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EMPLOYMENT

2018- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Baylor University, Waco, TX

EDUCATION

2018 Ph.D. in Sociology
Rice University, Houston, Texas

2015 M.A. in Sociology,
Rice University, Houston, Texas

2011 B.A. in Sociology, *cum laude*
Baylor University, Waco, Texas

PRIMARY RESEARCH INTERESTS

Medical Sociology, Children and Youth, Stratification, Food Insecurity

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 **Brewer, Mackenzie**, Jodien Johnson, Kyra Davidson*, and Carson Mencken. "Disability, Urban Influence, and COVID-19 Financial Hardships: Findings from a Predominantly Rural Sample." *Journal of Rural Social Sciences* 39(2): 10-25.
- 2023 Castiglione, Cassidy*, **Mackenzie Brewer**, and Rachel T. Kimbro. "Parental Work Characteristics and Children's Insufficient Sleep." *Population Research and Policy Review* 42(6):1-20.
- Brewer, Mackenzie** and Tristen Clifton*. "Religious Affiliation and Women's Receipt of Person-Centered Contraceptive Care: Findings from the National Survey of Family Growth, 2017-2019." *Contraception* 27: 1-3.
- Clifton, Tristen*, **Mackenzie Brewer**, and Laura Upenieks. "Religious Affiliation and Debt Among U.S. Households." *Social Science Research* 115:1-13.

- 2021 Nolan, Erin*, Catherine Cubbin, and **Mackenzie Brewer**. “The Effect of Maternal Food Insecurity Transitions and Housing Insecurity in a Population-based Sample of Mothers of Young Children.” *AIMS Public Health* 9(1):1-16.
- Brewer, Mackenzie** and Lindsay Stevens. “Use of Fertility Awareness-Based Methods of Contraception: Evidence from the National Survey of Family Growth, 2013-17.” *Contraception* 104(2): 183-187.
- 2020 Denney, Justin T., **Mackenzie Brewer**, and Rachel T. Kimbro. “Food Insecurity for Households with Young Children: A Test of Contextual Congruence.” *Social Science & Medicine* 263:1-9.
- Brewer, Mackenzie**. “Household Debt and Children’s Risk of Food Insecurity.” *Social Problems* 67(3):565-584.
- 2019 **Brewer, Mackenzie**, Rachel T. Kimbro, Justin T. Denney. “Families in Context: Food Insecurity among Hispanic Immigrant and non-Immigrant Households with Children.” *Family & Community Health* 42(4):283-291.
- 2017 **Brewer, Mackenzie**, Rachel T. Kimbro, Justin T. Denney, Kristin M. Osiecki, Brady Moffett, and Keila Lopez. “Does Neighborhood Social and Environmental Context Impact Race/Ethnic Disparities in Childhood Asthma?” *Health & Place* 44:86-93.
- 2014 **Brewer, Mackenzie** and Rachel T. Kimbro. “Neighborhood Context and Immigrant Children’s Physical Activity.” *Social Science & Medicine* 116:1-9.
- 2013 Freeman, Laura and **Mackenzie Brewer**. “Family Matters: Links Between Family Structure and Early Child Health.” *Journal of Applied Research on Children: Informing Policy for Children at Risk* 4(1):1-23.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

* denotes graduate student at time of submission

GRANTS

Awarded

- 2020-2022 Carson Mencken (PI), Mackenzie Brewer (Co-PI) and Jodien Johnson (Co-PI). “The Impact of COVID 19 on the Socioeconomic Well-Being of Rural Households.” \$150,884. USDA-FNS-CN-20-RSMDP-TX-03.

- 2020-2021 Mackenzie Brewer (PI). “The Impact of Wealth and Debt on the Incidence and Duration of Household Food Insecurity.” \$50,000. University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research.
- 2016-2017 Rachel Kimbro (PI), Justin Denney (Co-PI) and Mackenzie Brewer (Co-Investigator). “Counties of Risk: Assessing Family Resilience and Vulnerability to Food Insecurity.” \$30,000. University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, Research Program on Childhood Hunger Grant.
- 2016-2017 Mackenzie Brewer. “Collateral Damage: How Household Debt Impacts Child Health and Development.” \$3,875. Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. Social Sciences Research Institute, Rice University.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS

- 2021 Outstanding Reviewer Award, *Family & Community Health*.
- 2020 Summer Research Sabbatical, Baylor University (deferred).
- 2019 Summer Research Sabbatical, Baylor University.
- 2017 Lodieska Stockbridge Vaughn Fellowship, Rice University (\$16,750).
- 2015 Department of Sociology Conference Travel Stipend, Rice University.
- 2013 Walter and Helen Hall Graduate Paper Award, Rice University.
- 2011 Outstanding Sociology Student Award, Baylor University.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 Brewer, Mackenzie. “Masculinity Attitudes and Male Sterilization: Evidence from the National Survey of Family Growth, 2011-2019.” Eastern Sociological Society, Washington, D.C.
- 2022 Mencken, Carson, Mackenzie Brewer, Jodien Johnson and Kyra Davidson. “COVID-19 Financial Hardships: An Analysis of Households Participating in Meals-to-You.” Together at the Table: Hunger and Poverty Summit, Waco, Texas.
- Clifton, Tristen, Mackenzie Brewer, and Laura Upenieks. “Religious Affiliation, Debt, and Race Among U.S. Households.” Population Association of America, Atlanta, Georgia and online.
- 2021 Nolan, Erin, Catherine Cubbin, and Mackenzie Brewer. “The Effect of Maternal Food Insecurity Transitions on Housing Insecurity in a Population-based Sample of Mothers of Young Children.” Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference.

- 2020 Brewer, Mackenzie and Matthew Anderson. "Is Buffering in the Financial Specifics? Health Tolls of Job Loss Across Wealth and Debt Profiles." Poster Session, Population Association of America, Washington, D.C. **canceled due to COVID-19*
- Brewer, Mackenzie and Lindsay Stevens. "Use of Fertility Awareness as a Method of Contraception: Evidence from the National Survey of Family Growth, 2013-2017." Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 Brewer, Mackenzie. "Household Debt and Children's Risk of Food Insecurity." Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- 2017 Brewer, Mackenzie, Rachel Kimbro, and Justin T. Denney. "County-Level Food Insecurity Rates and Risk of Food Insecurity in Households with Children." Feeding America: Advancing our Insight on the Implications of Food Insecurity in Communities, Washington D.C.
- Brewer, Mackenzie. "Living in the Red? A Portrait of Unsecured Debt among U.S. Households, PSID 2013." Poster Session, Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 Brewer, Mackenzie. "Debt Hardship among Families with Children" Southern Demographic Association, Athens, GA.
- Brewer, Mackenzie, Justin T. Denney and Rachel T. Kimbro. "Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Children's Food Insecurity: Do Neighborhood Characteristics Contribute to the Risks?" Poster Session, Population Association of America, Washington, D.C.
- 2015 Brewer, Mackenzie, Rachel T. Kimbro, Kristin M. Osiecki, and Justin T. Denney. "Can Neighborhood Social and Environmental Context Account for Race/Ethnic Disparities in Childhood Asthma?" Southern Demographic Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Kimbro, Rachel T., Justin T. Denney, and Mackenzie Brewer. "Neighborhood Socioeconomic Change Over Time and Young Children's Obesity." Population Association of America, San Diego, CA.
- Brewer, Mackenzie, Rachel T. Kimbro, Justin T. Denney, and Kristin Osiecki. "Can Neighborhood Social and Environmental Context Account for Race/Ethnic Disparities in Childhood Asthma? Using Geocoded Health Records to Explore an Ecological Model of Asthma." Poster Session, Population Association of America, San Diego, CA.

- 2014 Brewer, Mackenzie. “Returning to Work, Breastfeeding, and Family Structure: A Portrait of Working Mothers in the U.S.” Southern Demographic Association, Memphis, TN.
- Denney, Justin T., Kristin M. Osiecki, Mackenzie Brewer, and Robert J. Griffin. “Into the Great Unknown: Using Medical Records to Understand the Distribution of Health Risks.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 Brewer, Mackenzie and Rachel T. Kimbro. “Neighborhood Context and Physical Activity among Immigrant Children.” Southern Demographic Association, Montgomery, AL.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Baylor University

- Social Science Data Analysis (Graduate) – 3 semesters
 Social Problems in Modern Society (Undergraduate) – 3 semesters
 Introduction to Sociology (Undergraduate) – 10 semesters

Rice University

- The Social Determinants of Health and Mortality (Undergraduate) – 1 semester

SERVICE

Professional

- 2013- Ad-hoc Reviewer for: *American Journal of Preventative Medicine, American Journal of Public Health, Family & Community Health, Family Relations, Journal of Applied Research on Children, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Population Research and Policy Review, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Science & Medicine, Socius, Women & Health.*

Baylor University

- 2024- OSO Speakers Series Chair, Department of Sociology
 2024 Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology
 2024 Interim Chair Search Committee, Department of Sociology
 2023-2024 Baylor Religion Survey, Department of Sociology
 2023-2024 DEI Committee, Department of Sociology
 2023 Five-Year Planning Committee, Department of Sociology
 2020-2022 Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology

2019 Faculty Search Committee (two lines), Department of Sociology
2018-2019 Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology

ADVISING

Ph.D. Supervisor

Tristen Clifton (Sociology, Expected Fall 2024)

Ph.D. Committees

Yingling Liu (Sociology, 2021), Michael Lotspeich (Sociology, 2021), Bethany Smith (Sociology, 2020), James Davidson (Sociology, 2020), Brita Andercheck (Sociology, 2019)

M.A. Committees

James Malo (Sociology, Spring 2023), Tristen Clifton (Sociology, Spring 2021)

Undergraduate Honors Theses

Lilac Ding (2022), Anne-Douglas Cousar (2022), Kara Hollingsworth (2022)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2022 Women's Faculty Writing Program 2021-2022, Baylor University.

2020 Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Multilevel Analysis, University of Houston (Ling Zhu, instructor).

2019 Together at the Table: Hunger and Poverty Summit, Texas Hunger Initiative, Baylor University.

2018 Together at the Table: Hunger and Poverty Summit, Texas Hunger Initiative, Baylor University.

2017 Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Latent Class Analysis in Social Science Research, University of California-Berkeley (Tenko Raykov, instructor).

2016 Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID) Data User Workshop, University of Michigan.

2015 Hierarchical Linear Modeling, University of Texas at Austin (Keenan Pituch, instructor).

Disparities in the U.S workshop, Bioscience Research Collaborative at Rice University

Global Lens, Local Focus Symposium: Applying the Lessons of Global Health to Health, Bioscience Research Collaborative, Rice University.

Building Bridges to Improve Population Health, Washington, D.C.

2014 Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Models for Categorical Outcomes Using Stata: Specification, Estimation and Interpretation, University of Wisconsin-Madison, (Scott Long, instructor).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Texas Hunger Initiative, Research Fellow

American Sociological Association

Population Association of America

Eastern Sociological Society