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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2014-present Professor of Educational Policy Studies and Sociology
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- UW Affiliations: Center for Financial Security, La Follette School of Public Affairs,
Institute for Research on Poverty, Center for Demography and Ecology, Wisconsin
Center for Education Research, Women's Studies
- 2013- present Founding Director, Wisconsin HOPE Lab
Translational research laboratory focused on college affordability,
www.wihopelab.com
- 2015- present Internship Director and Steering Committee Member, Predoctoral Interdisciplinary
Training Program in the Education Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Funded by U.S. Department of Education, Institute for Education Sciences, Geoffrey
Borman, PI, total grant amount = \$3.9 million
- 2012-2013 Project Director, "Evidence Review and Support of the What Works Clearinghouse"
U.S. Department of Education
- 2011-2014 Associate Professor of Educational Policy Studies and Sociology
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2009- present Senior Scholar, Wisconsin Center for the Advancement of Postsecondary Education
- 2006-present Affiliated Primary Investigator, Consortium for Chicago School Research
- 2004-2011 Assistant Professor of Educational Policy Studies and Sociology
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2004-2008 Scholar, Wisconsin Center for the Advancement of Postsecondary Education

EDUCATION

- 2004 Ph.D. in Sociology, University of Pennsylvania
Dissertation: *Swirling Students: Putting a New Spin on College Attrition*
Committee: Douglas Massey, Jerry Jacobs, Grace Kao, and Paul Alison
Concentrations: Urban sociology; gender and labor markets
- 2001 M.A. in Sociology, University of Pennsylvania
- 1998 B.A. in Sociology, George Washington University, Phi Beta Kappa

HONORS AND AWARDS

2015	Ranked in top 30 most influential U.S. educational policy scholars, <i>Education Week</i>
2014	American Educational Research Association, Early Career Award
2011	William T. Grant Foundation Mentoring Award
2010	William T. Grant Foundation Faculty Scholars Award
2010 & 2011	American Educational Research Association, Outstanding Reviewer Award,
2006	National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation, Postdoctoral Fellowship
2005	University of Wisconsin-Madison, Teaching Academy Fellow
2004	National Forum on Higher Education, Rising Scholar in Higher Education Award
2003	Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2003	American Educational Research Association Dissertation Fellowship

MAJOR RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Wisconsin Harvesting Opportunities for Postsecondary Education (HOPE) Lab

The nation's first laboratory for translational research aimed at improving equitable outcomes in postsecondary education, and in particular finding innovative ways to make college more affordable. Projects in the Lab range from exploratory, descriptive research aimed at identifying under-examined problems and identifying potential areas for intervention, to intervention development and experimental evaluation, to the translation of data into usable knowledge. Funded by the Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation with a gift to director Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$2,500,000: 2013-2018).

- Featured in *Capital Times*, "Degrees of Risk," October 29, 2014

The Price of STEM Success: Explaining the Impact of Need-Based Financial Aid on STEM Student Behavior

This experimental, mixed-methods study investigates whether, how, and why need-based financial aid affects the behavior of students in key science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics (STEM) programs by contributing to their chances of success. Specifically, researchers are examining the pathways through which aid affects students' selection of, continued enrollment in, and successful completion of associate and baccalaureate degrees in STEM. Funded by the National Science Foundation (award #1317309) and the Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$5,500,000: 2013-17).

- Coverage in *Chronicle of Higher Education*, "More Financial Aid + Less Need to Work = More STEM Graduates?" April 4, 2014

Constructing Affordability: How Institutional and Relational Contexts Affect Retention of Undergraduates from Low-Income Families

This study examines how institutional and relational contexts affect the ways conceptions of affordability evolve as students experience college and influence their decisions about continued enrollment. Using multiple methods and sites, this comparative study focuses on 60 students from low-income families during their first year of college. We document how affordability is constructed at their four public universities, analyze how struggles with college finances are evident in the settings and relationships of their daily lives, and examine how those narratives of affordability change over time. Funded by the William T. Grant Foundation and the Lumina Foundation. Principal Investigators: Sara Goldrick-Rab and Nancy Kendall. (Total award amount: \$700,000: 2013-2015).

The Other Costs of College Attendance

What common non-tuition expenses do undergraduates encounter on a daily basis? What are the hidden or unanticipated costs of college attendance? This study examines these questions using multiple methods including daily surveys conducted via cell-phones, in-depth interviews, and surveys. Funded by the Lumina Foundation. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$300,000: 2014-2015).

The Impact of Loan Counseling and Financial Education on Undergraduate Decision-Making

In partnership with J. Michael Collins (UW-Madison) and DeVry University, we are examining the comparative impact of enhanced loan counseling and financial education on financial aid and educational decisions among students attending for-profit institutions. The primary intent of this randomized experiment is to test the hypothesis that information alone is insufficient to alter student behaviors. Funded by the U.S. Department of Treasury. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$160,000: 2014-2015).

- Coverage in *Chronicle of Higher Education*, "In a Rare Collaboration...", June 21, 2013

National Evaluation of Single Stop USA's Community College Initiative

This mixed-method evaluation examines the implementation and outcomes associated with this two-time winner of the Social Innovation Fund, a program that seeks to bring additional resources to individual students while helping educational institutions bridge traditional silos between educational and social service providers. This intervention is expected to produce better student outcomes than current education practice because it addresses the role that economic resources and social capital play in shaping college affordability, students' use of time during college, and their chances for succeeding in persisting until certificate or degree completion. Funded by the Kresge Foundation and the Association of Community College Trustees. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$110,000: 2012-2014).

Wisconsin Scholars Longitudinal Study

This multi-method experimental study tests the impact of a private need-based grant program in terms of the behaviors and academic outcomes of 3,000 Wisconsin Pell Grant recipients attending 42 public two-year and four-year colleges and universities. In addition, heterogeneous treatment impacts and treatment heterogeneity, as well as key mechanisms are explored. Finally, using a quasi-experimental design, the impact of reductions in student debt on young adult outcomes is explored. Funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation, HCM Strategists, Institute for College Access and Success, Smith Richardson Foundation, Spencer Foundation, William T. Grant Foundation, University of Wisconsin-Madison Graduate School, and the University of Wisconsin System. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total award amount: \$2,461,000: 2008-ongoing).

Evaluation of the Advancing via Individual Determination/ Teens of Promise Initiative

Using a matched group comparison design, this study estimates the impacts of this program implemented in the Madison Metropolitan School District across all middle and high schools with the intent of reducing the size of black/white achievement gaps. The study is conducted in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Dane County and the Wisconsin Center for the Advancement of Postsecondary Education, Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total amount awarded: \$240,000: 2013-2015).

Rethinking College Choice in America

This project leverages a randomized experiment of need-based financial aid to closely examine the explanatory mechanisms that may shed light on how students interpret the meaning of financial aid, how they make use of it, and whether and how it affects their college performance. I investigate two kinds of settings-- living conditions and social relationships—that I posit affect three processes shaping postsecondary performance and achievement: (1) decision-making; (2) experiences of everyday life (particularly emotions and use of time); and (3) sleep. Engaging in this research will expand my knowledge of economics, developmental psychology, and policy evaluation. Funded by the William T. Grant Foundation. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total amount awarded: \$410,000: 2010-2015).

Cost-Effective Ways to Increase College Graduation

This project examined the impacts of a range of higher education interventions and compared them to their costs, in order to compute cost-effectiveness ratios. Funded by HCM Strategists. Principal Investigators: Sara Goldrick-Rab and Douglas N. Harris. (Total amount awarded: \$110,000: 2009-2010).

Investigating the Postsecondary Transitions of Urban Public School Students

The college choices of students in Chicago Public Schools and the outcomes associated with those choices were the subject of this project, which focused in particular on the implications of attending the City Colleges of Chicago. Funded by the National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Graduate School Research Committee. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total amount awarded: \$84,000: 2006-2008).

How Complex Postsecondary Educational Transitions Shape Student Success

This study utilized data from the National Educational Longitudinal Study: 1988 to examine path dependence in college decisions made following initial enrollment, and in particular inequality in those dynamics. Funded by the American Educational Research Association and the Association for Institutional Research. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total amount awarded: \$65,000: 2005-2007).

An Examination of the Educational Expectations of Technical College Students

A survey study administered in classrooms at Madison Area Technical College, aimed to provide new insights to college administrators regarding their students' educational goals and expectations, and the constraints on their expectations. Funded by the University of Wisconsin Graduate School Research Committee. Principal Investigator: Sara Goldrick-Rab. (Total amount awarded: \$13,000: 2005-2006).

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Goldrick-Rab, S. *Paying the Price: College Costs, Financial Aid, and the Betrayal of the American Dream*. University of Chicago Press, Chicago, IL. (2016)

Kelly, A. & Goldrick-Rab, S. (Editors). *Reinventing Financial Aid: Charting a New Course to College Affordability*. Harvard Education Press, Cambridge, MA. (2014)

Shaw, K., Goldrick-Rab, S., Mazzeo, C., & Jacobs, J. *Putting Poor People to Work: How the Work-First Idea Eroded College Access for the Poor*. New York: Russell Sage Foundation. (2006)

- Finalist for the C. Wright Mills Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Goldrick-Rab, S. & Anderson, D.M. "Rethinking College Finance: The Implications of Free Public Higher Education." *Policy Insights from Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. (forthcoming)

Goldrick-Rab, S., Kelchen, R., Harris, D., & Benson, J. "Reducing Income Inequality in Higher Education: Experimental Evidence on the Impact of Financial Aid on College Completion." *American Journal of Sociology*. (2016)

Kelchen, R. & Goldrick-Rab, S. "Accelerating College Knowledge: A Fiscal Analysis of a Targeted Early Commitment Pell Grant Program." *Journal of Higher Education*, 86(2): 199-232. (2015)

- Coverage in *Inside Higher Ed*, "A Guaranteed Pell Grant?" December 18, 2012 and *Hechinger Report*, "A 'promising' way to help low-income students to and through college," March 25, 2015 and *The Atlantic*, "The Upwardly Mobile Barista," May 2015

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- Coverage in *Inside Higher Ed*, "Law of Averages," August 27, 2012

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Goldrick-Rab, S. & Han, S. "The "Class Gap" in the "Gap Year": Academic Coursetaking, Family Formation and Socioeconomic Differences in Delaying the Transition to College." *Review of Higher Education*. Spring. (2011)

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- Coverage in *Slate*, "Shutdown in the Classroom," 2013; *Washington Post*, "The inadequate child-care system," 2014

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- Coverage in *Inside Higher Ed*, "Why Reverse Transfer?" April 17, 2009

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Goldrick-Rab, S. & Mazzeo, C. "What 'No Child Left Behind' Means for College Access." *Review of Research in Education*. Winter, v29. pp. 107-130. (2005).

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Monaghan, D. & Goldrick-Rab, S. "Community College Intervention-Incentive Based Randomized Controlled Trials." In B. Schneider (Ed), *Handbook of Sociology of Higher Education in the 21st Century*. (forthcoming)

Kinsley, P. & Goldrick-Rab, S. "Making the Grade: The Academic Side of College Life Among Financial Aid Recipients." In A. Stich and C. Freire (Eds), *The Working Classes and Higher Education: Inequality of Access, Opportunity, and Outcome*. (forthcoming)

Schudde, L. & Goldrick-Rab, S. "Extending Opportunity, Perpetuating Privilege: Institutional Stratification amid Educational Expansion," In M. Bastedo, P. Altbach, P. Gumpert, and B. Berdahl (Eds), *American Higher Education in the 21st Century*. Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore. (forthcoming)

Goldrick-Rab, S. "Carpe Diem: Lessons from my First Randomized Experiment." In L. Hedges and R. Maynard (Eds), *Teaching Cases: Nuts and Bolts of Randomized Controlled Trials in Education*. University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, PA. (Forthcoming).

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Goldrick-Rab, S., & Kinsley, P. "School Integration and the Open Door Philosophy: Rethinking the Economic and Racial Composition of Community Colleges." In The Century Foundation (Ed.) *Bridging the Higher Education Divide: Strengthening Community Colleges and Restoring the American Dream*. Brookings Institution Press, Washington, DC. (2013)

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Goldrick-Rab, S. "Reducing Inequality in an Age of Student Mobility: Challenges Facing American Higher Education." Chapter 7 in R. Teese, S.Lamb, and M. Duru-Bellat (Eds), *Education and Equity: International Perspectives on Theory and Policy*. Volume 3. Springer Publishing. (2007)

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- Coverage included *The New York Times*, PBS NewsHour, *The Hechinger Report*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Inside Higher Ed*, *Chronicle of Higher Ed*

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- Coverage included "The Players Who Influenced Obama's Free-College Plan," *Chronicle of Higher Education*, January 11, 2015; "Obama's Community College Plan: A Reading List," *New York Times*, January 8, 2015; Wisconsin Public Television, "Here and Now," Jan. 23, 2015; "Going to a public college isn't as affordable as it used to be," *Washington Post*, January 30, 2015
- Provided technical support to development of U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin's "America's College Promise" legislation introduced in 2015, and Oregon Senator Mark Hass's "Oregon Promise" legislation signed into law in 2015.

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- Coverage in *New York Times*, "For Striving Students, A Connection to Money," March 24, 2014

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- Coverage by *National Public Radio*, July 10, 2013; *The Atlantic Monthly*, July 10, 2013; *Washington Monthly*, July 5, 2013; *Chronicle of Higher Education*, September 6, 2013; *American Prospect*, August 13, 2013

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- Coverage in *PBS NewsHour*, July 17, 2012; *Inside Higher Ed*, May 8, 2009; *Education Week*, September 1, 2009; *NPR*, March 29, 2010

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Stevenson, J., Dykema, J. Cyffka, K., Klein, L. & Goldrick-Rab, S. "What are the Odds? Lotteries versus Cash Incentives. Response Rates, Cost and Data Quality for a Web Survey of Low-Income Former and Current College." Presented at the meetings of the American Association for Public Opinion Research (2012).

Harris, D.N. & Goldrick-Rab, S. *The (Un)Productivity of American Colleges: Curing the So-Called 'Cost Disease.'* La Follette School of Public Affairs, wp. 2010-023. (2010).

Pfeffer, F. & Goldrick-Rab, S. *Unequal Pathways Through American Universities.* Institute for Research on Poverty, Madison WI, dp. 1391-11. (2011).

PUBLIC SERVICE (Selected)

- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Keynote Lecture on Housing Insecurity among Community College Students (2015)
- Oregon State Senate and Oregon House of Representatives, Expert Testimony on the Oregon Promise (2015)
- Oregon Community College Association Annual Conference, Keynote (2015)
- Albert Shanker Institute, Board of Directors (2015-)
- American Federation of Teachers, Higher Education Program and Policy Council (2014-)
- Midwestern Higher Education Compact 10th Annual Policy Summit, Keynote (2014)
- Scholars Strategy Network Member (2014-)
- National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs conference, Keynote (2014)
- Wisconsin Technical College System District Board's Association meeting, Keynote (2014)
- U.S. Congressional Advisory Committee on Student Financial Aid, Testimony (2014 & 2015)
- Maine Legislative Committee on College Affordability, Expert Testimony (2014)
- Association of Community College Trustees' meeting, Keynote (2013)
- U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor & Pensions Committee, Expert Testimony (2013)
- GEAR-UP Demonstration Program, U.S. Dept of Ed., Technical Working Group (2013)
- Pell Grant Experiments, U.S. Dept of Ed., Technical Working Group (2013-2016)
- Aspen Foundation Prize for Community College Excellence, Selection Committee
- Century Foundation National Task Force on Community Colleges (2012-2013)
- National Center for Education Statistics Technical Review Panels: NPEC Sample Surveys (2012-2013); BPS 2012; B&B 2011; ELS:02, NPSAS 2012
- Wisconsin Educational Approval Board Performance Standards Advisory Committee (2013)
- Wisconsin Legislature Special Committee on Higher Education Financial Aid (2010-2011)
- Affordability and College Attainment in Wisconsin Public Higher Education, Conference Founder and Host, (2011, 2012)
- Education Talks Wisconsin, Founder and Organizer (2013)

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO POLICYMAKERS AND PRACTITIONERS

National

Achieving the Dream; American Federation of Teachers; American Enterprise Institute; Association of Community College Trustees; Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; Brookings Institution; Center for State Innovation; Center for Law and Social Policy; Century Foundation; Community College Research Center; Council of Economic Advisors, White House; Council on Opportunity for Education; Domestic Policy Council, White House; Education Trust; HCM Strategists; Institute for Higher Education Policy; Lumina Foundation; Jobs for the Future; National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators; National Scholarship Providers' Association; New America Foundation's Postsecondary National Policy Institute; Regional Education Laboratories: Midwest and Northwest; Office of Representative Gloria Nagreta McLeod (D-CA); Office of Senator Bernie Sanders (D-VT); Office of Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR); Office of Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI); Office of Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA); Scholarship America; Social Science Research Council; U.S. Department of Education, Office of the Undersecretary; U.S. Department of Education, Office of Federal Student Aid; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; United States House of Representatives, Community College Caucus; United States Senate, H.E.L.P. Committee; United States Students Association

State/Regional

Education Northwest; Midwestern Higher Education Compact; New England Association of Graduate Admissions; New Mexico Lieutenant Governor's Office; Oregon Governor's Office; Oregon Community College Association; Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Committee; Oregon State Senator Mark Hass's Office; Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges; Texas Guaranteed; Washington State Representative Drew Hanson's Office; Wisconsin Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators; Wisconsin Educational Approval Board; Wisconsin Technical College System; University of Wisconsin System

Local

Boys and Girls Club of Dane County; Kiwanis Club of Dane County; Madison Area Technical College (WI); Nicolet Area Technical College (WI); UW-Extension; UW-Marinette County; United Council of UW Students; UW-Oshkosh; UW-Milwaukee; UW-Parkside

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

- Association of Education Finance and Policy Conference Committee (2015)
- AERA Task Force on Standards for Part-Time, Adjunct, and Contingent Faculty, (2012-2013)
- Spencer Foundation, Small Grants Board (2010-2012)
- American Sociological Association: Sociology of Education Council (2009-2012), Sociology of Education Nominations Committee (2009), David L. Stevenson Award (2008)
- William T. Grant Foundation Mixed Methods Research Network (2009-present)
- Association for Institutional Research, Graduate Study Fellowship Program (2007-2009)

Editorial Board Membership

- American Educational Research Journal (2016)
- Contexts magazine, "The Public Face of Sociology" (2015-2018)
- Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis (2013-2016)
- Educational Researcher (2010-2013)
- Journal of Higher Education (2011-present)
- Research in Higher Education (2011-2014)
- Sociology of Education (2007-2010)
- Journal of Research in Community College Pedagogy (2009-2010)
- Higher Education Abstracts (2009-present)

UW-Madison Service

- Chair, Oversight Committee for PEOPLE Program Evaluation (2014 -)
- PROFS, Steering Committee Member (2009-2013)
- Chair, Undergraduate Recruitment, Admissions and Financial Aid (2008-2013)
- Ad Hoc Committee on Tuition Policy (2012-2013)
- Faculty Senate (2011-2012)
- McNair Program Mentor

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS (Summary)

Academic Conferences

- American Educational Research Association (2004, 2006, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- American Sociological Association (2004, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)
- Association of Educational Finance and Policy (2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015)
- Association for the Study of Higher Education (2004, 2010, 2012)
- Association for Public Policy and Management (2006, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014)
- Association for Institutional Research (2004, 2009)
- Conference on Consumer Financial Decision-Making (2013, 2014)
- International Sociological Association (2011, 2012)
- National Association of Student Affairs Professional in Higher Education (2015)
- National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (2012)
- Student Financial Aid Research Network (2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014)
- Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness (2011, 2012)

Invited Lectures

- Temple University (2015)
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (2015)
- Maynooth University (Ireland) (2015)
- Lake Superior State University (2015)
- Beloit College (2015)
- Claremont Graduate University (2013)
- Columbia University (2008)
- City University of New York (2009)
- Harvard Law School (2015)
- Illinois Education Research Council (2015)
- Johns Hopkins University (2012)
- New York University (2009)
- New York Federal Reserve Board (2012, 2015)
- MDRC (2009)
- Northwestern University (2011)
- Penn State University (2011)
- Princeton University (2009)
- Stanford University (2009)
- University of California-Irvine (2008)
- University of Chicago (2008, 2012)
- University of Georgia (2008)
- University of Michigan (2011, 2012, 2013)
- University of Pennsylvania (2009, 2013)

TEACHING

- Introduction to Debates in Higher Education Policy
- Seminar on Mixed Methods Research for Social Scientists
- Seminar on Scholar-Activism
- Gender and Higher Education
- Community Colleges: Issues and Research
- Sociology of Education

ADVISING

Postdoctoral Fellows

Drew Anderson (Economics, UW-Madison, 2015-17); James Benson (Sociology, UW-Madison, 2009-10); Nicole Deterding (Sociology, Harvard, 2015-16); Denise Goerisch (Geography, San Diego State, 2014-16); Esther Kim (Sociology, Yale, 2014-16); Hyun Sik Kim (Sociology, UW-Madison, 2009); David Monaghan (Sociology, CUNY, 2015-17); Frank Vernon (Public Health, Indiana, 2014-16)

Committee Chair, Educational Policy Studies

Caitlin Bergeon (MA, expected 2018); Derria Byrd (MA 2011); Russell Cannon (PhD, expected 2017); Dorothy Cheng (MA, 2013); Stephanie Cowan (MA, 2008); Rachel Feldman (PhD, expected 2016); Anthony Hernandez (MA, expected 2018); Eleonora Hicks (PhD, 2015); Kyong Wan Kang (MA, 2013; PhD expected 2018); Robert Kelchen (PhD, 2013); Peter Kinsley (PhD, 2014); Sara Lazenby (MA, 2009); You Geon Lee (PhD, 2013); Minh Mai (MA, 2014); Amanda Oleson (MA, 2013); Jesus Renteria (MA, 2013); Christian Smith (MA, expected 2018); Suzanne Sublette (PhD, 2011), Kathy Villalon (MA, expected 2015)

Committee Chair, Sociology

Katharine Broton (MA, 2012; PhD expected 2015); Ellen Bruno (MA, expected 2017); Ja'Dell Davis (MA, expected 2016); Jamie Hawkins (MA, expected 2016); Lauren Schudde (MA, 2009; PhD 2013)

Committee Member, Multiple Departments

Brian An, Sociology (PhD, 2010); Drew Anderson, Economics (PhD, 2015); James Benson, Sociology (PhD, 2010); Bobbie Boernhaft, ELPA (MA, 2009); Elizabeth Canning, Psychology (PhD, expected 2016); Megan Chase, Rossier School of Education, University of Southern California (PhD, 2013); Dorothy Cheng, EPS (PhD, expected 2016); Ana Collares, Sociology (PhD, 2010); Marjorie Cook, ELPA (PhD, 2010); Rachel Fish, Sociology (PhD, 2015); Seong Won Han, Sociology (PhD, 2013); Sarah Kuba, ELPA (PhD, 2010); Courtney Luedke, Sociology (MA, 2011); Courtney Luedke, ELPA (PhD, 2014); Hannah Miller, Sociology (MA, 2012); Alan Nathan, ELPA (PhD, 2012); Robert Osley-Thomas, Sociology (PhD, expected 2015); Hyunjoon Park, Sociology (PhD, 2004); Johanna Quinn, Sociology (MA, 2013); Shenita Ray, ELPA (PhD, 2012); Suzanne Russ, EPS (PhD, 2015); Julia Savoy, ELPA (MA, 2006); Jessa Valentine, Sociology, (PhD, 2015); Binzhen Wu, Economics (PhD, 2006)

Undergraduate McNair Scholars (Mentor)

Tommy Sharell Hoard, Sociology (BA, 2006); Alicia Neweil, Psychology (BA, 2012); Brooke Evans, Philosophy (BA, expected 2016)

Student Awards

NAEd/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship: Derria Byrd
AERA Dissertation Fellowship (declined): Lauren Schudde
AERA Dissertation Fellowship: Eleonora Hicks
AIR Dissertation Fellowship (declined): Lauren Schudde
NAEd/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship: Lauren Schudde
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship: Katherine Broton
WT Grant Mentoring Award: Jesus Renteria

Student Job Placements

Gateway Technical College; Institute for Education Sciences; Madison College; Mathematica Policy Research; Seton Hall University; State University of New York-Buffalo; Teachers College, Columbia University; Wisconsin Center for Education Research; University of Iowa; University of Michigan; University of Pennsylvania; University of Texas-Austin