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# EMPLOYMENT

2019 – Associate Professor of Sociology, University at Buffalo, SUNY 2022 (spring) – present, Director of Graduate Studies 2020, Interim Director of Undergraduate Studies

2014 – 2019 Assistant Professor of Sociology, University at Buffalo, SUNY

# EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Georgia, 2014

M.A. Sociology, University of Georgia, 2010

B.S. Human Development and Family Studies (Summa cum laude), The Pennsylvania State University, Schreyer Honors College, 2007

# SPECIALTY AREAS

Family; Health; Criminology; Education; Life course; Transition to adulthood/Emerging adulthood; Quantitative methods

# RESEARCH GRANTS

*External Support*

2025 Principal Investigator (with Kristen Schultz Lee). “Linking Adult Offspring Challenges and Parental Cognitive Health: Risk and Resilience in Rural

Contexts.” The Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging. $34,928.

2024 - 2026 Principal Investigator (with Mary Nell Trautner and Veronica Horowitz). “Collateral Benefits of Prison Education: A Randomized, Family-Level Impact Evaluation.” William T. Grant Foundation. $50,000.

2023 Principal Investigator. “Expanded childcare subsidies in New York:

Limitations and next steps.” Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo.

$20,000.

2017 – 2023 Co-Investigator. (PI: Ronald L. Simons). “Psychosocial context and the biological clock: Changes in weathering during middle age.” National Institute on Aging. (Award Number: *R01AG055393*). $3,432,956.

2018 – 2021 Co-Investigator. (PI: Brody, Gene H.) “Biological weathering and the origin of chronic diseases of aging among rural African American young adults.” National Institute on Child Health and Human Development. (Award

Number: *1R01HD091046*). $922,710.

2015 – 2020 Co-Investigator. (PIs: Steven R.H. Beach and Ronald L. Simons).

“Biomarkers of health risk among African American couples.” National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. (Award Number: *R01HD080749*). $2,869,644.

*Internal Support*

2025 – 2026 Principal Investigator (with Veronica Horowitz, Mary Nell Trautner, and Josh Coene). “Strengthening University Policy and Practice to Serve

System- Impacted Students.” Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy.

2023 – 2024 Principal Investigator (with Rachel Zhang). “Gentrification, Romantic Relationships, and Well-being among Young Adults.” Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy.

2021 – 2023 Principal Investigator (with Chris Dennison & Mary Nell Trautner).

“He/She/They: Gender Pronouns and Gender Bias in Student Evaluations of Teaching.” Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy.

2018 – 2019 Principal Investigator (with Mary Nell Trautner). “Juvenile offending and childhood determinism: A mixed methods approach.” Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy.

**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS** (\*indicates graduate student coauthor)

Barr, Ashley B., Mary Nell Trautner, and Tucker Reyes.\* 2025. “Race, Gender, and Juvenile Determinism: A Mixed Methods Approach to Understanding Punishment Attitudes Toward Juvenile Offenders.” *Race and Justice. 0*(0). [https://doi-](https://doi-org.gate.lib.buffalo.edu/10.1177/21533687251341270)

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Yu, Chang\* and Ashley B. Barr. 2025. "Social Activities and Dimensions of Cognitive

Functioning Across Mid- and Late-Life: Evidence from China." *The Gerontologist:*

gnaf071. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnaf014>

Zhang, Zhe\* and Ashley B. Barr. 2024. “Gentrification and Crime in Buffalo, NY from 2011- 2019.” *PLOS One.* 19(6): e0302832. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0302832>

Barr, Ashley B. and Zhe Zhang.\* 2024. “Juvenile School Discipline and Well-being among

College-Educated Emerging Adults.” *Emerging Adulthood,* 12(3): 275–289*.* [https://doi-](https://doi-org.gate.lib.buffalo.edu/10.1177/21676968241235427) [org.gate.lib.buffalo.edu/10.1177/216769682412354](https://doi-org.gate.lib.buffalo.edu/10.1177/21676968241235427)

Barr, Ashley B., Ronald L. Simons, Steven RH Beach, Leslie Gordon Simons. 2023. “Racial discrimination and the weathering of nonmarital relationships.” *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 85(3): 723-738. https://doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12900

Lee, Kristen Schultz, Chris Dennison, and Ashley Barr. 2022. “Expanding Intergenerational Models of Adult Health: The Impact of Adult Children on Parent Health.” *Contexts*.

21(4). [10.1093/geroni/igac059.1170](http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igac059.1170)

Barr, Ashley B., Ronald L. Simons, Steven RH Beach, Leslie Gordon Simons. 2022. “Racial discrimination and health among two generations of African American couples.” *Social Science & Medicine*. 296:114768. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.114768

Brody, Gene H., Tianyi Yu, Edith Chen, Michael Kobor, Steven R.H. Beach, Man-Kit Lei, Ashley

B. Barr, D. Lin, and Gregory E. Miller. 2021. “Risky Family Climates Presage Increased Cellular Aging in Young Adulthood.” *Psychoneuroendocrinology.* 130: 105256.

Adamczyk, Katarzyna, Ashley Barr, and Chris Segrin. 2021. "Relationship Status and Mental and Physical Health among Polish and American Young Adults: The Role of Relationship

Satisfaction and Satisfaction with Relationship Status." *Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being*. 13(3):620-652

Simons, Leslie Gordon, Tara E. Sutton, Antoinette M. Landor, Ashley B. Barr, Chalandra M.

Bryant, and Ellen M. Granberg. 2021. “Gender Differences in the Dating Experiences of African American Young Adults: The Challenge of Forming Romantic Relationships

Within the Context of Power Imbalance.” *Youth & Society*, 53(1): 3–25. https://doi.org/10.1177/0044118X19828097

Simons, Ronald L, David Woodring, Leslie Gordon Simons, Tara E Sutton, Man-Kit Lei, Steven RH Beach, Ashley B Barr and Frederick X Gibbons. 2019. "Youth Adversities Amplify the Association between Adult Stressors and Chronic Inflammation in a Domain Specific

Manner: Nuancing the Early Life Sensitivity Model." *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*

48(1):1-16.

Simons, Ronald L, Man-Kit Lei, Steven RH Beach, Leslie Gordon Simons, Ashley B Barr,

Frederick X Gibbons and Robert A Philibert. 2019. "Testing Life Course Models Whereby Juvenile and Adult Adversity Combine to Influence Speed of Biological Aging." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 60(3):291-308.

Beach, Steven RH, Man Kit Lei, Ronald L Simons, Ashley B Barr, Leslie G Simons, Carolyn E Cutrona and Robert A Philibert. 2019. "Perceived Relationship Support Moderates the

Association of Contextual Stress with Inflammation among African Americans." *Journal of Family Psychology* 33(3):338.

Simons, Ronald L, Man-Kit Lei, Steven RH Beach, Ashley B Barr, Leslie G Simons, Frederick X Gibbons and Robert A Philibert. 2018. "Discrimination, Segregation, and Chronic

Inflammation: Testing the Weathering Explanation for the Poor Health of Black Americans." *Developmental Psychology* 54(10):1993.

Landor, Antoinette and Ashley B. Barr.a 2018. "Politics of Respectability, Colorism, and the Terms of Social Exchange in Family Research." *Journal of Family Theory & Review* 10(2):330- 47.

Barr, Ashley B. and Ronald L Simons. 2018. "Marital Beliefs among African American Emerging Adults: The Roles of Community Context, Family Background, and Relationship

Experiences." *Journal of Family Issues* 39(2):352-82.

Barr, Ashley B., Leslie Gordon Simons, Ronald L Simons, Steven RH Beach and Robert A Philibert. 2018. "Sharing the Burden of the Transition to Adulthood: African American Young Adults’ Transition Challenges and Their Mothers’ Health Risk." *American*

*Sociological Review* 83(1):143-72.

Simons, Ronald L, Man-Kit Lei, Steven RH Beach, Ashley B Barr, Carolyn E Cutrona, Frederick X Gibbons and Robert A Philibert. 2017. "An Index of the Ratio of Inflammatory to

Antiviral Cell Types Mediates the Effects of Social Adversity and Age on Chronic Illness."

*Social Science & Medicine* 185:158-65.

Renzulli, Linda and Ashley B Barr. 2017. "Adapting to Family Setbacks: Malleability of Students’ and Parents’ Educational Expectations." *Social Problems* 64(3):351-72.

Boyle, Kaitlin M.,\* Ashley Barr and Jody Clay-Warner. 2017. "The Effects of Feminist

Mobilization and Women’s Status on Universities’ Reporting of Rape." *Journal of School Violence* 16(3):317-30.

Berg, Mark T, Ronald L Simons, Ashley Barr, Steven RH Beach and Robert A Philibert. 2017. "Childhood/Adolescent Stressors and Allostatic Load in Adulthood: Support for a

Calibration Model." *Social Science & Medicine* 193:130-39.

Beach, Steven, Man Kit Lei, Ronald Simons, Ashley Barr, Leslie Simons, Katherine B. Ehrlich, Gene H. Brody and Robert A. Philibert. 2017. “When Inflammation and Depression Go Together: The Longitudinal Effects of Parent-Child Relationships.” *Developmental*

*Psychopathology* 29:1969–1986.

Simons, Ronald. L., Man Kit Lei, Steven R.H. Beach, Robert A. Philibert, Carolyn E. Cutrona, Frederick X. Gibbons and Ashley B. Barr. 2016. "Economic Hardship and Biological Weathering: The Epigenetics of Aging in a U.S. Sample of Black Women." *Social Science and Medicine* 150:192-200.

Lei, Man-Kit, Steven R. H. Beach, Ronald L. Simons, Ashley B. Barr, Carolyn E. Cutrona and Robert A. Philibert. 2016. "Stress, Relationship Satisfaction, and Health among African

American Women: Genetic Moderation Effects." *Journal of Family Psychology* 30(2):221- 32.

Barr, Ashley B, Tara E Sutton, Leslie Gordon Simons, KAS Wickrama and Frederick O Lorenz.

2016. "Romantic Relationship Transitions and Changes in Health among Rural, White Young Adults." *Journal of Family Psychology* 30(7):832.

Renzulli, Linda A, Ashley B Barr and Maria Paino. 2015. "Innovative Education? A Test of

Specialist Mimicry or Generalist Assimilation in Trends in Charter School Specialization over Time." *Sociology of Education* 88(1):83-102.

Barr, Ashley B and Ronald L Simons. 2015. "Different Dimensions, Different Mechanisms?

Distinguishing Relationship Status and Quality Effects on Desistance." *Journal of Family Psychology* 29(3):360.

Barr, Ashley B. 2015. "Family Socioeconomic Status, Family Health, and Changes in Students'

Math Achievement across High School: A Mediational Model." *Social Science & Medicine*

140:27-34.

Barr, Ashley B, Ronald L Simons and Leslie Gordon Simons. 2015. "Nonmarital Relationships and Changing Perceptions of Marriage among African American Young Adults." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 77(5):1202-16.

Simons, Ronald L, Callie H Burt, Ashley B Barr, Man‐Kit Lei and Eric Stewart. 2014.

"Incorporating Routine Activities, Activity Spaces, and Situational Definitions into the Social Schematic Theory of Crime." *Criminology* 52(4):655-87.

Simons, Ronald L and Ashley B Barr. 2014. "Shifting Perspectives: Cognitive Changes Mediate the Impact of Romantic Relationships on Desistance from Crime." *Justice Quarterly* 31(5):793-821.

Barr, Ashley B. and Ronald L. Simons. 2014. "A Dyadic Analysis of Relationships and Health: Does Couple-Level Context Condition Partner Effects?" *Journal of Family Psychology* 28(4):448-59. doi: 10.1037/a0037310.

Barr, Ashley B, Ronald L Simons and Eric A Stewart. 2013. "The Code of the Street and Romantic Relationships: A Dyadic Analysis." *Personal Relationships* 20(1):84-106.

Barr, Ashley B, Ronald L Simons, Leslie Gordon Simons, Frederick X Gibbons and Meg Gerrard.

2013. "Teen Motherhood and Pregnancy Prototypes: The Role of Social Context in Changing Young African American Mothers’ Risk Images and Contraceptive

Expectations." *Journal of Youth and Adolescence* 42(12):1884-97.

Barr, Ashley B, Elizabeth Culatta and Ronald L Simons. 2013. "Romantic Relationships and

Health among African American Young Adults: Linking Patterns of Relationship Quality over Time to Changes in Physical and Mental Health." *Journal of Health and Social*

*Behavior* 54(3):369-85.

Simons, Ronald L., Steven R.H. Beach and Ashley B. Barr. 2012. "Differential Susceptibility to Context: A Promising Model of the Interplay of Genes and the Social Environment." Pp. 139-63 in *Biosociology and Neurosociology (Advances in Group Processes, Volume 29)*, edited by S. R. T. Will Kalkhoff, Edward J. Lawler: Emerald Group Publishing Limited.

Barr, Ashley B and Ronald L Simons. 2012b. "Marriage Expectations among African American Couples in Early Adulthood: A Dyadic Analysis." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 74(4):726-42.

Barr, Ashley B and Ronald L Simons. 2012a. "College Aspirations and Expectations among New African-American Mothers in Late Adolescence." *Gender and Education* 24(7):745-63.

**MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW** (\*indicates graduate student coauthor)

Barr, Ashley B., Ronald L. Simons, Steven RH Beach. Revise and Resubmit. “Early Adversity, Romantic Relationship Patterns Across the Transition to Adulthood, and Health.”

Barr, Ashley B., Rebecca Boylan, Zhe Zhang.\* Revise and Resubmit. “The Effect of Being

Pushed or Pulled Out of High School on Criminal Involvement Across the Transition to Adulthood.”

Yu, Chang,\* Ashley B. Barr, Yulin Yang, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. Revise and Resubmit. “Beyond Pain Presence: The Impact of Multisite Pain and Pain Interference on Cognitive Functioning among Middle-Aged and Older Adults.”

Barr, Ashley B., Christopher Dennison, Kristen Schultz Lee, and Zhe Zhang.\* Revise and

Resubmit. “Rethinking Intergenerational Influence: Adult Children’s Education, Parental Cognitive Health, and the Role of Selection.”

Barr, Ashley B., Zhe Zhang,\* and Sara DiPasquale.\* Under Review. “Juvenile Punishment and Young Adult Attitudes towards Police: The Role of Obedience to Authority”

Bosley, Christopher\* and Ashley B. Barr. Under Review. “Contextualizing the Link between Work-Related Stress and Health: An Analysis of Emergency Medical Service Providers.”

**MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS** (draft available; \*indicates graduate student coauthor) Barr, Ashley B. “Adult Offspring Stressors and Parental Sleep in Mid- and Later Life.”

Barr, Ashley B. “Young Adult Interracial Relationships and Health.”

Barr, Ashley B. and Chandler Fairbanks.\* “Interracial Couples, Relationship Satisfaction, and Health.”

Barr, Ashley B., Zhe Zhang,\* and Sophia Olsinski.\* “Gentrification and Romantic Relationship Quality among Young Adults.”

Zhang, Zhe\* and Ashley B. Barr. “Chains of Disadvantage or Turning Points? The Role of Romantic Relationships in the Education-Health Link in Early Adulthood.”

# FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

2025 Pillars of Pride Employee Recognition Inclusion Award University at Buffalo Human Resources

2017 Exceptional Scholars Young Investigator Award

University at Buffalo College of Arts and Sciences

2016 – 2017 Honors College Faculty Fellow

University at Buffalo

2017 Professional Development Award United University Professions

2015 Professional Development Award United University Professions

2014 Distinguished Dissertation Award Nominee in the field of Social Sciences Council of Graduate Schools/ProQuest

2013 - 2014 Phelps-Stokes Fellowship

University of Georgia

2008 – 2014 Presidential Fellowship

University of Georgia

# SELECTED PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

*Publications*

Trautner, Mary Nell, Ashley Barr, Joseph Buttino, and Jeremy Carr. 2019. “Getting Undergraduate Students Involved in Research.” *The Consortium for Undergraduate Law & Justice Programs blog In the Classroom.*

Barr, Ashley B. 2018. “For African American Millennials, difficulties on the road to adulthood may be hurting their mothers’ health.” *London School of Economics* blog on American Politics and Policy, May 3. [http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2018/05/03/for-african-](http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2018/05/03/for-african-american-millennials-difficulties-on-the-road-to-adulthood-may-be-hurting-their-mothers-health/)

[american-millennials-difficulties-on-the-road-to-adulthood-may-be-hurting-their-mothers-](http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2018/05/03/for-african-american-millennials-difficulties-on-the-road-to-adulthood-may-be-hurting-their-mothers-health/) [health/](http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2018/05/03/for-african-american-millennials-difficulties-on-the-road-to-adulthood-may-be-hurting-their-mothers-health/)

*Interviews*

*University at Buffalo News Center*. 2024. "Balancing act: UB study links gentrification to reduced crime, but downsides of gentrification can’t be ignored.” August 28.

[*https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2024/08/zhang-barr-gentrification.html*](https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2024/08/zhang-barr-gentrification.html)

*University at Buffalo News Center*. 2024. " Young adults with a history of school discipline report depressive symptoms, lower well-being.” April 5.

[*https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2024/04/barr-school-discipline-well-being.html*](https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2024/04/barr-school-discipline-well-being.html)

*Buffalo, What’s Next. 2023*. “Business progress and family struggles.” January 23.

[https://www.wbfo.org/wbfo-brief-season-4-2023/2023-01-23/buffalo-whats-next-business-](https://www.wbfo.org/wbfo-brief-season-4-2023/2023-01-23/buffalo-whats-next-business-progress-and-family-struggles) [progress-and-family-struggles](https://www.wbfo.org/wbfo-brief-season-4-2023/2023-01-23/buffalo-whats-next-business-progress-and-family-struggles)

*University at Buffalo News Center*. 2022. "Study finds racial discrimination impacts health across relationships.” December 15. <https://www.buffalo.edu/news/releases/2022/12/011.html>

*WKBW.* 2022. “Why young adults contributing to fewer babies being born.” December 8.

[https://www.wkbw.com/news/local-news/why-young-adults-contributing-to-fewer-babies-](https://www.wkbw.com/news/local-news/why-young-adults-contributing-to-fewer-babies-being-born) [being-born](https://www.wkbw.com/news/local-news/why-young-adults-contributing-to-fewer-babies-being-born)

*Science Daily.* 2016. “Relationship quality tied to good health for young adults.” June 24. <https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2016/06/160624135858.htm>

*Features*

Stanley, Scott. 2015. “The Impact of Cohabitation on Young African Americans’ Marriage

Attitudes.” Sliding vs Deciding. Oct. 1. [http://slidingvsdeciding.blogspot.com/2015/10/the-](http://slidingvsdeciding.blogspot.com/2015/10/the-impact-of-cohabitation-on-young.html) [impact-of-cohabitation-on-young.html](http://slidingvsdeciding.blogspot.com/2015/10/the-impact-of-cohabitation-on-young.html)

Kwiatkowski, Jane Radlich. 2017. “Lancaster Opera House, UB plan free film series.” *Buffalo News.* Sept. 7 [https://buffalonews.com/2017/09/07/lancaster-opera-house-ub-plan-free-film-](https://buffalonews.com/2017/09/07/lancaster-opera-house-ub-plan-free-film-series/) [series/](https://buffalonews.com/2017/09/07/lancaster-opera-house-ub-plan-free-film-series/)

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** (\*indicates graduate student coauthor)

2025 Barr, Ashley B., Chandler Fairbanks,\* and Zhe Zhang\* “Marital Salience and

Trajectories of Risk-Taking Behavior Across the Transition to Adulthood.” To be presented at the *American Society for Criminology* annual meeting, Washington, DC.

2025 Barr, Ashley B. and Chandler Fairbanks.\* “Interracial Couples, Relationship Satisfaction, and Health.” To be presented at the *American Sociological Association* annual meeting, Chicago, IL.

2025 Barr, Ashley B., Zhe Zhang,\* and Sophia Olsinski.\* “Gentrification and Romantic Relationship Quality among Young Adults.” To be presented at the *American Sociological Association* annual meeting, Chicago, IL.

2025 Barr, Ashley B. and Kristen Schultz Lee. “Linking Adult Offspring Challenges and Parental Cognitive Health: Risk and Resilience in Rural Contexts.”

*Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging* annual meeting.

2024 Yu, Chang,\* Ashley B. Barr, Yulin Yang, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Chronic Pain, Pain Interferences, and Cognition Among Middle- and Old-aged Americans: A Fixed-effects Analysis." *Gerontological Society of America*, Seattle, WA.

2024 Yu, Chang,\* Ashley B. Barr, and Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk. "Functional Limitations, Depressive Symptoms, and Cognition Across Mid- and Late-Life: Evidence from China." *Gerontological Society of America*, Seattle, WA.

2024 Yu, Chang\* and Ashley Barr. “Social Activities and Dimensions of Cognitive Functioning Across Mid- and Late-Life: Evidence from China.” *American Sociological Association*, Montreal, Quebec.

2024 Barr, Ashley and Ayrlia Welch.\* “Adult Offspring Stressors and Parental Sleep in Mid- and Later Life.” *American Sociological Association*, Montreal, Quebec.

2024 Trautner, Mary Nell, Nicholas Tucker Reyes,\* and Ashley B. Barr. “Race, Gender, and Childhood Determinism: A Mixed Methods Approach to Understanding Punishment Attitudes Towards Juvenile Offenders.” *Law & Society Association* Denver, CO.

2023 Zhang, Zhe\* and Ashley B. Barr. “The Role of Romantic Relationships in the Education-Health Link in Early Adulthood.” *National Counsel on Family Relations*, Orlando, FL.

2023 Trautner, Mary Nell, Tucker Reyes,\* Ashley B. Barr, and Chris Dennison.

“He/She/They: Gender Pronouns and Gender Bias in Student Evaluations of Teaching.” *American Sociological Association*, Philadelphia, PA.

2023 Barr, Ashley B. and Zhe Zhang.\* “Juvenile School Discipline and Young Adult Well- being.” *American Sociological Association*, Philadelphia, PA.

2023 Pepin, Joanna R., Brittany Dernberger, Ayrlia Welch,\* and Ashley B. Barr. “Changes in Work-Family Attitudes During Early Adulthood.” *American Sociological*

*Association,* Philadelphia, PA.

2022 Barr, Ashley B. “Emerging Adult Interracial Relationships and Health” *American Sociological Association*, Los Angeles, CA.

2021 Barr, Ashley B. “Racial Discrimination and Health among Two Generations of

African American Couples” *American Sociological Association*, virtual meeting.

2020 Barr, Ashley B. “Romantic Relationship Patterns Across Early Adulthood: Cumulative Inequality, Turning Points for Health, or Something Else?”

*American Sociological Association*, San Francisco, CA (virtual due to COVID- 19).

2019 Barr, Ashley B. “Romantic Relationship Patterns Across the Transition to Adulthood: Cumulative (Dis)advantage or Turning Points for Health?” *Eastern Sociological Society,* Boston, MA.

2018 Barr, Ashley B. “What’s yours is mine? Partner effects of childhood adversity on biological aging and psychological distress.” *National Council on Family Relations*, San Diego, CA.

2017 Barr, Ashley B. “Sharing the burden of the transition to adulthood: African American young adults’ transition challenges and their mothers’ health risk.” *American*

*Sociological Association*, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2016 Barr, Ashley B. “Worried sick? The transition to adulthood and its toll on African American mothers’ health.” *Cornell Population Center (CPC)* and the *Center for Aging and Policy Studies (CAPS) Annual Upstate Population Workshop,*

Ithaca, NY.

2016 Hussain, S.R.J.\* and Ashley B. Barr. “Religious discrimination and Arab-American Muslim women’s health: Is the hijab pernicious or protective?” *American*

*Sociological Association*, Seattle, WA.

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| 2016 | Barr, Ashley B. “Racial discrimination and the weathering of nonmarital relationships.” *American Sociological Association*, Seattle, WA. |
| 2015 | Barr, Ashley B. “A dyadic analysis of marital salience in nonmarital romantic relationships.” *National Council on Family Relations*, Vancouver, BC. |
| 2015 | Barr, Ashley B. “For better and for worse: How marital perspectives structure the |

transition to adulthood.” *American Sociological Association*, Chicago, IL.

2015 Renzulli, Linda and Ashley B. Barr. “Great expectations after the Great Recession? Family economic shocks and changing educational expectations.” *American Sociological Association*, Chicago, IL.

2015 Boyle, K.M.\* and Ashley B. Barr. “The effects of feminist presence, survivor

resources, and women's status on universities’ official reports of forcible rape.”

*Southern Sociological Society*, New Orleans, LA.

2013 Simons, Ronald L. and Ashley B. Barr. “Changes in cognitions, routine activities, or peer affiliations? Examination of the mechanisms whereby romantic

relationships foster young men’s desistance from crime. *American Society of Criminology*, Atlanta, GA.

2013 Barr, Ashley B. “Cohabitation and changing perceptions of marriage among African Americans during the transition to adulthood.” *American Sociological*

*Association*, New York, NY.

2013 Simons, Ronald L., Ashley B. Barr, and Lei, Man Kit. “Criminal propensity, routine activities, and activity fields: Integrating developmental and contextual models of crime.” *American Sociological Association*, New York, NY.

2012 Simons, Ronald L. and Ashley B. Barr. “Integrating developmental and situational models of crime.” *American Society of Criminology*, Chicago, IL.

2012 Culatta, Elizabeth and Ashley B. Barr. “Romantic relationships and health among African American young adults: Linking patterns of relationship quality over time to changes in mental and physical health.” *National Council on Family Relations*, Phoenix, AZ.

2012 Barr, Ashley B. “A dyadic assessment of romantic relationship quality and health among young, African American couples.” *American Sociological Association*, Denver, CO.

2012 Renzulli, Linda, Bradley, Christen, Ashley B. Barr and Maria Paino. “Charter schools-

-Another name for the same thing?: Charter school innovation over time.”

*American Sociological Association*, Denver, CO.

2012 Barr, Ashley B. 2012. “Relationship dissolution among African American young adults: Gendered (dis)advantages?” *Southern Sociological Society*, New Orleans, LA.

2010 Barr, Ashley B. “Pregnancy history, social images, and (lack of) condom use among African American adolescents and young adults.” *American Sociological*

*Association*, Atlanta, GA.

# INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2024 Speaker. “Linking Young Adult Challenges to Parental Health.” Augusta University.

2024 Speaker. “Adolescent School Punishment and Young Adult Mental Health.” Mississippi State University.

2022 Panelist for “Modeling Across Disciplines: A conversation with an atmospheric scientist, a family sociologist, and a philosopher about how we can (and

cannot) use models to better understand our world.” *Humanities Institute Science Studies Research Workshop.*

2021 Panelist for “Memoir as Sociological Analysis and Teaching Tool.” *Eastern Sociological Association* annual meetings, Boston, MA.

2018 Speaker. “What’s Mine is Yours: Stress and Health Across Family Relationships.” Children's Psychiatry Clinic, Oishei Children's Hospital and Jacob’s School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

2017 Speaker. “Sharing the Burden of the Transition to Adulthood: African

American Young Adults’ Transition Challenges and Their Mothers’ Health Risk.” University at Buffalo Honors College.

2016 Presenter. “Worried Sick? Parental Health During Young African Americans’ Transition to Adulthood.” Cornell Population Center and the Center for Aging and Policy Studies Annual Upstate Population Workshop.

2015 – 2018 Presenter, “A Faculty Perspective for Incoming Undergraduates.” Undergraduate Student & Parent/Family Orientation;

# SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

*Disciplinary Service*

2022 – Associate Editor, *Emerging Adulthood*

2019 – Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Marriage and Family*

2024 Member, ASA Family Section Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee

2023 Member, ASA Family Section Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee

2023 Reviewer, Annual conference of the *Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood*, San Diego, California

2022 Organizer and Presider, Life Course regular session, “Adversity and health across the life course.” *American Sociological Association*, Los Angeles, California

2021 Presider, Sociology of Family section: Family Life and Health Outcomes.

*American Sociological Association*, virtual meeting

2019 Member, ASA Family Section Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee

2017 Presider, Children, Youth, & Adolescents regular session, “Institutions and the State.” *American Sociological Association*, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

*Ad hoc Reviewer*

*American Sociological Review PLOS One*

*Criminology Population Research and Policy Review*

*Emerging Adulthood Qualitative Sociology*

*Gender and Education Russell Sage Foundation*

*Health, Risk, and Society Sociological Forum*

*Journal of Family Issues Sociology of Education*

*Journal of Family Psychology Social Currents Journal of Health and Social Behavior Social Forces Journal of Marriage and Family Social Problems*

*Journal of Research on Adolescence Social Science and Medicine Journal of School Violence Social Science Research*

*Justice Quarterly Society and Mental Health*

*Journal of Youth Studies The Sociological Quarterly Learning and Individual Differences Social Psychology Quarterly Personal Relationships*

*Departmental Service*

2022 – Present Director of Graduate Studies

2022 – Present Chair, Graduate Studies Committee 2022 – Present Executive Committee

2014 – Present Primary reader, Criminology, Life Course, Family, Health, Quantitative Methods qualifying exams

2021 – 2025 Organizer, Summer Job Market Seminar

2023 Advisor, Sociology Community Partnership Summer Research Program 2022 Chair, Search Committee

2018 – 2022 Member, Graduate Studies Committees 2018 – 2021 Social Media Manager

2020 Interim Director of Undergraduate Studies

2020 Chair, Search Committee

2017 – 2018 Organizer, Summer Job Market Seminar 2015 – 2020 Presenter, UB Sociology Proseminar

2014 – 2018 Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee

2015 – 2018 Advisor, Center for Development of Human Services graduate student fellowship program

*College and University Service*

2025 – Present Member, UB Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Award Committee 2023 – Present Member, UB College in Prison Advisory Board

2023 – Present Member, UB College of Arts and Sciences Graduate Divisional Committee 2023 – Present Member, UB College of Arts and Sciences Fellowships and Awards Committee 2025 Panelist. “Career Design Center Faculty Champion Panel Discussion.”

University at Buffalo.

2025 Presenter. “What Do We Know about System-Impacted Students?” *You Belong*

planning meeting.

2024 Panelist. “Mentoring System-Impacted Graduate Students.” *The Network for Enriched Academic Relationships (NEAR).* University at Buffalo.

2024 Panelist for “The Road to Academia - The Academic Job Search.” *PhD Career Pathways Conference*, University at Buffalo.

2023 Discussant, UB Honors College First Year Seminar Thematic Film Screening

2023 Member, UB Career Design Center Search Committee

2020 – 2022 Member, UB College of Arts and Sciences Grievance Committee 2019 – 2021 Member, UB College of Arts and Sciences Policy Committee

2019 Member, Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy Research Grant Review Committee

2015 – 2021 Member, UB Seminar Committee

2020 – 2021 Member, UB PhD Excellence Initiative Oversight Committee

2019 – 2020 Member, UB PhD Excellence Initiative Curriculum & Teaching Committee 2018 Participant, College of Arts and Sciences Online/Hybrid Course Development

Summer Workshop

2015 – 2018 Presenter, Undergraduate Student & Parent/Family Orientations, “A Faculty Perspective”

2017 Member, Presidential Scholarship Review & Interview Committee 2016 – 2017 Member, UB Honors College Faculty Council

2016 Panelist, UB Interdisciplinary Symposium

*Community-University Partnerships*

2017 – Present Member, Erie County Overdose Prevention Taskforce (formerly the Opiate Epidemic Task Force)

2023 Member, Steering Committee for “Expanded childcare subsidies in New York: Limitations and next steps.” (Collaboration with the Cornell ILR Buffalo Co-Lab, Live Well Erie, the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, and the University at Buffalo.)

2017 Director, UB Sociology Community film series, Lancaster Opera House

# STUDENT ADVISING

*General*

2024 – Present Mentor, American Sociological Association Family Section

2023 – Present Mentor, Network for Enriched Academic Relationships University at Buffalo Graduate School

*Experiential Learning Mentorship*

2024 – Present Community Engagement digital badge. “[Teach others about the sociological](https://www.buffalo.edu/eln/students/project-portal/host-page.host.html/content/shared/www/eln/project-portal/project-profiles/active-projects/soc-199-the-transition-to-adulthood.detail.html) [imagination](https://www.buffalo.edu/eln/students/project-portal/host-page.host.html/content/shared/www/eln/project-portal/project-profiles/active-projects/soc-199-the-transition-to-adulthood.detail.html).” University at Buffalo Experiential Learning Network.

2022 – Present Mentored Research digital badge. “[Juvenile Justice Research Project.](https://www.buffalo.edu/eln/students/project-portal/host-page.host.html/content/shared/www/eln/project-portal/project-profiles/active-projects/juvenile-justice-research-project.detail.html)” University at Buffalo Experiential Learning Network.

2023 Sociology Community Partnership Program. “Expanded childcare subsidies in New York: Limitations and next steps.” Cornell ILR Buffalo Co-Lab, Live Well Erie, the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, and the University at Buffalo.

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| *Dissertations Chaired* |
| (2026) | D’Alfonso, Kathleen. “Health Insurance Across the Transition to Adulthood” |
| (2026) | Fairbanks, Chandler. “Overlooked: Understanding Bisexuality in the Context of |
|  | Family and Romantic Relationships” |
| 2025 | Zhang, Zhe (Rachel). “An Intergenerational Analysis of Neighborhoods, Health, and |
|  | Deviant Behavior” |
| 2024 | Bosley, Chris. “Stress and Health In Emergency Medical Services: An Organizational |
|  | Approach.” |
| 2023 | DiPasquale, Sara. “Past School Punishment and the Lives of Young Adults.” |
| *Dissertation Committees* |
| (2027) | Chen, Yu-An. “Wealth, Physical Health, and Mental Health Among Midlife Adults” |
| (2027) | Lin, Ting-Hui. “Social Vulnerability and COVID-19 Vaccination.” |
| (2027) | Reyes, Nicholas Tucker. “Auto-Motives: Unbuckling Consumer Decision Points and |
|  | Precarities in Predatory Car Lending” |
| (2027) | Nario-Lopez, Hannah. “Clocked and Locked In: The Prisonization of Street-Level |
|  | Bureaucrats” |
| (2026) | Yu, Chang. “Understanding Cognitive Aging in China: Early-Life Cognitive Reserve, |
|  | Cohort Differences, and Data Harmonization” |
| (2026) | Huang, Rui (Zoe). Title TBD. |
| (2026) | Rex, Maggie. “Ties and Binds: Extremism Through the Eyes of Friends and Family.” |
| (2025) | Obernesser, Laura. “Between helping and parenting: Grandparents, their adult |
|  | children, and the ambiguity of child care.” |
| (2025) | Wang, Zhe. “Rural-to-Urban Migration Decision Making among Workers and Families |
|  | in China” |
| (2025) | Figueroa, Francisco. “Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Patient Trust: Assessing the |
|  | Healthcare Experiences of Middle-Class Blacks and Whites.” |
| (2025) | Keh, Eileen. “Chinese Parenting in the Contemporary Era: An Analysis of Parenting |
|  | Styles, Socio-economic Status and Well-being” |

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| 2023 | Wang, Siqi. “Time to Self-Report Arthritis, Self-Reported Arthritis and Self-Rated Health, and the Period Pattern in Self-Reported Arthritis Prevalence.” |
| 2021 | Workman, Miranda. “Negotiating Multi-species Families: Are Fluffy and Fido |
|  | Family?” |
| 2020 | Boyce, Erica. “School Choice Policy and Social Inequity within an Urban School |
|  | District.” |
| 2020 | Yang, Yulin. “Chronic Pain and Social Relationships among midlife and Older Adults |
|  | in the United States.” |
| 2018 | Duckworth, Kiera. “Masculinity Achievement and Risky Health Behaviors Among |
|  | Adolescent and Young Adult Men.” |
| *MA/MS Projects Directed* |
| (2026) | Kaur, Sirat. Title TBD. |
| 2023 | D’Alfonso, Kathleen. “Does Health Insurance Matter? A Cross-Sectional Analysis of |
|  | Self-Reported Physical Health Outcomes Among Hispanic Adults in the United |
|  | States.” |
| 2023 | Hill, Tyrone. “Improving The Relationship Between Black Americans and Law |
|  | Enforcement Across the U.S.” |
| 2023 | Nappo, Dominic. “Gay Blook as Normal Blood: A Policy Brief Addressing |
|  | Stigmatization of Homosexual Males as a Results of the HIV Epidemic.” |
| 2022 | Farthing, Miranda. “The Role of Nonoffending Caregivers and Child Advocacy |
|  | Centers have in Addressing Child Abuse.” |
| 2021 | DiPasquale, Sara. “Collegiate Educator Perceptions on Inclusive Language Use.” |
| 2020 | Beyer, Teresa. “Disaster Preparation in Large U.S. Cities: Does Gender of City |
|  | Leadership Matter?” |
| 2020 | Castiglione, Cassidy. “The Impact of Racial Microaggressions on the Health |
|  | and Well-Being of College Students.” |
| 2020 | Ferris, Morgan. “Why Sports Matter.” |
| 2020 | Foss, Emily. “Improving Youth Engagement in Community Policing Through School- |
|  | Based Interventions.” |
| 2020 | Presley, Spencer Cameron. “Rethinking Police: A Policy Brief on Community |
|  | Policing and De-escalation Tactics.” |

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| 2020 | Kaijar, Zina. “The Double Pandemic of COVID-19 and Intimate Partner Violence: A Policy Brief” |
| 2020 | Sifuentes, Jaqueline. “Build The Block: NYPD Lessons of Community Policing in the Bronx.” |
| 2019 | Bosley, Chris. “Occupational influences on EMS Provider Empathy.” |
| 2017 | Rex, Margaret. “Anti-governmentality and political participation: Examining differences in race, class, and gender at the transition to adulthood.” |
| 2017 | Hussain, Sarah. “The Independent and Joint Influence of Marital and Progeny Relationship Quality on Parental Health and Wellbeing During Midlife.” |

*(Note: Master’s committees not shown) Other Advising*

2015 Divan, Sarina. “Influence of Parental Involvement in a Child’s Organized

Activities on In-School Civic Engagement.” *Williamsville East High School AP Research Project.*

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Media Training, 2025

*University Communications*

Advanced Generative AI for Teaching and Learning, 2025

*Lumen Circles*

Indigenous Graduate Student Support, 2025

*Network for Enriched Academic Relationships Lunch and Learn*

Mentoring and Language, 2024

*Network for Enriched Academic Relationships Lunch and Learn*

Online/Hybrid Court Design, 2018

*University at Buffalo College of Arts and Sciences*

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association

Sections: Family, Aging and Life Course, Medical Sociology Communities: Sociologists Teaching in Carceral Settings

National Council on Family Relations

Sections: Family and Health

Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood American Society for Criminology