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EMPLOYMENT

- 2019- University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Assistant Professor of Sociology
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Public Policy
Faculty Fellow, Carolina Population Center
- 2014-2019 University at Buffalo, SUNY
Assistant Professor of Sociology

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Sociology, Cornell University
Demography Minor
Qualifying exams: Inequality, Stratification, and Mobility (major concentration);
Family (minor concentration)
- 2002 B. A. Sociology, Dartmouth College
Cum Laude, Distinction in Sociology, 2002 Rufus Choate Scholar (top 5% of class)

PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 **Su, Jessica Houston** and Allison Dwyer Emory. "Repackaging Fatherhood: Father Engagement and Cooperative Coparenting in Mid-Pregnancy Marriages and Cohabitations." *Journal of Marriage and Family* (accepted)
- 2019 Desai, Sarah,* **Jessica Houston Su**, and Robert Adelman. "[Legacies of Marginalization: System Avoidance among the Adult Children of Unauthorized Immigrants in the United States](#)" *International Migration Review*. DOI: 10.1177/0197918319885640
- 2019 **Su, Jessica Houston**. "[Local Employment Conditions and Unintended Pregnancy](#)." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 81(2): 380-396. DOI:10.1111/jomf.12546
- 2018 Raissian, Kerri M. and **Jessica Houston Su**. "[The Best of Intentions: Re-Examining the Effects of Breastfeeding on Infant Health](#)." *Social Science & Medicine- Population Health*. 5: 86–100. DOI: 10.1016/j.ssmph.2018.05.002

- 2018 **Su, Jessica Houston** and Fenaba Addo. “[Born Without a Silver Spoon: Race, Wealth and Unintended Childbearing.](#)” *Journal of Family and Economic Issues*. 39(4): 600-15. DOI:10.1007/s10834-018-9577-4
- 2017 **Su, Jessica Houston.** “[Unintended Birth and Children’s Long-Term Mental Health.](#)” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. 58(3): 357-70. DOI:10.1177/0022146517717037
- 2017 **Su, Jessica Houston** and Rachel Dunifon. “[Nonstandard Work Schedules and Private Safety Nets Among Working Mothers.](#)” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 79(3): 597-613. DOI:10.1111/jomf.12358
- 2015 **Su, Jessica Houston**, Rachel Dunifon, and Sharon Sassler. “[Better for Baby? The Retreat from Mid-Pregnancy Marriage and Implications for Parenting and Child Well-Being.](#)” *Demography* 52(4): 1167-94. DOI: 10.1007/s13524-015-0410-5.
- 2014 Kalil, Ariel, Rachel Dunifon, Danielle Crosby, and **Jessica Houston Su.** “[Work Hours, Schedules, and Insufficient Sleep among Mothers and their Young Children.](#)” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 76(5): 891-904. DOI: 10.1111/jomf.12142.
- 2013 Dunifon, Rachel, Ariel Kalil, Danielle Crosby, **Jessica Houston Su**, and Thomas DeLeire. “[Measuring Maternal Nonstandard Work in Survey Data.](#)” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 75(3): 523-32. DOI: 10.1111/jomf.12017.
- 2013 Dunifon, Rachel, Ariel Kalil, Danielle Crosby, and **Jessica Houston Su.** “[Mothers’ Night Work and Children’s Behavior Problems.](#)” *Developmental Psychology*. 49(10): 1874-85. DOI: 10.1037/a0031241.
- Nominated for the 2013 Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research
- 2012 **Su, Jessica Houston.** “[Pregnancy Intentions and Parents’ Psychological Well-Being.](#)” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 74(5): 1182 – 96. DOI: 10.1111/j.1741-3737.2012.01006.x
- Robert B. McGinnis Award, Cornell University Department of Sociology

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Wagmiller, Robert L., Kristen Schultz Lee, and **Jessica Houston Su.** “The Role of Welfare in Family Income Inequality: 1968-2016.”

Addo, Fenaba and **Jessica Houston Su.** “Unintended Fertility, Wealth, and Wealth Trajectories of U.S. Adult Mothers.”

Su, Jessica Houston and Fenaba Addo. “Wealth, Assets, and Unintended Childbearing.”

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 “Wealth, Assets, and Unintended Childbearing.” Carolina Population Center Interdisciplinary Research Seminar Series, February 2020
- 2017 “Unintended Birth and Children’s Long-Term Mental Health.” Buffalo Women & Children's Hospital; Children's Psychiatry Clinic Academic Rounds, December 2017
- 2016 “Unemployment and Unintended Fertility.” University of Connecticut; Department of Public Policy Speaker Series, November 2016
- 2015 “Unemployment and Unintended Fertility.” Harvard University; Center for Population and Development Studies Work in Progress Seminar, December 2015
- 2015 “Nonstandard Work Schedules and Private Safety Nets Among Working Mothers” Brandeis University; Children, Youth, and Families Seminar, November 2015
- 2015 “Nonstandard Work Schedules and Private Safety Nets Among Working Mothers” University of New Hampshire; Department of Sociology Colloquium, November 2015

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Su, Jessica Houston and Fenaba Addo. “Wealth, Assets, and Unintended Childbearing.” Accepted for Family Demography panel presentation at the American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2020 (cancelled due to Covid-19)
- 2018 Su, Jessica Houston and Allison Dwyer Emory. “Father Involvement and Coparenting in Mid-Pregnancy Relationships.” Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, April 2018
- 2018 Addo, Fenaba and Jessica Houston Su. “Unintended Fertility, Wealth, and Wealth Trajectories of U.S. Adult Mothers.” (poster) Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, April 2018
- 2017 Su, Jessica Houston and Fenaba Addo. “Born Without a Silver Spoon: Wealth and Unintended Childbearing.” Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Annual Meeting, November 2017 (accepted but unable to attend)
- 2017 Su, Jessica Houston and Fenaba Addo. “Born Without a Silver Spoon: Wealth and Unintended Childbearing.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2017
- 2017 Su, Jessica Houston. “Local Labor Market Conditions and Unintended Pregnancy.” Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, April 2017

- 2017 Desai, Sarah, and Jessica Houston Su. "System Avoidance Among the Children of Unauthorized Mexican Immigrants in the U.S." Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, April 2017
- 2016 Wagmiller, Robert L., Kristen Schultz Lee, and Jessica Houston Su. "The Growth of Family Income Inequality among Families with Children: 1968-2014." American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2016.
- 2016 Raissian, Kerri M. and Jessica Houston Su. "The Best of Intentions: Re-Examining the Effects of Breastfeeding on Infant Health." Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, May 2016
- 2016 Su, Jessica Houston and Fenaba Addo. "Wealth and Unintended First Births." (poster) Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, May 2016
- 2015 Su, Jessica Houston and Rachel Dunifon. "Nonstandard Work Schedules and Perceived Instrumental Support Among Working Mothers" Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, May 2015
- 2014 Su, Jessica Houston. "Postconception Cohabitation, Household Environment, and Child Development." American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, August 2014
- 2014 Su, Jessica Houston. "Daddy Makes Three: Postconception Cohabitation, Household Environment, and Child Development." Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, May 2014
- 2012 Su, Jessica Houston, Rachel Dunifon, and Sharon Sassler. "Better for Baby? Premarital Conceptions, Shotgun Marriage, and Child Well-Being." Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting. May 2012.
- 2011 Su, Jessica Houston. "Pregnancy Intentions and Maternal Well-Being." Population Association of America (PAA), Annual Meeting. April 2011.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2018, 2016 "Labor Market Conditions and Unintended Pregnancy." Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy Research Grant. (\$3,323)
- 2017 "Labor Market Conditions and Unintended Pregnancy." United University Professors Individual Development Award (\$700)
- 2016 "The Causes and Consequences of Unintended Pregnancy." Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Affirmative Action/Diversity Leave Program (one semester teaching leave)
- 2008, 2012 Sage Fellowship (tuition and stipend), Cornell University (2 years)

2008-2012	Sage Summer Research Grant, Cornell University (4 grants)
2009-2012	Cornell Population Center Conference Travel Grant (3 grants)
2012	Graduate Student Conference Grant, Cornell University
2009	ICPSR Summer Program Travel Grant

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

2009, 2010	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention
2008	Truxal Award (most promising graduated major pursuing graduate work), Dartmouth College

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Discipline

2020	PAA 2021 annual meeting program committee- Family Demography
2019	ASA annual meeting panel organizer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Inequality in Family Formation (cosponsored by Sociology of Family and Sociology of Population sections)
2017	PAA annual meeting panel organizer and chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Female Education, Employment, and Fertility • Socioeconomic Consequences of Adolescent Fertility
2015, 2016	Award committee for the Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research

Reviewer

Advances in Life Course Research, American Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, Demography, Journal of Comparative Family Studies, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Journal of Marriage and Family, Maternal and Child Health Journal, Sociological Forum, Society and Mental Health, Social Science Research

Departmental/University Service

2019-	Graduate Studies Committee, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
2017-2019	University at Buffalo Faculty Senator
2017	Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy Research Grant Committee
2017-2019	Colloquium Committee, University at Buffalo
2015-2019	Graduate Studies Committee, University at Buffalo
2014-2015	Undergraduate Studies Committee, University at Buffalo

Professional Associations

TEACHING

Undergraduate

Basic Statistics for the Social Sciences

Family & Society

Families and Public Policy

Poverty and Public Policy

First Year Seminar: Consequences of Welfare Reform and Prospects for the Future

Applied Survey Research

Graduate

Multiple Linear Regression

Applied Survey Research

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Ph.D. Dissertation Committees

Alyssa Browne (UNC) – in progress

Sarah Desai (UB) - completed in 2016

Wanda Garcia (UB) - completed in 2018

Matthew Perry (UB) – completed in 2019

Joanne Tompkins (UB) – completed in 2018

Yaqi Yuan (UB) – completed in 2020

M.A. Thesis and Portfolio Committees

Siqi Wang (UB) - completed in 2015

Malysa Battaglia (Chair) (UB) - completed in 2018

Brooke Chamberlain (UB) – completed in 2019

Undergraduate Honors College Research Project Supervision

Andrew Nash (UB)- completed in 2014