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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Minnesota (expected May 2024)
Trainee, Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota
Minors: Demography, Development Studies and Social Change

Dissertation: Follow the Yellow Brick Road: Essays on Job Displacement, Retraining, and Economic Mobility

Committee: Dr. Ann Meier (Adviser), Dr. Phyllis Moen, Dr. Rachel Schurman, Dr. Rob Warren,
Dr. Elizabeth Wrigley-Field

M.A. History, New York University, 2016
Thesis: Of BMWs, Bananas, and Banks: The Genealogy of Credit Markets in Central Europe
Committee: Dr. Sophie Gonick (Adviser), Dr. Robert Wosnitzer (NYU Stern Business School)

B.A. Political Science, University of Chicago, 2014

University Affiliations

2023 – 2024 [Visiting Scholar](#), Sociology Department, Harvard University
2020 – 2024 [Member](#), Dorélien-Kerwin Population Health & Development Lab, University of Minnesota
2017 – 2024 [Fellow](#), Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Labor | Family Demography | Cash Transfers | Education & Workforce Transitions | Quantitative Methods

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Knoke, David and Bokun, Anna. 2020. "Social Relations and Economy: The Effects of Social Ties and Networks on Economic Behavior" pp. 70-89 in *A Modern Guide to Economic Sociology* edited by Milan Zafirovski. UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

Public Scholarship

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

* Press: [PBS NewsHour](#), [The Council on Contemporary Families](#)

PAPERS IN PREPARATION

Bokun, Anna. "Baby Boom or Bust? Cash Transfers and Fertility: Evidence from Poland's *Family 500+* Policy." *Demographic Research* (Revise & Resubmit)

Bokun, Anna. "Follow the Yellow Brick Road: Labor Market Returns to Retraining Among Displaced Workers in Minnesota." *ILR Review* (Under Review)

Bokun, Anna. "The Effect of Job Displacement on Post-secondary Enrollment: Evidence from Minnesota." (Working Paper)

Meier, Ann, Musick, Kelly, and Bokun, Anna. "Couples' Work Arrangements After First Birth: The Role of Family Leave Policies." (Working Paper)

Bokun, Anna, Flood, Sarah, and Moen, Phyllis. "Older Americans Living Alone: An Intersectional Analysis of the Risks of Social Isolation During the Covid-19 Pandemic." (Data Analysis Stage)

Meier, Ann, Bokun, Anna, and Warren, Rob. "Couples' Labor Market Involvement after Parenthood: The Role of Local Economic Conditions." (Data Analysis Stage)

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

2023	Research Assistant for Alyssa Erickson and Elana Gravitz Hennepin County-University Partnership (HUP), University of Minnesota <i>Evaluating Hennepin County's Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI) Pilot</i>
2021 – 2022	Research Assistant for Dr. Phyllis Moen and Dr. Sarah Flood Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota National Science Foundation (NSF) funded project (1850914): <i>Disparate Pathways to Working Longer, Retiring, or Other Exits</i>
2019 – 2022	Research Assistant for Dr. Ann Meier and Dr. Rob Warren Institute for Social Research and Data Innovation (ISRDI), University of Minnesota National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded project (R01-HD091125-01A1): <i>Trends in Couples' Work Patterns After Childbirth</i>
2018 – 2019	Research Assistant for Dr. David Knoke Sociology Department, University of Minnesota New undergraduate course design and development: <i>Comparing Healthcare Systems</i>

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

Instructor, Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
Social Theory (Summer 2022)

Teaching Evaluations: 5.73/6.00 (overall quality of instructor); 5.63/6.00 (overall quality of course)

Teaching Assistant, Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
 Comparing Healthcare Systems (Spring 2019) with Dr. David Knoke
 Social Statistics (Summer 2018) with Dr. Matt Gunther

Tutor, Lindahl Academic Center, University of Minnesota (2019 – 2022)
 Social Statistics | Social Theory | Introduction to Sociology | Research Methods

AWARDS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS

2017 – present	Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Fellowship, University of Minnesota
2022 – 2023	American Educational Research Association–National Science Foundation Dissertation Grant
2023	Barbara Lobodzinska-Lien Spring Fellowship, Sociology Department, University of Minnesota
2022	Conference Travel Grant, Life Course Center, University of Minnesota
2021	Shimota Summer Fellowship, Sociology Department, 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
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	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
2010 – 2014	Odyssey Scholarship, University of Chicago

PRESENTATIONS

2023	Hennepin County–University Partnership (HUP) Summer Research Symposium (virtual). “Hennepin County’s Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI) Pilot – Quantitative Evaluation Plan”
2023	The Minnesota Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (SLEDs) Board Meeting (virtual). “Follow the Yellow Brick Road: The Economic Returns to Retraining for Displaced Workers in Minnesota”
2023	Population Association of America (New Orleans, LA) American Educational Research Association Annual Meetings (Chicago, IL). “The Effect of Job Displacement on Post-secondary Enrollment: Evidence from Minnesota”
2022	Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting (Indianapolis, IN). “Older Americans Living Alone: An Intersectional Analysis of the Risks of Social Isolation During the Covid-19 Pandemic” (co-authored with Phyllis Moen and Sarah Flood)

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- 2022 Population Association of America Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA) |
The Network for Data-Intensive Research on Aging (NDIRA) (Minneapolis, MN).
"Follow the Yellow Brick Road: The Economic Returns to Retraining for Displaced Workers in Minnesota"
- 2021 Population Association of America Annual Meeting (virtual).
- "Couples' Work Arrangements After First Birth: The Role of Family Leave Policies" (co-authored with Ann Meier, Kelly Musick, and Jessie Himmelstern)
- "The Unequal Impact of Covid-19 on Children's Economic Vulnerability" (co-authored with Ann Meier, Kelly Musick, Jessie Himmelstern, Wonjeong Jeong, and Rob Warren)
- 2020 American Sociological Association | Population Association of America Annual Meetings (virtual).
"Couples' Labor Market Involvement After Parenthood: The Role of Local Economic Conditions"
(co-authored with Ann Meier and Rob Warren)
- 2020 Minnesota Population Center Workshop Series | The Inaugural Cross-Center Demography Seminar
("DemSemX"), organized by 8 U.S. population centers (virtual).
"Baby Boom or Bust? Cash Transfers and Fertility: Poland's Family 500+ Program"
- 2019 Population Association of America Annual Meeting (Austin, TX).
"Baby Boom or Bust? The Case of Poland's Family 500+ Policy"
- 2019 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (New York, NY).
"Great Expectations: An Interview-Based Pilot Study on Graduating into the Great Recession"

SERVICE

Service to the Discipline

- Reviewer: *Demography, Journal of Marriage and Family, Social Problems, Sociological Spectrum*
- Panel Presider: "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)
- Discussant: "Family and Historical Demography" (2021 Population Association of America)
- 2019 – present Twitter Curator, R-Ladies: [@WeAreRLadies](#)
- 2023 – 2024 Book Award Committee, Population Section, American Sociological Association
- 2019 Graduate Editorial Board and Curator (Inequality Section), [The Society Pages](#)
- 2015 – 2016 Editor and Contributor, [New York Transatlantic](#)

Service to the Sociology Department, University of Minnesota

- 2023 – present Graduate Student Representative, Faculty Search Committee
- 2018 – present Mentor to junior graduate students
- 2019 – 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Undergraduate Affairs Committee
- 2018 – 2019 Graduate Student Representative, Promotion, Tenure, and Salary Committee

Service to the University of Minnesota

- 2018 – present Judge, Undergraduate Research Symposium
- 2022 – 2023 Graduate Student Representative, Life Course Center
- 2021 – 2023 Graduate Student Representative, Senate Research Committee
- 2021 – 2023 Graduate Student Representative, Campus Committee on Student Behavior

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May 2022	Organizer and co-presenter: “How to Effectively Google for Stuff: Tips and Tricks on Tapping Into Public Coding Resources,” Minnesota Population Center
2020 – 2021	Graduate Student Representative, Advisory Board, Minnesota Population Center
2019 – 2020	Graduate Student Representative, Seminar & Workshop Committee, Minnesota Population Center
November 2019	Workshop organizer: “Translation and Dissemination of Statistical Data” (with <i>The New York Times</i> reporter Ben Casselman), Minnesota Population Center
2018 – 2019	Graduate Student Representative, Faculty Advisory Committee, Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change
2018	Grant Reviewer, Council of Graduate Students

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association
 Population Association of America
 American Educational Research Association
 Gerontological Society of America

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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

SKILLS

Software: R, Stata, GitHub, Markdown, Tableau
 Language: Polish (native fluency), Spanish (conversational)

REFERENCES

Dr. Ann Meier (Adviser)

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