregnancy Loss Matters for Women's Health at Midlife" The 2023 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA. May 2023

Bijou, Christina, Cynthia G. Colen, Mieke Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. "The Long Arm of Pregnancy Loss? Whether Pregnancy Loss Matters for Women's Health at Midlife" The 2022 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, CA. August 2022

Bijou, Christina, Cynthia Colen, Anna Church, and Terri Hood-Brown. "Surgical Sterilizations among Appalachian Women" The 2022 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Atlanta, GA. April 2022

Bijou, Christina. "Proximity to Advantage: Examining the Mental Health Effects of Closeness to Whites." Racism, Power, and Justice: Achieving Population Health Equity: The 2021 Annual Meeting of the Interdisciplinary Association of Population Health Science, virtual conference. October 2021

- Bijou, Christina** and Coralia Balasca. “Trends in Psychological Distress Among Ohioans, 2008-2019” The 2021 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, virtual conference. May 2021
- Bijou, Christina** and Cynthia Colen. “Skin Tone and Mental Health among African Americans and Caribbean Blacks in the U.S.” Policies, Places, and Profits: Manufacturers of Illness and Health: The 2020 Annual Meeting of the Interdisciplinary Association of Population Health Science, virtual conference. October 2020
- Balasca, Coralia and **Christina Bijou**. “Lingering Questions: Race, Health, and the Role of NGOs in Ohio” The 2019 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX. April 2019
- Bijou, Christina**. “The Middle Class of Color: Colorism in the Middle Class” The End of the World as We Know It?, 87th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA. February 2017
- Bijou, Christina**. “Single Adults Living Alone (SALA) in the Black Middle Class; Colorism in the Middle Class” #BlackSociologyMatters: Scholarship and Activism in Response to Injustice, 46th Annual Meeting of the Association of Black Sociologists, Memphis, TN. October 2016

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Trainee for Drs. Rin Reczek¹ and Mieke Thomeer², Motherhood Biographies and Midlife Women’s Health, The Ohio State University¹ and University of Alabama—Birmingham²; Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Summer 2023.

Graduate Research Trainee for Dr. Cynthia Colen, The Ohio Policy Evaluation Network (OPEN), The Ohio State University; Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Summer 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, and Summer 2021.

Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Tasleem Padamsee, The Daughter, Sister, Mother Breast Cancer Research Project, The Ohio State University; Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021.

Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Hollie Nyseth Brehm, The Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University; Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020.

Research Consultant for The Peers Enriching Each other’s Recovery (P.E.E.R.) Center, Columbus, OH; Spring 2018.

Undergraduate Research Scholar, Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP), University of Maryland College Park; Summer 2016.

Undergraduate Research Assistant for Drs. Kris Marsh and Rashawn Ray, The Department of Sociology, University of Maryland College Park, Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, and Summer 2017.

Undergraduate Research Assistant for Drs. Sophie Aiyer and Oscar Barbarin, Department of African American Studies, University of Maryland College Park, Fall 2015 and Spring 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Project Lead and Team Manager for Undergraduate Research Assistants (various projects), Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University;

Recitation Leader for Undergraduate SOCY 3487: Research Methods, for Lynette Martin, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Spring 2019.

Recitation Leader for Undergraduate SOCY 3487: Research Methods, for Dr. Andrew Martin, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Fall 2018.

TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS

2020-2021 U.S. Policy Communication Training Program, Population Reference Bureau (PRB), Washington, DC 20009.	June 2020
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DEPARTMENTAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Session Moderator. “Race, Racism, and Reproductive Healthcare” The Fall 2021 Meeting of the Ohio Policy Evaluation Network (OPEN), virtual conference.	September 2021
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Graduate Student Co-Editor, American Sociological Association (ASA)’s Medical Sociology Newsletter.	June 2021-May 2022
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Co-founder. Undergraduate Mentoring Program, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. Columbus, OH	July 2019-
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Vice President. Sociology Graduate Student Association: Mentoring Committee, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. Columbus, OH.	April 2019-May 2020
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Session Chair. “Racial Inequality in the United States” The 2019 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.	April 2019
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Committee Member. Sociology Graduate Student Association: Mentoring Committee, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. Columbus, OH.	March 2018-May 2020
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Volunteer. “Pushing the Boundaries of Population Health Science: Social Inequalities, Biological Processes, and Policy Implications” The 2018	October 2018
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Annual Meeting of the Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences. Washington, DC.

Committee Member. Sociology Graduate Student Association: Office Committee, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. Columbus, OH.

**Sep. 2017-
Aug. 2018**

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Sociological Association
- Population Association of America
- Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)
- Association of Black Sociologists
- Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science