

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

Beyond Coresidence: Measuring Intimate and Familial Ties

Within and Across Households

September 24th 2021: 11:00am to 3:30pm (ET)

Introduction and Goals (11:00-11:10) Susan Brown

Panel 1 (11:10-11:55) Case Studies: Lessons Learned from Studying Intimate Relationships

- *Wendy Manning*, The Evolution of the Measurement of Cohabitation as a Family Form
- *Kelly Raley*, Strengths and Limitations of Household-Based Surveys
- Tera Jordan, The Complex Business of Researching Adult Relationships
- Open panel discussion

Break (11:55-12:00)

Panel 1 Breakout Rooms (12:00-12:45) Small Group Discussions

- Room 1: How can we balance the need to focus on a broader set of relationships with the challenges of measuring such relationships? (*Wendy Manning*)
- Room 2: What research questions could we answer with data on relationships to people outside of the household? And why is answering this question important? *(Kelly Raley)*
- Room 3: Which relationship complexities interest you? Which relationship complexities are misunderstood or ignored? *(Tera Jordan)*

Break (12:45-1:00)

Panel 2 (1:00-1:55) Critical Lenses: New Directions in Conceptualizing and Measuring Intimate Relationships

- Deadric Williams, Decentering Marriage as a Way to Decenter Whiteness
- *Kate Choi*, Diversity Within Ethno-Racial and Socioeconomic Categories: The Role of Assortative Mating
- *Paula Fomby*, Missed Measurement: Strategies for Inclusive Data Collection on Intimate Relationships
- *Karen Benjamin Guzzo*, Beyond the Nuclear Family: Identifying but Not Stigmatizing Variation in Intimate and Parental Ties
- Open panel discussion

Break (1:55-2:00)

Panel 2 Breakout Rooms (2:00-2:45) Small Group Discussions

- Room 1: Can family scholars measure more diverse sets of family forms by thinking exclusively about interracial analyses, or do we have to be intentionally intraracial? *(Deadric Williams)*
- Room 2: What dimensions of family life, and among whom, are not being captured by existing work and why? What type of data collection effort do we need to embark upon to capture more diverse populations and couples? *(Kate Choi)*
- Room 3: Does the field focus too much on 'negative' aspects of family variability? If so, what kinds of information are we missing? (*Karen Benjamin Guzzo*)
- Room 4: How can we use current or new fields, methods, and vocabulary to achieve inclusive measurement of intimate relationships? (*Paula Fomby*)

Break (2:45-3:00)

<u>Wrap Up (3:00-3:30)</u> Bridging the Gap Between Lessons Learned and New Directions: How to Spur Innovative Measurement of Intimate Relationships (Moderator: *Susan Brown*)