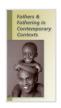


## Fathers and Fathering in Contemporary Contexts 2012 Research Conference Abstract



## **NONRESIDENT FATHERS**

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I will present a broad overview of my research on nonresident fathers and their children, providing examples of key findings and insights from different studies coming out of this body of work. This research has focused on two key aims: (1) to\_understand how nonresident fathers participate in the lives of children and how paternal participation varies by characteristics that represent the increasing diversity of families in the U.S., and (2) to assess the importance of nonresident father involvement for child well-being and to determine the contexts in which such involvement is most beneficial to children.