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# Academic Positions

2002 – **The Ohio State University** Department Chair 2021 – present Professor of Sociology, 2016 – present Vice Chair of Sociology, 2016 – 2020 Associate Professor, 2008 – 2016

Assistant Professor, 2002 – 2008

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2011 – 2016

2016 – 2020 **Journal of Marriage and Family**

Editor–in–Chief

2014 – **Council on Contemporary Families**

President of the Board of Directors, 2019 – 2022 Senior Scholar, 2014 – present

2000 – 2002 **University of Chicago**

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Center on Aging and NORC

# Education

Kristi Williams

2000 PhD in Sociology The University of Texas, Austin 1997 MA in Sociology The University of Texas, Austin 1992 BBA in Marketing The University of Texas, Austin

# Honors and Awards

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| 2017 | Joan N. Huber Faculty Fellow Award, Social and Behavioral Sciences Division, The Ohio State University. |
| 2008 | Outstanding Faculty Award, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. |
| 2004 | Health Disparities Scholar, National Institutes of Health, Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities. |
| 2004 | Early Career Award, International Society of Behavioral Medicine, Mainz, Germany. |
| 2001 | New Professional Award, National Council on Family Relations. |
| 2001 | Best Dissertation in the Sociology of Mental Health, American Sociological Association, Mental Health Section. |

**Published Research**

2024 Rutter, Virgnia, **Kristi Williams**, and Barbara Risman.(eds.) *Families as They Really Are*. New York: W.W. Norton

2022 Carlson, Daniel, Richard Petts, Priya Fielding-Singh, and **Kristi Williams**. “Between a Rock and a Hard Place: COVID Concerns and US Mothers Employment During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Socius.*

2019 **Williams, Kristi** and Brian K. Finch. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and

Nonmarital Fertility, and Women’s Health at Midlife.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 60 (3): 309–325.

2017 **Williams, Kristi**, Adrianne Frech and Daniel Carlson. "Marriage and Mental Health." Pp. 322–337 in *A Handbook for the Study of Mental Health: Social Contexts, Theories, and Systems*, 3rd edition. Edited by Teresa Scheid and Eric R. Wright.

Cambridge University Press.

2016 Addo, Fenaba, Sharon Sassler and **Kristi Williams**. “Reexamining the Association of Maternal Age and Marital Status at First Birth with Youth Educational Attainment.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 78(5): 1252–1268.

2016 Umberson, Debra, Mieke Beth Thomeer, **Kristi Williams**, Patricia A. Thomas, and Hui Liu. “Childhood Adversity and Men’s Relationships in Adulthood. Life Course Processes and Racial Disadvantage.” *Journals of Gerontology* 71(5): 902–913.

2016 **Williams, Kristi**. “Promoting Marriage among Single Mothers: An Ineffective Weapon in the War on Poverty?” In *Families as They Really Are* (2nd ed.), BJ Risman and V. Rutter (Eds). NY: Norton.

2015 **Williams, Kristi**, Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo, and Adrianne Frech. “First Birth Timing, Marital History, and Women’s Health at Midlife.” *Journal of Health and Social*

*Behavior* 56(4): 513–533. [\*Covered by 13 news outlets (In top 5% of research outputs in Altmetrics)](https://sage.altmetric.com/details/4874536/news)

2015 Painter, Matthew, Adrianne Frech and **Kristi Williams**. “Nonmarital Fertility, Union History, and Women’s Wealth.” *Demography* 52: 153–182.

2014 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, Patricia Thomas, and Cathy Liu. “Race, Gender and Chains of Disadvantage: Childhood Adversity, Social Relationships and Health.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 55: 20–38.

2014 Haynie, Dana, Brian Soller, and **Kristi Williams**. “Anticipating Early Fatality: Friends', Schoolmates' and Individual Perceptions of Fatality on Adolescent Risk Behaviors.” *Journal of Youth and Adolescence* 43: 175–192.

2014 Deborah Carr, Kristen Springer, and **Kristi Williams**. “Health and Family.” Pp. 255–276 In Judith Treas, Ed. *Blackwell Companion to the Sociology of Family*.

2013 **Williams, Kristi**, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Fenaba Addo and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Mothers’ Union Histories and the Mental and Physical Health of Adolescents Born to Unmarried Mothers.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 53(3): 278–295.

2013 Sassler, Sharon, **Kristi Williams**, Fenaba Addo, Adrianne Frech, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Family Structure and Educational Attainment: How Children Born to Unwed Mothers Fare.” *Genus: Journal of Population Sciences* 69(2): 1–33.

2013 Thomeer, Mieke, Debra Umberson and **Kristi Williams**. “Women, Stress, and Health.”

Pp. 685–695 in *Women and Health* (2nd ed.), M B. Goldman, R. Troisi, and K.M. Rexrode (eds.). Elsevier.

2012 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, and Meike Thomeer. “Family Status and Mental

Health: 21st Century Evidence.” Pp. 405–431 in *Handbook of the Sociology of Mental Health* (2nd edition), C. Aneshensel, J. Phelan, and A. Bierman (eds.). NY: Klewer/Plenum.

2011 **Williams, Kristi**, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Elizabeth Cooksey, and Fenaba Addo. “Nonmarital Fertility, Union History and Women’s Health at Midlife.” *American Sociological Review* 76(3): 465–486.

2011 Kroeger, Rhiannon and **Kristi Williams**. “Consequences of Black Exceptionalism?

Interracial Unions with Blacks, Depressive Symptoms and Relationship Satisfaction.”

*The Sociological Quarterly* 52(3): 400–420.

2011 Carlson, Daniel and **Kristi Williams**. “Parenthood, Life Course Expectations, and Mental Health.” *Society and Mental Health* 1(1): 20–40.

2009 Surra, Catherine A., Melissa Curran, and **Kristi Williams**. “Thinking and Talking About Relationships: Effects of Participation in a Longitudinal Study of Relationships.” *Personal Relationships* 16: 1–21.

2009 **Williams, Kristi**, Adrianne Frech, and Daniel L. Carlson. “Marital Status and Mental Health” Pp. 306–320 in *A Handbook for the Study of Mental Health* (2nd ed.), edited by Teresa Scheid. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

2008 Stolzenberg, Ross M. and **Kristi Williams**. "Gendered Reciprocity: Work Discontent and the Household Production of Health." Social Science Research 37:180–201.

2008 **Williams, Kristi**, Sharon Sassler, and Lisa Nicholson. “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.

2008 **Williams, Kristi**. “Has the Future of Marriage Arrived? A Contemporary Examination of Gender, Marriage, and Psychological Well–Being” (reprint) in *Mental Health, Vol IV: Mental Health and the Structure of Society*, T. Scheid. (ed.) Taylor and Francis.

2007 Frech, Adrianne and **Kristi Williams**. “Depression and the Psychological Benefits of Marriage.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 48: 149–163.

2006 **Williams, Kristi** and Alexandra Dunne–Bryant. “Marital Dissolution and Adult Psychological Well–Being: Clarifying the Role of Gender and Child Age” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 68: 1178–96.

2006 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi William**s, Daniel A. Powers, Hui Liu, and Belinda Needham. “You Make Me Sick: Marital Quality and Health Over the Life Course.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 47: 1–16.

2005 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, Daniel A. Powers, Hui Liu, and Belinda Needham. “Stress in Childhood and Adulthood: Effects on Marital Quality Over Time” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 67: 1332–1347.

2005 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, Dan Powers, Meichu Chen and Anna Campbell. “As Good as It Gets? A Life Course Perspective on Marital Quality.” *Social Forces* 84: 493–511.

2005 Umberson, Debra and **Kristi Williams**. “Marital Quality, Health, and Aging: Gender Equity?” *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 60B: S109–S113.

2004 **Williams, Kristi**. “The Transition to Widowhood and the Social Regulation of Health:

Consequences for Health and Health–Risk Behavior.” *Journals of Gerontology:*

*Social Sciences* 59: S343–S349.

2004 **Williams, Kristi** and Debra Umberson. “Marital Status, Marital Transitions and Health: A Gendered Life Course Perspective.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 45(1): 81–98.

2003 **Williams, Kristi.** “Has the Future of Marriage Arrived? A Contemporary Examination of Gender, Marriage, and Psychological Well–Being.” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 44(4): 470–487.

2003 Frisco, Michelle L. and **Kristi Williams**. “Perceived Housework Equity, Marital Happiness and Divorce in Dual–Earner Households.” *Journal of Family Issues* 24: 51–73.

2003 Umberson, Debra, Kristin L. Anderson, **Kristi Williams**, Meichu Chen, and Anna M.

Campbell. “Relationship Dynamics, Emotion State, and Domestic Violence: A Stress and Masculinities Perspective.” *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 65(1): 233–247.

2002 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, and Kristin Anderson. “Violent Behavior: Measure

of Emotional Upset?” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 43(2): 189–206.

2002 **Williams, Kristi** and Lianne Kurina. “The Social Structure, Stress, and Women’s Health.” *Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology* 45(4): 1099–1118.

2000 Umberson, Debra, **Kristi Williams**, and Susan Sharp. “Medical Sociology and Health Psychology.” Pp. 353–364 in *Handbook of Medical Sociology*, edited by Chloe Bird, Peter Conrad, and Allen M. Freemont. Plenum.

2000 **Williams, Kristi** and Debra Umberson. “Women, Stress, and Health.” Pp. 553–562 in

*Women and Health,* edited by Marlene B. Goldman and Maureen C. Hatch. Academic Press.

2000 Angel, Ronald and **Kristi Williams**. “Cultural Models of Health and Illness.” In *Handbook of Multi–Cultural Mental Health*, edited by Israel Cuellar and Freddy A. Paniagua. Academic Press.

1999 **Williams, Kristi** and Debra Umberson. “Medical Technology and Childbirth:

Experiences of Expectant Mothers and Fathers.” *Sex Roles* 41: 147–168.

1999 Umberson, Debra and **Kristi Williams**. “Family Status and Mental Health.” Pp. 225– 253 in *Handbook of the Sociology of Mental Health*, Edited by Carol Aneshensel and Jo Phelan. NY: Klewer Academic/Plenum.

# External Research Grants

2022- Motherhood Biographies and Midlife Women’s Health (Consultant). MPI: Rin Reczek 2023 and Mieke Beth Thomeer. National Institutes of Health, NIA: R01AG069251 ($485,803)

2021- Union History and Midlife Health (Consultant) PI: Zhenchao Qian. National Institutes 2023 of Health, NIA R03AG073938 ($159,230)

2007 – Marriage and Cohabitation among Single Mothers: Consequences for Two 2011 Generations. PI: Kristi Williams. National Institutes of Health, NICHD. ($977,594).

2004 – Personal Relationships and Health Over the Life Course. PI: Kristi Williams. National 2006 Institutes of Health, National Institute on Aging. ($134,550).

2004 – Health Disparities Scholar Loan Repayment Program. National Institutes of Health, 2010 National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities. ($58,000 loan repayment).

2000 – National Research Service Award. National Institutes of Health, National Institute on 2002 Aging, Postdoctoral Fellowship at The University of Chicago, Center on Aging.

($60,000)

# Other Publications

2021 Stacey, Lawrence and **Kristi Williams**. “[Why Families Need More Financial Support](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/family-financial-support-covid-fact-sheet/)  [during the COVID-19 Pandemic](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/family-financial-support-covid-fact-sheet/): A Fact Sheet Prepared for the Council on Contemporary Families.”

2020 **Williams, Kristi.** “[Long-term Risks to Children from Economic Toll of COVID-19](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/children-economic-toll-covid-19-fact-sheet/): A Fact

Sheet Prepared for the Council on Contemporary Families.”

2020 **Williams, Kristi**. “The Decade in Review.” Journal of Marriage and Family 82(1): 7–8. 2017 **Williams, Kristi**. “From the Editor.” Journal of Marriage and Family 79(1): 7–9.

2015 **Williams, Kristi**. “[Sound Data Needed to Curb Sexual Assaults](http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/editorials/2015/10/11/1-sound-data-needed-to-curb-sexual-assaults.html).” Op–Ed Column.

Columbus Dispatch, 10/11/2015.

2014 **Williams, Kristi**. “[What Can Reduce Unintended Pregnancies and Increase Stable](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabitation-divorce-commentaries/)  [Relationships](https://contemporaryfamilies.org/cohabitation-divorce-commentaries/)?” Report for the Council on Contemporary Families. March 2014.

2014 **Williams, Kristi**. “[Black Men and Families](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/08/04/opinion/women-in-low-wage-jobs-black-men-and-families.html?_r=0).” Letter to the Editor. The New York Times, 7/19/2014.

2014 **Williams, Kristi**. “[Promoting Marriage among Single Mothers: An Ineffective Weapon](http://www.contemporaryfamilies.org/marriage-ineffective-in-war-on-poverty-report/)  [in the War on Poverty](http://www.contemporaryfamilies.org/marriage-ineffective-in-war-on-poverty-report/)?” Report prepared for the Council on Contemporary Families. *Symposium: 50th Anniversary of the War on Poverty: Have We Snatched Defeat from the Jaws of Victory?* \*Also published at [The Society Pages.](http://thesocietypages.org/ccf/2014/08/18/single-mothers-marriage/)

2014 **Williams, Kristi**. “[Does Having a Child Early Influence a Woman’s Health](http://oncampus.osu.edu/kristi-williams-sociology/)?” Research

Summary for *On Campus: Ask the Expert*. Ohio State University.

2013 **Williams, Kristi.** “[Should Women Delay Motherhood? Consider Social and Economic](https://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2013/07/08/should-women-delay-motherhood/social-and-economic-factors-in-childbearing)  [Factors](https://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2013/07/08/should-women-delay-motherhood/social-and-economic-factors-in-childbearing).” Room for Debate. The New York Times. 07/09/2013.

2013 **Williams, Kristi**, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, Fenaba Addo and Elizabeth Cooksey. “[Does Nonmarital Childbearing and Mother’s Later Marriage Influence](http://www.asanet.org/journals/JHSB/JHSB%20Policy%20Brief%20September%202013.pdf)  [Child Health in Adolescence](http://www.asanet.org/journals/JHSB/JHSB%20Policy%20Brief%20September%202013.pdf)?” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior Policy Briefs*.

2008 **Williams, Kristi**. “Americans’ Changing Lives” in *Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development*, edited by Deborah Carr. Gale Cengage.

2005 **Williams, Kristi.** Review of The Rise of Viagra: How the Little Blue Pill Changed Sex in America (Author: Meika Loe). *Journal of the American Medical Association* 293(2): 238.

2000 **Williams, Kristi** and Debra Umberson. “Mental Disorders and Social Factors.” Pp. 1–5 in

C. D. Bryant (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Criminology and Deviant Behavior* (Vol. IV). Philadelphia, PA: Brunner–Routledge.

# Internal Research Grants

2020 The Intergenerational Transmission of Adverse Childhood Experiences.” PI. Institute

for Population Research Seed Grant. The Ohio State University. ($26,573).

2019 Adverse Childhood Experiences and Adult Health: Social, Behavioral, and Genetic Pathways.” PI. Sociology Department Seed Grant. The Ohio State University. ($22,212).

2012 Mexican American Fertility: A Cause for Concern? Co–PI with Reanne Frank.

Initiative in Population Research Seed Grant. The Ohio State University ($11,420).

2010 The Influence of Peer Networks on Health Risk Behaviors in Adolescence. Co–PI with Dana Haynie. Initiative in Population Research Seed Grant. The Ohio State University ($39,717).

2007 Family Structure Change and the Health and Well–Being of Adults and Children.

Co–Investigator with Clare Kamp Dush (PI), Stephen A. Petrill, and Zhenchao Qian. Population and Health Targeted Investment in Excellence Initiative. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. The Ohio State University ($30,005).

2003 Personal Relationships Over the Life Course. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Small Grant. The Ohio State University. ($1,000).

# Invited Research Talks

2020 Williams, Kristi. “Missing Links? Social Developmental Pathways from Childhood Adversity to Later Life Health.” Social Demography Seminars. Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies. Harvard University.

2020 Williams, Kristi. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Marital History, and Midlife Health.”

IPR Seminar. Institute for Population Research, The Ohio State University.

2019 Williams, Kristi, “Emerging Issues in Family Life: The Importance of Family Experiences to Women’s Health Over the Life Course.” OLLI Sage Seminar Series. University of Texas at Austin.

2019 Williams, Kristi. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Fertility Context, and Women’s Health at Midlife.” School of Gerontology, USC, Los Angeles, CA.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and Nonmarital Fertility and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University, Providence, RI.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and Nonmarital Fertility and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Population Research Institute, Penn State, State College, PA.

2015 Williams, Kristi. 2015. “Mental Health: Race, Childhood Adversity, and Social Relationships.” Population Health Conference, The National Academies of Science, Washington, D.C.

2015 Williams, Kristi. 2015. “Health Consequences of Adolescent and Young Adult Fertility: Is Later Marriage a Risk?” Maryland Family Symposium, University of Maryland.

College Park, MD.

2015 Williams, Kristi. 2015. “Health Consequences of Adolescent and Young Adult Fertility: Is Later Marriage a Risk?” Human Development and Family Science Brownbag, Ohio State University.

2014 Williams, Kristi. “Health Consequences of Adolescent and Young Adult Fertility: Is Later Marriage a Risk?” USC Dornsife Population Research Center. University of

Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.

2014 Williams, Kristi. “Nonmarital Fertility, Women, and Poverty.” Discussant at the O’Leary

Memorial Lecture. College of Social Work. The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

2013 Williams, Kristi. “Social Distortion: Population Heterogeneity vs. a Tyranny of Averages

in Research on Marriage and Family Processes.” Rice University, Houston, TX.

2013 Williams, Kristi. “Early and Nonmarital Childbearing and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Korean Women’s Development Institute. Seoul, South Korea.

2012 Williams, Kristi. “Early and Nonmarital Childbearing and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Parental Well–Being in Contemporary Context Symposium. Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green OH.

2012 Williams, Kristi. Early and Nonmarital Childbearing and Women’s Health at Midlife.”

Institute for Population Research, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

2010 Williams, Kristi and Michelle Frisco. “Family Structure, Family Relationships and Health over the Life Course.” Breaking New Ground in the Population Sciences. University of Texas at Austin Population Research Center, Austin, TX.

2010 Williams, Kristi. “Single Mothers, Union History, and Health at Midlife.” Center for Demography and Ecology and Center on Demography of Aging. University of Wisconsin–Madison. Madison, WI.

2006 Williams, Kristi. “For Better or For Worse? The Impact of Union Transitions on the Health

and Well–Being of Single Mothers.” Center for Family and Demographic Research.

Bowling Green State University.

2006 Williams, Kristi. “Race Disparities in Obesity over the Life Course: Exploring the Role of Stress.” Inequalities in Health and Well–Being over the Life Course Conference, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH.

2006 Williams, Kristi. “For Better or For Worse? The Impact of Marriage and Cohabitation on the Health and Well–Being of Single Mothers.” Initiative in Population Research, The Ohio State University.

2005 Williams, Kristi. “Personal Relationships, Stress, and the Race Gap in Obesity Among Women.” Gender, Relationships, and Health Conference. University of Texas. Austin, TX.

2005 Williams, Kristi. “For Better or For Worse? The Impact of Union Transitions on the Health and Well–Being of Single Mothers.” Bronfrenbrenner Life Course Center, Cornell University, Ithaca NY.

2004 Williams, Kristi. Keynote address. “Transitions in Later Life: Implications for Health and Well–Being.” Coping with Change Conference. Ohio State University Retirees Association, Columbus, OH.

2004 Williams, Kristi. “You Make Me Sick: Marital Quality and Health over the Life Course.”

RAND, Santa Monica CA, Sociology and Demography Seminar Series. Los Angeles, CA.

2004 Williams, Kristi. “As Good as it Gets? A Life Course Perspective on Marital Quality.” The Ohio State University, Department of Sociology Brownbag Series. Columbus, OH. Columbus, OH.

2001 Williams, Kristi. Has the Future of Marriage Arrived? A Contemporary Examination of Gender Differences in the Health Consequences of Marriage. “Rice University Department of Sociology and the Texas Institute for Society and Health, University of

Texas School of Public Health, Houston, TX.

2001 Stolzenberg, Ross M. and Kristi Williams. “Gendered Justice, the Spousal Division of Labor, and the Household Production of Health and Illness: A Theoretical Framework and Some Preliminary Results.” Working Families Workshop. Alfred P. Sloan Family Center on Parents, Children & Work. University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2000 Williams, Kristi. 2000. “Marital Status Transitions and Physical Health: A Life Course Perspective.” Demography Workshop. Population Research Center. NORC and the University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

# Invited Didactic Talks

2022 Williams, Kristi and Barbara Risman. “Publishing in Peer Reviewed Journals.”

Council on Contemporary Families Mentoring Program

2022 Williams, Kristi, Vinnie Roscigno, and Anthony Johnson. “Responding to Reviewers.”

Department of Sociology. The Ohio State University

2021 Williams, Kristi, Vinnie Roscigno, Dave Melamed, and Mike Vuolo. “Publishing in Academic Journals.” Department of Sociology Graduate Proseminar. The Ohio State University

2019 Williams, Kristi, Mark Fine, and Wendy Middlemass. “Ask the Editors: Tips for Publishing in NCFR Journals.” Annual Conference of the National Council on Family Relations. Fort Worth, TX.

2019 Williams, Kristi, Jenny Van Hook, Jeffrey Bingenheimer. Panel on “Getting Published in Peer–Reviewed Journals: What Editors Look for.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.

2019 Williams, Kristi. “Roundtable on Academic Publishing.” School of Gerontology, USC,

Los Angeles, CA.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Flip It! How to Flip a Classroom (and Why).” Sociology 6902: Teaching

Sociology. Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Publish It! The Process of Publishing.” Department of Sociology,

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Publish It! The Process of Publishing.” Proseminar. Department of

Sociology, The Ohio State University.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Publish It! The Process of Publishing.” Graduate Interdisciplinary

Specialization in Demography, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University.

2018 Williams, Kristi, Jason Hans, and Mark Fine. “Ask the Editors: Tips for Publishing in NCFR Journals.” Annual Conference of the National Council on Family Relations. San Diego, CA.

2018 Williams, Kristi. “Roundtable on Academic Publishing” Population Studies and

Training Center, Brown University, Providence, RI.

2017 Williams, Kristi, Jason Hans, and Libby Blume. “Ask the Editors: Tips for Publishing in NCFR Journals.” Annual Conference of the National Council on Family Relations.

Orlando, FL.

2016 Williams, Kristi, Jason Hans, and Libby Blume. “How to Publish in NCFR Journals.” Annual Conference of the National Council on Family Relations. Minneapolis, MN.

2010 Williams, Kristi. Panel Discussion on Navigating the Academic Job Market.

Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.

# Conference Presentations

2022 Stacey, Lawrence, Rin Reczek, Kristi Williams, Jake Hays, and Mieke Beth Thomeer. “Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Mother-Adult Child Contact, Closeness, and Estrangement.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Cleveland, OH.

2022 Stacey, Lawrence and Kristi Williams. Intergenerational Consequences of Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences for Emotional Support and Cognitive Stimulation of Children. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Atlanta, GA.

2019 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Marital History, and Midlife Health.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Austin, TX

2018 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch.” Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and Nonmarital Fertility, and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Denver, CO.

2018 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and

Nonmarital Fertility and Women’s Health at Midlife.” International Conference on

Social Stress Research, Athens, Greece

2018 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Fertility Timing and Context and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Population Association of America. Denver, CO.

2017 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch. “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Timing and Context of Family Formation and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences. Austin, Texas.

2017 Williams, Kristi and Brian Karl Finch, “Adverse Childhood Experiences, Early and Nonmarital Fertility and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Stirling, Scotland.

2015 Williams, Kristi. “Race, Childhood Adversity, and Social Relationships.” Annual Conference of the Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences. National Academies of Science, Washington, DC.

2014 Williams, Kristi and Anna Muraveva. “In Good Times and In Bad: Marital Status, Marital Quality and Vulnerability to Stress.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.

2014 Painter, Matthew, Adrianne Frech, and Kristi Williams. “Nonmarital Fertility, Union History, and Women’s Wealth.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston, MA

2014 Rouleau, Tanya and Kristi Williams. “Early Life Adversity and Inequalities in Fertility

and Family Structure Across the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.

2014 Frank, Reanne, Elizabeth Wildsmith, and Kristi Williams. “Hispanic/Mexican Fertility: A Cause for Concern?” 2014 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America.

2013 Williams, Kristi, Patricia Thomas, Debra Umberson, Cynthia Colen. “Adult Life Course Transitions, Social Ties and Mental Health.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies. Amsterdam.

2013 Frech, Adrianne, Matthew Painter and Kristi Williams. “Nonmarital Fertility, Union History, and Women's Wealth.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2012 Sassler, Sharon, Fenaba Addo, and Kristi Williams. “Maternal Union Status and Youth Educational Attainment: Does Age at Birth Matter?” Annual Meeting of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies/EUCCONET. Paris, France.

2012 Umberson, Debra, Kristi Williams, and Anita DeLongis. “Social Ties and Health at the Intersection of Race and Gender.” Annual Meeting of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies/EUCCONET. Paris, France.

2012 Williams, Kristi, Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Early Childbearing, Union History and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. San Francisco, CA.

2010 Carlson, Daniel and Kristi Williams. “Parenthood, Life Course Expectations, and Mental Health.” International Conference on Social Stress Research, Portsmouth, NH.

2011 Haynie, Dana, Brian Soller, and Kristi Williams. “Anticipating Early Fatality: Role of School, Peer, and Individual Perceptions of Fatality on Risk Behaviors.” Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology. Washington, D.C.

2011 Williams, Kristi, Sharon Sassler, Fenaba Addo, Elizabeth Cooksey, and Adrianne Frech. “Early Childbearing, Union History, and Women’s Health at Midlife.” Annual Meeting of the British Society for Population Studies, York, U.K.

2011 Williams, Kristi, Fenaba Addo, and Adrianne Frech. “Family Structure and Early Childbearing: How Children Born to Unwed Mothers Fare.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington DC.

2010 Sassler, Sharon, Kristi Williams, Fenaba Addo and Adrianne Frech. “Family Structure and Outcomes in Emerging Adulthood: How Children Born to Unwed Mothers Fare.” International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Seminar on Intergenerational Ties and Transitions to Adulthood.” Milan, Italy.

2010 Williams, Kristi, Sharon Sassler, and Elizabeth Cooksey. “Mother’s Union History and the Health of Children Born to Single Mothers.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.

2009 Frech, Adrianne and Kristi Williams. “Early Life Course Transitions and Healthy Behavior Trajectories between Adolescence and Emerging Adulthood.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California.

2009 Williams, Kristi, Sharon Sassler, Adrianne Frech, and Fenaba Addo. “Single Mothers, Union History, and Health at Midlife.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.

2007 Kroeger, Rhiannon and Kristi Williams. “Interracial Relationships and Psychological

Well–Being among Young Adults in Contemporary Society.” Annual Meeting of

the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.

2006 Copley, Leeda and Kristi Williams. “The Gender Effects of Childhood Disadvantage on Later–Life Health and Well–Being.” Tenth International Conference on Social Stress Research, Portsmouth NH.

2006 Williams, Kristi and Adrianne Frech. “Race, Stress, and Obesity over the Life Course.”

Tenth International Conference on Social Stress Research, Portsmouth NH.

2006 Copley, Leeda and Kristi Williams. “The Impact of Childhood Disadvantage on Health in Later Life.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec.

2006 Adrianne Frech and Kristi Williams. “Depression and the Psychological Benefits of Marriage.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec.

2006 Williams, Kristi and Adrianne Frech. “Gender and Race Disparities in Obesity over the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.

2006 Adrianne Frech and Kristi Williams. “Depression and the Psychological Benefits of Marriage.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, CA.

2005 Williams, Kristi, Sharon Sassler and Lisa Nicholson. “For Better or for Worse? The Consequences of Marriage and Cohabitation for the Health and Well–Being of Single Mothers.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, PA.

2005 Williams, Kristi. “Marital Dissolution, Family Life Course Stage and Adult Psychological Well–Being.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, PA.

2004 Williams, Kristi. “Widowhood, Health Regulation, and Health Behavior.” 8th

International Congress of Behavioral Medicine, Mainz, Germany.

2004 Umberson, Debra, Kristi Williams and Dan Powers. “As Good as it Gets? Marital Quality Over the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.

2004 Leach, Lisa, Crystal Stephens and Kristi Williams. “Gender, Friendship Networks and Adolescent Mental Health.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.

2003 Williams, Kristi. “Remarriage and Psychological Well–Being.” Annual Meeting of the

American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.

2003 Stolzenberg, Ross M. and Kristi Williams. “Gendering, Psychic Rewards and the Effects of Husband's and Wife's Work on Each Other's Health.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Minneapolis, MN.

2003 Williams, Kristi. “Consequences of the Transition to Remarriage for Psychological Well–Being: An Explanation of Gender and Life Course Variations.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Minneapolis, MN.

2002 Williams, Kristi. “Late–Life Widowhood and the Social Regulation of Health.” Annual

Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

2002 Umberson, Debra, Kristi Williams, Sinnika Elliot, and Anna Campbell. “Predicting Downturns in Marital Quality Over the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the

Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

2001 Williams, Kristi. “The Impact of Marital Status Stability and Change on Physical Health Across the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Anaheim, CA.

2001 Williams, Kristi. “Marital Status Stability, Marital Transitions, and Physical Health

Status: A Life Course Perspective.” Annual Meeting of the Population Association

of America. Washington, D.C.

2001 Williams, Kristi. “Has the Future of Marriage Arrived? A Contemporary Examination of the Effects of Marital Status and Marital Quality on the Psychological Well–Being of Women and Men.” Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations. Rochester, NY.

2001 Williams, Kristi and Debra Umberson. “Sex Across the Life Course: Implications for Mental and Physical Health.” Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America. Chicago, IL.

2001 Surra, Catherine A. and Kristi Williams. “Effects of Research Participation on the Relationships of Premarital Partners.“ Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Rochester, NY.

2001 Umberson, Debra, Kristin Anderson, Kristi Williams, Meichu Chen and Anna Marie Campbell. 2001. “Relationship Dynamics, Emotion State, and Domestic Violence.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Anaheim, CA.

2001 Umberson, Debra, Kristi Williams, Anna Campbell, and Meichu Chen. 2001.

“Marital Quality Over the Life Course.” Annual Meeting of the Gerontological

Society of America. Chicago, IL.

2000 Williams, Kristi. “Marital Status, Marital Quality, and Health: A Reconsideration and Clarification of Gender Differences.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Washington, D.C.

2000 Umberson, Debra, Kristi Williams, and Kristin Anderson. “Violence as a Gendered Expression of Psychological Distress.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Washington, D.C.

1998 Williams, Kristi and Catherine A. Surra. “The Effects of Research Participation on the Relationship Satisfaction of Premarital Partners.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California.

1997 Williams, Kristi and Debra Umberson. 1997. “Gender, Medicine, and Technology: The Social Construction of Expectant Fatherhood.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, Ontario.

# Teaching

* Seminar in Family Sociology (graduate)
* Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate; in–person and hybrid versions)
* Sociology of Death and Dying (undergraduate)
* Social Epidemiology and Population Health (graduate seminar)
* Sociology of Health: Mental and Physical Dimensions (undergraduate and graduate)
* Statistics in Sociology (graduate; undergraduate; honors; in–person and hybrid)
* Social Demography of Aging (undergraduate & graduate – University of Chicago)
* Introduction to Social Research (undergraduate – University of Texas)

# Dissertations & Theses Directed

Master’s Theses at Ohio State:

* Adrianne Frech, Ohio State University, 2005
* Leeda Copley, Ohio State University, 2005
* Rhiannon Kroeger, Ohio State University, 2006
* Yun Zhang, Ohio State University, 2012
* Tanya Rouleau, Ohio State University, 2014
* Jake Hays, Ohio State University, 2017
* Xueqian Chen, Ohio State University, 2024

PhD Dissertations at Ohio State:

* Adrianne Frech, 2009 [University of Missouri, Columbia; Rice University]
* Daniel Carlson, 2011 [University of Utah; Georgia State University]
* Rhiannon Kroeger, 2012 [Louisiana State University; University of Texas Austin]
* Anna Muraveva, 2019
* Jake Hays, Ohio State University, 2021 [University of Michigan}

# Service to the Profession

Editorial Boards:

* Editorial Board, Journal of Marriage and Family, 2021-present
* Editor, Journal of Marriage and Family, 2016–2020
* Deputy Editor, Society and Mental Health, 2013–2016.
* Associate Editor, Demography, 2013 – 2014.
* Associate Editor, Journal of Health and Social Behavior. 2009–2012; 2003–2006.
* Editorial Board, Encyclopedia of Quality-of-Life Research, ed. by Alex Michalos. Springer. 2010–2013.

Grant Review Panels:

* National Institutes of Health (NICHD, Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch, Health Behavior and Context subcommittee, Panel Member. 2006; 2009–2010.
* National Science Foundation, Reviewer. 2009; 2006.
* Anthony Marchionne Foundation for the Scientific Study of Human Relations and Psychological Processes, Reviewer, 2006.
* Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Reviewer, 2005.

Professional Associations and Advisory Boards:

* President of the Board of Directors, Council on Contemporary Families, 2019–2022.
* Chair, Subcommittee on Marriage, Families, Households, and Unions, Program Committee of the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX.
* Chair, Incoming Chair, Past Chair, American Sociological Association, Section on the Sociology of Mental Health, 2015–2018.
* Senior Scholar, Board Member, Secretary, Council on Contemporary Families. 2014– present.
* Chair, Nominations Committee, Family Section of the American Sociological Association, 2014–2015.
* Council Member, Section on the Sociology of Mental Health, American Sociological Association, 2010–2011.
* National Advisory Board Member, National Longitudinal Surveys of Youth 1979 Young Adults, 2006–7.
* Selection Committee, Student Paper Competition, Mental Health section of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, 2006.
* Nominations Committee, American Sociological Association, Medical Sociology Section, 2000.

Professional Conferences:

* Session Organizer, Paper Session at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, 2023.
* Discussant, Demography of Mental Health, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver CO, 2018.
* Poster Session Judge, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL. 2017 & 2019.
* Session Organizer, Paper Sessions at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL., April 2017.
* Conference Program Chair, Council on Contemporary Families Conference,

“Families As They Really Are: Demography, Disparities, and Debates.” Austin, TX, 2016.

* Session Organizer, Paper Sessions at the Annual Meeting of the American

Sociological Association “Population Health” and “Health, Class, and Inequality.”

Seattle WA, 2016.

* Williams, Kristi. Discussant for Session on Families and Health. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. Boston, MA, 2014.
* Presider, Paper Session on Methods for Mortality Analysis, Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX, 2010.
* Faculty Instructor, National Longitudinal Surveys (NLS) Young Adult Workshop, Center for Human Resources Research, Columbus, OH, 2005 & 2009.
* Organizer, Section on Sociology of Mental Health paper session, Social Disparities and Mental Health, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY, 2007.
* Conference Co–Organizer, Inequalities in Health and Well–Being over the Life Course. The Ohio State University, Columbus OH, 2006.
* Presider, Section on Sociology of Mental Health paper session, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec, 2006.
* Discussant for Health Disparities session. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, 2004.
* Discussant for Race and Family session. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston MA, 2004.
* Organizer, Medical Sociology Roundtables. Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, 2003.

External Evaluator:

* External Review: Department of Sociology, San Diego State University, 2020-2021
* External Evaluator. PhD Dissertation. Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University. Port Elizabeth, South Africa. 2015.
* External Evaluator, PhD Thesis. Reesha Kara, “Nonmarital Fertility in South Africa: Trends, Determinants, and Implications.” Rhodes University, South Africa. 2019.
* Promotion to Full Professor. Department of Sociology, University of Indianapolis, 2020.
* Promotion to Associate Professor with tenure, Department of Sociology, University of California, Riverside, 2020.
* Promotion to Full Professor. LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin, 2020.
* Promotion to Full Professor. Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana/Champaign. 2020.
* Promotion to Associate Professor with tenure. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado, Boulder. 2020.

Other:

* Selection Committee, Elizabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Research on Work and Family, 2011 & 2012.

# Service to the Public / Selected Media Coverage

Radio Interviews

* WHYY Philadelphia, Radio Times. [Solitude and the Creative Life](https://whyy.org/episodes/solitude-and-the-creative-life/). 12/14/2020.
* Marketplace (American Public Media). Amy Scott. [A Baltimore Program Tries to Help](https://www.marketplace.org/2017/12/12/wealth-poverty/baltimore-program-tries-help-unmarried-couples-children-build-more-stable-relationships)  [Unmarried Couples with Children Build More Stable Relationships.](https://www.marketplace.org/2017/12/12/wealth-poverty/baltimore-program-tries-help-unmarried-couples-children-build-more-stable-relationships)12/12/2017.
* WOSU/NPR– All Sides with Ann Fisher, Wellness Wednesday, “[Marriage, Prescribing](http://radio.wosu.org/post/wellness-wednesday-marriage-prescribing-opioids-caring-cancer-patients)  [Opioids, Caring for Cancer Patients](http://radio.wosu.org/post/wellness-wednesday-marriage-prescribing-opioids-caring-cancer-patients).” Live Radio Interview. 12.7/2016.
* BYU Radio – Matt Townsend Show. “[Timing of First Birth](http://www.byuradio.org/episode/19b18b40-e9e9-4681-8af7-41aa1ec3bc81/the-matt-townsend-show-supreme-court-timing-of-first-birth-relationships-difficulty?playhead=4007&autoplay=true)” Live Radio Interview. 2/22/2016.
* WCPN – Cleveland Public Radio. “[War on Poverty: Who’s Winning](http://www.ideastream.org/soi/entry/58853)” Live Radio

Interview. 1/13/14.

* Talk 910 AM (San Francisco) with Gil Gross. Live Radio Interview. 1/8/14.
* 570 WKBN, Youngstown, Ohio. Interview with Mike Romigh. 1/17/14.
* KCSN News Northridge, CA. Interview for latinalt.org. 2/11/14

Interviews for Print and Internet Media

* The Guardian. Hannah Devlin. [In sickness and health? Signs couples live longer](https://www.theguardian.com/society/2023/mar/03/in-sickness-and-health-signs-couples-live-longer-shouldnt-worry-singletons)

[shouldn’t worry singletons, March 3, 2023.](https://www.theguardian.com/society/2023/mar/03/in-sickness-and-health-signs-couples-live-longer-shouldnt-worry-singletons)

* Deseret News. Lois Collins. [Why pausing evictions likely won’t help kids harmed by](https://www.deseret.com/2021/8/4/22607674/why-pausing-evictions-likely-wont-help-kids-harmed-by-uncertainty-and-instability-biden-cdc)

[housing uncertainty and instability](https://www.deseret.com/2021/8/4/22607674/why-pausing-evictions-likely-wont-help-kids-harmed-by-uncertainty-and-instability-biden-cdc). 8/4/2021.

* Deseret News. Lois Collins. [COVID-19’s economic devastation could haunt children](https://www.deseret.com/indepth/2020/7/31/21344844/utah-coronavirus-economy-poverty-hunger-food-insecurity-homelessness-education-census-byu)  [into their future](https://www.deseret.com/indepth/2020/7/31/21344844/utah-coronavirus-economy-poverty-hunger-food-insecurity-homelessness-education-census-byu). 7/31/20.
* The Philadelphia Inquirer. Alfred Lubrano. [Number of Households with Hungry](https://www.inquirer.com/news/coronavirus-pandemic-childhood-hunger-housing-insecurity-20200728.html)  [Children Nearing 14 million, study finds](https://www.inquirer.com/news/coronavirus-pandemic-childhood-hunger-housing-insecurity-20200728.html). 7/28/20.
* New York Times. [How to Make Your Marriage Gayer](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/02/13/opinion/sunday/marriage-housework-gender-happiness.html). Stephanie Coontz. 2/13/20.
* The Atlantic. Brian Alexander. [What is the ‘Success Sequence’ and Why Do So Many](https://www.theatlantic.com/family/archive/2018/07/get-out-of-poverty-success-sequence/566414/)

[Conservatives Like It?](https://www.theatlantic.com/family/archive/2018/07/get-out-of-poverty-success-sequence/566414/) 7/30/18.

* The New York Times. Stephanie Coontz. [For a Better Marriage, Act Like a Single](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/02/10/opinion/sunday/for-a-better-marriage-act-like-a-single-person.html)  [Person](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/02/10/opinion/sunday/for-a-better-marriage-act-like-a-single-person.html). 2/10/18.
* News One. [Ben Carson tells a Black Woman To Escape Poverty She Needs to Get](https://newsone.com/3792016/ben-carson-hud-poverty-marriage/)  [Married](https://newsone.com/3792016/ben-carson-hud-poverty-marriage/). 4/11/18.
* Forbes. Michael Durkheimer. [Under the GOP Tax Bill, Not Being Married Could Cost](https://www.forbes.com/sites/michaeldurkheimer/2017/12/17/under-the-gop-tax-bill-not-being-married-could-cost-you/?sh=4a9dbb143dae) [You.](https://www.forbes.com/sites/michaeldurkheimer/2017/12/17/under-the-gop-tax-bill-not-being-married-could-cost-you/?sh=4a9dbb143dae) 12/30/17.
* Media Matters for America. Alex Morash. [Ryan’s “Better Way” Poverty Plan Is Based](https://mediamatters.org/research/2016/06/08/ryans-better-way-poverty-plan-based-myths-right-wing-media/210819)  [On Myths From Right–Wing Media](https://mediamatters.org/research/2016/06/08/ryans-better-way-poverty-plan-based-myths-right-wing-media/210819). 6/8/2016.
* The Atlantic. Rebecca J. Rosen. [Marriage Will Not Fix Poverty](http://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2016/03/marriage-poverty/473019/). 3/11/2016.
* Wallet Hub. Richie Bernardo. [2016’s Best and Worst Cities for Single Mothers](https://wallethub.com/edu/best-cities-for-single-moms/19772/#kristi-williams). 3/16/2016.
* RH Reality Check Ally Boguhn. [Hard Work and Marriage Aren’t the Magic Cure–Alls](http://rhrealitycheck.org/article/2016/01/14/hard-work-marriage-arent-magic-cure-alls-poverty-jeb-bush-hoping/) [for Poverty Jeb Bush is Hoping For](http://rhrealitycheck.org/article/2016/01/14/hard-work-marriage-arent-magic-cure-alls-poverty-jeb-bush-hoping/). 1/14/2016.
* Huffington Post. Anna Almendrala. [Almost Half of Single Moms Struggle with this](http://http/www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/single-parents-sleep-study_568c09eae4b014efe0dbe060?kmdyrpb9) [Health Problem.](http://http/www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/single-parents-sleep-study_568c09eae4b014efe0dbe060?kmdyrpb9) 1/6/2016.
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* Hannah Report: Daily Legislative and Government News Report. “‘[War on Poverty’](http://www.hannah.com/DesktopDefaultPublic.aspx?type=hns&id=195050)

[Needs New Tactics, Research Suggests.](http://www.hannah.com/DesktopDefaultPublic.aspx?type=hns&id=195050)” 1/6/14.

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Videos and Podcasts

* [Voices of Excellence](https://soundcloud.com/voices_arts_sciences/kristi-williams), College of Arts and Sciences, The Ohio State University, Sept. 2020.
* Journal of Health and Social Behavior Podcast: [Adverse Childhood Experiences,](https://journals.sagepub.com/page/hsb/podcasts)  [Early and Nonmarital Fertility and Women's Health at Midlife](https://journals.sagepub.com/page/hsb/podcasts).
* “[High on Ohio](http://ccs.memberclicks.net/high-on-ohio-williams).” Center for Community Solutions. Columbus, OH. March 2014.

# College and University Service at Ohio State

* Chair, Working Group on Cultural Climate Assessment, College of Arts and Sciences, The Ohio State University, 2022-2023.
* Co–Chair, College of Public Health Chair Search Committee, 2019–2021.
* Member, Center for Human Resources Research (CHRR) Oversight Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2017–2019.
* Senator, University Senate, 2015–2018.
* Senate Steering Committee Member, University Senate, 2017–2018.
* Organizer and Presider, “An Evening with Brian Alexander – Glass House: The 1% Economy and the Shattering of the All–American Town.” February 16, 2017.
* Faculty Cabinet Member. University Senate, 2016–2017.
* Faculty Council. University Senate, 2015–2018.
* Chair, Intellectual Property, Patents and Copyright Committee, 2017–2018.
* Member, Intellectual Property, Patents and Copyright Committee, 2015–2018.
* Chair, Policy Subcommittee of the Campus Climate Advisory Committee, 2016.
* Member, Campus Climate Advisory Committee, 2015–2016
* Program Director, Public Health Sociology, Bachelor of Science in Public Health, College of Public Health, 2011–2015.
* Honors Committee, Bachelor of Science in Public Health, 2013–2016.
* Senator, Faculty Senate, College of Arts and Sciences, 2011–2015.
* Faculty Presenter. SBS Day. College of Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Student Recruiting, 2015.
* Faculty Representative, Social and Behavioral Sciences Academic Overview, Student Recruitment Panel, 2012 –14.
* College of Arts and Sciences, GE Assessment Committee (Social Diversity), 2014.
* College of Medicine. Grant Review Panel, Center for Clinical and Translational Science, 2012.
* College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2012–2013.
* Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee. 2012–2013.
* General Education Study Abroad Ad Hoc Committee, College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, 2012–2013.
* Development Committee, Interdisciplinary Minor in Substance Misuse and Addiction, 2012 – 2013.
* Judge, Denman Forum for Undergraduate Research. 2012.
* Improving the Undergraduate Learning Experience, College of Arts and Sciences, Strategic Plan Working Group, 2011–2012.
* Social Sciences Disciplinary Panel (formerly Curriculum Committee), Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, 2010–2012.
* Behavioral and Social Sciences Task Force, College of Medicine, 2010–2011.
* Medical Practice and Patient Care Task Force, College of Medicine, 2010–2011.
* College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Sociology Chair Search Committee, 2005–2006.
* Organizer, Brownbag Seminar Series, Initiative in Population Research, 2005–2007.

# Departmental Service

* Chair, Department of Sociology 2021-present
* Vice–Chair, Department of Sociology, 2016 – 2020
* Instructional Development Committee Chair, 2016 – 2020; Member: 2015
* Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2011– 2015
* Undergraduate Studies Committee (Chair), 2011– 2015
* Social Media Manager, 2013 – 2018
* Faculty Search Committee: Data Analytics; Health, 2014 – 2015
* Faculty Search Committee: Population and Health, 2013 – 2014
* Faculty Search Committee: Gender Stratification (Chair), 2012 –2 013
* Salary and Workload Committee, 2002 – 2003; 2014 – 2015
* Website Redesign Committee, 2010 – 2012
* Research and Awards Committee, 2010 – 2012
* Cofounder and Faculty Coordinator, Working Group on Inequalities in Population Health and Well–Being. Initiative in Population Research, 2007 – 2008.
* Graduate Studies Committee, 2005 – 2009
* Executive Committee, 2002–2003; 2004 – 2005; 2006 –2007; 2011 – 2015, 2016 – 2020
* Ad Hoc Move Committee, 2006 – 2008
* Diversity Committee, 2005 – 2006
* Graduate Admissions Committee, 2003 – 2005
* Brownbag Seminar Organizer, 2003 – 2004
* Grade Grievance Committee, 2002 – 2003; 2008 – 2009