

CURRICUMUM VITAE

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### **EDUCATION**

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**Ph.D. in Sociology**, University of California, Irvine (expected 2024)

**M.A. in Demographic and Social Analysis**, University of California, Irvine. 2020

Thesis: “*Societal Gender Stratification, Affluence, and Technological Self-Efficacy: A Cross-National Meta-Analysis*”

**M.S. in Sociology**, Portland State University. 2018 (*summa cum laude*)

**B.A. in Sociology**, Washington State University. 2015 (*summa cum laude*)

**A.A.** Spokane Falls Community College. 2013

### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

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Gender and the Family; Technology and Digitalization; Work; Social Stratification; Meta-Analysis

### **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

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- 2020 **Christensen, MacKenzie A.** ““Tindersluts” & “Tinderellas:” Examining the Digital Affordances Shaping the (Hetero)Sexual Scripts of Young Womxn on Tinder.” *Forthcoming in Sociological Perspectives*
- 2020 McGee, Julius Alexander, Patrick Greiner, **MacKenzie A. Christensen**, Christina Ergas, and Mathew Clement. “Gender Inequality, Reproductive Justice, and Decoupling Economic Growth and Emissions: A Panel Analysis of the Moderating Association of Gender Equality on the Relationship between Economic Growth and CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Environmental Sociology.” *Environmental Sociology* 6(3): 254-267.
- 2019 Mahmoudi, Dillon, Amy Lubitow, and **MacKenzie A. Christensen**. “Reproducing Spatial Inequality? The Sustainability Fix and Barriers to Urban Mobility in Portland, Oregon.” *Urban Geography*, 1-22.
- 2019 **Christensen, MacKenzie A.** “Feminization of Poverty: Causes and Implications.” In: Leal Filho W., Azul A., Brandli L., Özuyar P., Wall T. (eds) Gender Equality. Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Springer, Cham.
- 2018 Shafer, Emily Fitzgibbons and **MacKenzie A. Christensen**. “Flipping the (Surname) Script: Men’s Non-Traditional Surname Choice at Marriage.” *Journal of Family Issues* 39(11): 3055-3074.

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- 2019 Featured in “I understand my wife’s lived experience better’: Meet the men who have taken their wives’ surnames”  
[www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com) 20 August 2019
- 2018 Featured in “Why Don’t More Men Take Their Wives’ Last Name?”  
[www.theatlantic.com](http://www.theatlantic.com) 25 July 2018
- 2018 Featured in “What Kind of Man Takes His Wife’s Last Name?”  
[www.jezebel.com](http://www.jezebel.com) 5 May 2018

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

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**Christensen, MacKenzie A.** “Gender Stratification, Affluence, and Technological Self-Efficacy: A Cross-National Meta-Analysis” *Manuscript available upon request*

## COMMUNITY REPORTS & WHITE PAPERS

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- 2018 **Christensen, Mackenzie A.** and Amy Lubitow. “The Lents Green Ring: 2017 Community-Based Existing Conditions Assessment.” *Final report submitted to Green Lents.*
- 2017 Lubitow, Amy, **MacKenzie A. Christensen**, Quinton Alexander, Sophie Biddle, David Billings, Paul Deppen, Daniel Mackin, Joy Mutare. “Cully Job Training & Employment Needs.” *Final report submitted to Verde.*

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

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### *Awards*

- 2020 *Outstanding Research Award.* Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine
- 2018 *Outstanding Master's Student Award.* Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2015 *Outstanding Women's Studies Minor Award.* Department of Sociology, Washington State University, Vancouver

### *Fellowships & Grants*

- 2020 *Water UCI Fellowship.* University of California, Irvine
- 2020 *Summer Research Grant.* Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine
- 2019 *Water UCI Fellowship.* University of California, Irvine
- 2018 *PhD Provost Fellowship.* Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine
- 2018 *Diversity Recruitment Fellowship.* Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine
- 2018 *Student Research Travel Grant.* Alpha Kappa Delta
- 2018 *Graduate Student Travel Award.* Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2017 *Graduate Student Summer Research Grant.* Department of Sociology, Portland State University

## RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2020-present      **Project Coordinator** for the “*Middle School Challenge*” at the University of California, Irvine. Oversaw online curriculum development for participating Middle Schools, recruited and trained undergraduate mentors, and coordinated with mentors and teachers.
- Summer 2019      **Research Coordinator** for “*Research Opportunities for Community College Teachers*” (ROCCT) at the University of California, Irvine. Oversaw community college and high school teachers’ development of formal research projects. Instructed teachers on data analysis using STATA and R.
- 2017-2018      **Research Assistant** for Dr. Emily Fitzgibbons Shafer at the Department of Sociology, Portland State University. Completed IRB application, assisted in both data analysis and writing the final manuscripts.
- 2017-2018      **Research Assistant** for Dr. Julius Alexander McGee at the Department of Sociology, Portland State University. Responsible for cleaning multiple data sets, compiling master database, analyzing data, and co-authored final manuscript.
- 2017-2018      **Research Assistant** for “*The Lents Green Ring: 2017 Community-Based Existing Conditions Assessment*” with Dr. Amy Lubitow at the Department of Sociology, Portland State University. Oversaw participant recruitment, conducted interviews, transcribed and coded qualitative data, and co-authored final manuscript.
- Fall 2017      **Field/Research Analyst** for *Cully Job Training & Employment Needs* with Dr. Amy Lubitow at the Department of Sociology, Portland State University. Oversaw participant recruitment, constructed survey questionnaires, managed collection and analysis of survey data, and lead focus groups.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- 2018-present      **University of California, Irvine (UCI)**  
*Graduate Teaching Assistant, School of Social Sciences*
- Graduate Statistics I (*Lab Instructor*)
  - Social Research Methods (*online*); Sociology of Sexuality (*online*); Births, Deaths, and Migrations; Family & Intimate Relations; Global & Transnational Sociology; Organizations
- 2016-2018      **Portland State University (PSU)**  
*Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology*
- Marriage and Intimacy; Introduction to Sociology; Social Research Methods; Social Research Project; Social Statistics

## **PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING**

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- 2020 *Course Design Certificate*. Division of Teaching Excellence & Innovation (DTEI), University of California, Irvine
- 2020 *Diversity Training Certificate*. DTEI, University of California, Irvine
- 2018 *Graduate Teaching Certificate*. CLAS, Portland State University
- 2018 *Lead Graduate Teaching Fellow*. CLAS Graduate Teaching Advisory Board. Portland State University

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS**

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- 2020 “Virtual Boundaries: College Student’s Negotiations of Sexual Consent and Harassment within a Digital Hookup Culture” with Katelyn Malae. *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. San Francisco, CA. *Canceled due to COVID-19*
- 2020 “Contemporary Sexual Relationships and New Technologies” *Guest Lecture for Sociology of Sexuality*, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine
- 2019 “Gender and Technology Related Self-Efficacy: A Meta-Analysis” *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Oakland, CA.
- 2018 “Love Online: Race, Gender, and Online Dating” *Guest Lecture for Introduction to Sociology*, Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2018 “Romantic Relationship Formation and the Evolution of Gendered Sexual Scripts.” *Guest Lecture for Marriage and Intimacy*, Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2018 “Tindersluts & Tinderellas: Examining Young Women’s Construction and Negotiation of Modern Sexual Scripts within a Hybrid Hookup Culture” *Brown Bag Presentation*, Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2018 “Flipping the (Surname) Script: Men’s Non-Traditional Surname Choice at Marriage.” *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Long Beach, CA.
- 2017 “The Politics of Controlling Images and Racist Reproductive Regulations.” *Guest Lecture for Foundations of Sociology II*, Department of Sociology, Portland State University
- 2017 “Digital Intimacy in an Era of Tinder.” *Sociology Graduate Student Research Symposium*, Portland State University

## **SERVICE**

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### ***University Involvement***

- 2020 Research Mentor: Water UCI Middle School Challenge. University of California, Irvine

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- 2020 Graduate Student Fellow: Water UCI. University of California, Irvine
- 2019 Research Mentor: ROCCT Program. University of California, Irvine
- 2017 Discussant: Lead Teaching Assistant Panel. CLAS Graduate Teaching Assistant. Portland State University
- 2017 Panelist: Professional Development Workshop. Portland State University
- 2016 Graduate Student Fellow: Institute for Sustainable Solutions. Portland State University
- 2016 Undergraduate Scholarship Review Committee Member: CLAS. Portland State University

### ***Department Involvement***

- 2020 Contributor: Handbook for Remote Qualitative Research. University of California, Irvine
- 2018 Executive Member: Sociology Graduate Student Organization. Portland State University
- 2018 Graduate Student Mentor: Sociology Graduate Student Organization. Portland State University
- 2018 Committee Member: Graduate Employee Union. Portland State University

### ***Community Involvement***

- 2020 Panel Member: Community Roots Academy Water Conservation Challenge. Laguna Niguel, CA
- 2018 Volunteer: Lents Green Ring Community Action Forum. Portland, OR.
- 2017 Volunteer: Pacific Sociology Association Annual Meeting. Portland, OR.
- 2017 Volunteer: Lents Founders Fair. Portland, OR.
- 2014 Volunteer Teacher: *Teach the Teachers*, Great Shape! Inc. Negril, Jamaica

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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- Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- American Sociological Association (ASA)
- Pacific Sociological Association (PSA)
- Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honors Society (AKD)