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Education

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, 2008

(comprehensive examinations in demography and reproductive health passed with honors)

M.Sc. Demography and Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 2004

B.A. International Relations and Environmental Studies, Magna Cum Laude, Tufts University, 2001

Professional Positions

2021-	Professor, Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences University of Colorado Denver
2023-	Research Professor, Institute of Behavioral Science University of Colorado Boulder
2024-	Development Director, CU Population Center
2023-2024	Interim Director, CU Population Center
2022-2023	Visiting Research Fellow, Population Studies Group, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
2019-2022	Chair, Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences University of Colorado Denver
2015-2021	Associate Professor, Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences University of Colorado Denver
2008-2015	Assistant Professor, Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences University of Colorado Denver
2009-	Faculty Affiliate, CU Population Center University of Colorado Boulder
2009-	Faculty Affiliate, Center for Global Health, Colorado School of Public Health

Peer-Reviewed Publications

* and ^ indicate a mentored University of Colorado graduate student and undergraduate student co-author respectively

Forthcoming Sennott, Christie, Chatterjee, Esha, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Relationship dynamics and young women's contraceptive use." *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*.

- 2024 **Yeatman, Sara** and Christie Sennott. "Fertility desires and contraceptive transition." *Population and Development Review* 50[S2]:511-538.
- Humphreys, Abigail*, Amanda Stevenson, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Changes in contraceptive method mix following the Colorado Family Planning Initiative." *Contraception* 134:110422.
- Vilakati, Bonginkhosi* and **Sara Yeatman**. "Men's perceptions of HIV self-testing in Eswatini: A qualitative study." *AIDS Care* 36[10]:1492-1498.
- Smith-Greenaway, Emily, Yingyi Lin, and **Sara Yeatman**. "The collision of global scripts with local constraints: Education as a risk factor for unintended pregnancy." *Socius* 10.
- Root, Leslie, Amanda Stevenson, Katie Genadek, **Sara Yeatman**, Stefanie Mollborn, and Jane Menken. "U.S. fertility in life course context: A research note on using Census-held linked administrative records for geographic and sociodemographic subgroup estimation." *Demography* 61[2]:251-266.
- 2023 **Yeatman, Sara** and Christie Sennott. "A partner-specific critique of mistimed and unwanted fertility: Results from an analysis of the 2017-2019 United States National Survey of Family Growth." *Perspectives in Sexual and Reproductive Health* 55[3]:122-128.
- Vilakati, Bonginkhosi*, Stephanie Chamberlin*, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Men's endorsement of intimate partner violence and HIV testing behavior across sub-Saharan Africa." *AIDS & Behavior* 27[2]:454-461.
- 2022 **Yeatman, Sara**, James M. Flynn*, Amanda Stevenson, Katie Genadek, Stefanie Mollborn, and Jane Menken. "Expanded contraceptive access linked to increase in college completion among women in Colorado." *Health Affairs* 41[12]:1754-1762. [Press coverage](#)
- Smith-Greenaway, Emily, **Sara Yeatman**, and Abdallah Chilungo. "Life after loss: A prospective analysis of mortality exposure and unintended fertility in Malawi." *Demography* 59[2]:563-585.
- Chamberlin, Stephanie*, Synab Njerenga, Emily Smith-Greenaway, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Women's life experiences and shifting reports of pregnancy planning." *Maternal and Child Health Journal* 26[8]:1719-1726.
- Trinitapoli, Jenny, Abdallah Chilungo, Huimeng Zhao, jimi adams, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Visualizing young men's fertility desires: A view from Balaka, Malawi." *Socius* 8:1-3.
- 2021 Stevenson, Amanda, Katie Genadek, **Sara Yeatman**, Stefanie Mollborn, and Jane Menken. "The impact of contraceptive access on high school graduation." *Science Advances* 7: eabf6732. [Press coverage](#)
- Yeatman, Sara** and Emily Smith-Greenaway. "Women's health decline following (some) unintended births: A prospective study." *Demographic Research* 45[17]:547-576.
- Westbrook, Marisa*, Lisette Martinez^, Safa Mechergui^, Jean Scandlyn, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Contraceptive access and use through school-based health centers

- (SBHCs): Rural and suburban students' perceptions from Colorado." *Health Promotion Practice* 23[3]:425-431.
- 2020 **Yeatman, Sara**, Jenny Trinitapoli, and Sarah Garver. "The enduring case for fertility desires." *Demography* 57[6]:2047-2056.
- Westbrook, Marisa*, Lisette Martinez^, Safa Mechergui^, and **Sara Yeatman**. "The Influence of school-based health center access on high school graduation: evidence from Colorado." *Journal of Adolescent Health* 67[3]:317-318.
- Dovel, Kathryn, Shari L. Dworkin, Morna Cornell, Thomas Coates, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Gendered health institutions: Examining the organization of health services and men's use of HIV testing in Malawi." *Journal of the International AIDS Society* 23(S2):e25517.
- Polis, Chelsea, Ann Moore, Abdallah Chilungo, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Perceived infertility among young adults in Balaka, Malawi." *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health* 46:61-72.
- Garver, Sarah, Jenny Trinitapoli, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Who should have kids? Changing childbearing norms during an era of ART expansion in Malawi, 2009-2015." *AIDS & Behavior* 24:1676-1686.
- Smith-Greenaway, Emily and **Sara Yeatman**. "Unrealized educational expectations and mental health: Evidence from a low-income country." *Social Forces* 98[3]:1112-1142.
- 2019 Oh, Jeong, **Sara Yeatman**, and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Data collection as disruption: Insights from a longitudinal study of young adulthood." *American Sociological Review* 84[4]: 634-663.
- Yeatman, Sara**, Abdallah Chilungo, Sydney Lungu, Hazel Namadingo, and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Tsogolo la Thanzi: A longitudinal study of young adults living in Malawi's HIV epidemic." [Data Paper] *Studies in Family Planning* 50[1]: 71-84.
- Helleringer, Stéphane, jimi adams, **Sara Yeatman**, and James Mkandawire. "Evaluating sampling biases from third-party reporting as a method for improving survey measures of sensitive behaviors." *Social Networks* 59:134-140.
- 2018 **Yeatman, Sara**, Stephanie Chamberlin*, and Kathryn Dovel. "Women's (health) work: a population-based, cross-sectional study of gender differences in time spent seeking health care in Malawi." *PLoS ONE* 13[12]: e0209586.
- Yeatman, Sara** and Emily Smith-Greenaway. "Birth planning and women's and men's health in Malawi." *Studies in Family Planning* 49[3]: 213-235.
- Sennott, Christie and **Sara Yeatman**. "Conceptualizing childbearing ambivalence: a social and dynamic perspective." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 80[4]: 888-901.
- Trinitapoli, Jenny and **Sara Yeatman**. "The flexibility of fertility preferences in a context of uncertainty." *Population and Development Review* 44[1]:87-116.
- 2017 **Yeatman, Sara** and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Awareness and perceived fairness of Option B+ in Malawi: A population-level perspective." *Journal of the International AIDS Society* 20(21467)1-8.

- Hoffman, Risa M., Khumbo Phiri, Julie Parent, Jonathan Grotts, David Elashoff, Paul Kawale, **Sara Yeatman**, Judith S. Currier, and Alan Schooley. "Factors associated with retention in Option B+ in Malawi: A case control study." *Journal of the International AIDS Society* 20(21464):1-8.
- 2016 **Yeatman, Sara**, Jeffrey Eaton, Zosia Beckles, Lorna Benton, Simon Gregson, and Basia Zaba. "The impact of ART on the fertility of HIV-positive women in sub-Saharan Africa." *Tropical Medicine & International Health* 21[9]:1071-1085.
- Dovel, Kathryn*, **Sara Yeatman**, Joep Vanoosterhout, Adrienne Chan, Alfred Matengeni, Megan Landes, Richard Bedell, Gift Kawalazira, and Sumeet Sodhi. "Trends in ART initiation among men and non-pregnant/non-breastfeeding women before and after Option B+ in southern Malawi. *PLoS ONE* 11(12): e0165025.
- Sennott, Christie and **Sara Yeatman**. "Surprising results: HIV testing and changes in contraceptive practices among young women in Malawi." *Journal of Biosocial Science* 48[2]: 174-191.
- 2015 Dovel, Kathryn*, **Sara Yeatman**, Susan Watkins, and Michelle Poulin. "Men's heightened risk of AIDS-related death: The legacy of gendered HIV testing and treatment strategies." *AIDS* 29[10]: 1123-1125.
- Yeatman, Sara** and Christie Sennott. "The sensitivity of measures of unwanted and unintended pregnancy to question timing: Evidence from Malawi." *Maternal and Child Health Journal* 19[7]:1593-1600.
- Yeatman, Sara**, Risa Hoffman, Abdallah Chilungo, Sydney Lungu, Hazel Namadingo, Angela Chimwaza, and Jenny Trinitipoli. "Health-seeking behavior and symptoms associated with early HIV infection: Results from a population-based cohort in southern Malawi." *JAIDS Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes* 69[1]: 126-130.
- 2014 Angotti, Nicole, Michelle Poulin, Margaret Frye, Amy Kaler, Susan Watkins, and **Sara Yeatman** [equal authorship]. "Popular moralities and institutional rationalities in Malawi's struggle against AIDS." *Population and Development Review* 40[3]: 447-473.
- Yeatman, Sara** and Christie Sennott*. "The relationship between partners' family size preferences in southern Malawi." *Studies in Family Planning* 45[3]: 361-377.
- Grant, Monica and **Sara Yeatman**. "The impact of family transitions on child fostering in rural Malawi." *Demography* 51[1]: 205-228.
- Trinitipoli, Jenny, **Sara Yeatman**, and Jasmine Fledderjohann. "Sibling support and educational prospects of young adults in Malawi." *Demographic Research* 30[19]: 547-578.
- 2013 **Yeatman, Sara**, Christie Sennott*, and Steven Culpepper. "Young women's dynamic family size preferences in the context of transitioning fertility." *Demography* 50[5]: 1715-1737.
- Conroy, Amy*, **Sara Yeatman**, and Kathryn Dovel*. "The social construction of AIDS during a time of evolving access to antiretroviral therapy in rural Malawi." *Culture, Health & Sexuality* 15[8]: 924-37.

- Muchimba, Maureen, Megan Burton, **Sara Yeatman**, Abdallah Chilungo, Brett Haberstick, Susan Young, Robin Corley, and Matthew McQueen. "Behavioral disinhibition and sexual risk behavior among adolescents and young adults in Malawi." *PLoS ONE* 8[9]: e73574.
- Yeatman, Sara**, Kathryn Dovel*, Amy Conroy*, and Hazel Namadingo. "HIV treatment optimism and its relationship with sexual risk behavior among a population-based sample of young adults in southern Malawi." *AIDS Care* 25[8]: 1018-1025.
- 2012 Grant, Monica and **Sara Yeatman**. "The relationship between orphanhood and child fostering in sub-Saharan Africa." *Population Studies* 66[3]: 279-295.
- Sennott, Christie* and **Sara Yeatman**. "The stability of fertility preferences and the predictors of change among young women in Malawi." *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health* 38[1]: 34-42.
- 2011 **Yeatman, Sara** and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Best-friend reports: A tool for measuring the prevalence of sensitive behaviors." *American Journal of Public Health* 101[9]: 1666-1667.
- Trinitapoli, Jenny and **Sara Yeatman**. "Uncertainty and fertility in a generalized AIDS epidemic." *American Sociological Review* 76[6]: 935-954.
- Yeatman, Sara**. "'HIV is the enemy of childbearers': The construction of local epidemiology in rural Malawi." *Culture, Health & Sexuality* 13[4]: 471-483.
- 2009 **Yeatman, Sara**. "HIV infection and fertility preferences in rural Malawi." *Studies in Family Planning* 40(4): 261-276.
- Yeatman, Sara**. "The impact of HIV status and perceived status on fertility desires in rural Malawi." *AIDS & Behavior* 13: S12-S19.
- Angotti, Nicole, Agatha Bula, Lauren Gaydosch, Eitan Zeev Kimchi, Rebecca Thornton, and **Sara Yeatman**. "Increasing the acceptability of HIV counseling and testing with three C's: Convenience, confidentiality and credibility." *Social Science & Medicine* 68 [2]: 2263-2270.
- 2008 **Yeatman, Sara** and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Beyond denomination: The relationship between religion and family planning in rural Malawi." *Demographic Research* 19 [55]: 1851-1882.
- 2007 **Yeatman, Sara**. "Ethical and public health considerations in HIV counseling and testing: What do we know and what should that mean for policy?" *Studies in Family Planning* 38 [4]: 271-8.
- 2006 **Yeatman, Sara**, Joseph Potter, and Daniel Grossman. "Over-the-counter access, changing WHO guidelines, and the prevalence of contraindicated oral contraceptive use in Mexico." *Studies in Family Planning* 37 [3]: 197-204.
- [Used](#) to support the World Health Organization's decision to recommend over-the-counter access to oral contraception.

Book Chapters

- 2015 Yeatman, Sara. “Measuring Reproductive Health” in Global Population and Reproductive Health (editor: Deborah McFarlane). Jones and Bartlett—Essential Public Health Series.
- 2013 Yeatman, Sara and Jenny Trinitapoli. “‘I will give birth but not too much’: HIV-positive childbearing in rural Malawi” in Women, Motherhood and Living with HIV/AIDS: A Cross-Cultural Perspective (editor: Pranee Liamputtong). Springer Netherlands. Pp 93-109.

Grants

- 2024-2029 Co-Investigator, “Life Course Impacts of Reduced Access to Contraception,” (PI, Amanda Stevenson). NICHD R01 HD116105. (\$3,119,691 total costs)
- 2024-2026 Co-Investigator, “Reproductive Healthcare Deserts and Inequalities in Maternal and Infant Health,” (PI, Christie Sennott). NICHD R21 HD115062. (\$427,363 total costs)
- 2024-2025 Principal Investigator, “University of Colorado Population Center—Development Core.” NICHD P2C HD066613.
- 2023-2024 Principal Investigator, “University of Colorado Population Center.” NICHD P2C HD066613. (\$313,153 total costs)
- 2023-2025 Co-Investigator, “Beyond Boom and Bust: Heterogeneous Fertility Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic,” (PI, Leslie Root). NICHD R03 HD110815. (\$156,000 total costs)
- 2020-2025 Co-Investigator, “Increased Access to Highly Effective Contraception: An Opportunity Dividend?,” (PI, Amanda Stevenson). NICHD R01 HD101480 (\$2,729,305 total costs)
- 2020-2023 Co-Investigator, “Long-term Impact of Access to Contraception,” (PI, Amanda Stevenson). The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation (\$705,000 total costs)
- 2019-2021 Principal Investigator (M), “Prospective Determinants of Unintended Pregnancy and its Health Consequences.” NICHD R03 HD097360 (\$174,114 total costs)
- 2019-2020 Co-Principal Investigator (with Jean Scandlyn), “Exploring Ways to Improve Access to Adolescent Reproductive Health Services in El Alto, Bolivia.” Office of Research Services, CU Denver (\$28,756)
- 2019-2020 Principal Investigator, “Contraceptive Access Through School-Based Health Centers.” CU Denver CRISP Award (\$5,000)
- 2018-2020 Consultant, “Expanding Access to Longitudinal Population-Based Data on HIV in Young Adulthood.” (PI, Jenny Trinitapoli). NICHD R03 HD095690 (\$162,000 total costs)
- 2018-2019 Co-Investigator, “Assessing Life Course Impacts of Expanded Access to LARCs in Colorado”, (PI, Amanda Stevenson). The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation (\$450,000 direct costs)
- 2017-2018 Co-Investigator, “Assessing Life Course Impacts of Expanded Access to LARCs in Colorado”, (PI, Amanda Stevenson). Society of Family Planning. (\$120,000 direct costs)

2017-2018	Principal Investigator, Planning Grant for “Assessing Life Course Impacts of Expanded Access to LARCs in Colorado.” CU Denver CRISP Award, (\$9,680)
2013-2018	Co-Investigator (PI of UCD subcontract: \$657,102 in total costs), “The Relationship Between HIV and Fertility in a Context of Expanding ART Access”, (PI, Jenny Trinitapoli). NICHD R01 HD077873 (\$2,371,218 total costs)
2015-2016	Co-Mentor, “Gender, Power, and Perinatal HIV in Urban Zambia”, (PI, Karen Hampanda). NIMH National Research Service Award Pre-doctoral Individual Fellowship. F31- MH107348.
2014-2016	Mentor, “Gender Disparities in High-Risk PITC: The Role of Policy on Provider Practices,” (PI, Kathryn Dovel). NIMH National Research Service Award Pre-Doctoral Individual Fellowship, F31- MH103078.
2010-2012	Principal Investigator, “Young Adults’ Responses to ART: Implications of ART in a Generalized Epidemic”, NICHD R03 HD067099 (\$146,383 in total costs).
2010-2012	Co-Mentor, “Gender, Relationship Power, and HIV Testing in Rural Malawi”, (PI, Amy Conroy). NIMH National Research Service Award Pre-Doctoral Individual Fellowship, F31-MH093260.
2010-2011	Co-Investigator (PI of UCD subcontract: \$58,985 in total costs), ARRA Supplement to R01 HD058366
2009-2010	Principal Investigator, Faculty Development Grant, University of Colorado Denver, “Relationship Power and HIV Risk in Malawi” (\$5,000)
2008-2013	Co-Investigator (PI of UCD subcontract: \$326,270 in total costs), “Young Adults’ Strategies for Navigating Reproduction in an AIDS Epidemic”, (PI, Jenny Trinitapoli,). NICHD R01 HD058366 (\$2,449,171)
2006	Co-Investigator, National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. “Childbearing Preferences in Times of Crisis: Economic and Sociocultural Processes and Explanations” SES-0623543 (PI, Joseph Potter) (\$7,495) Co-Investigator, Mellon AIDS Node, “HIV Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT) in Mchinji District, Malawi: A Complete District Surveillance Study on Uptake and Attitudes” (PI, Hans-Peter Kohler) (\$14,000) Co-Investigator, University Research Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, “HIV Voluntary Counseling and Testing in Mchinji District, Malawi: A Complete District Surveillance Study on Uptake and Attitudes” (PI, Hans-Peter Kohler) (\$21,000)
2005	Principal Investigator, University of Texas Liberal Arts Graduate Research Fellowship. “Fertility in Times of Crisis: The Case of the AIDS Epidemic in Rural Malawi” (\$1,970) Principal Investigator, Summer Research Award, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. “HIV, Fertility and Religion in Rural Malawi” (\$3,000)

Other Publications

- Smith-Greenaway, Emily, **Sara Yeatman**, and Abdallah Chilungo. "Unpacking the mortality-fertility link: the role of unintended fertility." [N-IUSSP](#). April 25, 2022.
- Yeatman, Sara** and Emily Smith-Greenaway. "What happens to women who have unintended pregnancies? Well, it depends." [The Society Pages](#). Council on Contemporary Families. November 2, 2021.
- Schmitt, Merrill, Lisette Martinez[^], Safa Mecherghi[^], Marisa Westbrook* and Sara Yeatman. "Student health needs assessment and community resources." Kids First Health Care community needs assessment for school-based health center. Fall 2019.
- Yeatman, Sara** and Courtney Allen[^]. "The dynamics of fertility preferences in southern Malawi." In *Le dividend démographique en Afrique subsaharienne*. (edited by Daniel Delauney and Jean-Pierre Guengant). Université Paris 1 Pantheon Sorbonne. March 2019.
- Dovel, Kathryn, Morna Cornell, **Sara Yeatman**, and Stephanie Chamberlin*. "Malawi's health system puts women first: This isn't always a good thing." [The Conversation](#). February 19, 2019.
- Stevenson, Amanda and **Sara Yeatman**. "Administration targets family planning programs." Guest commentary, Denver Post. May 28, 2018.
- Dovel, Kathryn*, **Sara Yeatman**, Susan Watkins, and Michelle Poulin. 2016. "Author's reply: Prioritizing strategies to reduce AIDS-related mortality for men in sub-Saharan Africa." *AIDS*. 30[1]:158-159.
- Yeatman, Sara**. Book review of *Gender, HIV and Risk: Navigating Structural Violence* by Emma Louise Anderson. *The Journal of Modern African Studies*. 2016. 54[1]: 184-185.
- Dovel, Kathryn*, **Sara Yeatman**, and Susan Watkins. "Dying from a treatable disease: HIV and the men we neglect." [The Conversation](#) and [The Huffington Post](#). February 23, 2016.
- Grossman, Daniel, Kari White, Liza Fuentes, Kristine Hopkins, Amanda Stevenson, **Sara Yeatman**, and Joseph Potter. "Knowledge, opinion and experience related to abortion self-induction in Texas." Texas Policy Evaluation Project Research Brief. November 17, 2015.
- Also published as conference abstract: 2015. *Contraception*. 92[4]:360-361.
- Cited in an [amicus brief](#) before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit.
- Yeatman, Sara**, Jenny Trinitapoli, and Sarah Hayford. 2013. "Letter to the Editor: Limitations of clinic-based studies on HIV and fertility preferences." *American Journal of Public Health*. 103(6): e5.
- Trinitapoli, Jenny, Janneke Verheijen, Susan Watkins, and **Sara Yeatman**. 2012. "Letter to the Editor: Keeping the family in family planning." *The Lancet Global Health*. 2[7]: e383.
- Yeatman, Sara**. Invited contributor to "Experts Weekly: What is the intersection between religion and family planning?" Think Africa Press. September 14, 2011.

Fellowships and Awards

2023	Athletic Hall of Fame, Tufts University, 2000 Women's Soccer Team
2019	Excellence in Research and Creative Activities Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Colorado Denver
2015	Graduate School Dean's Mentoring Award, University of Colorado Denver
2008	Graduate Fellow, American Academy of Political and Social Science (Award)
2007	William H. Hildebrand Endowed Graduate Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin
2005-2007	NICHD Pre-doctoral Trainee in Demography, University of Texas at Austin
2000	First-Team All-American, Division III Women's Soccer

Invited Presentations

“Unrealized Fertility.” Invited talk at Fertility Goals: Conceptualization, Measurement and Impact for Science and Policy. Pre-PAA conference organized by John Casterline, Sarah Hayford, and Wendy Manning. April 2025.

“The Alignment of Fertility Goals and Behaviors: Looking Back and Looking Ahead.” 30 Years of Sexual and Reproductive Rights: Advances and Setbacks. Institut national d’études démographiques (Ined). Aubervilliers, France. October 2024.

“The Demography of Unrealized Fertility.”

- Population Research Institute, Penn State University. November 2023.
- CU Population Center. October 2023.

“The Impact of Expanded Contraceptive Access on Women’s Lives.”

- Leverhulme Centre for Demographic Science, Oxford University. February 2023.
- Social Research Group/Centre for Longitudinal Studies, University College London. November 2022.
- Population Studies Group, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. October 2022.

Discussant, Session on “High Fertility: Causes, Consequences, Variation.” Population Association of America Conference, Atlanta, April 2022.

“Measuring Fertility Desires, Predictability, and Flexibility.” International Workshop on Methodologies for Measuring Pregnancy Intention, and Unintended Pregnancy and Birth. International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)—Scientific Panel on Abortion Research, May 2021.

“Author Meets Critics: Obstacle Course: The Everyday Struggle to Get an Abortion in America by David Cohen and Carol Joffe.” Pacific Sociological Association, March 2021.

“Assessing the Educational Impacts of Expanded Access to LARCs in Colorado”. Colorado School of Public Health, Department of Epidemiology’s Seminar Series, March 2021.

Discussant, Session on “Reproductive Behavior and Sexual Health of Middle and Older Adults.” Population Association of America Conference, Austin, April 2019.

Discussant, Session on “Sexually Transmitted Infections, HIV, Fertility, and Reproductive Health.” Population Association of America Conference, Denver, April 2018.

“Best Friend Approach in Malawi”. Expert Meeting on Abortion Estimation Methodologies. Guttmacher Institute. September 2017.

“The Dynamics of Fertility Preferences in Southern Malawi”. Institut national d’études démographiques (Ined). Paris, France. May 2017.

Discussant, Session on “Couples’ Reproductive Health and Fertility: International Perspectives.” Population Association of America Conference, Chicago, April 2017.

“Women’s (Health) Work: Accounting for Gender Inequality in Time-Spent Seeking Healthcare”. Purdue University, Center for Research on Young People’s Health. Symposium: Beyond Risk: Social Influences of Young Women’s Health in Africa. February 2017.

“The Consequences of Unplanned Births (and Their Measurement) for Child and Parental Health in Malawi.” Population and Health Workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, October 2016.

“Best-Friend Reports: A Tool for Measuring the Prevalence of Sensitive Behaviors.” Instituto de Saúde Pública da Universidade do Porto, Portugal, February 2016.

“Existing Literature on the Impact of ART on Fertility.” UNAIDS Reference Group Meeting on Modeling Pediatric HIV and the Need for ART. London, October 2015.

“Best-Friend Reports: A Tool for Measuring the Prevalence of Sensitive Behaviors.” Population, Education, and Health Seminar Series. University of Missouri. November 2014.

Discussant, Session on “HIV/AIDS.” Population Association of America Conference, San Francisco, May 2012.

“Fertility Preference Dynamics in the Context of Transitioning Fertility.” Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado Boulder, April 2012.

“The Value of Panel Designs.” African Population Studies Short Course on Longitudinal Data Management and Analysis, Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado Boulder. July 2011.

“Issues Surrounding HIV Testing in Sub-Saharan Africa.” University of Colorado Denver Global Health Conference, October 2010.

Discussant, Session on “Sexual Behavior, Condom Use and STIs.” Population Association of America Conference, Dallas, April 2010.

“Moving Beyond Live Births: What We Can Learn from Measuring Pregnancy, Abortion and Fetal Loss in Southern Malawi.” Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado Boulder. April 2010.

“Tsogolo la Thanzi: A Social Examination of Young People and HIV/AIDS in Southern Malawi.” Center for AIDS Research, University of Colorado Denver, December 2009.

“Ethical and Public Health Considerations in HIV Counseling and Testing: What Do We Know and What Should That Mean for Policy?” HIV Research Net Conference. Bergen, Norway. October 2007.

“Fertility in Times of Crisis: HIV Infection and Childbearing Intentions in Rural Malawi.” Guttmacher Institute. New York City. July 2007.

Professional Activities and Memberships

Organizer. “Unrealized Fertility.” International Union for the Scientific Study of Population. Brisbane, Australia. 2025.

Organizing Committee for Fertility, Family Planning, Sexual Behavior, and Reproductive Health. 2025 Population Association of America Annual Conference.

Board Member, Population Association of America. 2024-2026.

Organizer. “Sexually Transmitted Infections.” Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Columbus, OH. 2024.

External Examiner, Imperial College London, Department of Infectious Disease Epidemiology. 2023.

Member, Editor Search Committee, Studies in Family Planning. 2022.

Editorial board. Studies in Family Planning. 2022-2024.

Editorial board. Population Research and Policy Review. 2018-2023.

Harriet Presser Award Committee, Population Association of America. 2020-2024.

Co-Organizer. “Fertility.” American Sociological Association. Virtual. August 2021.

Co-Organizer. “Infectious Disease and Reproductive Health.” Population Association of America Conference. Virtual. April 2021.

Organizer/Chair. “Sexually Transmitted Infections, HIV, Fertility and Reproductive Health.” Population Association of America Conference. Washington, DC. April 2020.
[conference cancelled due to COVID-19]

Chair. “Fertility Intentions: Causes and Consequences.” Population Association of America Conference. Austin, TX. April 2019.

Ad hoc reviewer. National Science Foundation. 2014, 2016, 2019.

Co-organizer. “Mini-Conference on African Population, Environment and Health.” Institute of Behavioral Science. Boulder, CO. April 25, 2018.

Chair. “Trends in HIV Incidence, HIV Care and Treatment, and Population Projections in Africa.” IUSSP Conference, Cape Town, South Africa. November 2017.

Oral Abstracts Judge. North American Forum on Family Planning. October 2017.
 Poster Judge. “Fertility, Family Planning, Sexual Behavior, & Reproductive Health.” PAA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2017.
 Organizer, “Fertility Intentions: Measurement and Meaning.” PAA Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, April/May 2015.
 Chair. “AIDS in the Era of ART.” PAA Annual Conference, Boston, MA, May 2014.
 Poster Judge. “Family Planning, Sexual Behavior & Reproductive Health.” PAA Annual Conference, Boston, MA, May 2014.
 Organizer/Chair, “Fertility Intentions Over Time”. XXVII IUSSP International Population Conference, Korea, August 2013.
 Organizer/Chair, “Reproductive Ambivalence and Uncertainty”. XXVII IUSSP International Population Conference, Korea, August 2013.
 Dissertation Opponent, Faculty of Medicine, University of Oslo, Norway, June 2013.
 Dissertation Opponent, Center for International Health, University of Bergen, Norway, June 2011.
 Reviewer, Ibis Reproductive Health, Ellertson Post-Doctoral Projects. 2009.
 Full Fellow, Society for Family Planning
 Member, Population Association of America
 Member, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population
 Member, European Association of Population Studies

Occasional reviewer (select): Demography, The Lancet, Lancet Infectious Diseases, Lancet Global Health, BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health, Studies in Family Planning, Population and Development Review, Population Studies, AIDS, AIDS & Behavior, American Sociological Review, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Bulletin of the World Health Organization, Social Science & Medicine, Journal of Marriage and Family, European Journal of Population, Demographic Research

Courses Taught

PBHL 2052 Global Demography and Health, undergraduate (CU Denver)
 PBHL 3071 Global Topics in Sexual and Reproductive Health, undergraduate (CU Denver)
 PBHL 3070 Perspectives in Global Health, undergraduate (CU Denver)
 HBSC 7041 Research Design in the Health and Behavioral Sciences, doctoral (CU Denver)

Dissertation and Thesis Committees

Students are from the CU Denver Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences unless otherwise stated. Parentheses indicate fellowships or grants awarded while a student, or program if outside of HBS.

Dissertation Advisor, In Progress:

Aleksandra Cejovic
 Carol Franco-Rowe

Dissertation Advisor, Completed:

Bonginkhosi “Petros” Vilakati, Assistant Professor, St. Lawrence University
 Leah Pauline
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