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EDUCATION

- October 2021 **Louisiana State University**
M.A. Sociology
Committee: Rhiannon Kroeger (chair), Dana Berkowitz, Yoshinori Kamo
- April 2019 **Indiana Wesleyan University**
Master of Public Health
- May 2014 **California State University, Sacramento**
B.A. Biological Sciences
B.A. Interpersonal Communication Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Reproductive justice, fertility, gender, social demography, family, racial health disparities, intersectionality, mixed-methods

PUBLICATIONS

2021. Stroope, Samuel, Kroeger, Rhiannon A., Williams, Courtney, and Baker, Joseph. "Socio-demographic Correlates of Vaccine Hesitancy in the United States and the Mediating Role of Beliefs About Governmental Conspiracies." *Social Science Quarterly*. Vol 102 (6), pp. 2472-2481.

Manuscripts in Progress

Williams, Courtney, Berkowitz, Dana, and Rackin, Heather. "Exploring the Experiences of Pregnant Women in the U.S. During the First Year of the Covid-19 Pandemic." *Under review at Journal of Social Issues*

Williams, Courtney and Kroeger, Rhiannon A. "Black Babies Matter: An Intersectional Analysis of Preterm Birth among Black Mothers." *Draft available*.

Robinson-Smith, Jazmin, Williams, Courtney, and Mandell, Lyric. "An Exploration of Black Womanhood in HBO's Lovecraft Country." *Draft available*.

Rackin, Heather, Gibson-Davis, Christina, and Williams, Courtney. "Trump Voting and Fertility Change During the Pandemic in Florida." *Draft available*.

Frank, Reanne, Wildsmith, Elizabeth, Kroeger, Rhiannon A., Williams, Courtney. "The Hardest Hit: The Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Childbearing in the Hispanic/Latine Population." *Draft available*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Williams, Courtney, Berkowitz, Dana, and Rackin, Heather. “Pregnant During the Pandemic: Exploring the Experiences of Pregnant and Postpartum Women During Covid-19.” Flash Paper Session. Population Association of American Annual Meeting. April 2022. Atlanta, Georgia.

Williams, Courtney and Kroeger, Rhiannon A. “Black Babies Matter: An Intersectional Analysis of Preterm Birth among Black Mothers.” Poster Session. Population Association of American Annual Meeting. April 2022. Atlanta, Georgia.

Rackin, Heather, Gibson-Davis, Christina, and Williams, Courtney. “Trump Voting and Fertility Change During the Pandemic in Florida.” Paper Session. Population Association of American Annual Meeting. April 2022. Atlanta, Georgia.

Williams, Courtney and Kroeger, Rhiannon A. “Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Preterm Birth: An Intersectional Analysis among Black Mothers.” Paper Session. Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. April 2022. Birmingham, Alabama.

Williams, Courtney. “Black Babies Matter: Disparities in Preterm Births to Black Mothers.” Poster Session. American Public Health Association Annual Conference. October 2021. Virtual Meeting.

Williams, Courtney. “Black Babies Matter: Disparities in Preterm Births to Black Mothers.” Roundtable. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. August 10, 2021. Virtual Meeting.

Williams, Courtney. “Test Tubes and Treatment: The Relationship Between Infertility Insurance Mandates and Assisted Reproductive Technology.” Poster Session. American Public Health Association Annual Conference. October 25, 2020. Virtual Meeting.

Williams, Courtney. “The Missing Voice: A Content Analysis of Gestational Age Abortion Bans.” The Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. August 7, 2020. San, Francisco, California. Cancelled due to COVID-19.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Smith, Gary and Williams, Courtney. “The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America” Book Discussion. Center for Racial Justice and the New & Right Spirit Anti-Racism Program of the United Church of Christ-New York Conference. June 1, 2021 – June 29, 2021. Weekly Discussion. Zoom.

Williams, Courtney and Smith, Gary. “Caste the Origins of our Discontents” Book Discussion. Center for Racial Justice and the New & Right Spirit Anti-Racism Program of the United Church of Christ-New York Conference. January 21, 2021- April 8, 2021 and June 3, 2021 – July 8, 2021. Weekly Discussion. Zoom.

Williams, Courtney. “Black Women and Health.” Louisiana State University. March 6, 2022.

Williams, Courtney. “Family and Children.” Louisiana State University. March 29, 2021.

Williams, Courtney. “Black Babies Matter: The Relationship Between Preterm Births and Racial Disparities.” Race Relations. Louisiana State University. August 30, 2020.

Williams, Courtney. “What’s Sociology Got to Do With It? The Study of Reproductive Health from an Interdisciplinary Perspective.” Louisiana State University. April 19, 2020.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2018 Graduate Researcher
Indiana Wesleyan University

SERVICE

Department

2021 Introduction to Sociology Quantitative Research Panelist
LSU Sociology

Professional Organization

2021 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Racial Health Disparities
Roundtable Table Presider & Meeting Host

2021 Multiracial Conversation Panelist
Center for Racial Justice and the New & Right Spirit Anti-Racism Program

2012 General Education Requirement Committee
California State University, Sacramento

2012 Commit to Study Academic Enhancement Program
California State University, Sacramento

REFERENCES

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