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EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, August 1997.
Ph.D. Minor: Life Course Studies (interdisciplinary)
Dissertation: The Fulfillment of Career Goals over the Life Course and Midlife Mental Health.
- M.S., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1994.
Thesis: The Determinants of Women's and Men's Self-Employment.
- B.A., Sociology-based Human Relations, magna cum laude, Connecticut College, 1988.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Aging and the Life Course, Medical Sociology, Death and Dying, Quantitative Methods, Social Psychology, Social Demography, Family, Social Inequalities.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Inaugural Director, Center for Innovation in Social Science. September 2021-present.

Professor, Department of Sociology, Boston University. July 2017-present; Department Chair, July 2018 – June 2021.

Senior Fellow, Institute for Health System Innovation and Policy, Boston University, May 2017-August 2021.

Professor, Department of Sociology and Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research and Courtesy Appointment, School of Social Work. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. July 2010-June 2017; Department Chair, September 2012-July 2015.

Visiting Scholar, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan. July 2011-June 2012.

Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. July 2005-June 2010.

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. July 2002-June 2005.

Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. August 2006-2009 (On leave, 2007-09).

Assistant Professor, Sociology Department; Assistant Research Scientist, Population Studies Center; Faculty Associate to Assistant Research Scientist. Survey Research Center. Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, September 1997- July 2002.

SELECTED ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Series Editor (with Daniel Mroczek). *Handbook of Aging, 10th ed. Series*. New York: Academic Press/Elsevier. 2023-present.

Chair, Social Sciences Task Force, College of Arts & Sciences, Boston University. January – December 2020.

Principal Investigator, National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979 (NLSY79), June 2017-present.

Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 2023-25.

Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, 2015-20.

Interim Director, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research, Rutgers University, September 2016-August 2017.

Chair, Athletics Academic Oversight Committee for Intercollegiate Athletics (AAOC), Rutgers University, 2016-17.

Chair and Co-Founder, Public Engagement Program (PEP), Rutgers University, 2015-17. (This campus-wide program hosts symposia focused on increasing faculty members' public engagement via media appearances, writing for non-academic audiences, use of social media, and engaging directly with policy makers).

Chair, Editorial Committee, Rutgers University Press, 2013-17.

Chair, Board of Overseers, General Social Survey (GSS), National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. 2012-16

Co- Director, National Institute of Mental Health Training Program, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. 2007-14.

Principal Investigator, Wisconsin Study of Families and Loss (WISTFL). (A survey of 750 bereaved family members of recently deceased Wisconsin Longitudinal Study participants). 2012-14.

Director, Midlife in the United States (MIDUS) Pilot Project Grant Competition, funded by the National Institute on Aging. 2002-2008.

Principal Investigator, New Jersey End of Life Study. (A survey of end-of-life preparations and health among a racially diverse sample 305 terminally ill older adults in NJ). 2004-07.

PUBLICATIONS

(Current/former undergraduate/graduate student and postdoctoral fellows underlined).

Books

Giddens, Anthony, Mitchell Duneier, Richard P. Appelbaum, and Deborah Carr. 2024. *Essentials of Sociology, 9th ed.* New York: W. W. Norton.
Previous editions published in 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2017, 2019, and 2021.

Giddens, Anthony, Mitchell Duneier, Richard Appelbaum, and Deborah Carr. 2024. *Introduction to Sociology, 13th ed.* New York: W. W. Norton.
Previous editions published in 2009, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2018, and 2021.

Carr, Deborah. *Aging in America*. 2023. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Ferraro, Kenneth F. and Deborah Carr. (Eds.). 2021. *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences, 9th ed.* New York: Academic Press.

Carr, Deborah, Elizabeth Boyle, Benjamin Cornwell, Shelley Correll, Robert Crosnoe, Jeremy Freese, and Mary Waters. 2021. *The Art and Science of Social Research, 2nd ed.* New York: W. W. Norton.
1st edition published in 2017.

Carr, Deborah. 2019. *Golden Years? Social Inequalities in Later Life*. New York: Russell Sage.

- Reviewed in publications including *American Journal of Public Health*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Population and Development Review*, *The Gerontologist*, *Social Science Review*, *Sociological Forum*.
- Author Meets Critics session, American Sociological Association annual meeting, 2019.
- Winner, 2020 Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award, Gerontological Society of America.

Knoll, Herb, Deborah Carr, Robert L. Frick. 2017. *The Widower's Journey: Helping Men Rebuild After Their Loss*. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform.

Carr, Deborah. 2014. *Worried Sick: How Stress Hurts Us and How to Bounce Back*. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press.

Carr, Deborah (Ed.). 2009. *Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development* (with associate editors Robert Crosnoe, M. E. Hughes, and Amy Pienta). Farmington Hills MI: Gale/CENGAGE Learning.

Halpert, Julie and Deborah Carr. 2008. *Making Up with Mom: Why Mothers and Daughters Disagree about Kids, Cooking, and Careers (and What to Do About It)*. New York: Thomas Dunne Books/St. Martin's Press.

Carr, Deborah, Randolph Nesse, and Camille B. Wortman (Eds.). 2005. *Spousal Bereavement in Late Life*. New York: Springer Publishing.

Refereed Journal Articles

Graduate student and postdoctoral co-authors underlined.

Lou, Yifan, Jinyu Liu, Deborah Carr, Yaolin Pei, and Bei Wu. 2026. "Chinese Older Adults' Preferences for Involvement in End-of-Life Care Decisions: Profile and Correlates." *Research on Aging*. doi.org/10.1177/01640275251414990

Peng, Changmin, Burr, Jeffrey, Mutchler, Jan, and Carr, Deborah. 2025. "Cognitive Function and Friendship Network Characteristics Among Older Couples." *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbaf165.

Carr, Deborah and Shinae Choi. 2025. "Do Friendships Buffer the Impact of Physical Disability on Older Adults' Depressive Symptoms? An Exploration of Gender Differences." *Research on Aging*. doi.org/10.1177/01640275251372870.

Peng, Changmin, Jeffrey A. Burr, Jan E. Mutchler, and Deborah Carr. 2025. "Childhood and Adulthood Social Relationships and Trajectories of Cognitive Function Among Older Chinese Adults." *Journal of Aging and Health*. doi.org/10.1177/08982643251397199.

Jessee, Lisa, and Deborah Carr. 2025. "Silver Splits and Parent-Child Disconnectedness: Mental Health Consequences for European Older Adults." *European Journal of Population* 41, 1: 1-20. doi.org/10.1007/s10680-025-09751-9.

Mahmoud, Kafayat and Deborah Carr. 2025. "Social Relationships and End-of-Life Quality among Older Adults in the United States: The Impacts of Marital, Kinship, and Network Ties." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbaf135.

Ayalon, Liat, Deborah Carr, Karl Pillemer, Matthew Prina, Noah Webster, and Paola Zaninotto. 2025. "Why Ethical Research on Aging in the Context of Climate Change Must Address Social Susceptibilities and Assets." *International Psychogeriatrics*. doi.org/10.1016/j.inpsyc.2025.100153.

Ross, Clifford, Brina Ratangee, Emily Schuler, Zheng Lian, Benmun Damul, Deborah Carr, and Lucie Kalousova. 2025. "Black and White Older Adults' End-of-Life Experiences: Does Hospice Use Mitigate Racial Disparities?" *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbaf137.

Carr, Deborah, Leping Wang, and Pamela Smock. 2025. "Do Social Security Benefits Rules Perpetuate Marital Status and Gender Inequalities?" *The Gerontologist*. doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnaf158.

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- Smith-Greenway, Emily, Ashton Verdery, and Deborah Carr. 2025. "The New Sociology of Bereavement." *Annual Review of Sociology* 51:357–75. doi.org/10.1146/annurev-soc-090324-035534
- Wong, Jason, Siyao Lu, Yifan Lou, Emma Zang, and Deborah Carr. 2025. "A Novel Time Use Approach on Successful Aging: Racial and Gender Disparities in Daily Productive Engagement." *The Gerontologist*. doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnae150.
- Kalousova, Lucie and Deborah Carr. 2024. "Marital Status and Advance Care Planning among Older Adults: Do Gendered Patterns Vary by Age?" *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbae141>.
- Carr, Deborah, Leping Wang, and Pamela Smock. 2024. "Gender Differences in the Economic Consequences of Life-Long Singlehood among Older Adults." *Journal of Marriage and Family*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.13011>.
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- Choi, Shinae, Eun Ha Namkung, and Deborah Carr. 2022. "The Effect of Physical Limitations on Depressive Symptoms over the Life Course: Is Optimism a Protective Buffer?" *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbac058.
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Carr, Deborah and Eun Ha Namkung. "Occupational Characteristics and Workplace Discrimination among Persons with Disability: Do Job Requirements Matter?"

Choi, Shinae and Deborah Carr. "Marital Trajectories and Older Adults' Supportive and Strained Friendship Ties: Do Patterns Differ for Men and Women?" Revised and resubmitted

Das, Stuti and Deborah Carr. "Age and Mental Health Symptoms: Do Patterns Differ Based on Hispanic Ethnicity and Immigration Status?"

Das, Stuti and Deborah Carr. "Household Food Security and Psychosocial Well-Being: Are Associations Moderated by Immigrant Status?"

Ding, Kedong, Yifan Lou, and Deborah Carr. "Perceived Neighborhood Environment and End-of-life Care and Planning among Older Adults in the U.S."

Ferraro, Kenneth and Deborah Carr. (Eds.). *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences, 10th ed.* New York: Academic Press. (Publication date: November 2026).

Jessee, Lisa and Deborah Carr. "Parent-Child Disconnectedness and Older Adults Depressive Symptoms: Do Associations Differ Across European Regions?"

Jessee, Lisa and Deborah Carr. "Beyond Childlessness? Parenthood and Depressive Symptoms among Older Europeans." To be presented at the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics conference, Amsterdam, July 2026.

Lou, Yifan and Deborah Carr. "(Dis)Concordance on Preferences of Involvement in End-Of-Life Care Decision-Making in Chinese Older Parent-Adult Children Dyads."

Lucy, Meghann and Deborah Carr. "Housing Court Decisions Regarding Older Adult Hoarders: Justice or Compassionate Ageism?"

Mahmoud, Kafayat and Deborah Carr. “End-of-Life Quality among Older Adults with Limited Social Ties: Do Patterns Differ by European Region?” To be presented at the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics conference, Amsterdam, July 2026.

Schmitz, Alina, Leping Wang, and Deborah Carr. “Educational Attainment and Multiple Dimensions of Cognitive Health among Older Adults: Do Associations Differ Across European Nations and Regions?” To be presented at the Society of Longitudinal and Life Course Studies annual meeting, Brussels, Belgium, July 2026.

Topbas, Damla and Deborah Carr. “Late-Life Widowhood and Economic Well-Being in Türkiye and the United States.”

Wang, Leping and Deborah Carr. “The Impact of Social Support on The Cognitive Health of Older Adults: A U.S.-China Comparison.”

Zhang, Zhe, Brina Ratangee, Deborah Carr, and Lucie Kalousová. “Advance Care Planning and Mental Health After Loss: Evidence from Surviving Spouses”

GRANTS

External Funding: Funded

“Social Engagement and Well-Being in the Final Five Years of Life.” National Institute on Aging. NIA 1R03AG093092-01. September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2027. Role: Co-investigator (PI: Alyssa Goldman, Boston College). Total Costs: \$171,943.

“Social Isolation/Integration of Older Persons in Climate Changing Cities and Communities.” Israel-US Binational Foundation. Co-investigator (with Liat Ayalon, Bar-Ilan University). October 1, 2025 – October 30, 2029. Total Costs: \$380,000

“The National Study of the Older Never-Married Adults (NSONMA).” National Institute on Aging. NIA 1R56AG089170-01. September 30, 2024 – August 31, 2026. Role: Co-investigator (PI: Lijun Song, Vanderbilt University). Total costs: \$701,766.

“Eliminating Racial Disparities in End-of-Life Care and Death Quality through Policy Action.” Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Role: Co-Investigator (with Lucie Kalousova). May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2027. Total costs: \$600,000.

“Flourishing Under Conditions of Extreme Adversity.” Templeton World Charity Foundation. September 1, 2021-August 31, 2023. Total costs: \$100,000. Role: Principal Investigator. (Invited proposal. Selected as one of 11 finalists from more than 500 applicants).

“Gender, Marital Histories and Late-life Poverty: Updating Social Security Rules for 21st Century Families.” RRF Foundation for Aging. September 1, 2021-August 31, 2023. Total costs: \$150,000. Role: Principal Investigator

“Revamping Social Security Rules for 21st Century Families.” Borchard Foundation Center on Law & Aging. February 2021-January 2022. Total costs: \$20,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

“National Longitudinal Study of Youth 1979 (NLSY79).” Contract: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor (DOL-BLS-15-D-0005). July 2017 through present (one course release annually). Role: Principal Investigator.

“Disability, Time Use, and Wellbeing among Older Adults.” National Institute on Aging. P01AG029409. Principal Investigator: Vicki A Freedman.

D. Carr, Role:

Project 4. Economic Status, Health and Well-Being over the Life Course and Across Generations. December 2013-November 2017, \$124,610, Role: Co-Investigator.

“Integrative Pathways to Health and Illness.” National Institute on Aging. 5P01A20166, U19-AG051426. Principal Investigator: Carol D. Ryff.

D. Carr, Role:

Core E. MIDUS Pilot Grants, September 2002-July 2009, \$655,232, Project Leader;
Core C. Statistics Core, July 2011-June 2016, \$147,581, Project Leader;

Project 1. Psychosocial Contributors to Health and Illness, July 2011-June 2016, \$375,770, Co-Investigator

Core C. Statistics Core, July 2016-June 2021, \$316,994, Project Leader. September 2021 – August 2027, \$433,956.

“Wisconsin Longitudinal Study: Tracking the Life Course.” National Institute on Aging 5P01AG21079. Principal Investigator: Robert M. Hauser.

D. Carr, Role:

Project 1. Social and Behavioral Contexts of the Aging Mind, September 2002-June 2006, \$230,840, Co-Investigator;

Project 2. End of Life Planning and Well-Being in Late Life, July 2004-June 2013, \$546,857, Project Leader;

Project 12. Psychological Aging in Context: Personality, Well-Being and Stress, July 2009-June 2013, \$190,622, Project Leader.

National Institute of Aging. P01AG023958-01. “Center for the Study of Health Beliefs and Behavior.” Principal Investigator: Howard Leventhal.

D. Carr, Role:

Project 2. End of Life Planning Among Terminally Ill Older Adults, September 2004-August 2008, \$415,506, Project Leader.

“Core Questions about Bereavement: Answers from the Changing Lives of Older Couples (CLOC) Study.” R01AG15948. Principal Investigator: Randolph Nesse. Co-Investigator: Deborah Carr. July 2000-June 2002. \$680,000.

“Midlife Career Change and Mental Health.” National Institute on Aging. 1R03AG16545. Principal Investigator, July 2000-June 2001. \$72,684.

“*Midlife in the United States* (MIDUS) Workshops.” Conference grant, John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Principal Investigator. October 1998- July 2001. \$80,000.

External Funding: Pending

“Socioeconomic Differences in Network Dynamics and Health Behaviors at a Critical Time.” National Institute on Aging. Co-PI. (PI: Won-tak Joo, University of Florida). January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2031. Total Costs (Boston University): \$1,328,390.

“Boston University-Demographic and Social Determinants of Healthy Cognitive Aging Research Program (BU-SHARP).” National Institute on Aging. Co-PI (with MPIs Maria Glymour and Andrew Stokes, BU School of Public Health). July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2032. Total Costs: \$5,547,706.

Internal Funding

“Institutional and Interpersonal Discrimination against U.S. Adults with Disability: Who Is at Risk, and How Can It Be Stopped?” Boston University Office of Diversity and Inclusion. Principal Investigator. January – December 2022. Total Costs: \$5,000.

Cultural and Cognitive Influences on End-of-Life Planning among African-American and White Colorectal Cancer Patients.” Cancer Institute of New Jersey. Principal Investigator: Deborah Carr. August 2004-July 2005. Total Costs: \$50,000.

“Why Does the Gender Pay Gap Persist in Self-Employment?” Institute for Research on Women & Gender, University of Michigan. Principal Investigator. May-December 1997. \$3,600.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations (from more than 100 since 2000).

Carr, Deborah. 2025. “Golden Years? Growing Old in the 21st Century.” Gerald and Deanne Gitner Family College of Arts & Sciences Lecture, Boston University, September 2025.

Carr, Deborah. 2025. “Older Adults’ Complex Family Lives in the 21st Century: Implications for End-of-Life Preparations and Well-Being”

-Keynote Speaker, International Workshop on Navigating Aging and Health with Limited Family Ties: Challenges, Opportunities, and Policy Responses. Singapore National University. Singapore. February 2025.

-Population Research Institute Brownbag Lecture Series, Penn State University, February 2025.

-Sociology Department Colloquium, Emory University, February 2025.

-Center for Aging and Life Course, Scholars in the Spotlight Program, Keynote Speaker, Purdue University, March 2025.

--Dilemmas in Social Inequality Speaker Series, Princeton University, September 2025.

-Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University. October 2025.

-School of Social Work, National Taiwan University, November 2025. (remote).

-Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Rutgers University, March 2026.

-Keynote Lecture, CAnD3 International Fellows program, McGill University, June 2026.

Carr, Deborah. 2025. “Population Aging and Heat Exposure in the 21st Century.” Research Centers Collaborative Network (RCCN) Climate Change and Aging Workshop. Seattle, WA. November 2025.

- Carr, Deborah. 2025. "The Impact of Cumulative Inequities on Older Adult Health." Age-Friendly Ecosystem Summit, Trust for America's Health. Washington, D. June 2025.
- Carr, Deborah. 2024. "Educational and Workplace Contexts." Identifying Midlife Social Exposures that Might Modify Risk for Cognitive Impairment Associated with Early Life Disadvantage: A Workshop. National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM). Washington, DC. August 2024.
- Carr, Deborah. 2024. "Nursing Homes: The Time is Now." Anti-Ageism Alliance: A Global Geriatric Task Force. Fondazione Menarini. Florence, Italy. April 2024.
- Carr, Deborah. 2024. "Behavioral and Social Mechanisms Linking Climate Exposures to Short- and Long-Term Health Outcomes." Workshop on Impacts of Extreme Weather Conditions and Disasters on Older Adult Health. National Institute on Aging. March 2024.
- Carr, Deborah. 2023. "Conversations on Families and Aging." CAPS Annual Conference. Center for Aging and Policy Studies, Syracuse University. October 2023.
- Carr, Deborah. 2023. "On the Significance of [Old] Age in Sociology: Why Every Sociologist Needs to Understand Aging and the Life Course." Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Lecture. American Sociological Association annual meetings. Philadelphia, PA. August 2023.
- Carr, Deborah. 2023. "Aging Alone: Mechanisms and Consequences." Workshop on Kinlessness and Living Alone at Older Ages." National Academy of Sciences. Washington, DC. May 2023.
- Carr, Deborah. 2023. "The Joys and Struggles of Growing Older: How Do Men and Women Differ?" Sara and Samuel J. Lessans Healthcare Symposium on Reimagining Healthy Aging: Embracing Opportunities and Transforming How We Think About Getting Older. Rockville, MD. May 2023.
- Carr, Deborah. 2022. "Families in Later Life: A Cause or Consequence of Social Inequality." Keynote Lecture, Korean Association of Family Relations. November 2022.
- Carr, Deborah. 2022. "The End of Life: New Directions in Research, Theory, and Policy." Keynote Lecture, Ageing as Future Conference, Friedrich-Schiller-Universitat, Jena, Germany. July 2022.
- Carr, Deborah. 2022. "Tailoring Your Manuscript for Publication." Gerontological Society of America webinar. Remote. July 2022.
- Carr, Deborah. 2022. "Creating a National Data Resource on Bereavement: What Do We Need, and How Will We Collect It?" Conference on Race and the Unequal Burden of Bereavement. Texas Center for Aging and Population Sciences. University of Texas-Austin. May 2022.

- Carr, Deborah. 2022. "Love Hurts? Family Relationships and Older Adults' Emotional Well-Being." Research Symposium on Family, Kinship and Relatedness. Southern Methodist University. April 2022. Remote.
- Carr, Deborah. 2021. "Physical Disability Over the Life Course: Implications for Well-Being and Social Integration." National Chengchi University, Taiwan. December 2021; 2021 Distinguished Lecture Series, Seoul National University. Seoul, Korea. December 2021. Texas A & M University. February 2022. Remote.
- Carr, Deborah. 2021. "Social Inequalities in Later Life." Keynote Address. 2021 Healthy Aging Symposium. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. Washington, DC. September 2021. Remote.
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "Death, Dying and Bereavement in the COVID-19 Era: Challenges for Research, Policy and Practice." The Economic and Social Impacts of Population Ageing: China in a Global Perspective conference, jointly organized by the East Asian Institute at the National University of Singapore, the National Institute of Social Development at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, and the Department of Sociology at Tsinghua University. December 2020. (Remote).
- Carr, Deborah. "Older Adults and Elder-Care Policies." Invited Symposium, Work and Family Researchers Network. December 2020. (Remote).
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "Interpersonal and Institutional Discrimination among U.S. Adults with Disability." Sociology Colloquium, Rutgers University, September 2020; CU Denver Health and Behavioral Sciences Colloquium, October 2020. Institute for Population Research, Ohio State University, April 2021. (Remote).
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "Adult and Older Adult Cohort Studies: National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979 (NLSY79)." Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS) International Showcase. University College, London, UK. October 2020. (Remote).
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "The End-of-Life: Research Challenges and Opportunities." RAND Summer Institute on Demography, Economics, Psychology, and Epidemiology of Aging. RAND, Santa Monica, CA (July 2019, July 2020).
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "Golden Years: Social Inequalities in Later Life." Department of Sociology. (Boston College, February 2019; Walter and Helen Hall Annual Speaker, Department of Sociology, Rice University, March 2019; Dean's Distinguished Scholar Lecture Series, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs, March 2019; Innovations in Population Science Seminar, Cornell University, May 2019; East Asia Institute, National University of Singapore, December 2019; Health & Inequality Lecture, University of Maryland-Baltimore County, February 2020; CUNY Institute for Demographic Research, April 2021; United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs July 2021).
- Carr, Deborah. 2020. "COVID Webinar: Data Collection in Longitudinal Studies." Population Association of America, June 2020. (Remote).

- Carr, Deborah. 2019. Plenary on “Psychological Resilience in the Face of Later-Life Stress.” 28th Annual John K Friesen Conference Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC (May 2019). (Also, Singapore University of Technology and Design, December 2019).
- Carr, Deborah. 2019. “Longitudinal Designs and Life Course Research: What Do We Know, and what are We Missing?” It’s About Time—Longitudinal Studies of the Life Course Conference. Center for Life Course and Longitudinal Studies (C2LS), Pennsylvania State University. State College, PA (May 2019).
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Love Hurts? Rethinking Social Support and Older Adults’ Mental Health.” Keynote address, International Conference on Social Stress. Athens, Greece. June 2018. (Department of Gerontology, University of Massachusetts-Boston, October 2018; Andrus Gerontology Center, University of Southern California, October 2018; Social Demography Seminar, Harvard University, January 2019; International Workshop on Social Capital & Aging, National University of Singapore, December 2019).
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Beyond ‘Years of Schooling’: Using Secondary Data to Study Arts, Culture, and Lifelong Learning.” Arts, Sciences, and Human Betterment conference. Madison, WI. July 2018.
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Is All Support Equal? Gender and Marital Status Differences in the Salience of Family and Spousal Support in Later Life.” Department of Sociology, Emory University, Atlanta. April 2018.
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Conversations about the Greying of America.” Plenary session at the National Oral Health Conference (NOHC) of The Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD). Louisville, Kentucky. April 2018.
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Structural Factors Affecting Mental Health over the Life Course.” Workshop on Women’s Mental Health across the Life Course through a Sex-Gender Lens. National Academy of Sciences. Washington, DC. March 2018.
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. “Golden Years? Social Inequalities in Later Life.” Department of Sociology, Graduate Center, City University of New York. February 2018.
- Carr, Deborah. 2017. “Do Marital and Kin Support Enhance (or Undermine) Older Adults’ Well-Being? New Evidence from the DUST Study.” Department of Sociology, SUNY-Stony Brook, March 2017; Department of Sociology and CU Population Center, University of Colorado-Boulder, September 2016; Department of Sociology and Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 2016.
- Carr, Deborah. 2016. “How to Publish in Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Journals.” Urban Space and Social Life conference, Sanya University, Hainan, China, June 2016.
- Carr, Deborah. 2016. “Worried Sick: Why Stress Hurts Us and How to Bounce Back.” Grand Rounds, Princeton Behavioral Health Center, Princeton, NJ. May 2016.

- Carr, Deborah. 2015. "Normality and the Life Course." Department of Sociology, Kansas State University, December 2015.
- Carr, Deborah. 2015. "The 'Linked Lives' Principle in Life Course Studies." Together Through Time Conference on Social Networks and the Life Course. Pennsylvania State University, May 2015.
- Carr, Deborah. 2015. "We Don't Die Alone: The Role of Family in End-of-Life Planning and Bereavement." Whelpton Lecture, Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University, October 2015; RAND, July 2015, July 2016; Keynote Address, International Association for Relationship Research 2015 Mini-Conference on Relationships, Health and Wellness, June 2015; Michigan State University, February 2015; Ohio State University, February 2015; Population Studies Center, University of Texas-Austin, March 2013.
- Carr, Deborah. 2014. "Planning the Good Death." DePaul Humanities Center, DePaul University. Chicago, IL. January 2014.
- Carr, Deborah. 2013. "The Aging of the Baby Boomers." Consortium on Social Science Associations 2013 Colloquium on Social and Behavioral Science and Public Policy. Washington, DC. November 2013.
- Carr, Deborah. 2013. "Social Influences on Health Lifestyle Choices in Later Life." Center on Aging and the Life Course, Purdue University. September 2013.
- Carr, Deborah. 2013. "Coping with Loss over the Life Course: Which Resources Protect against the Harmful Psychological Effects of Divorce and Widowhood?" Resources in Times of Vulnerability: Multiple Perspectives. Swiss National Center of Competence in Research, University of Geneva. June 2013.
- Carr, Deborah. 2012. "Melvin L. Kohn: Six Decades of Scholarship." Invited symposium, American Sociological Association annual meeting. Denver, CO. August 2012.
- Carr, Deborah. 2012. "What's in a Name? Perspectives on the Sociology of Age, Aging, and the Life Course." Invited symposium, American Sociological Association annual meeting. Denver, CO. August 2012.
- Carr, Deborah. 2012. "Death, Dying, and End of Life Issues: Research Challenges." RAND Summer Institute (RSI) on the Demography, Economics, Psychology, and Epidemiology of Aging. Santa Monica, CA. July 2012.
- Carr, Deborah. 2012. "Psychosocial Challenges among Older Patients in the 21st Century: Implications for Dental Care." Steve Gordon Memorial Lecture, Special Care Dentistry Association, Scottsdale, AZ. April 2012.
- Carr, Deborah. 2011. "Widowed Older Adults in Rural Areas: Identifying Challenges and Solutions." Keynote Address. Oklahoma Geriatric Education Center Annual Conference, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK. June 2011.

- Carr, Deborah. 2011. "Reinventing Widowhood? Some (Untested) Predictions about Baby Boomers & Spousal Loss." Baby Boomers and Family Changes in the 21st Century Conference/ Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH. March 2011.
- Carr, Deborah. 2010. "Recent Scholarship on Families and Health Research: Looking Back and Moving Forward." Keynote Address at National Council on Family Relations annual meeting. Minneapolis, November 2010.
- Carr, Deborah. 2010. "If Nothing is Certain but Death and Taxes, Why Do So Few Americans Prepare for the End of Life?" Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, September 2010; Population Research Center, University of Chicago, January 2011.
- Carr, Deborah. 2010. "Research on Obesity and Families: What Have We Learned, and Where Are We Going." Obesity and Families conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT. May 2010.
- Carr, Deborah. 2010. "How Families Navigate the End of Life." Council on Contemporary Families 2010 annual meeting. Augustana College, Augustana, IL. April 2010.
- Carr, Deborah. 2009. "Facing the Inevitable: How, Why, and with Whom Older Adults Plan for the End of Life." Cecile Shore Fellowship Lecture, New York University, March 2009; Center on Aging and Health. Johns Hopkins University. February 2008.
- Carr, Deborah. 2008. "Healthy Families." Making Connections Conference: Effects of Marriage and the Couple Relationship on the Health of Infants, Adolescents & Older Adults. National Healthy Marriage Resource Center. Racine, WI. October 2008.
- Carr, Deborah. 2008. "'No, A Grand-dog Isn't Good Enough': Shifting Gender Roles and the Implications for Adult Daughter-Mother Relationships." Farleigh Dickinson University. February 2008.
- Carr, Deborah. 2007. "Escaping the 'Phantom Fat'? The Psychosocial Consequences of Weight Change over the Life Course." University of Pennsylvania Sociology Department. Philadelphia, PA.
- Carr, Deborah. 2006. "Facing the Inevitable? How Older Adults Prepare for End-of-Life Health Concerns." Keynote Address, 18th Annual Colloquium on Aging. University of Wisconsin. Madison, WI.
- Carr, Deborah. 2005. "Death and Dying in the 21st Century: Implications for Older Adults and their Families." Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, October 2005; Center on Population Health and Aging, Pennsylvania State University, February 2006; Center for Gerontology and Health Care Research, Brown University, June 2006.

- Carr, Deborah. 2005. "Bringing the 'Life' Back into Life Course Research: A 'Person-Centered' Approach to Studying the Life Course." National Development and Research Institutes, New York, NY. September 2005.
- Carr, Deborah. 2005. "Dynamics of Partner Relationships in Late Life." Diversity in Late Life: International Workshop. Vrije University and Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. June 2005.
- Carr, Deborah. 2005. "The Stigma of Obesity: Does Body Weight Affect the Quality of Interpersonal Relationships?" Center for Demography of Health and Aging, University of Wisconsin. Madison, WI. March 2005.
- Carr, Deborah. 2004. "The Stigma of Obesity: Discrimination against Obese and Overweight Americans." Office of Population Research, Princeton University. Princeton, NJ.
- Carr, Deborah. 2003. "Generational Differences in Men's and Women's Lives: Has the 'Stalled Revolution' Unstalled?" Alpha Kappa Delta Address, Drew University. Madison, NJ.
- Carr, Deborah. 2002. "Social Influences on Emotional Health." RAND Summer Institute on the Demography, Epidemiology and Economics of Aging. Santa Monica, CA
- Carr, Deborah. 2002. "Parental Pride or Father-Son Rivalry? How Midlife Fathers Compare Their Work Lives with Their Sons'." Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin and University of Pennsylvania Sociology Department. Philadelphia, PA.
- Carr, Deborah. 2001. "The Psychological and Physical Consequences of Sudden and Anticipated Widowhood." Center for Family and Demographic Research Speaker Series, Bowling Green State University. Bowling Green, OH.
- Carr, Deborah. 2001. "Older Adults' Psychological Adjustment to the Process of Spousal Death." Institute of Aging Colloquium Series, University of Florida. Gainesville, FL.

Selected Refereed Presentations (Past ten years only)

- Carr, Deborah. 2025. "Beyond Social Structures: Using MIDUS To Understand Psychological Processes and Social Inequalities." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Lee, Gina, Jooyoung Kong, Deborah Carr, and Michal Engelman. 2025. "Sibling Disconnectedness, Sibship Size, and Cognition in Later Life." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Mahmoud, Kafayat and Deborah Carr. "Marital Status and Place of Death Among Older Adults: A Comparison of European Countries." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Kalousova, Lucie, Clifford Ross, Zheng Lian, and Deborah Carr. "Change in Racial Disparities in End-of-Life Quality and Advance Care Planning: After the 2016 Medicare Incentive Reform." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.

- Kalousova, Lucie,; Clifford Ross, Zhe Zhang, and Deborah Carr. "Evaluating Structural and Individual-Level Influences on Black and White Older Adults' End-of-Life Treatment Preferences: A Decomposition Analysis." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.
- Mahmoud, Kafayat and Deborah Carr. "Marital Status, Gender, and Perceived Quality of End-of-Life Care Among U.S. Older Adults." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.
- Jessee, Lisa and Deborah Carr. "Exploring the Link Between Parent-Child Disconnectedness in Gray Divorced Families and Parental Depressive Symptoms Across European Regions." Presented at 2025 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.
- Mahmoud, Kafayat and Deborah Carr. "Trajectories of Social Participation by Marital Status and Gender Among Older Americans." Presented at 2024 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.
- Carr, Deborah and Eun Ha Namkung. "Occupational Characteristics and Workplace Discrimination among Persons with Disability: Do Job Requirements Matter?" Presented at 2024 annual meetings of the Population Association of America.
- Carr, Deborah and Shinae Choi. "Just the Two of Us? Are The Psychological Consequences of Childlessness Contingent upon Older Adults' Marital Status?" Presented at 2023 annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Sperber, Benjamin and Deborah Carr. "To Kill or Not to Kill: Trends and Differentials in U.S. Attitudes Towards Modern Capital Punishment, 1974-2021." Presented at 2023 annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society.
- Carr, Deborah, Leping Wang, and Pamela Smock. "Gender Differences in Older Adults' Economic Security: Assessing the Role of Family Histories." Presented at 2022 annual meetings of the American Sociological Association.
- Tzoc, Kristen, Pamela Smock, and Deborah Carr. 2022. "The Economic Consequences of Midlife Divorce." Population Association of America annual meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Choi, Shinae, Eun Ha Namkung, and Deborah Carr. 2022. "The Effect of Physical Limitations on Depressive Symptoms over the Life Course: Is Optimism a Protective Buffer?" Population Association of America annual meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Choi, Shinae, Deborah Carr, and Eun Ha Namkung. 2021. "Physical Disability and Older Adults' Perceived Food and Economic Insecurity during the COVID-19 Pandemic." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, remote.
- Carr, Deborah, Leping Wang, and Pamela Smock. 2021. "Gender, Family Histories, and Late-Life Economic Well-Being." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, remote.

- Namkung, Eun Ha and Deborah Carr. 2020. "Disability at Work: How Functional Impairment Affects Workplace Experiences and Relationships." Accepted for presentation at Population Association of America annual meeting, Washington, DC. 2020. (meeting cancelled).
- Lee, Jane and Deborah Carr. 2019. "Impact of Social Support and Strain on Depressive Symptoms: Marital Status and Gender." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Chunga, Evan, Haowei Wang and Deborah Carr. 2019. "Are Family Relationships a Protective Resource among Adults with Functional Impairment?" Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Carr, Deborah. 2019. "Understanding the Role of Stress Processes in Cumulative Dis/Advantage Processes." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Namkung, Eun Ha and Deborah Carr. 2019. "Longitudinal Mental Health Consequences of Physical Disabilities: The Mediating Role of Perceived Discrimination." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Carr, Deborah. 2019. "Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: Short- and Long-Term Mental Health Consequences for Older Women." American Sociological Association annual meetings. New York.
- Namkung, Eun Ha and Deborah Carr. 2019. "Perceived Interpersonal and Institutional Discrimination among Persons with Disability: Do Patterns Differ by Age." Presented at Population Association of America annual meeting. Austin, TX.
- Carr, Deborah. 2018. "Mental Health of Older Widows and Widowers: Which Coping Strategies Are Most Protective?" American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia.
- Freedman, Vicki A., Jennifer C. Cornman, Deborah Carr, and Richard Lucas. 2018. "Family Caregiving: A Sequencing Analysis of Time Use over the Day." Population Association of America annual meeting, Denver, CO.
- Carr, Deborah, Vicki A. Freedman and Jennifer C. Cornman. 2018. "Beyond Gray Divorce: Remarriage and Emotional Well-Being of Older Adults." Population Association of America annual meeting, Denver, CO.
- Ahmed, Mamun, Kristen Springer, and Deborah Carr. 2017. "Masculinity Beliefs and End-of-Life Planning: Does Hegemonic Masculinity Inhibit Men's Planning?" International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco.
- Carr, Deborah and Samuel R. Zwetchkenbaum. 2017. "Oral Health in Later Life: Research Challenges, Opportunities and Innovation." International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco.
- Freedman, Vicki A., Deborah Carr and Jennifer C. Cornman. 2017. "Impairments, Aging and Experienced Wellbeing." Population Association of America annual meetings, Chicago.

- Carr, Deborah. 2016. "Grieving for My Abusive Parent? Childhood Maltreatment and Depressive Symptoms among Bereaved Older Adult Children." American Sociological Association annual meetings, Seattle, WA
- Carr, Deborah, Jennifer C. Cornman and Vicki A. Freedman. 2016. "Disability and Emotional Well-Being in Later Life: Are Effects Buffered by Family Relationship Support and Strain?" New Directions in the Study of Intergenerational Transfers and Time Use in Later Life: A Panel Study of Income Dynamics Conference. Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan.
- Freedman, Vicki A., Deborah Carr and Jennifer C. Cornman. 2016. "Late Life Disability and Time Together." New Directions in the Study of Intergenerational Transfers and Time Use in Later Life: A Panel Study of Income Dynamics Conference Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan.
- Carr, Deborah, Jennifer C. Cornman and Vicki A. Freedman. 2016. "Disability and Experienced Well-Being in Later Life: Are Effects Buffered by Intimate Relationship Support and Strain?" Population Association of America annual meeting. Washington, DC.
- Freedman, Vicki A., Jennifer C. Cornman, Deborah Carr, and Richard Lucas. 2016. "Disability and Subjective Wellbeing among Older Adults: The Role of Psychological, Social, and Economic Resources and Activities." Population Association of America annual meeting, Washington, DC.
- Carr, Deborah. 2015. "Late Life Psychological Adjustment to Parental Death over the Life Course: Do Patterns Vary Based on Early Life Parental Abuse and Neglect?" Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies annual meeting. Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland.
- Carr, Deborah, Katherine Lin, and Sarah Burgard. 2015. "Occupational Differences in Advance Care Planning: Are Medical and Legal Professionals More Likely to Plan?" American Sociological Association annual meeting.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Blogposts

Psychology Today, on "Bouncing Back: Overcoming Stress and Surviving Life's Challenges."

["Arthritis: The Secret Pain of Gen X Women Today"](#) (May 4, 2025).

["Surviving Father's Day When Dad is Gone."](#) (June 14, 2024).

["How to Survive Mother's Day When Your Mom is Gone."](#) (May 10, 2024).

["Men, We Need to Talk \(About Prostate Cancer\)." \(January 12, 2024\).](#)

["Five Things to Understand about Love After Loss."](#) (October 7, 2023).

["The Painful Secret That Gen X Women Need to Talk About."](#) (May 26, 2023).

["10 Tips to Stop Elder Fraud Before It Happens."](#) (January 26, 2023).

["Death Can Strike Unexpectedly: How to Prepare for the Worst."](#) (August 12, 2022).

["And Just Like That.... Middle Age Happens."](#) (February 5, 2022).

["Will You Live Until Age 100?"](#) (March 9, 2021).

[“The Most Important Thing You Can Do Right Now”](#) (May 17, 2020)
[“Celebrating Mother’s Day When Your Mom is Gone”](#) (May 9, 2020).
[“5 Reasons to Stop Worrying About Being Single.”](#) (June 4, 2016).
[Goodbye Stranger: Three Reasons Why It’s Normal \(and Healthy\) to Mourn Celebrity Deaths.](#) (January 19, 2016).
[“3 Reasons Why Gifting Goes Wrong and 3 Ways to Do It Better.”](#) (December 19, 2015).
[“50 Isn’t the New 30 \(and Why That’s a Good Thing\).](#) (November 8, 2015).
[“3 Reasons to Stop Comparing Yourself to Others.”](#) (August 8, 2015).
[“‘That Thing is Huge’: How We \(Unwittingly\) Hurt Overweight Americans.”](#) (July 8, 2015).
[“Gone Daddy Gone: Surviving Father’s Day When Dad is Deceased.”](#) (June 18, 2015).

Selected Blogposts for Oxford University Press

[“Why the Holidays are the Loneliest Time for Seniors”](#) (December 23, 2019).
[“Why Hurricanes are Deadly for Older People.”](#) (September 20, 2019).
[“National Volunteer Month: A Reading List.”](#) (April 7, 2018).
[“National Family Caregivers Month: A Reading List.”](#) (November 8, 2017).
[“World Elder Abuse Day: A Reading List on Elder Mistreatment and Neglect.”](#) (June 15, 2017).
[“Celebrating LGBT Pride Month: A Reading List on LGBT Older Adults.”](#) (June 1, 2017).
[“World Internet Day: A Reading List on Older Adults’ Internet Use.”](#) (October 29, 2016).
[“LGBT Pride Month: A Reading List on LGBT Older Adults.”](#) (June 23, 2016).
[“The Importance of Long-Time Marriage for Health and Happiness.”](#) (February 14, 2016).
[“Grandparent’s Day: A Reading List.”](#) (September 13, 2015).

Selected Commentaries and Essays

[Letter to the Editor: End-of-life preparations for lifelong singles.](#) *The New York Times* (September 26, 2024).

[Carr, Deborah, Giacomo Falchetta, Ian Sue Wing, Enrica De Cian. 2024. “Heatwaves Can Be Deadly For Older Adults: Global Population Aging And Rising Temperatures Place Millions At Risk.”](#) *The Conversation* (May 21, 2024).

Carr, Deborah. 2024. [“The Golden Bachelor Divorce Did Us a Favor.”](#) *CNN* (April 25, 2024).

[Carr, Deborah. 2023. “The Golden Bachelor Has a Lot to Teach Us.”](#) *CNN* (September 28, 2023).

[Carr, Deborah, Giacomo Falchetta, and Ian Sue Wing. 2023. “The Sunbelt Was the Retirement Destination of Choice. That was Before Climate Change.”](#) *CNN* (September 1, 2023).

[Carr, Deborah, Giacomo Falchetta, and Ian Sue Wing. 2023. “Watch Out for Factors that Make Older Adults Extremely Vulnerable to Deadly Heat.”](#) *Los Angeles Times* (July 25, 2023).

[Carr, Deborah, Giacomo Falchetta, and Ian Sue Wing. 2023. “Extreme Heat is Particularly Hard on Older Adults – An Aging Population and Climate Change Put Ever More People at Risk.”](#) *The Conversation* (July 25, 2023).

- Carr, Deborah 2023. “Rupert Murdoch is Tying the Knot (Again). Why the Blowback is Misplaced.” *CNN* (March 25, 2023).
- Carr, Deborah 2022. “End-of-life Conversations Can Be Hard, But Your Loved Ones Will Thank You.” *The Conversation* (January 10, 2022).
- Carr, Deborah. 2019. “Let's Work to Make Sure Older Americans Have Greater Financial Security in Retirement.” *The Hill* (May 21, 2019).
- Carr, Deborah. 2019. “Will the SECURE Act Really Bring Retirement Security to Older Americans?” *Next Avenue* (April 25, 2019).

Essays for *Contexts* Magazine (an American Sociological Association publication):

- “Cheating Hearts: Infidelity in the United States.” Vol. 9(4): 58-60. 2010.
- “Golden Years? Poverty among Older Americans.” Vol. 9(1): 62-63.
[Reprinted in *The Contexts Reader*, 2nd ed., edited by Doug Hartmann, Chris Uggen, New York: W. W. Norton]. 2010.
- “Worries over a Population Implosion?” Vol. 8(1): 58-59. 2009
- “Gender Politics.” Vol. 7(3): 58-59. 2008
- “Middle (Aged) Kingdom?” Vol. 7(2): 52-53. 2008
- “Keeping the Faith.” Vol. 7(1): 52-53. 2008
- “The Cost of Kids.” Vol. 6(4): 60. 2007
- “Global Digital Divide.” Vol. 6(3): 58. 2007
- “Baby Blues.” Vol. 6(2): 62. 2007
- “Body Work.” Vol. 6(1): 58. 207
- “Good Grief: Bouncing Back from a Spouse’s Death.” *Vol. 5(4):22-26.* 2006
- “A Few Good Men.” Vol. 5(3): 40. 2006
- “Monkeying with Science.” Vol. 5(2):50. 2006.
- “A Place to Call Home.” Vol. 5(1):45. 2006.
- “Black Death, White Death.” Vol. 4(4): 43. 2005.
- “Defining ‘Moral’.” Vol. 4(3):15. 2005.
- “Mothers at Work.” Vol. 4(2): 51. 2005.
- “Capturing the Youth Vote” Vol. 4(1): 47. [Reprinted in *Understanding Society: An Introductory Reader*, 3rd ed., edited by Margaret L. Andersen, Kim A. Logio, and Howard F. Taylor. Wadsworth. 2009]. 2005
- “Political Polls: A Primer” and “20 Questions a Sociologist Should Ask about Poll Results.” Vol. 4(1): 32-33. 2005

Selected Public and Community Lectures

Public and remote lectures on death and dying, bereavement, and COVID-19 for community organizations including COPE Foundation, Evermore, Miriam Hospital, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Well-Connected and other organizations serving the needs of older adults, bereaved persons, and caregivers. 2019-present.

Public lectures on *Worried Sick: How Stress Hurt Us and How to Bounce Back*, presented at Barnes & Noble (New Brunswick, NJ), libraries and community groups. 2014-2017.

Public lectures on *Making Up with Mom: Why Mothers and Daughters Disagree about Kids, Cooking, and Careers (and What to Do About It)*, presented at Barnes & Noble (North Brunswick, NJ); Borders Bookstore (Farmington Hills, MI; Ann Arbor, MI; Cranston, RI; Vienna, VA); Jewish Federation of Orange County (Irvine, CA); public libraries (Westport, CT; Highland Park, NJ; Old Bridge, NJ); Jewish Community Centers (Montgomery, AL; Boynton Beach, FL; Tampa, FL; Rockville, MD; Cherry Hill, NJ; Reading, PA; Memphis, TN. 2008-09. “If Nothing is Certain but Death and Taxes, Why Do So Few Americans Prepare for the End of Life?” Henry Rutgers Scholars Lecture. Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. May 2010.

Selected Podcasts and Interviews

[Do Social Security benefits rules perpetuate marital status and gender inequalities?” *Business Talk* podcast. \(November 2025\).](#)

[“Working, Traveling and Thriving: The Modern Experience of Aging.: *WHYY* \(July 2, 2025\).](#)

[“Understanding Aging Inequality.” Risking Old Age in America with Harry Margolis on Apple Podcasts \(November 5, 2024\).](#)

[“The Impact of Widowhood on Family Health and Well-Being.” All Together: Family Science Insights Podcast \(October 25, 2024\).](#)

[“How Are You Doing.” Ask Beatty. Progressive Radio Voices \(May 6, 2024\).](#)

[“How to Handle When All of My Friends Are Getting Engaged.” Brain Matters Radio on Apple Podcasts \(April 23, 2024\).](#)

[“What We Can Learn from the Golden Bachelor.” *WGN Radio* \(October 2023\).](#)

[“Aging in America.” *New Books Network* \(February 2023\).](#)

[“Kinlessness: Older Adults without Relatives.” *To the Contrary*, PBS \(February 2023\).](#)

[“Grieving Celebrity Deaths.” Our Kids, Dr. Radio. Sirius XM \(January 2022\).
<https://www.siriusxm.com/channels/doctor-radio>](#)

[“End-of-Life Conversations and Bereavement as Normal Parts of Life.” *Gerontological Society of America Science and Storytelling Series* \(September 2021\).
<https://gsaonaging.podbean.com/e/science-and-storytelling-end-of-life-conversations-and-bereavement-as-normal-parts-of-life/>](#)

[“Stress and COVID.” *ICPSR Data Brunch* \(June 2021\).
<https://podcasts.apple.com/gr/podcast/data-brunch-from-icpsr/id1553529843?l=el>](#)

[“COVID-19 Stress and Older Adults.” *COVID Calls* \(April 2021\).
<https://covidcalls.podbean.com/e/ep-262-04202021-covid-19-stress-on-older-adults/>](#)

[“Golden Years: Social Inequality in Later Life.” *Story in the Square* \(August 2019\). PBS.](#)

“Longitudinal Studies.” *Give Methods a Chance* (December 2014).

<https://thesocietypages.org/methods/2014/12/31/deborah-carr-on-longitudinal-studies/>

TEACHING

Courses Taught

- Health, Society, and Culture (undergraduate)
- Social Inequalities in Health (undergraduate/graduate)
- Normality & Abnormality (undergraduate)
- Honors in Sociology Seminar (undergraduate)
- Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate)
- Introductory Social Psychology (undergraduate)
- Social Structure and Personality (graduate)
- Sociology of the Life Course (graduate and undergraduate)
- Social Demography of Aging (graduate)
- Analysis of Sociological Data II (graduate)
- Introduction to Demography (graduate)
- Social Psychology (graduate)
- Quantitative Analysis Writing Seminar (graduate)
- Death & Dying (undergraduate/graduate)

Formal Mentoring

Brandeis University

- Eun Ha Namkung (2018-20), Postdoctoral Fellow, Lurie Institute for Disability Policy The Heller School for Social Policy and Management. (Assistant Professor of Social Welfare, Ewha Women’s University)

Boston University

Postdoctoral fellows:

- Kafayat Mahmoud (2023-25). Postdoctoral Researcher, The Arizona State University (ASU) Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation, ASU Roybal Center for Older Adults Living Alone with Cognitive Decline
- Tanya Rouleau Whitworth (2022-23). Research Scientist, Crimes against Children Research Center, University of New Hampshire.

Qualifying paper committees: Sophie Arnold, Elinore Avni, Stuti Das, Braxton Jones, Sara Bubenik, Meghann Lucy, Kit Man, Sara Snitselaar; Kristen Tzoc; Caoyifu Zhou.

Dissertation committees: Elinore Avni, Ioanna Christodoulaki, Stuti Das, Pamela Devan, Selma Hedlund, Sarah Hosman, Benjamin Kampler, Meghann Lucy, Sara Bubenik, Kit Man, Heather Mooney, Arden O’Donnell (Social Work), Rachelle Reinhart, Sara Snitselaar, Elina Tochilnikova, Kristen Tzoc

Undergraduate honors: Wenhui (Jessie) Chen, Talya Havivi, Kate Sandage, Jinxin Tian

University of Minnesota

- Zachary Baker, Postdoctoral Fellow, School of Public Health. K99 “Addressing the Needs of Key Subgroups of Caregivers of Persons with Dementia After Loss Using Self-Determination Theory: A Mixed Methods Approach. Primary Mentor: Joseph E. Gaugler, Co-Mentors: Tetyana P. Shippee & Deborah Carr.

Rutgers University

Postdoctoral Fellows, National Institute of Mental Health Training Program

- Jessica Allen (2012-13), Assistant Clinical Professor and Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Psychology, University of Alabama.
- Eliva Ambugo (2012-14), Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Health Management and Health Economics, Institute of Health and Society, University of Oslo.
- Tracy Chu (2008-09), Associate Professor, Health and Nutrition Sciences, Brooklyn College and City University of New York.
- Mei-Chia Fong (2013-14), Research Scientist, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
- Sarah Hertzog (2010-12), Program Officer, John Templeton Foundation.
- Dawne Mouzon (2010-11) Associate Professor, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University.
- Jason Rodriguez (2009-11), Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Massachusetts-Boston.
- David Russell (2007-09). Assistant Professor of Sociology, Appalachian State University; Senior Evaluation Scientist, Center for Home Care Policy and Research.
- Azure Thompson (2009-11), Research Scientist and Associate Director of Policy and Research Analysis for The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA).
- H. Shellae Versey (2012-15), Assistant Professor of Psychology, Fordham University.

Dissertation Chair/Co-Chair

- Bodnar-Deren, Susan. “A Multidimensional Approach to Understanding Advance Care Planning in Older Adults: The Impact of Function and Perceived Burden” (defended June 2011). Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Mount Sinai School of Medicine (2011-12), Associate Professor of Sociology, Virginia Commonwealth University.
- Jaffe, Karen. “Forming Fat Identities” (defended 3/2008). Senior Survey Research Associate, Consumers’ Union.
- Lee, Chioun. “The Long-Term Effects of Childhood Abuse on Physiological Dysregulation in Midlife.” (defended 7/2012). Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Office of Population Research, Princeton University (2012-14); Health Disparities Research Scholar, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health (2014-17). Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of California-Riverside (2018-).
- Luth, Elizabeth. “Advancing our Understanding of a Good Death: How social Inequalities, End-of-Life Planning, and Proxy Characteristics Influence our Understanding of “Good Death” Using Multidimensional Measures of Perceived Death Quality” (defended March 2017). Postdoctoral fellow, Department of Behavioral Geriatrics, Weill Cornell Medical School.
- Murphy, Lauren. “Neighborhood Influences on Older Adults’ Well-Being” (defend 5/19). Postdoctoral fellow, Kessler Institute.

- Nugent, Colleen. “Parental Preferences for the Gender Composition of Children: Causes, Correlates, and Consequences” (defended 9/2012). Health Scientist, National Center for Health Statistics (December 2013-present).
- Pristavec, Teja. “Three Studies on the Caregiving Experience.” (co-chair with S. Bzostek). (Defense date March 2018). Research Assistant Professor of Statistical Sciences at the University of Virginia Biocomplexity Institute and Initiative (BII) Social and Decision Analytics Division (SDAD).
- Smith, Dena. “On the Boundaries between Meaning-making and Medicalization in Contemporary American Psychiatry” (defended September 2011). Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Goucher College (2011-14); Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Maryland-Baltimore County (September 2014-).
- Szymkowiak, Dorota. “Race Differences in Mental Health Services for Depression and Anxiety: Treatment Rates, Settings and Quality among Whites, Blacks, and Latinos in the Collaborative Psychiatric Epidemiology Surveys” (defended 8/2010). Statistician, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Thurman, Katie. “Effects of Early-Life? Physical and Sexual Victimization on Adulthood Socioeconomic Status (SES): Assessing the Role of Timing and Source of Abuse.” (April 2016). Postdoctoral fellow, Center for Gender, Sexuality, Law and Policy, Rutgers University-Newark (2016-18); Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Passaic Community College (2018-present).
- Hakim Zainiddinov. “Differences in Perceived Discrimination among Muslim Americans.” (Defended March 2016). Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Bowdoin College.

Dissertation Committee Member

Department of Sociology: Stephanie Alves (2017), Ivana Brown (2010), Lisa Campion (in progress), Neha Gondal (2013), Jenna Howard (2008), Dmitry Khodyakov (2008), Anna Looney (2004), Jamie McLennan (2005), Julie McLaughlin (2004), Dawne Mouzon (2010), Karen Stein (2012); Department of Psychology: Kim Robinson (2010).

Qualifying Paper Committees

Stephanie Alves, Heather Batson, Crystal Bedley, Colleen Bloom, Susan Bodnar-Deren, Kate Burrows, Cori Carfagno, Laurie Cohen, Tom DeGloma, Anna Forster, Asia Friedman, Shelley Germana, Neha Gondal, Tsai-Yen Han, Jennifer Hemler, Jenna Howard, Chris Jackson, Kathy Jackson, Karen Jaffe, Shatima Jones, Oh-Jung Kwon, Eric Kushins, Chioun Lee, Elizabeth Luth, Dawne Mouzon, Lauren Murphy, Amita Patel, Neha Patel, Brian McCormack, Jason Phillips, Monique Porow, Teja Pristavec, Colleen Nugent, Katie Rodgers, Jackie Serbu, Richard Shank, Theresa Simpson, Alena Singleton, Dena Smith, Samantha Spitzer, Karen Stein, Lindsay Stevenson, Dorota Szymkowiak, Virginia Tangel, Katie Thurman, Terri Viggiano, Hakim Zainiddinov.

Undergraduate Honors Mentor, Department of Sociology:

Justine Abrams, Deborah Andover, Megan Casper, Christopher Hedges (Winner of Best Undergraduate Poster Awards, 2010 annual meeting of Eastern Sociological Society), Kristen Ferris, Shannon McIlroy, Tori Moskovciak, Patricia Willis.

Undergraduate Honors Mentor, University-Wide Programs:
Kristyn Byrnes, Melodie Hodge, Miriam Nelles.

Project L/EARN Mentor, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research:
Mamun Ahmed, Andrew Chang, Nicole DePasquale, Melodie Hodge, Sarah Mahran.

University of Wisconsin

Dissertation Chair/Co-Chair:

- Moorman, Sara (associate professor of sociology, Boston College). “End-of-Life Planning among Married Couples” (defended 6/09)
- Pudrovska, Tetyana (associate professor of sociology, University of Texas-Austin). “Psychological Implications of Mother and Fatherhood in Midlife: Evidence from Sibling Models” (defended 6/08)

Dissertation Committee Member: Madison: Mei-Chia Fong (NIMH Postdoctoral Fellow, Rutgers University); Jeong-Hwa Ho (associate professor of sociology, Ajou University, Korea); Shane Sharp (associate professor of sociology, Northern Illinois University).

Masters’ Thesis Committees: Mei-Chia Fong (defended 5/08), Hyun-Sik Kim (defended 5/08), James Yonker (defended 3/08).

University of Michigan

Dissertation Chair/Co-Chair:

- Anderson, Deborah (research specialist, Autism and Communication Disorders Centers, University of Michigan). “Predicting Longer-Term Psychological Well-Being in Women Who Have Left Their Abusive Partners.” Defended 7/2001.
- Cornman, Jennifer (independent statistical consultant, Jennifer C. Cornman Consulting) “Understanding the Ties that Bind: Parent-Child Value Similarity in Taiwanese Families.” Defended 5/1999.
- Malat, Jennifer (Dean, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Virginia Commonwealth University). “Racial Differences in Satisfaction with Health Care Providers: An Evaluation of Three Explanations.” Defended 7/2000.
- Peracca, Sara. (Research Health Science Specialist at San Francisco VA Health Care System). “Economic Change and Individual Well-Being in Thailand: An Examination of Health and Education.” Defended 8/2001. (Manager, Cool the Earth)
- Utz, Rebecca (associate professor of sociology, University of Utah). “Obesity in America, 1960-2000.” Defended 8/2004. (Winner of 2005 Robert G. Simmons Outstanding Dissertation Award in Medical Sociology from the American Sociological Association).

Dissertation Committees

Department of Sociology: Brent Berry (2001), Lindsay Custer (2004), Jung-Hwa Ha (2006), Seth Hauser (2003), Michelle Harris-Reid (1998), Colwick Wilson (2002)
Department of Psychology: Daniel Friedland (1999).

Undergraduate Honors Committee, Department of Sociology: Ann Bell, Stephanie Ferguson, Megan Furnish, Sharon Herrick, Laurie Jablonski, Judith Rosenstein.

Other Universities

Dissertation Committees:

Sandra Bradley, School of Medicine, Flinders University, Australia (Defended 7/15); Croft Campbell-Higgins, Department of Education, University of Toronto (Defended 4/2000); Farimah Dokoushkani, Department of Human Ecology, Universiti Putra Malaysia (May 2016); Angela Ghesquiere, School of Social Work, Columbia University (Defended 5/2012); Yoko Hayashi, Department of Psychology, Deakin University, Australia (Defended 2/2008); Yifan Lou, Social Work, Columbia University (in progress); Katje Wagner, Department Clinical/Somatic Psychology at Santa Barbara Graduate Institute (Defended 4/2012).

Master's Thesis Committees:

Holly Fee, Department of Sociology, Bowling Green University (defended June 2011).
In Jeong Hwang, Department of Sociology, Harvard University (defended Fall 2020).
Haley Shiff, School of Public Health, Harvard University (defended Spring 2021).

Grants

Co-Investigator (with Brittany Battle), "Multigenerational Mentoring (MGM) Program," funded by Project AGER: Advancing Graduate Education at Rutgers, a National Science Foundation (NSF) initiative based at the Graduate School–New Brunswick. \$2,500.

Other Teaching Experience

Co-Instructor, "Changing Lives of Older Couples" workshop. Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques. Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan. June 2002.
Instructor in Family Demography, Institute of Sociology, Hanoi, Vietnam. June 1998. Co-instructor for week-long course on family demography for Vietnamese sociologists.

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

Recipient, Module Competition, 2026. General Social Survey (GSS), for module "Climate Change Worries."

Selected for 2025 Gerald and Deanne Gitner Family College of Arts & Sciences Lecture, Boston University

Elected to American Academy of Arts and Sciences. April 2024.

Named A&S Distinguished Professor of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences, Boston University, April 2024.

Recipient, Abstract Prize, The First Global Scientific Conference on Human Flourishing, Templeton World Charity Foundation, for paper "Is Suffering an Obstacle to or Pre-Condition for Flourishing? A Multidisciplinary Exploration." November 2023.

Recipient, 2023. SALC Mentoring Award, Section on Aging and the Life Course, American Sociological Association.

Recipient, 2022 Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award, Section on Aging and the Life Course, American Sociological Association.

Recipient, Module Competition, 2022. General Social Survey (GSS), for module "Bereavement."

Recipient, 2020 Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award, Gerontological Society of America, *Golden Years? Social Inequality in Later Life* (Russell Sage, 2019).

Member, Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research, 2011-

Recipient, Module Competition, 2012. National Health and Aging Trends Survey (NHATS), for module "End of Life Planning and Preparations."

Invited Participant, "Approaching Death, Fourteen Years Later: Where Are We Now?" meeting, Institute of Medicine, Washington, DC. January 2011.

Member, Sociological Research Association, 2008-

Fellow, Gerontological Society of America, Behavioral and Social Sciences section, 2006-

Fellow, Center for Historical Analysis, Seminar on "Gendered Passages in Historical Perspective: Single Women." Rutgers University, 2003-2004.

Affiliate, Center for Demography of Health and Aging. University of Wisconsin. June 2002-
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Scholars Fellowship, 2000-2002 (declined).

SERVICE

Editorial Activities

Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 2022-2025.

Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, 2015-20.

Also served as guest editor-in-chief for supplemental issues "Cross-National Comparisons of Social and Economic Contexts of Aging" (June 2021), "Late-Life Disability and Care: An Update from the National Health and Aging Trends Study at Its 10-Year Mark" (December 2021), and "Understanding Lagging Health in the US" (forthcoming).

Advisory Board Member, *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*, edited by Danan Gu and Matthew E. DuPre. New York: Springer.

Series co-editor (with Daniel Mroczek). *Handbook of Aging Series*, 10th ed. New York: Academic Press.

Co-editor. *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences* 9th ed. (2021) and 10th ed. (2026), edited by Kenneth Ferraro and Deborah Carr. New York: Academic Press.

Associate Editor, *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences*, 8th ed. (2015), edited by Linda K. George and Kenneth Ferraro. New York: Academic Press.

Editorial Board and Press Council, Rutgers University Press. Member, 2009-13, Chair 2013-17.

Trends Editor, *Contexts* (A publication of the American Sociological Association), 2004-2011.

Deputy Editor, *Social Psychology Quarterly*, 2010-13.

Deputy Editor, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 2005-2008; 2011-2014.

Editorial Board, *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, 2006-8, 2013-15; *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 2006-08, 2015-17; *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 2004-05, 2008-13, 2020-24; *Research on Aging* 2012-2015, 2018-present; *Social Science Research*, 2011-present, *Sociological Forum*, 2006-15; *Sociology Compass*, 2006-present; *Discover Social Science and Health*, 2021-2023.

Occasional reviewer, textbook manuscripts, Harcourt-Brace, McGraw Hill, Prentice-Hall, Rowman & Littlefield; SAGE; Thompson-Wadsworth.

Occasional reviewer, monographs: American Psychological Association; Baywood; Bruner-Routledge; Elsevier, Inc.; The Johns Hopkins University Press; Oxford University Press; Polity Press; Princeton University Press; Rutgers University Press, University of California Press.

Advisory Activities

Invited Participant, Workshop on Priority Setting in Social Science Aging Research, University of Lausanne, Switzerland, June 2025.

Invited Participant, Research-to-Practice Workshop on Aging and Climate Change, Weill-Cornell Medical Center and New York Academy of Medicine, New York, May 2025.

Member, Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), Einstein Center Population Diversity (ECPD), Berlin, Germany. January 2025-present.

Steering Committee. Impacts of Extreme Weather Conditions and Disasters on Older Adult Health Workshop. National Institutes of Health, March 26-27, 2024.

Evaluating PaNel Quality in Review (ENQUIRE) (Social and Behavioral Sciences). National Institutes for Health, Center for Scientific Review. July 2023.

Technical Working Group. AmeriCorps Seniors COVID Effects Evaluation. January 2023-present.

Advisory Board, Translational Research Institute on Pain in Later Life (TRIPLL), Weill Cornell Medicine, Division of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine. New York, NY. January 2023-present

Advisory Board, Survey Content, National Longitudinal Study of the High School Class of 1972 (NLS72). January 2023-present.

Scientific Advisory Council, Evermore (a non-profit dedicated to establishing bereavement as a public health priority and advancing bereavement care). 2021-present.

Data Monitoring Committee, National Health and Aging Trends Survey (NHATS), 2019-present.

Board of Overseers, Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID). 2019-2025.

Advisory Board, Longitudinal Aging Study Amsterdam (LASA). 2019.

National Advisory Committee, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Scholars Program, August 2012-June 2016.

Advisory Board, American Time Use Survey (ATUS) and IPUMS Time Use Project, University of Maryland, 2011-present.

Board of Overseers, General Social Survey (GSS), National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. 2008-2012; Board Chair, 2012-16. Aging Module Committee Chair; Representative to International Social Survey Programme; Health Module Chair.

Consultant, National Center for Marriage Research, Bowling Green University. Co-organizer of NICHD-sponsored conference on Families and Health, June 2009.

Project Advisory Board, Longitudinal Study of Generations (LSOG), University of Southern California. 2007-08.

Invited Participant, Health and Retirement Study Psychosocial Measures Module development meeting. Orlando, FL. November 2005.

Invited Participant, Panel Survey Development Conference. Center for Aging, University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey, September 2005.

Grant Review Panels

European Research Council. SH3 Panel (“The Social World, Diversity, Population”). November 2016- February 2017.

Study Section member, National Institutes of Health, Social Sciences and Population Studies B (SSPB), July 2015-June 2019.

Ad Hoc Reviewer: Alzheimer’s Association; U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation; Canada Research Chairs Program; Cariplo Foundation (Italy); Czech Science Foundation; Dunhill Medical Trust Research Grant Program; Israel Science Foundation; Marchionne Foundation; Economic and Social Research Council (United Kingdom); National Cancer Institute; National Institutes of Health Special Emphasis Panels; National Science Foundation; Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research; Netherlands; Swiss National Science Foundation; United States Army Medical Research.

Professional Associations

Gerontological Society of America. Committee Member at Large, Task Force on Women, 2008-2010; Committee Member at Large, Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) Section, 2010-12; Chair, BSS Membership Committee, 2010-12; BSS Representative to Task Force on Mentoring, 2011-14; Strategic Planning Working Group, 2019-present; Member, Manuscript Writing and Reviewer Skills Program Working Group, 2020-22.

International Association of Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS). J. Michael McGinnis Leadership Excellence Award selection committee, 2020-22.

Population Association of America. Board of Directors, 2020-23; Poster Competition Judge, 2019-present.

American Sociological Association.

Elected to Council Member at Large, 2011-13 (declined).

Excellence in Reporting of Social Issues Award Selection Committee, 2008-09; Co-Chair, 2009-11.

Section on Social Psychology: Council Member, 2008-10; Nominations Committee 2012-14; Cooley-Mead Distinguished Scholar Award Committee, 2014-15; Cooley-Mead Distinguished Scholar Award Committee Chair, 2015-16, 2021-22; Professional and External Affairs Committee, 2016-18; Cooley-Mead Distinguished Scholar Awards Committee, Chair, 2023.

Section on Medical Sociology: Nominations Chair, 2006-08; Nominations Committee Member, 2005-06; Chair-Elect, 2018-19; Chair, 2019-20; Past Chair, 2020-21.

Section on Mental Health: Nominations Chair, 2011-13.

Section on Aging and the Life Course: Chair-Elect, 2013-14; Chair 2014-15; Past-Chair 2015-16. Nominations Committee Chair, 2015-16; Outstanding Publication Award committee, 2016-17; Council Member, 2006-08; Mentoring Committee, 2006-08; Membership Chair, 2002-06; Student Paper Award Committee, 2000; Nominations Committee, 2024-25.

Section on Sociology of Family: Student Paper Award Committee, 2006-07; Distinguished Career Award Committee, 2012-13, 2014-15.

Professional Meetings (past 10 years).

Discussant, "New Data and Insights on Family Formation and Couple Dynamics." Population Association of America annual meeting, St. Louis, MO. May 2026.

Discussant, "Social Contexts and Well-Being in Aging: Exploring Neighborhood Environment, Networks, Family Dynamics, And Loneliness." Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Seattle. November 2025.

Discussant. "Compulsory Schooling Reforms." Gateway to Global Aging Data Education, Aging, and Global Health Conference, Boston, MA. September 2025.

Organizer, "Singlehood" regular session. American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL. August 2025.

Organizer, “Singlehood and Mental Health” session for the Sociology of Mental Health section. American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL. August 2025.

Discussant, “Aging, Climate, and Health.” Population Association of America annual meeting. Washington, DC. April 2025.

Invited discussant. “Singlehood” Population Association of America annual meeting. Columbus, OH. May 2024.

Organizer, “Innovative Topics in Aging and the Life Course” sessions. Population Association of America annual meeting. Columbus, OH 2024.

Invited discussant. “Diversity Matters: Intersectional Inequities in Health and Well-Being through Aging.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Indianapolis. 2022.

Invited discussant. “Giving and Getting Across the Generations: New Insights into Intergenerational Ties.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Indianapolis. 2022.

Invited discussant, “Death and Dying during Pandemics.” American Sociological Association annual meeting. Los Angeles. 2022.

Invited discussant, “Presidential Symposium: Social Engagement, Isolation, and Loss During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Remote. 2021.

Invited discussant. “Using National Data to Examine Romantic Relationships across Diverse Samples, Eras, Timescales and Contexts” symposium. National Council on Family Relations annual meeting. Remote. 2021.

Organizer, “Health and Health Care Policy over the Life Course.” American Sociological Association annual meeting. Remote. 2021.

Invited discussant, “Marital Effects in Later Life: Dyadic Approaches and Gender Differences.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Remote. 2020.

Invited discussant, “Breaking the Silence Associated with Death and Dying: New Directions in End-of-Life Research.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Remote. 2020.

Invited discussant, “Memories of Lost Loved Ones.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Remote. 2020.

Organizer, “Economic and Social Influences on Later-Life Well-Being: New Evidence from the NLSY79.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting. Remote. 2020.

Invited discussant, “Gender Inequalities in Health.” Population Association of America Annual meeting, Washington, DC. 2020. (meeting cancelled).

Discussant, “Cumulative Disadvantage of Early-Life Adversity and Health in Midlife and Later Adulthood.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX, 2019.

Discussant, “Novel Data and Approaches to the Study of Health and Aging in NSHAP.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX, 2019.

Discussant, “Bereavement in A Family Context.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Austin, TX, 2019.

Discussant, “Secondary Data Sources for Research on Aging.” American Sociological Association annual meeting, New York, 2019.

Discussant, “Romantic Relationships and Well-Being in Later Life” Session. Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Boston 2018.

Discussant, “Later Life Partnership and Well Being” Session. Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Boston 2018.

Organizer, “Understanding Life Course Influences on Midlife Health and Well-Being: New Explorations from the NLSY79” symposium. Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Boston 2018.

Discussant, “Time Use, Health and Well-Being” Session. Time Use across the Life Course conference. University of Maryland, June 2018.

Organizer, “Health Care through a Sociological Lens” session, Medical Sociology section, American Sociological Association 2017 annual meetings.

Panelist, “How to Publish: From Start to Finish and Beyond” symposium. International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco, 2017.

Panelist, “Global Aging & the International Dissemination of Knowledge: Publishing Opportunities in Gerontology” symposium. International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco, 2017.

Organizer, “Time Use among Older Adults: Differentials and Implications for Well-Being” symposium. International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco, 2017.

Organizer, “Oral Health in Later Life: Research Challenges, Opportunities and Innovations” symposium. International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics annual meeting, San Francisco, 2017.

Organizer, “Union Dissolution and Repartnering in Later Life” sessions. Population Association of America annual meeting, Chicago, 2017.

Discussant, “Families, Gender and Time Use” session. Time Use across the Life Course Conference, Maryland Population Research Center, College Park, MD, 2016.

Organizer, “Aging and Families” sessions. Population Association of America annual meeting. Washington, DC. 2016.

Discussant, “Caregiver Well-Being” session, Population Association of America annual meeting, Washington, DC. 2016.

Discussant, “Dyadic Approaches to Marriage and Health.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Orlando, FL, 2015.

Discussant, “Psychosocial and Spiritual Connections across End-of-Life Care Settings.” Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Washington, DC, 2014.

Discussant. “Health.” Conference on Perspectives on Time Use in the U.S., University of Maryland, College Park, MD. 2014.

Discussant, “The Health of Sexual Minorities” session. Population Association of America annual meeting. 2014.

Service to Boston University

Member, Academic Program Review, Political Science, 2026.

Member, Convergent Research Task Force, 2024-present.

Member, Steering Committee, Communications Research Center, 2025-present.

Co-Organizer, Research on Tap: How Social Policies Shape our Lives from Birth to Old Age (January 29, 2025).

Invited presenter, Inauguration Research on Tap. (September 24, 2024).

Member, University Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure (UAPT) Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2024-26.

Member, Steering Committee, Global Policy Development Center, 2023-present.

Member, Steering Committee, Communications Research Center, 2023-present.

Member, The Future of PhD Education at Boston University Taskforce, 2022-23.

Campus Climate Lab review committee, Institute for Global Sustainability, 2022-present.

External Review Committee, Global Policy Development Center, 2022.

Coordinator/Host, Research on Tap, Human Flourishing in Diverse Populations and Contexts, November 2021.

Founder and Organizer, Boston-Area Health Scholars (BAHS), 2018-

Member, Steering Committee, Society of Fellows program, 2021-

Member, Faculty Search Committee, Center for Anti-Racist Research, 2021-

Chair, Social Science Task Force, 2019-21.

Co-chair, Social Racial Justice Course planning committee, 2020-2021.

Member, American Association of Universities, PhD Education Initiative committee, 2019-.

Member, Academic Program Review Committee, 2020-2023.

Member, CAS Strategic Plan Steering Committee, 2020-2021

Member, Seven Year Medical program admissions committee, 2017-2022.

Member, University Lecture committee, 2018.

Member, College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) Dean Search Nominations Committee, 2018.

Representative, Intra-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), 2019-

Service to Rutgers University

Department of Sociology

Executive Committee, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2007-08, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2016-17.

Graduate Program Committee, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2007-08, 2009-10, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15.

Personnel Committee, 2008-09, 2010-11, 2012-13, 2013-14.

Promotion Reading Committee, 2005-2006, 2011-12, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17.

Faculty Mentor, 2005-2006, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2013-14, 2014-15.

FASIP/FESI Committee, 2005-06, 2007-08, 2015-16.

Co-organizer, Department Colloquium, 2002-2003, 2012-15.

Search Committee, 2008-09 (chair); 2013-14.

Institute for Health, Health Care Policy & Aging Research

FASIP Committee, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10.

Organizer, Colloquium Series, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2007-08.

Restructuring of Rutgers Committee, 2002-2003.

Mentor, Project L/EARN, Summer 2003, 2005.

Promotion Reading Committee, 2005-2006; 2008-09; 2009-10, 2015-16.

School of Arts and Sciences: Committee on Graduate Education, 2011-present; Appointments & Promotions Committee, 2008-present; University Senate, 2008-10; Honors College Steering Committee, 2014-15; SAS Dean's Executive Committee, 2014-15.

University: Chair, Search Committee, Director of Rutgers University Press, 2015-16; Chair, Academic Oversight Committee for Intercollegiate Athletics, 2016-18, Committee Member, 2010-16; Organizer of Public Engagement Program (PEP), 2015-present; Commencement Honorary Degree Committee, 2016-17.

Graduate School: Teaching Awards Committee; Executive Committee, 2005-06.

School of Social Work: External Faculty Mentor, 2009-present; Advisory Committee on Appointments and Promotions, 2009-present.

SELECTED MEDIA CONTACT

ABC World News Tonight, The Atlantic, BBC, Boston Globe, Boston Magazine, Bottom Line, Business Insider, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), Chicago Tribune, Christian Science Monitor, Chronicle of Higher Education, The Conversation, CNN, Deseret News, Fast Company, Fatherly, Forbes, Globe and Mail, Good Morning America, Harpers' Magazine, Health Magazine, The Hill, Houston Chronicle, Huffington Post, HuffPo Live, Kaiser Health News, Los Angeles Times, Money Magazine; National Public Radio, NBC Nightly News, Newark Star Ledger, New York Magazine, New York Post, New York Times, Newsday, Newsweek, Next Avenue, Parents Magazine, Philadelphia Inquirer, Prevention, Psychology Today, Redbook, Salon, Scripps News, Self, Shape, SiriusXM Doctor Radio, The Hill, TIME Magazine, USA Today, US News and World Report, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association (ASA): Sections on Aging and the Life Course, Medical Sociology, Mental Health, Social Psychology, Sociology of the Family.
Council on Contemporary Families (CCF)
Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAHPS)
Population Association of America (PAA)
Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM)
Work-Family Research Network (WFRN)

CONSULTING

Consultant, National Development and Research Institutes. “Staying Safe: Long-Term Injection Drug Users (IDUs) Who Have Avoided HIV & Hepatitis C Virus (HCV).” Principal Investigator: Sam Friedman. April –December 2005.

Consultant, Committee on National Statistics, Commission on Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education, National Research Council, 1995-1997.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Contributing Editor, Miller-Freeman Co., Inc. New York, NY. 1991-1994.

Editor (Assistant through Senior), Miller-Freeman Co., Inc. New York, NY. 1988-1991.