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PhD Candidate, Sociology
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2022- present Ph.D. (expected Spring 2025), Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
Sociology, Family and Social Psychology

2020- 2022 M.A., Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
Sociology, Family and Social Psychology
Thesis: Emotional Support Among Sexual Minority and Heterosexual Couples During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Committee: Dr. Wendy D. Manning (Chair), Dr. Monica Longmore, and Dr. Kei Nomaguchi

2016-2019 B.A., Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
Major: Sociology; Minors: Legal Studies and Human Services
Summa Cum Laude; Highest Honors, Honors College
Thesis: Religious Participation and Happiness: Data from Two Texas Studies
Advisor: Dr. Gene Theodori

Research Interests

Family, Sexual and Gender Minority Individuals, LGBTQ+ Community, Same-Gender Parenting, Mental Health, Social Support, Gender

Employment

Graduate Assistant for Dr. Wendy D. Manning, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
Summer 2021- present on NICHD funded grant projects
Responsibilities include reviewing literature, conducting preliminary analyses, assisting in reference work, preparing papers for conferences and publications.

Graduate Assistant for Dr. Kei Nomaguchi, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
Fall 2020-Summer 2021
Responsibilities included collecting race and parenting research and teaching assistant duties (grading papers and assignments) for Sociology of the Family (SOC 3160).

Research and Teaching Assistant for Dr. Gene Theodori, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
Fall 2017- Fall 2019
Analyzed academic literature in a code-a-thon; Assisted in editing a book for republishing; Assessed an SPSS file and cleaned the data sheet; Led classes when needed.

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Emily Cabaniss, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
Fall 2019
Graded weekly reflection papers for a Gender and Inequality Course; Led a class discussion on same-gender parenting.

Published Research

Gustafson, Kristen E., Wendy D. Manning, and Claire M. Kamp Dush. 2023. "Emotional Support among Partnered Sexual Minority and Heterosexual Individuals during the COVID-19 Pandemic." *Social Science Research* 114:102910. doi: [10.1016/j.ssresearch.2023.102910](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2023.102910).

Gustafson, Kristen E., and Wendy D. Manning. Forthcoming. "Use of Large Datasets in LGBTQ Research." In A. E. Goldberg (Eds.), *SAGE Encyclopedia of LGBTQ Studies* (2nd ed.). SAGE Publications.

Nomaguchi, Kei, Melissa A. Milkie, Amira Allen, and **Kristen E. Gustafson**. 2021. "Racial/Ethnic Variation in Residential Fathers Time in Childcare and Co-Presence with Children." *SocArXiv*. doi: [10.31235/osf.io/xmgfu](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/xmgfu)

Research in Progress

Stewart, Susan D., Wendy D. Manning, **Kristen E. Gustafson**, and Claire M. Kamp Dush. "Using Alcohol to Cope with the COVID-19 Pandemic: Differentials According to Sexual and Gender Identities." – Preparing for submission

Manning, Wendy D., Claire M. Kamp Dush, and **Kristen E. Gustafson**. "Healthcare Discrimination During the COVID-19 Pandemic Among Sexual and Gender Minority Individuals." – To be submitted to *American Journal of Public Health*

Gustafson, Kristen E., Wendy D. Manning, and Claire M. Kamp Dush. Social Support and Mental Health During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Focus on Gender and Sexual Identity – To be submitted to *Socius*

Conference Presentations

2023 "Sexual Identity Centrality and Health Across Age Cohorts."

Kristen E. Gustafson, Wendy D. Manning, Monica A. Longmore, and Claire Kamp Dush
Accepted to 2023 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS) Meeting in Baltimore, MD.

2023 "Family Planning and Concerns of Unfair Treatment of (Potential) Children Among Partnered Sexual and Gender Minority Individuals."

Kristen E. Gustafson, Wendy D. Manning, and Claire Kamp Dush
Accepted for poster presentation at 2023 IAPHS Meeting in Baltimore, MD.

2023 "Couples' Fertility Plans in an Era of Uncertainty"

Wendy D. Manning, Karen B. Guzzo, **Kristen E. Gustafson**, Claire Kamp Dush, and Alexandra VanBergen

Presented at 2023 American Sociological Association Meeting in Philadelphia, PA

2023 "Using Alcohol to Cope with the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Focus on Gender and Sexual Identity."

Susan D. Stewart, Wendy D. Manning, **Kristen E. Gustafson**, and Claire M. Kamp Dush
Presented at 2023 Population Association of America Meeting in New Orleans, LA.

2022 "Social Support and Mental Health During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Focus on Gender and Sexual Identity."

Kristen E. Gustafson, Wendy D. Manning, and Claire Kamp Dush
Presented at 2022 BGSU/OSU Graduate Student Conference in Bowling Green, OH
Presented at 2023 Population Association of America Meeting in New Orleans, LA.

2022 "Social Support for Sexual Minority Families During the COVID-19 Pandemic."

Kristen E. Gustafson, Wendy D. Manning, and Claire Kamp Dush
Presented at 2022 Population Association of America Meeting in Atlanta, GA.
Accepted to 2021 Southern Demographic Association Meeting, but meeting was canceled due to COVID-19.
Presented at 2021 BGSU/OSU Graduate Student Conference in Columbus, OH

- 2020 “Religious Participation and Happiness: Data from Two Texas Studies.”
Kristen E. Gustafson and Gene L. Theodori
 Presented at 2020 Southern Rural Sociological Association Meeting in Louisville, KY
 Received the Outstanding Professional Paper Award
- 2019 “Religious Participation and Happiness: Data from Two Texas Studies.”
Kristen E. Gustafson and Gene L. Theodori
 Presented at 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium, Sam Houston State University in
 Huntsville, TX
- 2018 “Gay Parenting: An Exploratory Study.”
Kristen E. Gustafson and TzeLi Hsu
 Presented at 2018 Southern Sociological Society Meeting in New Orleans, LA

Service

2020- present	Member, BGSU Sociology Graduate Student Association (SGSA)
2021- present	Mentor, BGSU Sociology Graduate Student Mentorship Program
2022- present	Historian, BGSU SGSA
2022- present	Certified in Mental Health First Aid USA
2021-2022	Graduate Faculty Representative (SGSA)
2016-2019	Member, SHSU American Sign Language Association
	2017-2018 Vice President
	2018-2019 President
2019	Ambassador, SHSU College of Humanities and Social Sciences Ambassador Program
2017-2019	Sexual Assault and Abuse Free Environment (SAAFE) House Volunteer, Huntsville, TX

Awards and Honors

2020- present	Recipient of GA Stipend and Full Tuition Scholarship
2023	BGSU Graduate College Distinguished Thesis Award
2020	Outstanding Professional Paper Award (2020 SRSA Conference in Louisville, KY)
2019	Recipient of Augusta Lawrence Scholarship- The Augusta Lawrence Scholarship is a scholarship selected by the Honors College recognizing top Honors students who have distinguished themselves through outstanding academic achievement.
2018	Raven Scholar- Only awarded to 100 students per year, the Raven Scholar award recognizes academic success as well as integrated campus-life service and leadership skills.

Communication and Analysis Skills

Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel
 SPSS 25; Stata
 Language Skills: American Sign Language