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# **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

population health	healthcare access	migration
medical sociology	archival data	population & environment

#### **EDUCATION**

2020 –	PhD student, Sociology, University of Washington	
2022 –	Affiliate PhD student, Population, Health, and Data Science Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR-PHDS)	
2016	MSc. Demography and Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Thesis: "The association of migration and comprehensive HIV knowledge in Malawian women: an analysis of Demographic and Health Surveys data"	

2015 B.S. Public Health,

University of Colorado Denver

Minor: Demography

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021 – **Research Assistant** 

Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, PI: Sara Curran

2020 Research Assistant

University of Washington, PI: Zack Almquist

2020 -**Senior Research Data Analyst** 

2017 – 2020 **Research Data Analyst** 

The Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) Program, ICF, Rockville, Maryland

2017 **Research Assistant** 

University of Colorado Denver

2015 Field Research Assistant

> University of Colorado Denver, Balaka, Malawi, 2-month fixed-term position Tsogolo la Thanzi longitudinal study http://tsogololathanzi.uchicago.edu

# OTHER WORK EXPERIENCES THAT SHAPED MY SOCIOLOGICAL IMAGINATION

2010 – 2013	<b>Certified Nursing Assistant –</b> Denver Health and Hospitals Authority
2010 – 2011	Intern Case Manager - Denver Rescue Mission
2009 – 2010	Rehabilitation Tech - Craig Hospital, Spinal Cord Injury Unit
2008	Certified Nursing Assistant - Little Sisters of the Poor Nursing Home

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2021 MacQuarrie, Kerry LD, **Courtney Allen**, Alison Gemmill. "Demographic and Fertility Characteristics of Contraceptive Clusters in Burundi." *Studies in Family* 

Planning. 2021. 52(4), pp.415-438. https://doi.org/10.1111/sifp.12179

2019 Wang, Wenjuan, Lindsay Mallick, **Courtney Allen**, and Thomas Pullum.

"Effective coverage of facility delivery in Bangladesh, Haiti, Malawi, Nepal,

Senegal, and Tanzania." PloS one. 2019. 14(6): e0217853.

https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0217853

Mallick, Lindsay, Jennifer Yourkavitch, and **Courtney Allen**. "Trends, determinants, and newborn mortality related to thermal care and umbilical cord care practices in South Asia." *BMC Pediatrics* 2019, 19: 248.

https://doi.org/10.1186/s12887-019-1616-2

#### MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Submitted Allen, Courtney, Shireen Assaf, Sorrel Namaste, and Rukundo K. Benedict.

"Estimates and trends of zero vegetable or fruit consumption among children

aged 6-23 months in 64 countries".

In preparation Allen, Courtney and Sara Yeatman. "Describing Marital Dynamics in Lower and

Middle-Income Countries with Underutilized Demographic and Health Surveys Data".

# **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

2022 Almquist, Zack, İhsan Kahveci, **Courtney Allen** (accepted). "Computational

Demography and Health." In: Handbook of Computational Social Science.

Edward Elgar Publishing.

2020 Allen, Courtney K., Julia Fleuret, Jehan Ahmed. 2020. Data Quality in

Demographic and Health Surveys That Used Long and Short Questionnaires.

DHS Methodological Poports No. 30, Poskvillo, Maryland, USA: ICE

DHS Methodological Reports No. 30. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF.

https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/MR30/MR30.pdf

Mallick, Lindsay, Rukundo K. Benedict, **Courtney Allen**, and Bradley Janocha. 2020. *Proposal of a Quality of Care Index (QOCI)*. DHS Methodological Report

No. 29. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF.

https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/MR29/MR29.pdf

Pullum, Thomas W., Courtney Allen, Sorrel Namaste, and Trevor Croft. 2020.

The Sensitivity of Anthropometric Estimates to Errors in the Measurement of Height, Weight, and Age for Children Under Five in Population-Based Surveys.

DHS Methodological Reports No. 28. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF.

https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/MR28/MR28.pdf

Juan, Christina, **Courtney Allen**, and Kerry L. D. MacQuarrie. 2020. Associations between Women's Current Contraceptive Method Decision Making

and their Reproductive Calendar Histories in Burundi. DHS Working Paper No.

172. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/WP172/WP172.pdf

MacQuarrie, Kerry L.D., **Courtney Allen**, and Alison Gemmill. 2020. *Fertility and Family Planning Characteristics of Contraceptive Clusters in Burundi*. DHS Working Paper No. 171. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/WP171/WP171.pdf

**Allen, Courtney**, Aysha Sheraz, and Tesfayi Gebreselassie. 2020. Trends in Internal Migration and Women's Empowerment in Pakistan, 2012-2018. DHS Further Analysis Reports No. 130. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FA130/FA130.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FA130/FA130.pdf</a>

Allen, Courtney K., Trevor N. Croft, Thomas W. Pullum and Sorrel M. L. Namaste. Evaluation of Indicators to Monitor Quality of Anthropometry Data during Fieldwork. DHS Working Papers No. 162. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/WP162/WP162.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/WP162/WP162.pdf</a>

**Contributor**. Ghana Statistical Service (GSS), Ghana Health Service (GHS), and ICF. 2019. 2017 *Ghana Maternal Health Survey Research Policy Briefs*. Accra, Ghana: GSS, GHS, and ICF.

MacQuarrie, Kerry L. D., Christina Juan, **Courtney Allen**, Sally Zweimueller, and Alison Gemmill. 2019. *Women's Contraceptive Profiles throughout the Life Course in Burundi and Nepal*. DHS Analytical Studies No. 72. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS72/AS72.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS72/AS72.pdf</a>

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. <a href="http://horizon.documentation.ird.fr/exl-doc/pleins">http://horizon.documentation.ird.fr/exl-doc/pleins</a> textes/divers19-03/010075081.pdf

2018 Mallick, Lindsay, Jennifer Yourkavitch and **Courtney Allen**. Thermal care and umbilical cord care practices and their associations with newborn mortality. DHS Analytical Reports No. 68. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS68/AS68.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS68/AS68.pdf</a>

Croft, Trevor and **Courtney Allen**. *DHS Contraceptive Calendar Tutorial*. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF International. September 2018 https://www.dhsprogram.com/data/calendar-tutorial/

Croft, Trevor N., Aileen M. J. Marshall, **Courtney K. Allen**, et al. *Guide to DHS Statistics*. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide">https://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide</a> to DHS Statistics DHS-7.pdf

Wang, Wenjuan, Lindsay Mallick, **Courtney Allen**, and Tom Pullum. *Effective Coverage of Facility Delivery in Bangladesh, Haiti, Malawi, Nepal, Senegal, and Tanzania*. DHS Analytical Studies No. 65. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS65/AS65.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/AS65/AS65.pdf</a>

Mallick, Lindsay, **Courtney Allen**, and Rathavuth Hong. *Trends in Maternal and Child Health in Cambodia, 2000-2014. Further Analysis of the 2000, 2005, 2010, and 2014 Cambodia Demographic and Health Surveys.* DHS Further Analysis Reports No. 106. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FA106/FA106.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/FA106/FA106.pdf</a>

2017 MacQuarrie, Kerry L.D., Lindsay Mallick, and **Courtney Allen**. Sexual and Reproductive Health in Early and Later Adolescence: DHS Data on Youth Age 10-19. DHS Comparative Reports No. 45. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/CR45/CR45.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/CR45/CR45.pdf</a>

Wang, Wenjuan, Sarah Staveteig, Rebecca Winter, and **Courtney Allen**. *Women's Marital Status, Contraceptive Use, and Unmet Need in Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean*. DHS Comparative Reports No. 44. Rockville, Maryland, USA: ICF. <a href="https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/CR44/CR44.pdf">https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/CR44/CR44.pdf</a>

#### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

- Allen, Courtney (discussant). Session no. 57, Computational Demography, Machine Learning, and Algorithmic Bias.
- Allen, Courtney (poster), Aysha Sheraz, Tesfayi Gebreselassie. "Internal migration and women's empowerment in Pakistan." *Originally declined to present in virtual PAA 2020 (COVID-19)*
- Allen, Courtney (presenter) and Sara Yeatman. "Describing Marital Dynamics in Lower and Middle-Income Countries with Underutilized Demographic and Health Surveys Data". Presentation at Population Association of America Conference, Austin, TX, April 2019.

**Allen, Courtney (poster)**, Lindsay Mallick, and Rathavuth Hong. "Stunting Trends in Children in Cambodia, 2000-2014." Poster presented at American Society of Nutrition Conference, Baltimore, MD, June 2019.

Mallick, Lindsay, **Courtney Allen (poster)**, and Rathavuth Hong. "Trends and Inequalities in Maternal Health in Cambodia, 2000-2014." Poster presented at Population Association of America Conference, Austin, TX, April 2019.

2018 Allen, Courtney (poster), Kerry MacQuarrie, and Lindsay Mallick. "Marital indicators characterizing youth Age 10-19 using DHS data." Poster presented at Population Association of America Conference, Denver, CO, April 2018

MacQuarrie, Kerry, Lindsay Mallick, and **Courtney Allen (poster)**. "Contraceptive Use among Adolescents Age 10-19: Estimates from DHS Calendar Data." Poster presented at Population Association of America Conference, Denver, CO April 2018

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2022 summer Instructor, **SOC 331 Population and Society**, University of Washington.

2019 Lead facilitator, Ghana Maternal Health Survey Analysis and Policy Brief

Writing Workshop, The DHS Program. Ada Foah, Ghana. May 2019

2018 Lead facilitator, Indonesia DHS Complex Indicators Workshop, The DHS

Program. Jakarta, Indonesia. November 2018

Co-facilitator, **Tanzania SPA Further Analysis Workshop**, The DHS Program.

Zanzibar, Tanzania. July 2018

Co-facilitator, Nepal Sub-Regional DHS Further Analysis Workshop, The

DHS Program. Pokhara, Nepal. January 2018

# **SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS**

2020 – 2021 Top Scholar Fellowship, University of Washington

2015 First place scholarship, Colorado School of Public Health Case Competition

# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2021 Global Health Science and Practice, Reviewer

2020-present Graduate Student Association, University of Washington, Sociology Department

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Population Association of America, 2017—present American Sociological Association, 2020—present Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science, 2021

#### SOFTWARE SKILLS

R, Stata, NVivo