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Academic Employment

2013-Present Associate Professor. Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo (SUNY).
2007-2013 Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo (SUNY).
2004-2007 NIA Postdoctoral Fellow. The Population Research Institute. The Pennsylvania State University.

Education

2004 Ph.D. Department of Sociology; Cornell University.
2002 M.A. Department of Sociology, Cornell University.
1997 B.A. Department of English, Writing and Literature; Southampton College of Long Island University.

Fields of Interest

Gender and the Life Course, Sociology of Families, Aging, Education, Happiness, Japan.

Books

Ono, Hiroshi, and Kristen Schultz Lee. 2016. *Redistributing Happiness: How Social Policies Shape Life Satisfaction*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger.

- ❖ Lee, Kristen Schultz, and Hiroshi Ono. 2022. "Paid Family Leave Makes People Happier, Global Data Shows." *The Conversation*, April 6. Reprinted in major news outlets like the *Chicago Sun-Times* and the *Houston Chronicle*.
- ❖ Reprinted in Chinese as 幸福再分配--论社会政策对生活满意度的塑造 by China Financial Publishing House, 2020.
- ❖ Reviewed in 日本労働研究雑誌 (*Nihon Roudou Kenkyuu Zasshi*), 2017 (in Japanese).
- ❖ Two-part invited magazine article series based on book published in the Japan Economic Foundation's *Japan Spotlight*, 2020 (in English).

Peer-Reviewed Articles

*indicates current or former graduate student co-author

Lee, Kristen Schultz and Yulin Yang.* 2022. "Educational Attainment and Emotional Well-Being in Adolescence and Adulthood." *SSM - Mental Health*. (Forthcoming)

Yuan, Yaqi*, and **Kristen Schultz Lee**. 2022. "General Trust in the Health Care System and General Trust in Physicians – A Multilevel Analysis of 30 Countries." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 63(3): 91-104.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, Julie E. Artis, Yaqi Yuan,* and Sibao Zhao.* 2022. "Family Structure and Children's Cognitive Development." *Families, Relationships and Societies* 11(3): 412-431.

Yuan, Yaqi*, **Kristen Schultz Lee**, and Yunmei Lu. 2022. "Public Support for Government Intervention in Health Care in the United States from 1984 to 2016." *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*. January 2022.

Dennison, Christopher R., and **Kristen Schultz Lee** (equal co-authorship). 2021. "Adult Children's Educational Attainment and Parent Health in Mid- and Later-Life." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 76: 1857-1869.

❖ Editor's Choice Article

Park, Lora E., Han Young Jung, **Kristen Schultz Lee**, Deborah Ward, Kristin Naragon-Gainey, Paul K. Piff, and Ashley Whillans. 2021. "Psychological Pathways Linking Income Inequality in Adolescence to Well-Being in Adulthood." *Self and Identity* 20(8): 982-1014.

Wagmiller, Robert L., Jr., **Kristen Schultz Lee**, and Jessica Houston Su. 2020. "The Role of Welfare in Family Income Inequality: 1968-2016." *Children and Youth Services Review* 119: 105615.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, Paula A. Tufis, and Duane F. Alwin. 2018. "The Cultural Divide and Changing Beliefs about Gender in the U.S., 1974-2010." *Sex Roles* 79: 393-408.

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2016. "Conflicting Views on Elder Care Responsibility in Japan." *Social Science Research* 57: 133-147.

Wagmiller, Robert, and **Kristen Schultz Lee**. 2014. "Are Contemporary Patterns of Black Male Joblessness Unique? Cohort Replacement, Intracohort Change, and the Diverging Structures of Black and White Men's Employment." *Social Problems* 61: 305-327.

Ono, Hiroshi and **Kristen Schultz Lee**. 2013. "Welfare States and the Redistribution of Happiness." *Social Forces* 92: 789-814.

❖ Reprinted in Ikeda, Shinsuke, Hideaki Kato, Fumio Ohtake, and Yoshiro Tsutsui, eds. 2016. *Behavioral Economics of Preferences, Choices, and Happiness*. Heidelberg: Springer.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, and Hiroshi Ono. 2012. "Marriage, Cohabitation, and Happiness: A Cross-National Analysis of 27 Countries." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 74: 953-972.

Ecklund, Elaine Howard, and **Kristen Schultz Lee**. 2011. "Atheists and Agnostics Negotiate Religion and

Family.” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 50: 728-743.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, and Yumiko Fujita.* 2011. “Economic Recession and the Nature and Pace of Social Change in Japan.” *Social Science Research* 40: 784-795.

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2010. “Gender, Care Work, and the Complexity of Family Membership in Japan.” *Gender & Society* 24: 647-671.

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2010. “Parental Educational Investments and Aspirations in Japan.” *Journal of Family Issues* 31: 1579-1603.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, Paula A. Tufis, and Duane F. Alwin. 2010. “Separate Spheres or Increasing Equality? The Transformation of Gender Beliefs in Postwar Japan.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 72: 184-201.

Tomita, Machiko R., Asmita Sarang,* Kuo-Feng Lee,* **Kristen Schultz Lee**, Linda S. Russ, and Michael Noe. 2010. “Characteristics and Perceived Supports of Primary Caregivers of Home-based Older Adults with Dementia in India, Taiwan, and the United States.” *Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation* 26: 2-16

Tomita, Machiko R., Kuo-Feng Lee,* Asmita Sarang,* **Kristen Schultz Lee**, Linda S. Russ, and Michael Noe. 2010. “Psychological Health of Primary Caregivers of Home-based Older Adults with Dementia in India, Taiwan, and the United States.” *Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation* 26: 17-31.

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2009. “Competition for Resources: A Reexamination of Sibship Composition Models of Parental Investment.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 71: 263-277.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, and Hiroshi Ono. 2008. “Specialization and Marital Happiness: A U.S.-Japan Comparison.” *Social Science Research* 37 1216-1234.

❖ Reprinted in Japanese in Tsutsui, Yoshiro, Fumio Ohtake, and Sayuri Shiraishi. *Nihon no kouhukudo – Kakusa, rodo, kazoku (Happiness in Japan: Inequality, work and family)*. Nihon Hyoron Sha.

❖ Selected as a top 20 article in work-family research published in 2008 by the Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research Committee.

Lee, Kristen Schultz, Duane F. Alwin, and Paula A. Tufis. 2007. “Beliefs about Women’s Labor in the Reunified Germany, 1990 to 2004.” *European Sociological Review* 23: 487-503.

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2006. “Gender Beliefs and the Meaning of Work among Okinawan Women.” *Gender & Society* 20(3): 382-401.

❖ Selected as a top 20 article in work-family research published in 2006 by the Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research Committee.

Schultz, Kristen. 2002. “Family War Experience and Later-Life Political Activism among Okinawan Women.” *Journal of Family History* 27: 273-291.

Book Reviews

Lee, Kristen Schultz. 2017. Review of *Single Mothers in Contemporary Japan: Motherhood, Class, and Reproductive Practice* by Aya Ezawa. *Gender & Society* 31: 549-551.

Research Grants and Research Experience

- 2022 NIA R01 proposal. *Under Review*. PI: Christopher Dennison, Co-I Kristen Schultz Lee and Ashley Barr. “Expanding Intergenerational Models of Adult Health: The Impact of Adult Children on Parent Health.”
- 2018 Spencer Foundation Research Grant. “Education and Happiness.” \$45,892
- 2002 – 2003 Japan Foundation Dissertation Fellowship. “A Comparative Analysis of Gender-Biased Parental Educational Investments in Tokyo and Okinawa.” \$32,000.
- 2001 National Science Foundation and the Japanese Ministry of Education Summer Research Grant. \$2,500.
- 2001 Einaudi Center Predissertation Grant.
- 1997 – 1998 Fulbright Fellowship. “Security without Fences.” \$35,000.

Honors and Awards

- 2008, 2011-12, 2022 UUP Professional Development Award.
- 2001 Robert J. Smith Fellowship in Japanese studies.
- 1999 – 2000 Academic Year Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship in Japanese.
- 1999 Summer Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship in Japanese.
- 1998 – 1999 & Sage Fellowship. Department of Sociology, Cornell University.
- 2003 – 2004

Invited Talks

- 2022 *Adult Children’s Educational Attainment and Parent Health in Mid- and Later-Life*. Invited to participate in the 2021 Journal of Gerontology Editor’s Choice Articles Symposium at the 2022 Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting. (Proposed Session under Review).
- 2022 “*Doing*” *Gender and War Widows in Okinawa, Japan*. Guest lecture at the University of Texas, Arlington, Department of Sociology and Anthropology.
- 2022 *Work, Family, and Happiness*. Guest lecture at Pennsylvania State University, Department of Sociology and Criminology.
- 2021 *Intersections of History and Biography: An investigation of the role played by social context in shaping beliefs and attitudes*. Guest lecture at Wake Forest University, Department of Sociology.
- 2020 Guest lecture on happiness and the life course. Singapore Institute of Management.

- 2020 *Exploring Intergenerational Relationships and Processes in Newly-released, Longitudinal National Data*. Invited panelist for proposed session at 2020 meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (session proposal declined).
- 2019 *Parenting While Secular: How Atheists and Agnostics Negotiate Religion and Family in the U.S.* Invited talk at the Center for Inquiry. Buffalo, NY.
- 2018 *Education and Happiness*. Invited talk for the Children's Psychiatry Clinic of Oishei Children's Hospital's Academic Rounds Series. Buffalo, NY.
Families and Gender in Japan. Invited lecture in Asian Studies 101, University at Buffalo.
- 2017 *Happiness Inequality in a Comparative Framework*. Two invited talks for the School of Social Development, Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing, China.
- 2016 *The Sociology of Happiness: A Comparative Perspective*. Singapore Institute of Management Undergraduate Sociology Club.
- 2015 University at Buffalo Asian Studies Symposium on *Health, Well-being, Social Security and Vulnerability in Asia*.
- 2011 *Social Risk and Happiness in a Comparative Perspective*. Invited presentation at the International Sociological Association's "Risk, Social Stratification, and Changes in Institutions" Symposium; Bryn Mawr, PA. Presented by co-author, Hiroshi Ono.
- 2010 *Social Problems Facing the Contemporary Japanese Family*. Invited presentation at the National Consortium for Teaching about Asia's Seminar for Teachers; Buffalo, NY.
- 2008 *Gender and Caregiving in Japan's Changing Social Context*. Invited presentation at the Canadian Association on Gerontology; London, Ontario.
Sibling Structure, Gender, and Caregiving in Japan. Invited presentation for the Asia at Noon series; University at Buffalo.
- 2005 *Gendered Investments: A Mixed Methods Analysis of Parental Educational Investments in Japanese Families*. Invited presentation at the Center on Population Health and Aging at Penn State University.
- 2002 *Intergenerational Transfers from a Life Course Perspective*. Invited presentation at the *Ways Some Japanese Live Now: Three Problematic Age Groups* symposium at the University of Michigan.
- 2001 *Norms of Elder Care and Educational Investments in Japan*. Invited presentation to the Japanese Graduate Student Association for the study of Development at Cornell University.
- 1998 *Comparative Examination of Women's Political Organizing in the US and Japan*. Invited presentation at the Okinawa Prefectural Language Center; Okinawa, Japan.

Selected Presentations

- 2022 *Social Engagement and Social Support among Older Women in Singapore during the COVID-19 Pandemic*. With Yaqi Yuan and Shun Yuan Yeo. Presented at the 2022 meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2021 *Adult Children's Educational Attainment and Parent Health in Mid- and Later-Life*. With Chris Dennison. Presented at the 2021 meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2020 *Family Structure and Children's Cognitive Development*. With Julie Artis, Yaqi Yuan and Sibao Zhao. 2020 meeting of the American Sociological Association (conference cancelled due to COVID-19).

- 2019 *Education and Happiness in Adolescence and Early Adulthood*. With Yulin Yang. Presented at the 2019 meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2018-2019 *Income Inequality in Childhood and Adolescence Predicts Financial Contingency of Self-Worth and Well-Being in Adulthood*. With Lora E. Park, Han Young Jung, Deborah Ward, Kristin Naragon-Gainey, Paul K. Piff, and Ashley Whillans. Presented at the 2018 meetings of the American Sociological Association and the Society of Experimental Social Psychology and the 2019 meetings of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology and the Society for Consumer Psychology Conference.
- 2017 *Optimism and Political Participation*. Presented at the 2017 meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2016 *Towards the Sociology of Happiness*. With Hiroshi Ono. Presented at the International Conference on Well-Being at the Singapore Institute of Management.
The Growth of Family Income Inequality among Families with Children: 1968-2014. With Robert L. Wagmiller, Jr. and Jessica Houston Su. Presented at the 2016 meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2015 *Cohabitation, Family Transitions, and Young Children's Cognitive Development*. With Julie E. Artis. Presented at the 2015 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2013 *Changes in Gender Beliefs in the U.S. from 1977 to 2010: Results from the General Social Surveys*. With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented by Duane F. Alwin at the 2013 annual meeting of the American Association for Public Opinion Research.
Regional Heterogeneity and the Polarization of Gender Beliefs. With Paula A. Tufis and Duane F. Alwin. Presented at the 2013 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Welfare States and the Redistribution of Happiness. Presented by Hiroshi Ono at the 2013 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2012 *Are Contemporary Patterns of Black Male Joblessness Unique? Cohort Replacement, Intracohort Change, and the Diverging Structures of Black and White Men's Employment*. With Robert L. Wagmiller, Jr. Presented at the 2012 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Elder Care Work and Sociological Ambivalence in Japan. Presented at the 2012 meeting of the Work and Family Researchers Network.
- 2011 *Marriage, Cohabitation and Happiness: A Cross-National Analysis of 27 Countries*. With Hiroshi Ono. Presented at the 2011 annual meeting of the Population Association of America and the 2011 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2010 *A Stalled Revolution? Place, Time, and Social Change in Beliefs about Gender*. With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2010 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
The Social-Institutional Bases of Happiness. With Hiroshi Ono. Presented by Hiroshi Ono at the semiannual Japanese Economic Association meeting.
- 2009 *The Division of Caregiving Among Siblings in Japan*. Presented at the 2009 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2008 *Religion and Secular Change in Gender Beliefs in the U.S.--1977 to 2006*. With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Gender in the 1990s: Change in Beliefs about Gender in the United States. With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the Population Association of America.

- 2007 *Separate Spheres or Increasing Equality? The Transformation of Gender Beliefs in Postwar Japan.* With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2007 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Specialization and Happiness: A US-Japan Comparison. With Hiroshi Ono. Presented at the 2007 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Gender Beliefs in Japan: Processes of Change among Women and Men. With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2007 annual meeting of the Population Association of America.
- 2006 *Beliefs about Women's Labor in the Reunified Germany, 1991 to 2004.* With Duane F. Alwin and Paula A. Tufis. Presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Competition for Resources: A Reexamination of Sibship Sex Composition Models of Parental Investment in Japan. Presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the Population Association of America.
- 2005 *Sibling Structure, Gender, and Caregiving in Japan.* Presented at the 2005 annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.
Gender Boundaries and the Widows of Okinawa. Presented at the 2005 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Gendered Investments: Parental Educational Investments in Japanese Families. Presented at the 2005 annual meeting of the Population Association of America.
- 2004 *Strategic Investments? How Gender Ideology and Educational Valuation Shape Parental Educational Investments in Japan.* Presented at the 2004 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2002 *Filial Obligation and Parental Educational Investments in Children in Japan.* Presented at the 2002 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
- 2001 *The Economics of Parental Educational Investments in Japanese Families.* Presented at the 2001 New York Conference on Asian Studies.
- 2000 *Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Cohesion in Kinship and Friendship Networks with Geographic Distance.* Presented at the 2000 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.
Linking the Battle of Okinawa and the Okinawan Anti-Military Movement: A Life Course Examination of Early War Experiences. Presented at the 2000 *Female Images, Female Lives* Conference at Yale University.
- 1999 *War and Politics: War Experience and Political Activism among Okinawan Women.* Presented at the 1999 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.

University and Department Service

- 2022 Invited discussant at the Crime, Law and Justice Work in Progress Group, Department of Sociology
- 2021-Present College of Arts and Sciences Special Studies Committee, Social Sciences faculty committee member, University at Buffalo
- 2021 UB Presidential Scholarship Review Committee
- 2019-Present UB Diversity and Integrative Learning Committee
- 2019 UB Curriculum Diversity Learning Assessment Committee
- 2017-2020 College of Arts and Sciences Experiential Learning Advisory Board, University at Buffalo
- 2016-2022 Faculty Advisor, UB Sociology Club
- 2016-2018 Curriculum Capstone Advisory Committee, University at Buffalo

Summer 2016, 2019-21	Acting Chair, Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo
2015-2022	Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, University at Buffalo
2013-2014	Committee for University-Wide Course evaluations, University at Buffalo
2012-2015	Department of Sociology Colloquium Series Chair, University at Buffalo
2012-2015	Department of Sociology Graduate Committee, University at Buffalo
2020	Chair, Department of Sociology Clinical Assistant Professor Job Search, University at Buffalo
2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020 & 2021	Search committee member for faculty position in Sociology, University at Buffalo
2010	Search committee member for faculty position in Korean Religion and Society, University at Buffalo
2010	Department of Sociology Research Fund Selection Committee, University at Buffalo
2008-2012, 2015-Present	Department of Sociology Undergraduate Committee, University at Buffalo
2007-2016	University at Buffalo Asian Studies Advisory Council

Professional Activities and Service

2019	Invited discussant, "Social Integration and Aging," at the 2019 American Sociological Association meeting.
2019	Member, ASA Sex and Gender Section, Nominations Committee
2018	Member, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course, Matilda White Riley Award Committee
2016	Member, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee
2015	Co-organizer, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course roundtables session.
2014-2017	Council member, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course.
2014	Discussant, "Changing Marriage Patterns in Japan and East Asia," at the 2014 Association for Asian Studies annual meeting.
2012-2017	Newsletter editor, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course.
2012	Chair, ASA Family Section Family Article of the Year Award Committee.
2011	Chair and discussant, New York Conference on Asian Studies panel, "Rituals and the Institution of Marriage."
2010-2011	Member, ASA Family Section Nominations Committee.
2010	Presider, Section on Aging and the Life Course Roundtable, "Definitions and Constructions of Aging," at the 2010 ASA meetings.
2008-2009, 2012, 2016-2018, 2022	Member, Award committees for the Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research (a joint effort of the Center for Families at Purdue University and the Center for Work and Family at Boston College).
2008	Organizer, Section on Aging and the Life Course session, "Mixing Methods in Aging and Life Course Research," at the 2008 ASA meetings.
2008	Member, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course program planning committee for the 2008 ASA meetings.
2007-2008, 2018	Member, ASA Sex and Gender Section Nominations Committee.

Editorial Board Member, *Contemporary Sociology*, 2019-present

Associate Editor, *The Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Family Studies*, 2013-2015

Editorial board member, *Sociological Inquiry*, 2009-2012

Professional Association Memberships: *American Sociological Association, Work and Family Researchers Network*

Ad Hoc Reviewer: Springer Publishing, *American Sociological Review, Journal of Marriage and the Family, Social Forces, Sex Roles: A Journal of Research, Gender & Society, Social Science Research, Journal of Social Policy, Journal of Family Issues, Sociological Spectrum, Journal of Comparative Family Studies, European Sociological Review, Sociological Quarterly, Advances in Life Course Research, Journal of Happiness Studies, Social Problems*

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate:

Sociology of Happiness
The Dark Side of Happiness
Sociology of the Life Course
Family in a Comparative Perspective
Sociology of Aging

Graduate:

Inequality in the Family
Life Course
Families
Aging

Student Committees

PhD Chair

Eileen Keh, *in progress*

Byung Soo Lee, *in progress*

Jiaying Lin, *in progress*

Laura Obernesser, *in progress*

Youlhee Seo, *in progress*

Miranda Workman, 2021, ASPCA Behavioral Science Team

Yaqi Yuan, 2020, Visiting Assistant Professor, Wake Forest University

Wanda Garcia, 2018, Assistant Professor, Marist College

Christina Panagakis, 2015, Senior Analyst at J.J. Keller

Sibo Zhao, 2015, Associate Professor, Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing

PhD Committee Member

Daniel Bagnall, *in progress*

Shiyue Cui, *in progress*

Rui Huang, *in progress*

Yuyun Sriwahyuni (Global Gender Studies), *in progress*

Yulin Yang, 2020

Matthew Perry, 2019

Diana Pehlic, 2019

Joanne Tompkins, 2018

Yumiko Fujita, 2016

Alison Albright (Global Gender Studies, UB), 2016
Margaret Smith, 2016
Ashley Kranjac, 2015
Jessica MacNamara, 2014
Chen-Heng Chang (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), 2014
Daisy Henderson, 2014
Yuri Nakajima, (School of Education, UB), 2013
Eva Shih, 2011

Master's Committee Chair

Tora Rodriguez, 2021
Brandon Noga, 2019
Natasha Clark, 2018
Seon Yup Lee, 2018
Byung Soo Lee, 2016
Yan Zhang, 2016
Jou An Pan, 2016
Eileen Keh, 2015

Master's Committee Member

Chang Yu, 2022
Jean Carroll, 2021
Spencer Cameron-Pressley, 2020
Rui Huang, 2020
Kharuna Jaichandra, 2019
Malysa Battaglia, 2018
Tenzin Metok, 2018
Kuo-Feng Lee (Rehabilitation Science, UB), 2009
Asmita Sarang (Rehabilitation Science, UB), 2009

Undergraduate Asian Studies Senior Thesis Advising

Yailin Vega, 2011

Undergraduate Sociology Honor's Thesis Advising

Julia Schoonover, 2017