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EDUCATION

- 2017 Ph.D. in Sociology and Demography at The Pennsylvania State University
Adult Children's Help to Parents: A Study of Both Attitudes and Behavior
Committee: Molly Martin (chair), Paul Amato, Sarah Damaske, Melissa Hardy
- 2009 M.A. in Sociology at Indiana University – Indianapolis; Linda L. Haas (chair)
- 2005 B.A. in Sociology and B.A. in Psychology at Indiana University – Bloomington,
Summa Cum Laude

AREAS OF SCHOLARSHIP

Caregiving; Demography; Family; Gender; Life Course and Aging; Work and Family

POSTDOCTORAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2021- *Research Investigator*, National Health and Aging Trends Study, Demography of Aging, Disability and Care Program, University of Michigan
- 2019-21 *National Institute on Aging Postdoctoral Fellow*, with Robert F. Schoeni and Vicki Freedman, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan
- 2017-19 *Postdoctoral Fellow*, with Rachel Margolis, “Care, Retirement and Wellbeing of Older People across Different Welfare Regimes” Project, University of Western Ontario

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Verdery, Ashton M., & Daw, Jonathan. Linked Lives and Childhood Experience of Kin Mortality on Educational Attainment. *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*, Online Dec. 9.

- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Margolis, Rachel, & Verdery, Ashton M. Family Embeddedness and Older Adult Mortality. *Population Studies*, 74:3, 415-435. PMID: 33016247. PMCID: 7642151.
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Educational Attainment Differences in Attitudes toward Provisions of IADL Care for Older Adults in the U.S. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*, [Published online](#), February. PMID: 32008480. PMCID: [7433851](#).
- 2019 **Patterson, Sarah E.** & Margolis, Rachel. The Demography of Multigenerational Caregiving: A Critical Aspect of the Gendered Life Course. *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*, [Published online](#), July. [Preprint](#).
- 2019 Daw, Jonathan, Verdery, Ashton M., & **Patterson, Sarah E.** Beyond Household Walls: The Spatial Structure of American Extended Kinship Networks. *Mathematical Population Studies*, 26(4), 208-237, [Published online](#), May.
- 2018 Lemmon, Megan, **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & Martin, Molly A. Mothers' Time and Relationship with Their Adolescent Children: The Intersecting Influence Family Structure and Maternal Labor Force Participation. *Journal of Family Issues*, 39(9), 2709-2731. PMID: In process. PMCID: [7497861](#).
- 2017 **Patterson, Sarah E.***, Damaske, Sarah, & Sheroff, Christen[^]. Gender and the MBA: Differences in Career Trajectories, Institutional Support, and Outcomes. *Gender & Society*, 31(3), 310-332. *First two authors contributed equally. PMID: 29706689. PMCID: [5915327](#).
- 2017 Amato, Paul R., & **Patterson, Sarah E.** Single-Parent Households and Mortality among Children and Youth. *Social Science Research*, 63, 253–262. PMID: 28202147. PMCID: [7466844](#).
- 2016 Amato, Paul R., & **Patterson, Sarah E.** The Intergenerational Transmission of Union Instability in Early Adulthood. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 79 (3), 723-738. PMID: 28579639. PMCID: [5453673](#). ([2018 Reuben Hill Award from NCFR](#)).
- 2016 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & O'Hare, William P. Assessing Spatial and Temporal Differences in State-Level Child Well-Being Based on Tests of Statistical Significance. *Child Indicators Research*, 9 (4), 1077-1093. PMID: 28191265. PMCID: [5300055](#).
- 2015 Amato, Paul R., **Patterson, Sarah**, & Beattie, Brett. Single-parent households and children's educational achievement: A state-level analysis. *Social Science Research*, 53, 191-202. PMID: 26188447. PMCID: [4508674](#).

BOOK CHAPTERS, COMMENTARIES, AND NEWSLETTERS

- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.** & Andrew Arche[^]. Aging, Work, and Caregiving: Current Knowledge and Directions for Future Research. In E.F. Fideler (Ed.), *Handbook on Aging and Work*, Rowman & Littlefield. [^]Undergraduate research scholar
- 2020 Stokes, Jeffrey E. & **Sarah E. Patterson***. Intergenerational Relationships, Family Caregiving Policy, and COVID-19 in the United States. *Journal of Aging & Social*

Policy, [Published online](#), June. *Authors contributed equally; Peer reviewed. PMID: 32489144.
PMCID: 7754249.

- 2016 **Sarah E. Patterson.** Translating Research for Policymakers: An Interview with Dr. Karen Bogenschneider. *University-Based Child and Family Policy Consortium Newsletter*. [Published online](#), September.

REPORTS

- 2012 **Patterson, Sarah,** Krauser, Emily, and Whitman, Julie. *Kids Count in Indiana Data Book: A Profile of Child Well-Being*. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Youth Institute.
- 2011 **Patterson, Sarah,** Krauser, Emily, and Whitman, Julie. *Kids Count in Indiana Data Book: A Profile of Child Well-Being*. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Youth Institute.
- 2011 **Patterson, Sarah,** Greer, Maureen, Wilkes, Andrea, Ganser, Judith, Galloway, Mary Ann, Shoemaker, Adam, Krauser, Emily, and Whitman, Julie. *The State of the Young Hoosier Child (Children 5 and Under)*. Indianapolis, IN: Sunny Start Coalition.
- 2010 **Patterson, Sarah,** Krauser, Emily, and Whitman, Julie. *Kids Count in Indiana Data Book: A Profile of Child Well-Being*. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Youth Institute.
- 2009 **Patterson, Sarah,** Glaser, Karen, Krauser, Emily, Zimmerman, Amanda. *Kids Count in Indiana Data Book: A Profile of Child Well-Being*. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Youth Institute.

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.** *Welcome to Wherever We Are: A Memoir of Family, Caregiving, and Redemption*. Contexts, forthcoming.
- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.** *Taking Care of Our Own: When Family Caregivers Do Medical Work*. Contemporary Sociology, forthcoming.
- 2019 **Patterson, Sarah E.** *Give Methods a Chance*. Teaching Sociology, 47(2), 161-163.
- 2019 **Patterson, Sarah E.** *Analyzing Inequalities: An Introduction to Race, Class, Gender, and Sexuality Using the General Social Survey*. Teaching Sociology, 47(1), 63–65.
- 2017 **Patterson, Sarah E.** *Communication and the Work-Life Balancing Act: Intersections across Identities, Genders, and Cultures*. Gender & Society, 32(2), 276-278.

SELECT WORKING PAPERS

Patterson, Sarah E. Cohabiting Adult Children's Transfers to Parents in the United States. (*Under Review*)

Patterson, Sarah E., Schoeni, Robert F., Freedman, Vicki A., & Seltzer, Judith A. Care for Aging Parents and Complex Family Structures. (*Under Review*)

Patterson, Sarah E., Freedman, Vicki A., Cornman, Jennifer C., & Wolff, Jennifer L. Work as Overload or Haven for Caregivers of Older Adults.

Hu, Mengayo, **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Freedman, Vicki A., & Lewis, Nora. Primary Caregivers for Older Adults.

HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 *Michigan Center on the Demography of Aging (MiCDA) Network Pilot Grant*, Project: When Family Care Isn't Available: Examining Unmet Care Needs of Kinless, Distanced, and Disconnected Older Adults (\$35,000; P30 AG012846)
- 2021 *Institute for Social Research (ISR) Next Generation Small Grant Award*, Project: What We Do (and Don't) Know about ADRD Family Caregivers, Weinberg Endowments, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan (\$1,450)
- 2020 *Institute for Social Research (ISR) Next Generation Small Grant Award*, Project: Balancing Work and Caregiving for Older Adults, The Ronald and Deborah Freedman Fund for International Population Activities, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan (\$2,854)
- 2019-21 *National Institute on Aging Postdoctoral Fellowship*, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan
- 2017-18 *Early Career Scholar*, Work and Family Research Network
- 2018 *Reuben Hill Paper Award*, National Council on Family Relations
- 2018 *First Place, Three-Minute Thesis Postdoc Competition*, University of Western Ontario
- 2017 *Second Place Poster Award, Social and Behavior Science Division*, Pennsylvania State University Graduate Exhibition
- 2016 *Research and Graduate Studies Office (RGSO) Dissertation Support Competition winner*, Pennsylvania State University
- 2014-16 *National Institute of Child Health and Development (NICHD) Pre-doctoral Traineeship in Family Demography*, Pennsylvania State University
- 2014 *Goebel-Macklin Award*, Groves conference on Marriage and Family for promising graduate student presenting original work
- 2009 *Chancellor's Scholar Award*, Indiana University – Indianapolis
- 2006-08 *University Fellowship*, Indiana University – Indianapolis
- 2004 *Outstanding Sociology Major Achievement Award*, Indiana University – Bloomington
- 2001-05 *Phi Beta Kappa and National Society of Collegiate Scholars*, Indiana University – Bloomington

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED

- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Family Complexity and Caring for Aging Parents. Oxford University Sociology Department. February. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Family Complexity and Caring for Aging Parents. Center for Demography and Population Health at Florida State University. October. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Grappling with the Exacerbation of Inequities in the Aftermath of COVID. San Francisco State University. October. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Using the Other Person (OP) files in NHATS. NHATS/NSOC Usergroup. May. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Childhood Family Structure and Later Transfers to Parents. Penn State Aging Special Interest Group. April. State College, PA. (*Cancelled due to COVID-19*)
- 2019 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Childhood Family Structure and Later Transfers to Parents. PSID Seminar Series. December. Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2018 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Kinlessness and Mortality: Lacking Family at Older Ages. Bowling Green State University Speaker Series. September. Bowling Green, OH.

CONFERENCES

- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.,** Vicki A. Freedman, Jennifer C. Cornman, & Jennifer L. Wolff. Work as Overload or Haven for Caregivers of Older Adults. American Time Use Conference. June. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2021 **Patterson, Sarah E.** & Paula Fomby. Childhood Parental Ties and Co-residence, Family Structure Stability and Change, and Later Life Transfers to Parents. Population Association of America. May. Online. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.,** Vicki A. Freedman, Jennifer C. Cornman, & Jennifer L. Wolff. Work as Overload or Haven for Caregivers of Older Adults. American Sociological Association roundtable. August. San Francisco, CA. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** & Andrew Arche. Caregiving and Employment at Older Ages: What We Know and What We Need to Know. Work and Family Researchers Network. June. New York, NY. (*Virtual due to COVID-19*)
- 2020 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Family Structure and Later Life Transfers to Parents. Population Association of America poster. April. Washington, D.C. (*Cancelled due to COVID-19*)
- 2019 **Patterson, Sarah E.,** Margolis, Rachel, & Verdery, Ashton M. Kinlessness and Mortality Risk: Higher Mortality for Those Lacking Close Kin in Older Age. Population Association of America paper. Austin, TX.

- 2018 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & Margolis, Rachel. Gender Gaps in Caregiving Across the Life Course in Europe. Work Family Research Network presentation. June. Washington, D.C.
- 2018 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & Margolis, Rachel. Multigenerational Caregiving Across the Life Course. European Population Conference presentation. June. Brussels, Belgium.
- 2018 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & Margolis, Rachel. Gender and Multigenerational Caregiving Across the Life Course. Population Association of America poster. April. Denver, CO.
- 2017 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Verdery, Ashton M., & Daw, Jonathan. Does Age of Experiencing Kin Mortality Predict Educational Attainment? Adding Life to Linked Lives. Population Association of America presentation. April. Chicago, IL.
- 2016 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Changing Tides? Adult Children's Transfers to Elderly Parents. American Sociological Association roundtable. August. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Marital Status, Employment Status, and Transfers to Parents. Poster at Panel Survey of Income Dynamics meeting. June. Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2016 **Patterson, Sarah E.** Employment and Attitudes about Eldercare. Work and Family Research Network poster. June. Washington, D.C.
- 2015 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Damaske, Sarah, & Sheroff, Christen. Can Women Really Lean In? Gender Dynamics in Professional and Career Outcomes. American Sociological Association regular session presentation. August. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 Amato, Paul & **Patterson, Sarah E.** The Rise in Single Parent Families and Suicides, Accidental Deaths, and Homicides among Children. American Sociological Association roundtable. August. Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **Patterson, Sarah E.**, & O'Hare, William. A New Assessment of Changes Over Time and Differences Across States in the Well-Being of Children in the U.S. Southern Demographic Association presentation. October. Memphis, TN.
- 2014 Martin, Molly, **Patterson, Sarah E.**, Davis, Kelly, McLaughlin, Diane, & Gunsallas, April. Children's Experiences with Marcellus Shale Development. Presented paper at the Groves conference on Marriage and Family. June. State College, PA.

TEACHING

- 2021- *Video Tutorial Guide*, National Health and Aging Trends Study
- Help compile how-to user guide videos for NHATS and record
- 2019 *Instructor*, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, University of Michigan
- **Introduction to Statistical Concepts** - Full responsibility for workshops
- 2017 *Instructor*, Pennsylvania State University
- **Intermediate Social Statistics** - Full responsibility for undergraduate course
- 2016 *Teaching Assistant*, Pennsylvania State University
- **Demographic Methods** - Assist with grading of graduate student assignments

- **Population and Policy** - Assist with organizing undergraduate student assignments
- 2011 *Certificate in Distance Education*, Indiana University – Bloomington
- 2009-13 *Associate Faculty in Sociology*, Indiana University – Indianapolis
 - Full responsibility for lower and upper division undergraduate classes
- In Person
 - **Introduction to Sociology** – Summer 2009, 2010; Fall 2010
 - **Families and Society** – Spring 2010; Fall 2010
- Online
 - **Introduction to Sociology** – Spring 2012, 2013; Summer 2012, 2013; Fall 2012
 - **Families and Society** – Fall 2011
 - **Gender and Society** – Spring 2011
- 2009 *Graduate of Preparing Future Faculty Program*, Indiana University – Indianapolis

MENTORING

- 2021 *Research Mentor*, Nora Lewis, University of Michigan
 - Responsible for aiding with review article; hired with PSC small grant
- 2020- *Research Co-Mentor*, Nora Lewis, University of Michigan (with Mengyao Hu)
 - Responsible for research, statistical, and professional development for undergraduate research assistant
- 2019-20 *Research Mentor*, Andrew Arche, University of Michigan
 - Responsible for research, statistical, and professional development for undergraduate research assistant

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATIONS AND SERVICE

- 2020- Gerontological Society of America
 - *Social Media Editor*, Editorial Board, *Journal of Gerontology Social Sciences* – 2021
- 2019- National Council on Family Relations
 - *Reviewer*, Reuben Hill Award – 2019, 2020, 2021
 - *Digital Scholarship Board Member*, *Journal of Family Theory and Review* – 2019, 2020, 2021
- 2013- Population Association of America
 - *Session Organizer*, *Caregiving Across the Life Course; New Directions in Caregiving Research* – 2020; *Impact of Caregiving on Families and Youth; Children and Youth with Disabilities and Their Families* – 2021

- *Discussant*, Families and Work – 2019; Intergenerational Relationships Across the Life Course; New Methods in Family Demography – 2021;
- *Social Media Team Member*, Annual Conference – 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
- 2013- Work and Family Research Network; Special Interest Groups: Gender and Work-Family; Organization Work-Life Policy; Parenting & Caregiving
 - *Reviewer*, Kanter Award – 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
 - *Secretary*, Parenting & Caregiving Group – 2017-2019
- 2013-19 Sociologists for Women in Society
- 2008-13 KIDS COUNT network, Annie E. Casey Foundation
 - *Steering Committee Member*, KIDS COUNT – 2010-2013
 - *Member*, Leadership Council and KIDS COUNT Liaison for VOICES for America’s Children – 2011-2013
- 2006- American Sociological Association; Sections: Aging/Life Course; Family; Population; Sex and Gender
 - *Presider*, Sociology of Family Roundtable – 2018; Aging and Life Course Roundtable and Intergenerational Relationships Session – 2020
 - *Social Media Team Member*, Section on Families – 2018, 2019, 2020
 - *Newsletter Co-Editor*, Section on Children and Youth – 2012

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2020-21 *Chair*, PSC Postdoctoral Fellow Working Group, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan
- 2019- *Member*, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan
- 2017-19 *Reviewer*, Graduate Student Publication Workshop, University of Western Ontario
- 2013-17 *Member*, Graduate Student Committees (teaching, graduate recruitment, paper competition), Pennsylvania State University
- 2007-08 *Graduate Representative*, Sociology Committee, Indiana University – Indianapolis
- 2007-08 *IRB Board Member*, Indiana University Behavioral Research Human Subject Panel

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2017-20 *Sociology Channel Host*, New Books Network Podcast
- 2021- *Editorial Board Member*: Journal of Aging & Social Policy; Journal of Gerontology Social Sciences
- 2016- *Reviewer*: Ageing & Society; American Journal of Sociology; Canadian Studies in Population; Contemporary Sociology; Community, Work & Family; Demography; European Journal of Aging; European Journal of Sociology; European Sociological

Review; Gerontology; Innovations in Aging; Journal of Aging & Social Policy;
Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences; Journal of Health and Social Behavior;
Journal of Marriage and Family; Population Research and Policy Review; Population
Studies; PLOS One; Research on Aging; Social Forces; Social Science Research; Siss
National Science Foundation; The Gerontologist

- 2016-18 *Newsletter Columnist*, University-Based Child and Family Policy Consortium
- 2010-13 *Member*, Early Childhood Initiative through Indiana State Department of Health
- 2009-13 *Member*, Consortium of Family Organizations, Indiana Family Impact Seminars
- 2008-13 *Member*, Indiana Coalition for Improving Adolescent Health Committee, Indiana State Department of Health

REFERENCES

University of Michigan (NIA Postdoc):

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