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Employment

2023 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Vanderbilt University
Faculty Affiliate: Center for Research on Inequality and Health; Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies; LGBTQ+ Policy Lab

Education

2023 Ph.D., Sociology, Ohio State University
2018 M.S., Sociology, Florida State University
2016 B.S., Neuroscience, B.A., Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Ohio State University

Research Interests

Sex and gender, sexuality, families, social demography, health, adverse childhood experiences

Publications

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

2023 Stacey, Lawrence, and Wes Wislar. "[Physical and Mental Health Disparities at the Intersection of Sexual and Gender Minority Statuses: Evidence from Population-level Data.](#)" *Demography* 60(3): 731-760.

- Winner of the Frank Mott Graduate Student Paper Award for Population and Health Research, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University.
- Media Coverage: [NBC News](#), [Yahoo! News](#).

2023 Reczek, Rin, Lawrence Stacey, and Mieke Beth Thomeer. "[Parent-Adult Child Estrangement in the United States by Gender, Race/ethnicity, and Sexuality.](#)" *Journal of Marriage and Family* 85(2): 494-517.

- Media Coverage: [Aeon](#), [MSN](#), [Psychology Today](#), [PsyPost](#), [US News](#), [TIME](#), and [Yahoo! News](#), among others.
- 2022 Stacey, Lawrence, Rin Reczek, and R Spiker. “[Toward a Holistic Demographic Profile of Sexual and Gender Minority Well-being](#).” *Demography* 59(4): 1403-1430.
- 2022 Thomeer, Mieke Beth, Rin Reczek, and Lawrence Stacey. “[Childbearing Biographies as a Method to Examine Diversity and Clustering of Childbearing Experiences: A Research Brief](#).” *Population Research and Policy Review* 41(4): 1405-1415.
- 2022 Reczek, Rin, Lawrence Stacey, and Chloe Dunston. “[Friend, Foe, or Forget ‘Em?: The Quality of LGBTQ Adult Sibling Relationships](#).” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 84(2): 415-437.
- 2022 Forbes, TehQuin D., and Lawrence Stacey (equal authorship). “[Personal Preferences, Discursive Strategies, and the Maintenance of Inequality on Gay Dating Apps](#).” *Archives of Sexual Behavior* 51(5): 2385-2397.
- 2022 Stacey, Lawrence, and TehQuin D. Forbes (equal authorship). “[Feeling Like a Fetish: Racialized Feelings, Fetishization, and the Contours of Sexual Racism on Gay Dating Apps](#).” *The Journal of Sex Research* 59(3): 372-384.
- Media Coverage: [HuffPost](#), [Yahoo! News](#).
- 2022 Stacey, Lawrence. “[\(Bio\)Logics of The Family: Gender, Biological Relatedness, and Attitudes toward Children’s Gender Nonconformity in a Vignette Experiment](#).” *Sociological Forum* 37(1): 222-245.
- Winner of the Elizabeth Menaghan Graduate Student Paper Award for Marriage and Family Research, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University.
- 2021 Stacey, Lawrence. “[The Family as Gender and Sexuality Factory: A Review of the Literature and Future Directions](#).” *Sociology Compass* 15(4): e12864.
- 2021 Stacey, Lawrence, and Irene Padavic. “[Complicating Parents’ Gender and Sexual Expectations for Children: A Comparison of Biological Parents and Stepparents](#).” *Sexualities* 24(1-2): 191-207.
- Media Coverage: [Psychology Today](#).
- Peer-reviewed Book Chapter*
- 2021 Spiker, Russell, Lawrence Stacey, and Corinne Reczek. “[Sexual and Gender Minority Health: Toward a More Complete Accounting of Social Class](#).” Pp. 17-37 in *Sexual and Gender Minority Health (Advances in Medical Sociology, Vol. 21)*, edited by A. LeBlanc and B. Perry. Emerald Publishing Limited.

Other Work

- 2021 Stacey, Lawrence, and Kristi Williams. “[Why Families Need More Financial Support during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#).” Fact sheet prepared for the Council on Contemporary Families.
- Media Coverage: Microsoft News, [Deseret News](#).
- 2020 Stacey, Lawrence. “[Book Review: The Trans Generation: How Trans Kids \(and Their Parents\) Are Creating a Gender Revolution, by Ann Travers](#).” *Teaching Sociology* 48(3): 246-248.

Work in Progress

- Under review* Stacey, Lawrence. “A Data Portrait of Cisgender, Transgender, and Gender-Nonconforming Populations in the United States: A Research Note.” Revised and resubmitted to *Demography*.
- Stacey, Lawrence, Rin Reczek, Kristi Williams, Jake J. Hays, and Mieke Beth Thomeer. “An Unbreakable Bond? Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Mothers’ Relationships with Adult Children.”
- Stacey, Lawrence, Wes Wislar, and Rin Reczek. “The Medical Institution and Transgender Health: Examining the Role of Barriers to Care and Negative Healthcare Experiences in the US Transgender Survey.”
- In progress* Stacey, Lawrence. “An Updated Data Portrait of Sexual Minorities and Heterosexuals in the United States.” Revise and resubmit at *Social Currents*.
- Stacey, Lawrence, and Kristi Williams. “Intergenerational Consequences of Maternal ACEs for Emotional Support and Cognitive Stimulation of Children.”
- Stacey, Lawrence, Drexler James, Claire Kamp Dush, Alexandra VanBergen, and Wendy Manning. “Does Adversity Love Company? Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Associations of Adverse Childhood Experiences with Health and Life Satisfaction.”
- Stacey, Lawrence. “Anti-LGB State Policies and Population Health, 2014-2020.”
- Stacey, Lawrence. “Anti-Transgender State Policies and Population Health, 2014-2020.”
- Stacey, Lawrence, Danya Lagos, and Kirsty Clark. “Life-Saving Care? Barriers to Care, Negative Healthcare Experiences, and Suicidal Ideation and Suicide Attempts among Gender Minorities.”

Honors and Awards

- 2023 Howard B. Kaplan Memorial Award, Medical Sociology Section, ASA.

Outstanding PhD Candidate Award, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University (\$500).

Outstanding Departmental Service Award, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Ohio State University.

- 2022 Frank Mott Paper Award for Population and Health Research, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University (\$250).
- 2020 Elizabeth Menaghan Paper Award for Marriage and Family Research, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University (\$500).
- 2018 Alpha Kappa Delta.

Grants and Fellowships

- 2022–2023 Presidential Fellowship. The Graduate School, Ohio State University (\$36,000).
- 2021 Career Development Grant. Council of Graduate Students, Ohio State University (\$350).
- Summer Methods Training Award Grant. Department of Sociology, Ohio State University (\$1,333).
- 2019 Silverman Research Support Award. Department of Sociology, Ohio State University (\$1,800).
- 2018 University Fellowship. The Graduate School, Ohio State University (\$25,800).

Presentations

Invited Talks

- 2023 Stacey, Lawrence. “Anti-LGBTQ State Policies and Population Health.” Institute for Population Research, Ohio State University.
- 2022 Reczek, Rin, and Lawrence Stacey. “Measuring Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Population Surveys.” Population Research Center, Columbia University.
- 2021 Reczek, Rin, and Lawrence Stacey. “Measuring Sex, Gender, and Sexuality in Population Surveys.” Institute for Population Research, Ohio State University.
- Stacey, Lawrence, and Rin Reczek. “Toward a More Holistic Demographic Profile of Sexual and Gender Minority Well-being.” Department of Sociology, Michigan State University.

Forbes, TehQuin D., and Lawrence Stacey. "Feeling Like a Fetish: How Gay, Bisexual, and Queer Men of Color Feel Race Online and Offline." Department of Sociology, Florida State University.

2020 Stacey, Lawrence. "Gender, Biological Relatedness, and Parents' Attitudes toward Children's Gender Nonconformity in a Vignette Experiment." Gender Group, University of Washington.

Academic Conferences

2024 Stacey, Lawrence. "Anti-Transgender State Policies and Population Health, 2014-2020." Paper to be presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Columbus, OH.

Stacey, Lawrence, Wes Wislar, and Rin Reczek. "The Medical Institution and Transgender Health: Examining the Role of Barriers to Care and Negative Healthcare Experiences in the US Transgender Survey." Paper to be presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Columbus, OH.

2023 Stacey, Lawrence, and Wes Wislar (presenting author). "Physical and Mental Health Disparities at the Intersection of Sexual and Gender Minority Statuses: Evidence from Population-level Data." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.

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

Stacey, Lawrence and Emma Bosley-Smith. "Benevolent Homophobia: How Parents' Reactions to Adult Children's Non-Heterosexuality Creates Inequality." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA.

Stacey, Lawrence, Rin Reczek, Kristi Williams, Jake J. Hays, and Mieke Beth Thomeer. "Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences and Mother-Adult Child Relationship Contact, Closeness, and Estrangement." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA.

Stacey, Lawrence, Drexler James, Claire Kamp Dush, Miranda Berrigan, and Wendy Manning. "Misery Loves Company, but Does Adversity? Individual and Partner Adverse Childhood Experiences, Health, and Life Satisfaction." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

Reczek, Rin, Lawrence Stacey, and Mieke Beth Thomeer. "The Prevalence of Estranged Parent-Child Ties: Variations by Sex, Race/Ethnicity, and Socioeconomic Status." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

Stacey, Lawrence, and Kristi Williams. "Intergenerational Consequences of Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences for Emotional Support and Cognitive Stimulation of

Children.” Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

2021 Stacey, Lawrence, Drexler James, Claire Kamp Dush, Miranda Berrigan, and Wendy Manning. “Misery Loves Company, but Does Adversity? Individual and Partner Adverse Childhood Experiences, Health, and Life Satisfaction.” Paper presented at 15th Annual OSU/BGSU Conference on Population. Columbus, OH.

Stacey, Lawrence and Kristi Williams. “Intergenerational Consequences of Maternal Adverse Childhood Experiences for Parenting and Children’s Emotional Support.” Roundtable presentation at 15th Annual OSU/BGSU Conference on Population. Columbus, OH.

Reczek, Rin, Lawrence Stacey, and Chloe Dunston. “Friend, Foe, or Forget ‘Em?: A Case Study of LGBTQ Adult Sibling Relationships.” Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Virtual.

Stacey, Lawrence, Rin Reczek, and Russell Spiker. “Sexual and Gender Minority Well-being: Toward a More Complete Understanding of Well-being.” Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Virtual

Spiker, Russell, Rin Reczek, and Lawrence Stacey. “Psychological Distress at the Intersections of Sexual Orientation and Socioeconomic Status.” Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Virtual.

2020 Stacey, Lawrence, Claire Kamp Dush, and Corinne Reczek. “It Gets Better?: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Americans’ Life Satisfaction and Sense of Hope.” Paper to have been presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting (cancelled). Washington, D.C.

Spiker, Russell, Corinne Reczek, and Lawrence Stacey. “Social Class Among Sexual Minorities: A New Approach to Understanding Health Disparities.” Paper to have been presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting (cancelled). Washington, D.C.

2019 Stacey, Lawrence, and TehQuin D. Forbes. “‘I Don’t See It as a Fetish, I See It as an Attraction’: Fetishization, Personal Preferences, and the Reproduction and Disruption of the Sexual Hierarchy on Gay Apps.” Paper presented at the Midwest Sociological Society Annual meeting. Chicago, IL.

Forbes, TehQuin D., and Lawrence Stacey. “‘As Long as it’s Respectful’: Personal Preferences, Social Desirability, and the Reproduction of Sexual Inequality on Gay Apps.” Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

2018 Stacey, Lawrence, and Irene Padavic. “Emotional Investments of Biological Parents and Stepparents in Children’s Gender Displays and Acquisitions of Heterosexuality.” Roundtable presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.

Forbes, TehQuin and Lawrence Stacey. "All Bodies, Shapes, and Sizes Welcome': Inclusive Identity Management on Exclusive Gay Apps." Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Stacey, Lawrence. "Comparison of Biological Parents' and Stepparents' Emotional Investments in their Children's Gender and Sexual Identities." Roundtable presentation at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Research and Professional Experience

- 2021-2022 Research Assistant, *Motherhood Biographies and Midlife Mother's Health*.
Funding: National Institute of Aging, National Institutes of Health (1R01AG069251-01A1). Total costs: \$1,062,216.
Co-PIs: Rin Reczek, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University, and Mieke Beth Thomeer, Department of Sociology, University of Alabama at Birmingham.
- 2020-2021 Research Assistant, *Adverse Childhood Experiences and Parenting*.
Funding: Institute for Population Research, Ohio State University.
PI: Kristi Williams, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University.
- 2019 Research Consultant, *Equality Ohio*.
- 2019-2020 Research Assistant, *National Couples' Health and Time Study*.
Funding: Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development, National Institutes of Health (1R01HD094081-01A1). Total costs: \$2,350,545.
PI: Claire Kamp Dush, Population Center and Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota.

Teaching Experience

Department of Sociology, Vanderbilt University

- 2023-2024 Instructor of Record: (1) Contemporary Social Issues: Sex and Sexuality in Society; (2) Gender Identities, Interactions, and Relationships

Department of Anthropology and Sociology, Denison University

- 2021 Instructor of Record: (1) Sociology of the Family

Department of Sociology, Ohio State University

- 2019-2021 Recitation Leader: (1) Research Methods in Sociology; (2) Statistics in Sociology

Guest lectures:

- 2021 "Charlotte Perkins Gilman and the Sociology of Gender" in Sociological Theory.

- 2021 “Intersectionality: Race, Cyberspace, and Sexuality” in Sexualities at Denison University, Granville, OH.
 2020 “Families, Parenting, and Sexuality” in Sexualities.
 2019 “The Role of the Family in Children’s Acquisitions of Heterosexuality” in Sexualities.

Department of Sociology, Florida State University

- 2016-2017 Teaching Assistant: (1) Families and Social Chances

 Online Mentor: (1) Alcohol and Drug Problems; (2) Deviance and Social Control; (3) Families and Social Change; (4) Marriage and Families; (5) Methods of Social Research; (6) Sociological Theory

Guest lectures:

- 2018 “Queering the Hookup (and More Queer Stuff)” in Families and Social Change.
 2017 “African American Families and Marriage Trends” in Marriage and Families.
 2017 “Michel Foucault’s *Discipline and Punish: The Phases of Punishment and New Forms of Technology*” in Sociological Theory.

Formal Advising

Undergraduate Advising

- 2023-2024 Honors Thesis Reader, Nitya Kari, Vanderbilt University.
 2023-2024 Honors Thesis Advisor, Alyxis Smith, Vanderbilt University.

Departmental and University Service

Vanderbilt University

- 2024 Panelist, Successful CVs, Department of Sociology.
 2023- Faculty Advisor, Pride Serve.
 2023-2024 Member, Speakers, Nominations, Website, and Publicity Committee, Department of Sociology.

Ohio State University

- 2023 Panelist, The Academic Job Market: Getting a Job, Department of Sociology.
 2023 Panelist, Sociology Recruitment Event for Prospective Students, Department of Sociology.
 2023 Panelist, Writing a Teaching Statement, Teaching Working Group.
 2022-2023 Vice President of Research, Sociology Graduate Student Association.
 2020-2023 Undergraduate Research Assistant Advisor, Department of Sociology.
 2021-2023 Organizer, SocPOP, Demography Working Group, Department of Sociology.
 2022 Moderator, “A Panel on Positionality in Qualitative Research,” Sociology Graduate Student Association.

- 2022 Panelist, Book salon for *Families We Keep: LGBTQ People and Their Enduring Bonds with Parents* by Rin Reczek and Emma Bosley-Smith, Department of Sociology.
- 2021-2022 Undergraduate Student Mentor, Department of Sociology.
- 2020-2022 Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Sociology Graduate Student Association.
- 2021 Panelist, Demystifying Graduate School Series: Choosing a School, Department of Sociology.
- 2019-2020 Mentorship Committee, Sociology Graduate Student Association.
- 2019-2020 Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Sociology.
- 2018-2019 Research Committee, Sociology Graduate Student Association.
- 2018-2019 Recruitment Committee, Sociology Graduate Student Association.

Florida State University

- 2017-2018 Mentor, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program.
Information Resources Committee Representative, Sociology Graduate Student Union.
Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Sociology.

Service to the Discipline

Ad-hoc Reviewer

American Sociological Review, Behavior & Information Technology, Demography, Gender & Society, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Population Research and Policy Review, Sexuality Research and Social Policy, Social Forces, Social Problems, Sociological Inquiry, Sociological Spectrum, The Journals of Gerontology: B Series, The Journal of Sex Research

Service to Professional Organizations

- 2024 Chair, “Transgender and Gender Expansive Demography,” PAA.
- 2023-2024 Distinguished Book Award Committee Member, Sex and Gender Section, ASA.
- 2023-2024 Distinguished Book Award Committee Member, Section on Sexualities, ASA.
- 2023 Discussant, “Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Measurement and Nonresponse”, PAA.
- 2022-2023 Newsletter Editor, Family Section, ASA.
- 2022 Session Organizer, “Queer Family Demography,” PAA.
- 2021-2023 Student Representative, Family Section, ASA.
- 2021-2022 Distinguished Career Award Committee Member, Family Section, ASA.
- 2020-2021 Social Media Committee Member, Family Section, ASA.
- 2020 Roundtable Presider, Family Section, ASA.
- 2020 Social Media Team Influencer, Sex and Gender Section, ASA.
- 2018-2020 Membership Committee Member, Sex and Gender Section, ASA.
- 2018-2020 Mentorship Committee Member, Sexualities Section, ASA.
- 2018 Social Media Team Influencer, Sexualities Section, ASA.

Service to the Public

Interviews for Print and Internet Media

Deseret News. Lois Collins. [Mitt Romney's Child Allowance Plan: Love it or Hate it, It's Hard to Ignore.](#)
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Professional Memberships

2019-	Population Association of America (PAA).
2018-	American Sociological Association (ASA).
2018-2021	Midwest Sociological Society (MSS).
2018-2020	Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (SSSS).
2017-2019	Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS).
2017-2018	Southern Sociological Society (SSS).