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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Policy Analysis and Management, Cornell University Expected 2021  
*Concentration in Sociology and minor in Demography*

Dissertation: "Health Without Wealth: Political Contention, Stigma, and Access to Health Care for the Poor"

Committee: Laura Tach (Chair), Vida Maralani, Sharon Sassler, Erin York Cornwell

M.A., Policy Analysis and Management, Cornell University 2018

B.A., Sociology, American University 2012  
Honors: *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, Sociology Honor Society

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING AREAS

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Health and Social Policy, Poverty and Inequality, Health Disparities, Gender and Family, Spatial Demography, Archival Research, Mixed Methods

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

**Parker, Emily.** *Forthcoming*. "Spatial Variation in Access to the Health Care Safety Net for Hispanic Immigrants, 1970-2017." *Social Science & Medicine*.

**Parker, Emily**, Sharon Sassler, and Laura Tach. 2020. "Fatherhood and Racial-Ethnic Differences in the Progression of Romantic Relationships." *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

**Parker, Emily.** 2020. "Gender Differences in the Marital Plans and Union Transitions of First Cohabitations." *Population Research and Policy Review*.

### Manuscripts Under Review

Tach, Laura, **Emily Parker**, Alexandra Cooperstock, and Sam Dodini. "The Place-Based Turn in Federal Policy, 1990-2015." *Revise and Resubmit, American Journal of Sociology*.

**Parker, Emily** Cassandra Robertson, and Laura Tach. "Do Federal Place-based Policies Improve Economic Opportunity in Rural Communities?" *Invited submission for the RSF: Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*.

**Parker, Emily.** "Trash or Treasure? The Social Dimensions of Hoarding." *Under Review*.

Sassler, Sharon, and **Emily Parker**. "Early Transitions into the Work Force among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?" *Under Review*.

Glass, Jennifer, Sharon Sassler, Kara Takasaki, **Emily Parker**, Yael Levitte. "Finding a Job: Gender, Race, and Search Strategies Among STEM Graduates." *Under Review*.

## Manuscripts in Preparation

**Parker, Emily.** “The Market Failure Paradox: Political Contention in the U.S. Welfare State.”

*\*Winner of 2020 APPAM Best Comparative Policy Paper Award*

**Parker, Emily.** “Poverty, Inequality, and Stigma in the Health Care Safety Net.”

Robertson, Cassandra, **Emily Parker**, and Laura Tach. “Historical Redlining and Contemporary Federal Place-Based Policy: A Case of Compensatory or Compounding Neighborhood Inequality?”

Tach, Laura, Sharon Sassler, **Emily Parker**, and Mariana Amorim. “How Housing and Labor Market Conditions Influence the Progression of Romantic Relationships.”

## GRANTS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

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**Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management**, Best Comparative Policy Paper Award for “The Market Failure Paradox: Political Contention in the U.S. Welfare State” (2020): \$1,000

**Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation**, Doctoral Dissertation Grant (2019): \$5,000

**Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy**, Doctoral Dissertation Grant (2019): \$7,500

**Cornell Office of Engagement Initiatives**, Engaged Cornell Graduate Student Grant (2019): \$15,000

**Engagement Scholarship Consortium**, Emerging Engagement Scholar (2019)

**Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality**, Graduate Student Seed Grant (2019): \$1,000

**Cornell University American Studies**, Graduate Student Research Grant (2018): \$1,000

**Cornell University Graduate School**, Research Travel Grant (2018): \$2,000

**Cornell Population Center and Cornell Graduate School**, Conference Travel Grants (2015-2020)

## PRESENTATIONS

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Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (2020), *virtual presentations due to COVID-19*

“The Market Failure Paradox: Political Contention in the U.S. Welfare State.”

“How the Community Health Center Program Addresses Poverty, Inequality, and Stigma.”

Social Science History Association Annual Conference (2020), *canceled due to COVID-19*

“The Market Failure Paradox: Political Contention in the U.S. Welfare State.”

Russell Sage Foundation Conference, Growing Up in Rural America: How Place Shapes Education, Health, Family, and Economic Outcomes (2020), *virtual presentation due to COVID-19*

“Do Federal Place-based Policies Improve Economic Opportunity in Rural Communities?” with Laura Tach and Cassandra Robertson.

International Association for Population Health Science (2020), *virtual presentations due to COVID-19*

“The Market Failure Paradox: Political Contention in the U.S. Welfare State.”

“How the Community Health Center Program Addresses Poverty, Inequality, and Stigma.”

American Sociological Association (2020), *virtual presentation due to COVID-19*

“How the Community Health Center Program Addresses Poverty, Inequality, and Stigma.”

Population Association of America (2020), *canceled due to COVID-19*

“Do Federal Place-Based Policies Improve Economic Opportunity in Rural Communities?” with Laura Tach and Cassandra Robertson.

Cornell Population Center Graduate Training Seminar (2019), *Ithaca, NY*

“Mixed Methods and Qualitative Research in Demography” with Maureen Waller (Invited talk).

American Sociological Association (2019), *New York City, NY*

“Spatial Variation in Access to the Health Care Safety Net for Hispanic Immigrants in Established and New Destinations, 1970-2017.”

“Early Transitions into the Work Force among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?” with Sharon Sassler.

“Historical Redlining and Contemporary Federal Place-Based Policy: A Case of Compensatory or Compounding Neighborhood Inequality” with Laura Tach and Cassandra Robertson.

Urban Affairs Association (2019), *Los Angeles, CA*

“The Place-Based Turn in Federal Policymaking, 1990-2015” with Laura Tach, Sam Dodini, and Alexandra Cooperstock.

Population Association of America (2019), *Austin, TX*

“Spatial Variation in Access to the Health Care Safety Net for Hispanic Immigrants.”

“How Housing and Labor Market Conditions Influence the Progression of Romantic Relationships” with Laura Tach, Sharon Sassler, and Mariana Amorim.

“The Place-Based Turn in Federal Policymaking, 1990-2015” with Laura Tach, Sam Dodini, and Alexandra Cooperstock.

“Marital Plans and Relationship Tempo Among Cohabitors: Differences by Gender and Social Class” Poster with Lauren Griffin.

Population Association of America (2018), *Denver, CO*

“Plans for Marriage Among First-Time Cohabitors: Gender, Transitions, and Tempo.”

“Early Transitions into the Workforce Among Engineering Majors: Does Gender Matter?” Poster with Sharon Sassler.

American Sociology Association Annual Meeting (2017), *Montreal, QB*

“Gendered Attitudes and Plans for Marriage Upon Entering First Cohabitations.”

“Fear in the Urban Activity Spaces of Older Adults: Crime, Policing, and Disorder” with Erin York Cornwell.

“Fatherhood and the Progression of Romantic Relationships” with Sharon Sassler and Laura Tach.

Population Association of America (2017) *Chicago, IL*

“Having a STEM Job by Spring: Feeding the Pipeline, or Leaking Away?” with Sharon Sassler.

“Fatherhood and the Progression of Romantic Relationships” with Sharon Sassler and Laura Tach.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Graduate Research Assistant, Professor Laura Tach

Sept. 2018 - present

“Assessing the Impact of Place-Based and Place-Conscious Interventions on Economic Mobility,” funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Cornell University’s Center for the Study of Inequality.

Graduate Research Assistant, Professor Sharon Sassler

June 2016 – Sept. 2018

“Early Career Transitions into STEM Employment: Processes Shaping Retention and Satisfaction,”  
funded by the National Science Foundation.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Graduate Teaching Assistant, Population and Public Policy	Spring 2016
Graduate Teaching Assistant, U.S. Health Care System	Fall 2015

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Graduate Student Mentor, Cornell Office of Academic Diversity and Inclusion	Sept. 2018 - Present
Co-editor of the Medical Sociology Newsletter Student Section	Sept. 2019 – July 2020
Graduate Student Fellow, Scholars Strategy Network Finger Lakes Chapter	Aug. 2017 – May 2018
President, Graduate Students in Policy Analysis and Management	Aug. 2016 – July 2017

### Occasional Reviewer

*Demography, International Migration Review, Population Research and Policy Review*

### Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association, Population Association of America, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science, Social Science History Association, National Council on Family Relations, Scholars Strategy Network

## REFERENCES

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