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RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Sexual and Reproductive Justice; Science and Technology Studies; Demography; Gender and Family; Medical Sociology; Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility; Quantitative Methods; Qualitative Methods

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (POST DOCTORAL)

- 2023-present Post-doctoral Researcher, Family Formations in Flux – Causes, Consequences, and Possible Futures (FLUX) Consortium, University of Helsinki, Finland
Post-doctoral Supervisor: Mikko Myrskylä
- 2023-present Guest Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany

EDUCATION

- 2022 Ph.D. Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- *Dissertation:* “Intersectional Inequality in Reproductive Health in the United States”
 - *Committee:* Jenna E. Nobles (Chair), Christine Schwartz, Monica Grant, Emily Mann (University of South Carolina), Anthony Ryan Hatch (Wesleyan)
 - *Qualifying Exams:* Science Technology and Society (Passed with distinction), Demography
- 2019 M.S. Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- *Thesis:* “Contraceptive Selection and Practice: Associations with Self-Identified Race and Socioeconomic Disadvantage”
 - *Advisor:* Jenny A. Higgins
- 2012 M.P.H. International Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- *Advisor:* Aruna Chandran
 - *Certificates:* Health Informatics; Health and Human Rights
- 2010 B.A. Social Anthropology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, *magna cum laude*

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (see links on website for access)

- 2022 **Wright KQ.** (2022). “It changed the atmosphere surrounding the baby I did have”: Making sense of reproduction during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Marriage & Family*, 84(4), 1105-1128.
- Higgins JA, Kramer RD, **Wright KQ**, Turok DK, & Sanders, JS. (2022). Sexual Functioning, Satisfaction, and Well-being among Contraceptive Users: A Three-month Assessment from the HER Salt Lake Contraceptive Initiative. *Journal of Sex Research*, 59(4), 435-444.
- 2021 Higgins JA, Kramer RD, Everett B, **Wright KQ**, Turok DK, & Sanders JN. (2021). Association Between Patients’ Perceptions of the Sexual Acceptability of Contraceptive Methods and Continued Use Over Time. *JAMA Internal Medicine*, 181(6), 874-876.
- Boydell V, **Wright KQ**, & Smith RD. (2021). A Rapid Review on Pleasure at First Sexual Experience(s). *The Journal of Sex Research*, 58(7), 850-862.
- 2020 **Wright KQ.** Contraceptive Selection and Practice: Associations with Self-Identified Race and Socioeconomic Disadvantage. *Social Science and Medicine*. 226: 113366.
- Higgins JA, **Wright KQ**, Sanders JN, Adkins DE, & Turok DK. Beyond safety and efficacy: Sexuality-Related Contraceptive Preferences and Their Associations with Contraceptive Method Selection. *Contraception X*. 102(2).
- 2019 Hardee K, Jurczynska K, Sinai I, Boydell V, Muhwezi DK, Gray K, & **Wright KQ.** Improving Voluntary, Rights-Based Family Planning: Experience from Nigeria and Uganda. *Open Access Journal of Contraception*. 10:55-67.
- 2018 Behrman J, **Wright KQ**, Grant MJ, & Soler-Hampesjek E. Trends in Modern Contraceptive use among young adult women in Sub-Saharan Africa between 1990 and 2015. *Studies in Family Planning*. 49(4):319-344.
- Boydell V, Neema S, **Wright KQ**, & Hardee K. ‘Closing the Gap’ Between People and Programs. Lessons from Implementation of Social Accountability for Family Planning and Reproductive Health in Uganda. *African J. of Reproductive Health*. 22(1):73-84.
- 2016 **Wright KQ**, Hardee K, & Townsend J. The Pitfalls of Using Selective Data to Represent the Effectiveness, Relevance and Utility of the Standard Days Method (SDM) of Contraception—Letter to the Editor. *Contraception*. 94(4):374-5.
- 2015 Scott VK, Gottschalk LB, **Wright KQ**, Twose C, Bohren M, Schmitt ME, Lantos H, Li M, Hinson L, Ray A, & Ortayli N. Community Health Workers’ Provision of Family Planning Services: A Systematic Review on Effectiveness. *Studies in Family Planning*. 46(3):241-61.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (available by request)

2023 **Wright KQ** & Boydell V. A review of the measurement of human rights in global sexual and reproductive health research using systematic review methodology.

Wright KQ, Conte-Keivabu R, & Vachuska K. Exposure to climate change-related extreme heat and intersectional inequalities in birth outcomes in the United States.

Wright KQ, Trigoso-Raczowski C, Loi S, Pitkänen J, Myrskylä M, & Martikainen P. How do gendered intergenerational characteristics of couples' immigrant status contribute to Finland's fertility regime?

Sanders JN, Routh D, Everett B, **Wright KQ**, Turok, D, & Higgins JA. Developing contraceptive user profiles based on contraceptive preference measures: A Latent Class Approach.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2023 “(In)stability and fertility: Re-theorizing (un)certain variability and its relation to fertility using data on births from the United States, 2003-2020.”

- Society for Longitudinal and Lifecourse Studies (SLLS) Annual Conference 2023. Session 5E: Young lives, family and parenting. Munich, Germany.
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting 2023. Poster. New Orleans, LA.
- FLUX Postdoctoral Workshop. Turku, Finland.
- FLUX Winter Seminar. Helsinki, Finland.

“How do intergenerational characteristics of couples' immigrant status contribute to Finland's fertility regime?” European Association for Population Studies (EAPS) Working Group on Migrant and Minority Fertility in Europe. Fertility and Family Dynamics in Migrant and Minority Groups Conference 2023. Wiesbaden, Germany.

“How do intergenerational characteristics of couples' immigrant status contribute to union formation and union dissolution in Finland?” European Association for Population Studies (EAPS) Working Group on Migrant and Minority Fertility in Europe. Fertility and Family Dynamics in Migrant and Minority Groups Conference 2023. Wiesbaden, Germany.

“Exposure to extreme heat and intersectional inequalities in low birth weight and pre-term births.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting 2023. Poster. New Orleans, LA.

- “Review of data and research capabilities from mobile tracking apps for BIOSFER Pregnancy Planning Cohort.” BIOSFER Launch Workshop, Oslo, Norway.
- 2022 “Changes in Black-White time-to-conception under varying scenarios over the next 50 years: The role of compositional change due to climate.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting 2022. Session 823: Stratified Reproduction and Reproductive Justice. Atlanta, GA.
- 2021 “‘Safer-at-home’: Schemas for making sense of family formation during the Covid-19 pandemic.”
- Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research. Regular Presenter. 2021 Conference on: Pandemic Babies? The COVID-19 Pandemic and its Impact on Fertility and Family Dynamics. Berlin, Germany.
 - American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting 2021, Section on Medical Sociology, Session: Reproductive Experiences and Decision-making. Virtual.
 - Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting 2021, Session: COVID-19 and Families. Virtual.
 - Population Association of America 2021 Meeting, Session 825: Infectious Disease and Reproductive Health. Virtual.
- “Racism and Black Reproduction in the U.S.” Population Association of America 2021 Meeting, Session 1017: Structural Racism and Health. Virtual.
- 2020 “Socioeconomic status and psychological well-being as predictors of sexual satisfaction.” American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting 2020. Invited submission for Panel on Sexual Pleasure and Intimacy Work. Berkeley/Virtual.
- “Unintended Pregnancy and Contraceptive Programs and Policies as Poverty Regulation Devices in the U.S.: A Genealogy.” European Association for the Study of Science and Technology / Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S) Joint Conference 2020. Prague/Virtual.
- “The effects of method-related sexual effects on contraceptive method satisfaction and continuation.” Population Association of America 2020 Meeting, Flash Session 125: Innovative Approaches to Studying Fertility, Sexuality, Reproductive Health. Washington, D.C.
- 2019 “Socioeconomic Disadvantage and Contraceptive Stratification: Evidence from the HER Salt Lake Study on Contraceptive Choice and Practice.” Population Association of America 2019 Meeting, Session 149: Contraceptive Use in the United States. Austin.
- 2018 “Implementing and measuring voluntary, rights-based family planning: Evidence from Uganda and Nigeria.” International Conference on Family Planning. November 12-15, 2018. Session: Reproductive Rights and Gender Empowerment. Kigali, Rwanda.

“I pray to God that family planning is good—two children you can manage: Men’s views of family planning and their access to services in Uganda.” International Conference on Family Planning. November 12-15, 2018. Session: Men and Family Planning. Kigali, Rwanda.

“Beyond Safety and Efficacy: How sexuality-related priorities impact contraceptive method selection.” North American Forum on Family Planning, October 20-22, 2018. Poster. New Orleans, LA.

“Psychometric development and validation of an instrument to prospectively measure contraceptive sexual acceptability.” International Academy of Sex Research Annual Meeting. July 17-20, 2018. Madrid, Spain.

2017 “Validating a Measure of Rights-Based Family Planning Service Delivery.” Population Association of America 2017 Meeting, Session: Fertility, Family Planning and Sexual Health: Programs and Policies. Chicago.

“A study on how social accountability mechanisms influence FP/RH programs in Uganda.” Population Association of America 2017 Meeting, Poster. Chicago.

“Informed Choice Among Global Family Planning Users: Trends from 2000-2014.” Population Association of America 2016 Meeting, Poster. Washington D.C.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2022-2024 Instructor, Masters Programme in Contemporary Societies, Quantitative Research Practicum (Faculty of Social Sciences), University of Helsinki (20 students)
- 2024 Thesis supervision: Citlali Trigós-Raczkowski, Master’s student in Data science
- Fall 2021 Guest Lecturer, Social and Economic Aspects of Human Fertility, Department of Population, Family and & Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- 2020-2022 Instructor: Sociology 320, Undergraduate Research Opportunity, University of Wisconsin, Madison (5 students)
- Fall 2020 Teaching Assistant, Sociology 170: Contemporary Population Problems (Ethnic Studies Requirement) Overall quality score on evaluations (1-5 range): 4.75/5.0 (above department average), University of Wisconsin, Madison (100 students)
- Fall 2019 Guest Instructor, Legal Studies 400: Law, Sexuality, and Society, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Summer 2021 Grader, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Fall 2018 Grader, Elementary Demographic Techniques, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Fall 2017 Tutor, Statistics for Sociologists III, University of Wisconsin, Madison

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

2021-2022 NICHD Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Predoctoral Traineeship.

2016, 2020 University Fellowship. Graduate School. University of Wisconsin, Madison. Full tuition remission and annual stipend.

2020 Global Health Institute Graduate Student Research Award. Global Health Institute. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$3,000

Holtz Center Travel Award. Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$1,000

(Declined). Registration Fee Waiver Award. 4S-EASST Conference. \$250

2019 Deborah A. Hobbins Award in Reproductive Health, Rights, and Justice. Department of Gender and Women's Studies. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$5,000

Passed with Distinction, Doctoral Qualifying Exam in Science, Technology, and Society.

Holtz Center Travel Award. Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$1,000

Graduate Summer Fieldwork Award. Institute for Regional and International Studies. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$3,000

2016 International Research and Training Grant. Institute for Regional and International Studies. University of Wisconsin, Madison. \$5,000

2012 Public Health Informatics Scholarship. Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. \$10,000

2010 Mark Chesler Student Research Award. Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. \$250

PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

- 2021 Research Assistant, Center for Demography and Ecology, PI: Jenna Nobles, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education UW2020 Award, “A New Window into Human Reproduction”
- 2020 Research Assistant, Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies, PI: Noah Weeth-Feinstein “COVID-19 Career Impact Survey” funded by Office of the Vice Chancellor, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- 2017-2020 Research Assistant, Collaborative for Reproductive Equity, PI: Jenny Higgins, NICHD R01 HD095661-02 “Sexual Acceptability’s Role in Women’s Contraceptive Preference and Behavior”
- 2016 Research Assistant, Center for Demography and Ecology, PI: Mike Massoglia, Co-PIs: Jenna Nobles, Malia Jones NSF Grant 1658353 “Linking Violence and Immigration”

Consulting

- 2021 Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, “Meta-analysis of Intent-to-use contraception on subsequent contraceptive use.”
- 2020-2021 What Works Association and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, “Building Voluntary Rights-Based Family Planning.”
- 2020 Durex Condom Company, Global Advisory Board. “A Rapid Review of Evidence of Sexual Pleasure in First Sexual Experiences.”
- 2019-2020 International Planned Parenthood Federation, Safe Abortion Action Fund, “Mainstreaming rights in abortion and contraception standards and indicators.”

Full-time Employment (Pre-doctoral)

- 2014-2018 Population Council, Staff Associate, Washington, D.C.
- 2013-2014 Knowledge Management Services Project, Public Health Analyst, Washington, D.C.
- 2012-2013 Jhpiego, Health Informatics Advisor, Baltimore, MD
- 2012 The Bill and Melinda Gates Institute for Population and Reproductive Health, Research Assistant, Baltimore, MD
- 2011-2012 Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), Social Mobilization and Partnerships Intern, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

- Ad-hoc Reviewer: *Studies in Family Planning, Global Health Science and Practice, BMJ Sexual and Reproductive Health, Social Science and Medicine, Journal of Sex Research*
- Professional Memberships: *American Sociological Society, Population Association of America, European Association for Population Studies*
- 2020-2022 Student Representative, American Sociological Association, Section on Population
- 2021 Session Presider, American Sociological Association, Families, Children, and Well-being & Reproductive Experiences and Decision-making
- 2021 Annual Meeting Volunteer, Eastern Sociological Society
- 2020-2021 “FemSem” (Gender Seminar), Coordinator, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology
- 2018-2021 Peer Mentor, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology
- 2019-2020 Associate Chair & Chair, Culture and Climate Committee, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology
- 2017-2019 Member, Minority Recruitment and Retention Committee, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology
- 2016-2017 Organizer, Pedagogy and Race Workshop, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology