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EDUCATION:

Ph.D Spring 2012 (expected). Sociology, The Ohio State University
Dissertation Title: *Health Consequences of Marriage among the Disadvantaged in the U.S.: Empirical Evidence and Implications for Theory and Policy*
Committee: Kristi Williams (chair), Reanne Frank, Kammi Schmeer, and Christopher Browning

M.A. 2007. Sociology, The Ohio State University

B.A. 2004. Sociology, summa cum laude, Bowling Green State University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS:

Health Disparities; Family Demography in the US and Developing Countries; Race/Ethnicity

PUBLICATIONS:

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. and Kristi Williams. 2011. "Consequences of Black Exceptionalism? Interracial Unions with Blacks, Depressive Symptoms, and Relationship Satisfaction." *The Sociological Quarterly*, 52(3): 400-420.

D'Souza* (Kroeger), Rhiannon A. 2010. "A Multilevel Analysis of Interracial Relationship Characteristics among Young Adults." *Race and Social Problems*, 2(2): 92-100.

Schmeer, Kammi K., and Rhiannon A. Kroeger. 2011. "Union Type and Depressive Symptoms among Mexican Adults." *Journal of Family Issues*. DOI 10.1177/0192513x11409310.

Riosmena, Fernando, Reanne Frank, Ilana Redstone Akresh, and Rhiannon A. Kroeger. Forthcoming. "U.S. Migration, Translocality, and the Acceleration of the Epidemiological Transition in Mexico." *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*.

Kamp Dush, Claire M., Miles G. Taylor, and Rhiannon A. Kroeger. 2008. "Marital Happiness and Psychological Well-Being across the Life Course." In M. B. Tucker & A. C. Crouter (Guest Eds.) *Enduring Couples in Various Sociocultural Contexts [Special Issue]*. *Family Relations* 57(2): 211-226.

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. Forthcoming. "Dating Relationships." *Encyclopedia of Quality of Life Research*.

*(NOTE: From, 2008 - 2010, I used the surname "D'Souza")

RESEARCH UNDER REVIEW:

Kroeger, Rhiannon A., Reanne Frank, and Kammi Schmeer. "Early Marriage for Young Women in Mexico."

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. "Socioeconomic Status, Union Formation and Health."

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. "Racial/Ethnic Variations in the Health Consequences of Cohabitation and Marriage."

Kroeger, Rhiannon A., and Kristi Williams. "Parental Status and the Health Consequences of Cohabitation and Marriage."

Kroeger, Rhiannon A., and Kammi Schmeer. "Socioeconomic Status, Union Transitions and Health among Mexican Adults."

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Funded Graduate Associate, Tuition and Stipend, The Ohio State University, 2005-2011

Travel Award, Initiative in Population Research, The Ohio State University, 2008, 2009, 2010,

Travel Award, 7th annual National Study of Adolescent Health User's Conference, Bethesda, MD, 2010 (Funded by National Institute of Health)

GRANTS IN PROGRESS:

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. "Socioeconomic Disparities in Intimate Unions: Effects on Health Disparities." to be submitted to the National Institutes of Health, Eunice Shriver Kennedy NICHD

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS:

Kroeger, Rhiannon A., Reanne Frank, and Kammi Schmeer. 2011. "Cohort Differences in Timing to First Marriage and the Role of Education among Mexican Women." To be presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Riosmena, Fernando, Reanne Frank, Ilana Redstone Akresh, and Rhiannon A. Kroeger. 2010. "U.S. Migration, Translocality, and the Acceleration of the Epidemiological Transition in Mexico." Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of La Sociedad Mexicana de Demografía (SOMEDE).

- D'Souza, Rhiannon A. 2010 "First Union Formation and Change in Body Mass Index: Variations by Union Type, Race/Ethnicity, and Socioeconomic Status." Presented at the 7th Annual Add Health User's Conference, Bethesda, MD.
- D'Souza, Rhiannon A. 2010. "A Multilevel Analysis of Interracial Relationship Characteristics among Young Adults." Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA.
- D'Souza, Rhiannon A., Reanne Frank, and Kammi Schmeer. 2010. "Transition to First Marriage in Mexico: Stability or Change Over Time?" Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- Schmeer, Kammi, and Rhiannon A. D'Souza. 2010. "Transition to Marriage and Change in BMI among Mexican Men and Women." Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- Riosmena, Fernando, Reanne Frank, Ilana Redstone Akresh, and Rhiannon A. D'Souza. 2010. "The Long Arm of Immigrant Acculturation: Does Contact with the U.S. Increase the Risk of Overweight/Obesity in Mexican Sending Communities?" Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- Schmeer, Kammi, and Rhiannon A. D'Souza. 2009. "Women's Union Status and Mental Health in Mexico." Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD.
- Schmeer, Kammi, and Rhiannon A. D'Souza. 2009. "Women's Union Status and Mental Health in Mexico." Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.
- D'Souza, Rhiannon A. and Christopher R. Browning. 2009. "The Effect of Neighborhood Poverty on Perceptions of Weight among Adolescents." Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.
- D'Souza, Rhiannon A. 2008. "The Effect of Neighborhood Context on Perceptions of Weight among Adolescents." Presented at the 2nd Annual BGSU/OSU Student Conference, Bowling Green, Ohio, October 24th.
- Kroeger, Rhiannon A. and Claire M. Kamp Dush. 2008. "Selection into Interracial Relationships and Psychological Well-Being among White Women." Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA. April 17th.
- Kroeger, Rhiannon A. and Claire M. Kamp Dush. 2007. "Selection into Interracial Relationships and Psychological Well-Being among White Women." Presented at the 1st Annual BGSU/OSU Student Conference, Columbus, Ohio, October 26th.

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. and Kristi Williams. 2007. "Interracial Relationships and Psychological Well-Being among Young Adults in Contemporary Society." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY. August 14.

Kroeger, Rhiannon A. 2007. "The Psychological Benefits of Interracial Relationships for Young Adults in Contemporary Society." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, Illinois, April 7.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Research Associate, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University.

- Autumn 2010, Winter 2010, Summer 2009. Principle Investigator- Dr. Reanne Frank.
- Summer 2009. Principal Investigator- Dr. Kammi Schmeer.
- Summer 2008. Principal Investigators- Dr. Reanne Frank and Dr. Kammi Schmeer.

Graduate Research Associate, Department of Human Development and Family Science, The Ohio State University. Principal Investigator- Dr. Claire M. Kamp Dush. Summer 2007 - Spring 2008.

Graduate Administrative Associate, Initiative in Population Research, The Ohio State University.

- Autumn 2010 – Spring 2011.
- Autumn 2011 – Spring 2012.

Assisted with planning and executing guest speaker visits, coordinated student meetings with guest speakers, co-organized the annual BGSU/OSU graduate student conference in population research.

RESEARCH TRAINING AND SKILLS:

Data: National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health, Mexican Family Life Survey, Fragile Families, New Immigrant Survey, National Longitudinal Survey of Youth

Advanced Data Analysis Training: Multilevel Modeling, Event History Analysis, Fixed Effects Analysis, Structural Equation Modeling, Propensity Score Matching

Participant in Study Abroad Seminar, "Mexico: an Ecological Perspective on Cultural and Immigration Issues through a Social Work and Human Services Lens," 2010.

Explored pressing socioeconomic and health issues among different segments of the population via interactions with government officials, social movement organizations, educators, healthcare providers, and individual residents

Participant, "Great Grant Writing: Learn the Fundamentals of Effective Proposal Development," 2011. Sponsored by the Initiative in Population Research, Ohio State.

Participant in the IPR sponsored “Health Disparities Working Group,” 2006 to 2008

Participant in the IPR sponsored “Propensity Score Matching Working Group,” 2008 to 2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Visiting Instructor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Denison University. 2011 – 2012.

-People, Culture, and Society

Requirement for sociology and anthropology majors, 24 students/semester

Independent Instructor, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. 2007 - 2011.

-Research Methods, 1 quarter

Upper-level requirement for sociology majors, 58 students/quarter.

-Introduction to Demography, 2 quarters

Upper-level elective for sociology majors, 50 students/quarter.

-Introduction to Sociology, 4 quarters

Requirement for undergraduate sociology majors, 50 students/quarter.

Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University. 2005–2009.

-Research Methods (Recitation Leader), 4 quarters

-Introduction to Sociology (Recitation Leader), 3 quarters

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES:

- Co-organizer for the Annual BGSU/OSU Graduate Student Conference, 2009, 2010, 2011
- Department of Sociology, Graduate Studies Committee Student Representative, 2009 – 2010
- Department of Sociology, Graduate Student Brown Bag Representative, 2008 – 2009
- Department of Sociology, Spring Banquet Committee, 2008 – 2009
- Student Affiliate, Initiative in Population Research, The Ohio State University
- Member, Population Association of America
- Member, American Sociological Association
- Ad-hoc reviewer for *American Sociological Review*

LANGUAGES:

Spanish; Portuguese

REFERENCES:

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Dr. Kammi Schmeer, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210-1353, (614) 247-8110

Dr. Christopher Browning, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210-1353, (614) 292-2983