

# Anna Bokun

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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. Sociology**, University of Minnesota–Twin Cities, 2017 - expected 2023  
*Minors:* Population Studies, Development Studies and Social Change  
*Dissertation:* “Reskilling Me Softly: Do Occupational Retraining Programs Make a Difference?”  
*Committee:* Ann Meier (Chair), Phyllis Moen, Rachel Schurman, Rob Warren, Elizabeth Wrigley-Field
- M.A. History**, New York University, 2016  
*Thesis:* “Of BMWs, Bananas, and Banks: The Genealogy of Credit in Central Europe”  
*Committee:* Sophie Gonick (Chair), Robert Wosnitzer (Stern School of Business)
- B.A. Political Science**, University of Chicago, 2014

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Economic Sociology, Labor Markets, Human Capital, Family Demography, Social Stratification

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

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### Book Chapters

Knoke, David and **Bokun, Anna**. (In Press). “Social Relations and Economy: The Effects of Social Ties and Networks on Economic Behavior.” *A Modern Guide to Economic Sociology* edited by Milan Zafirovski. UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

### Working Papers

Meier, Ann, **Bokun, Anna**, and Warren, Rob. “The Role of State Economic Conditions in Couples’ Relative Earnings After First Birth.”

**Bokun, Anna**. “Baby Boom or Bust? Cash Transfers and Fertility: Poland’s *Family 500+* Policy”

## PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

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Anna Bokun, Jessie Himmelstern, Wonjeong Jeong, Ann Meier, Kelly Musick, and Rob Warren. 2020. [“The Unequal Impact of Covid-19 on Children’s Economic Vulnerability.”](#) *EconoFact*.

## AWARDS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2017 – present Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Fellowship, University of Minnesota  
2020 Eliason Award, Arizona Methods Workshop, University of Arizona  
Predissertation Grant, Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota  
Shimota Summer Fellowship, Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
- 2019 Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor  
Knights of Dąbrowski Scholarship  
Career Development Grant, Council of Graduate Students, University of Minnesota  
Graduate Student Research Development Grant, Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota  
Conference Travel Grant, Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota  
Conference Travel Matching Grant, Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota
- 2018 Kosciuszko Foundation Scholarship  
Student Travel Grant, Midwest Sociological Society
- 2016 – 2017 Great Decisions Fellowship, Foreign Policy Association
- 2016 Travel Research Grant, Center for European Studies, New York University  
Global Summer Learning Scholarship, The Steinhardt School, New York University
- 2015 – 2016 Center for European Studies Fellowship, New York University
- 2014 – 2015 Public Interest Program Fellowship (Illinois State Board of Education), University of Chicago
- 2010 – 2014 Odyssey Scholarship, University of Chicago

## RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

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- 2019 – present Research Assistant for Ann Meier and Rob Warren  
Institute for Social Research and Data Innovation (ISRDI), University of Minnesota  
National Institutes of Health (R01-HD091125-01A1)  
Project: “Trends in Couples’ Work Patterns After Childbirth”
- 2018 – present Graduate Trainee, Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota
- 2018 – 2019 Research Assistant for David Knoke  
Sociology Department, University of Minnesota  
New undergraduate course design and development: Comparing Healthcare Systems

## TEACHING

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### Undergraduate-Level Courses

#### Sociology Department, University of Minnesota

- 2019 Comparing Healthcare Systems, Teaching Assistant  
2018 Social Statistics, Teaching Assistant

#### Lindahl Academic Center, University of Minnesota

- 2020 Social Statistics, Tutor

## INVITED TALKS

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- 2020 Minnesota Population Center (Workshop Series), University of Minnesota  
Inaugural Cross-Center Demography Seminar (“DemSemX”), organized by 8 US population centers  
“Cash Transfers and Fertility: Evidence from Poland’s *Family 500+* Program”

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2020 Population Association of America and the American Sociological Association (Virtual Meetings)  
“The Role of State Economic Conditions in Couples’ Relative Earnings After First Birth” (*with Ann Meier and Rob Warren*)
- 2019 American Sociological Association, New York, NY  
“Great Expectations: An Interview-Based Pilot Study On Graduating Into The Great Recession”
- 2019 Population Association of America, Austin, TX  
“Baby Boom or Bust? The Case of Poland’s *Family 500+* Policy”
- 2018 American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA  
“Of BMWs, Bananas, and Banks: The Genealogy of Credit In Central Europe”
- 2018 International Sociological Association XIX Congress, Toronto, Canada  
“Financial Homogenization Across Central Europe: Creating Consumers in Post-Communism”
- 2018 Sociology Graduate Student Conference, The New School for Social Research, New York, NY  
“Modern Museums, Colonial Restitution, Epistemic Violence: ‘Truth-Telling’ Projects of Europe”
- 2018 Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN  
“A Speculative Ethos in the Debt Averse Marketplaces of Post-Communist Central Europe”

## SERVICE

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### Service to the Discipline

- Reviewer:** Demography
- President:** “Social Capital in 21st Century Sociology” (2020 American Sociological Association),  
“Status Characteristics and Wages” (2019 American Sociological Association), “The  
Impact of Technology Use” (2018 Midwest Sociological Society)
- 2019 – present Twitter Curator, R-Ladies: [@WeAreRLadies](#)
- 2019 Graduate Editorial Board and Curator (Inequality Section), [The Society Pages](#)
- 2015 – 2016 Editor and Contributor, [New York Transatlantic](#)

### Departmental and University Service

- 2018 – present Graduate Student Mentor, Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
- 2018 – present Judge, Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Minnesota
- 2019 – 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Undergraduate Affairs Committee, Sociology  
Department, University of Minnesota
- 2019 – 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Seminar and Workshop Committee, Minnesota  
Population Center, University of Minnesota
- 2018 – 2019 Graduate Student Representative, Promotion, Tenure, and Salary Committee,  
Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
- 2018 – 2019 Graduate Student Representative, Faculty Advisory Committee, Interdisciplinary  
Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota
- 2018 Grant Reviewer, Council of Graduate Students, University of Minnesota

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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American Sociological Association  
Population Association of America  
International Sociological Association

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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Associate Producer, <a href="#">Great Decisions on PBS</a> , Foreign Policy Association, New York, NY	2016 – 2017
UChicago Public Interest Program Fellow, Illinois State Board of Education, Chicago, IL	2014 – 2015
Photographic Archives Intern, Polish Museum of America, Chicago, IL	2012
Tour Guide and Interviewer, Office of Admissions, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	2011 – 2014

## SKILLS

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Advanced Proficiency: R, Stata, GitHub, Markdown  
Familiarity: Python, Tableau, NVivo, Atlas.ti, Adobe Creative Suite  
Language: Polish (native fluency), Spanish (conversational)

## REFERENCES

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### **Ann Meier (Adviser)**

*Professor of Sociology*  
*Trainee Director, Minnesota Population Center*  
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