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APPOINTMENTS

Washington State University
Assistant Professor of Sociology 2019-
Faculty Affiliate:
Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, University of Washington
Cash Transfer Lab, New York University

EDUCATION

Cornell University
Ph.D., Policy Analysis and Management 2019
Minor in Demography
Dissertation Committee: Laura Tach (chair), Kelly Musick, Elaine Wethington
Cornell University 2017
M.S., Policy Analysis and Management
Oregon State University
M.P.P., Public Policy 2014
Federal University of Pernambuco (Brazil)
B.S., Public Administration 2011

RESEARCH AREAS

Family Sociology • Inequality and Stratification • Social Policy • Demography • Mixed Methods

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (*denotes equal authorship; **denotes student at writing)

2023 Amorim, M.* & Pilkauskas, N.* “[Doubling Up During COVID: Changes in Children’s Shared Living Arrangements](#)”, *Demography*, 60 (5), 1283–1307.
- Media Coverage: WSU Insider (Sep 23), The Spokesman-Review (Sep 23), Komo News (Oct 23)

- 2023 Bea, M., Amorim, M., & Friedline, T. “Public Cash Assistance and Spatial Predation: How State Cash Transfer Environments Shape Payday Lender Geography”, *Social Service Review*, 97(3), 498-539.
- 2023 Amorim, M., Hobby, E., Zamora-Kapoor, A., Perham-Hester, K., & Cowan, S. “Racial Disparities in the Link Between Universal Cash-Transfers and Breastfeeding”, *SSM – Population Health*, 22(101362), 1-11.
- 2023 Amorim, M. “My favorite one is the one who is there right now’: Socioeconomic differences in support exchanges within stepfamilies”, *Social Problems*, 70(4): 1063-1084.
- 2022 Amorim, M., & Deming, S** “Black-White Disparities in nuclear family transitions and postsecondary transfers to children”. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 84(4), 1024-1045.
- 2022 Amorim, M., & Schneider, D. “Schedule Unpredictability and High-Cost Debt Among Service Workers”, *Sociological Science*, 9(5), 102-135.
- 2022 Amorim, M. “Socioeconomic Disparities in Parental Spending after Universal Cash Transfers: The Case of the Alaska Dividend”, *Social Forces*, 101(1), 252-280.
- Media coverage: WSU Insider (Oct 21), Global News Radio 980 CKNW (Oct 21), Spotlight on Poverty and Opportunity (Nov 21)
- 2020 Pilkauskas, N., Amorim, M., & Dunifon, R. “Historical trends in Children Living in Multigenerational Households: 1870-2018”, *Demography*, 57(6), 2269-2296.
- Recognition: 2021 IPUMS U.S.A. Best Paper Award
- 2019 Amorim, M., & Tach, L. “Multiple-Partner Fertility and Cohort Change in the Prevalence of Half-Siblings”, *Demography*, 56(6), 2033-2061.
- 2019 Amorim, M. “Are grandparents a blessing or a burden? Multigenerational coresidence and child-related spending”, *Social Science Research*, 80, 132—144.
- 2019 Tach, L., Edin, K., Halpern-Meekin, S., & Amorim, M. (2019) “As good as money in the bank’: Building a personal safety net with the earned income tax credit”, *Social Problems*, 66(2), 264-293.
- 2018 Haskins, A., Amorim, M., & Mingo, M. Parental incarceration and child outcomes: Those at risk, evidence of impacts, methodological insights, and areas of future work. *Sociology Compass*, 12(3), e12562.
- Acknowledgment: A Sociology Compass top cited article (Jan 2020)
- 2017 Amorim, M., Dunifon, R., & Pilkauskas, N. The magnitude and timing of grandparental coresidence during childhood in the United States. *Demographic Research*, 37(52), 1695-170.
- Acknowledgement: 2018 Demographic Research Editor Choice’s Award

2017 Burkhardt, B. C., Akins, S., Sassaman, J., Jackson J., Elwer, K., Lanfear, C., Amorim, M., & Stevens, K. (2017) “[University researcher and law enforcement collaboration: Lessons from a study of justice-involved persons with suspected mental illness](#)”, International journal of offender therapy and comparative criminology, 61(5), 508-525.

2015 Tach, L., & Amorim, M. “[Constrained, convenient, and symbolic consumption: neighborhood food environments and economic coping strategies among the urban poor](#)”, Journal of Urban Health, 92(5), 815-834.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (*denotes equal authorship; **denotes student at writing)

Amorim, M. & Prendergast, T.** “To ‘get ahead’ or ‘ease the burden’? Inequities in financially intensive parenting with a universal cash transfer,” Under Review, Social Problems.

Hastings, P., Amorim, M. & Kornrich, S. “Parental Investments in Children during COVID”, Under Review, Journal of Marriage and Family.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

In progress

2024-2026	“Debt Fluctuation, Stress, and Health”, National Institutes of Health, R21. Role: MPI (MPI: Megan Bea, University of Wisconsin-Madison)	\$439,549
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Completed

2022	“Universal Basic Income, Financial-Decision Making, and Socioeconomic Inequalities”, NYU Cash Transfer Lab Role: PI (PI: Dr. Jeffrey Sallaz)	\$ 27,277
2020	“Universal Basic Income, Financial-Decision Making, and Socioeconomic Inequalities”, Washington State University, New Faculty Seed Grant. Role: PI	\$20,960
2020	“Pathways to Improving Health of Alaskan Natives Through Cash-Transfers Programs”, Washington State University, Institute for Research and Education to Advance Community Health, Faculty Pilot Grant. Role: PI (PI: Dr. Ka’imi Sinclair)	\$19,860
2020	ADVANCE Transitions grant, Washington State University Role: PI	\$5,983
2020	“The intersection of disability benefit receipt, motherhood, and labor force participation” - Analyzing Relationships between Disability, Rehabilitation	\$10,000

	and Work, Social Security Administration Role: Mentor PI (Graduate Student PI: Sarah Deming)	
2019	“Family Well-Being, Predatory Lending, and the American Social Safety Net” - Fall Research Competition, University of Wisconsin-Madison Role: Collaborator (PI: Dr. Megan Bea)	\$24,234
2019	ADVANCE External Mentor Program, Washington State University Role: Mentee (Mentor: Dr. Daniel Schneider)	\$3,100
2018	“The Role of Marital Quality, Transitions, and Family Complexity on Intergenerational Support in Older Stepfamilies”, Department of Health and Human Services, Family Strengthening Scholars Grant, Role: Graduate Student PI (Mentor PI: Dr. Laura Tach)	\$46,000
2016	Mentoring Junior Scholars of Color Grant, William T. Grant Foundation Role: Graduate Student PI (PI: Dr. Laura Tach)	\$60,000
2013	“A qualitative Study of Domestic Violence Courts in Pernambuco, Brazil” - Oregon State University, Internationalization Grant Role: PI	\$3,000
2008-2011	Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development Role: Undergraduate Student PI (Mentor PI: Dr. Debora Dourado)	R\$13,000

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

2023-2025	Emerging Poverty Scholars Fellowship, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison	
2024	Visiting Poverty Scholar Fellowship, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison	
2023	Louis N. Gray Graduate Student Advocate Award, Department of Sociology, Washington State University	
2023	Core-to-Career Teaching Fellowship, Washington State University	
2021	IPUMS U.S.A. Best Paper Award	
2018	Demographic Research Editor Choice’s Award	
2018	Teaching Fellows, NextGen Teaching Program, Cornell University	
2018	Graduate Teaching Fellow, Cornell University Center for Teaching Innovation	
2018	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Cornell University	

- 2017 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Cornell University
- 2016 Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Program, Honorable Mention

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 “Socioeconomic Inequalities and Universal Cash Transfers,” West Coast Poverty Center Roundtable on Work, Wages, and Economic Security, University of Washington
- 2022 “Creative Uses of Traditional Demographic Techniques to Understand Multigenerational Family Arrangements,” Family Inequality Research Lab, University of South Carolina
- 2022 “Racial Disparities in family transitions and financial transfers to young adult children,” Harvard Social Demography Seminar, Harvard University
- 2022 “The Socioeconomic Divide in How Parents Make Decisions Using Universal Transfers: A Qualitative Account,” Cash-Transfer Lab Series, New York University
- 2021 “Universal Cash-Transfers and Parental Investments on Children,” Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2021 “Grant Writing in Graduate School,” Graduate Research Fellow Seminar, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2021 “Universal Cash-Transfers and Parental Investments on Children,” Sociology & Criminology Colloquium, Pennsylvania State University
- 2021 “Universal Cash-Transfers and Parental Investments on Children,” Cash-Transfer Lab Series, New York University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “Socioeconomic Disparities in Grandparental Investments in Children from 1990 to 2018”
 - Population Association of America, 2024
- 2024-2023 “Parental Investments during COVID” with Pat Hastings and Sabino Kornrich
 - American Sociological Association, 2023
 - Population Association of America, 2024
- 2023-2022 “Doubling Up During COVID” with Natasha Pilkauskas
 - Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2022
 - Population Association of America, 2023

- 2022 “What does Basic Income Do? Evidence for Alaska’s Permanent Fund Dividend Program” with Jeffrey Sallaz and Tara Prendergast
- American Sociological Association, 2022 (roundtable)
 - Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2022
- 2021 “Family Well-Being, Predatory Lending, and the American Social Safety Net” with Megan Bea
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2021
- 2021 “The Role of Multigenerational Co-Residence in Shaping the Geographical Contexts of Children” with Shuangshuang Yang and Adriana Reyes
- Population Association of America, 2021
 - Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2021
- 2021 “Public Cash Assistance and Spatial Predation: How State Cash Transfer Environments Shape Payday Lender Geography” with Megan Bea and Terri Friedline
- Population Association of America, 2021
 - Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2021
- 2021 “Racial Disparities in family transitions and financial transfers to young adult children”
- American Sociological Association, 2021
- 2019 “The effects of basic income on child-related investments: the case of the Alaska Permanent Fund dividend.”
- American Sociological Association, August 2019
- 2018-2017 “Are grandparents a blessing or a burden? Three-generation coresidence and child investments”
- American Sociological Association, August 2017
 - Population Association of America, April 2018
- 2018-2017 “Multiple-partner fertility and the growth in sibling complexity” with Laura Tach
- American Sociological Association, August 2017
 - Population Association of America, April 2018
- 2017-2016 “Estimating the cumulative risk of co-residence with grandparents during childhood” with Natasha Pilkauskas and Rachel Dunifon.
- Upstate Population Workshop, October 2016
 - Population Association of America, April 2017
- 2017-2016 “How cash transfers shape financial investments in children: the case of the earned income tax credit” with Laura Tach and Sarah Halpern-Meekin.

- American Sociological Association, August 2016
- Population Association of America, April 2017

TEACHING

Graduate Instructor		Students
2024	Multivariate analysis, Washington State University	15
Undergraduate Instructor		
2019-2023	Quantitative Techniques in Sociology I (required course), Washington State University	15-30
2010-2023	Social Problems (core course), Washington State University	35-100
2021	America's Changing Population, Washington State University	35
2020	The Family, Washington State University Global Campus	50
2018	Population and Public Policy, Cornell Prison Education Program	15
Teaching Assistantships		
2018-2019	Population and Policy, Cornell University	50-100
2017-2018	Statistics for Policy Analysis and Management majors, Cornell University	35-50
2015	The U.S. Health Care System, Cornell University	100+

MENTORING (**denotes chair)

2024-present	Cassie Rueda (Sociology, MA)
2024-present	Mariam Olam (Accounting, PhD)
2023-present	Michelle Godfrey** (Psychology, McNair Undergraduate Scholar)
2023-present	Sydney Silva (Sociology, MA)
2023-present	Zoey Rawson (Sociology, MA)
2023-present	Yujia Li (Sociology, PhD)
2022-present	Xinyue Wu** (Sociology, PhD)
2022-present	Whitney Shervey** (Sociology, MA)
2020-present	Jair Johnson (Sociology, PhD)
2019-present	Cassandra Leonard (Sociology, PhD)
2021-2023	Ayo Adaramola** (Psychology, McNair Undergraduate Scholar)

2019-2023 Sarah Deming (Sociology, PhD)
 2019-2021 Shuangshuang Yang (Sociology, MA)

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, AND UNIVERSITY

2023-present Association for Faculty Women, Events/Catering committee
 2021-present Department of Sociology's Awards committee
 2023 College of Arts and Sciences' Scholarships Committee
 2022-2023 Department of Sociology's FEC committee
 2019-2021 Department of Sociology's Graduate studies committee

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2023 Grant Reviewer, Behavioral Intervention Scholars, Administration for Children and Families
 2023 Member, Best Student Paper Award Committee, ASA Population Session
 2023 Co-organizer for Session "Families, Health, and Well-being," American Sociological Association
 2022 Discussant for Session "Family Patterns and Population Change," American Sociological Association
 2022 Discussant for Session "Investments in Childhood", Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America
 2021 Grant reviewer, Analyzing Relationships between Disability, Rehabilitation and Work Grant, Social Security Administration
 2021 Organizer and chair for Session "Household Wellbeing," Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
 2021 Organizer and chair for Session "Income Sources, Financial Decisions, and Family Wellbeing," Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
 2021 Organizer and chair for Session "Family Complexity," Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America

Occasional Reviewer

American Sociological Review, Social Forces, Demography, Social Science Research, Journal of Marriage and Family, Gender and Society, Children and Youth Services Review, Socius, Population

Research and Policy Review, Demographic Research, Journal of Family Issues, Social Service Review,
Law & Society Review, Health and Place

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management

Population Association of America

Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (lapsed)

WSU Association for Faculty Women