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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Colorado State University, 2017–

- Faculty Affiliate, [Data Science Research Institute](#)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2017

- Dissertation: *Inequality and Society: Mechanisms and Methods for Understanding the Consequences of Rising Income Inequality*
- Committee: Neil Fligstein (chair), David Harding, Michael Hout, Hilary Hoynes, Daniel Schneider

M.A. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2013

B.S. Physics – Concentration in Computational Physics, Rice University, 2007

B.A. Mathematics, Rice University, 2007

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Hastings, Orestes P. 2022. "Parental Investments of Money for White, Black, and Hispanic Children in the United States." *Socius* 8:1-2.

Hastings, Orestes P. and Daniel Schneider. 2021. "Family Structure and Inequalities in Parents' Financial Investments in Children." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 83(3):717-736.

- Coverage: [Brookings Institution Class Notes](#)

Hastings, Orestes P. and Kassandra K. Roeser. 2020. "Happiness in Hard Times: Does Religion Buffer the Negative Effect of Unemployment on Happiness?" *Social Forces* 99(2):447-473.

Hastings, Orestes P. 2019. "Who Feels It? Income Inequality, Relative Deprivation, and Financial Satisfaction in U.S. States, 1973–2012." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 60:1-15.

- Coverage: [The Atlantic](#), [The Tobin Project](#)

Goldstein, Adam and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2019. "Buying In: Positional Competition, Schools, Income Inequality, and Housing Consumption." *Sociological Science* 6:416-445.

- Coverage: [Urban Institute](#)

Schneider, Daniel, **Orestes P. Hastings**, and Joe LaBriola. 2018. "Income Inequality and Class Divides in Parental Investment." *American Sociological Review* 83(3):475-507.

- [Prize for Exemplary Work on Inequality and Decision Making](#), [The Tobin Project](#)
- [Article of the Year Award](#), ASA Family Section
- Coverage: [New York Times](#), [Newsweek](#), [US News & World Report](#), [Hechinger Report](#), [Russell Sage Foundation](#), [Dissent](#), [Coloradoan](#), [CSU SOURCE](#)

Hastings, Orestes P. 2018. "Less Equal, Less Trusting? Reexamining Longitudinal and Cross-sectional Effects of Income Inequality on Trust in U.S. States, 1973–2012." *Social Science Research* 74:77-95.

Fligstein, Neil, **Orestes P. Hastings**, and Adam Goldstein. 2017. "Keeping up with the Joneses: How Households Fared in the Era of High Income Inequality and the Housing Price Bubble, 1999–2007." *Socius* 3:1-15.

- Coverage: *New York Times*, *Washington Post* Wonkblog, The Tobin Project

Schneider, Daniel and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2017. "Income Inequality and Household Labor." *Social Forces* 96(2):481-506.

- Article of the Year Award, ASA Family Section

Hastings, Orestes P. 2016. "Not a Lonely Crowd? Social Connectedness, Religious Service Attendance, and the Spiritual But Not Religious." *Social Science Research* 57:63-79.

- Best Student Paper Award, ASA Sociology of Religion Section
- Robert J. McNamara Student Paper Award, Association for the Sociology of Religion

Hout, Michael and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2016. "Reliability of the Core Items in the General Social Survey: Estimates from the Three-wave Panels, 2006-2014." *Sociological Science* 3:971-1002.

Schneider, Daniel and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2015. "Socioeconomic Variation in the Demographic Response to Economic Shocks in the United States: Evidence from the Great Recession." *Demography* 52(6):1893-1915.

Hastings, Orestes P. and D. Michael Lindsay. 2013. "Rethinking Religious Gender Differences: The Case of Elite Women." *Sociology of Religion* 74(4):471-495.

Lorini, Luca, et al. (19 authors, including **Orestes P. Hastings**). 2008. "Recent Atomic Clock Comparisons at NIST." *The European Physical Journal Special Topics* 163:19-35.

Chapters, Reports, and Essays

Hastings, Orestes P. and Daniel Schneider. 2019. "A Quarter of US parents are Unmarried – and that Changes How Much They Invest in Their Kids." *The Conversation*, September 17.

- Coverage: *Dissent*

Hout, Michael and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2014. "Recession, Religion, and Happiness, 2006–2010." in *Religion and Inequality in America: Research and Theory on Religion's Role in Stratification*, Lisa A. Keister and Darren E. Sherkat (eds.). Cambridge University Press.

Hout, Michael and **Orestes P. Hastings**. 2012. "Reliability and Stability Estimates for the GSS Core Items from the Three-wave Panels, 2006–2010." GSS Methodological Report #119. NORC.

Hastings, Orestes P. and Edison Liang. 2008. "2.5 Dimensional Particle-in-Cell Simulations of Relativistic Plasma Collisions." arXiv:0803.1201.

RESEARCH UNDER REVIEW AND IN PROGRESS (selected)

Project measuring parenting styles in the U.S. using topic modeling of open-ended parenting advice (with Luca Maria Pesando).

Project examining the summer parenting parental investment gap and the seasonality of parental Investments (with Joe LaBriola).

Project studying the relationship between individual-level trust in others and collective social

capital (with Shawna Bendeck).

Project explaining gaps in parental investments in children between married and cohabiting families.

Project examining geographic and sociodemographic reference group effects on perceived relative income.

Project studying the effects of income inequality on economic optimism and despair

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2019 | Article of the Year Award, Family Section of the American Sociological Association |
| 2019 | Ann Gill Faculty Development Award for Outstanding Research and Creative Activity, College of Liberal Arts, Colorado State University |
| 2018 | Article of the Year Award, Family Section of the American Sociological Association |
| 2018 | Prize for Exemplary Work on Inequality and Decision Making, The Tobin Project |
| 2017 | NICHHD Postdoctoral Fellowship, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Development (<i>Declined</i>) |
| 2017 | Doctoral Completion Fellowship, UC Berkeley Graduate Division |
| 2016 | Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, Social Psychology Section of the American Sociological Association |
| 2016 | Best Student Paper Award, Sociology of Religion Section of the American Sociological Association |
| 2016 | Leo Lowenthal Fellowship, UC Berkeley Department of Sociology |
| 2015 | Robert J. McNamara Student Paper Award, Association for the Sociology of Religion |
| 2015 | Herbert Blumer Paper Prize, UC Berkeley Department of Sociology |
| 2011–2014 | Harvey Fellowship |
| 2011, 2012 | National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship (<i>Honorable Mention</i>) |
| 2010–2011 | Phoebe Hearst Bannister Endowment Fellowship, UC Berkeley |
| 2009–2010 | Postbaccalaureate Fellowship, Rice University |

GRANTS AND RESEARCH FUNDING

External

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| 2021–2022 | Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS) Research Grant, Social Science Research Council and Russell Sage Foundation. "What's a Parent to do? Measuring Parenting Approaches in the U.S. with Topic Modeling for Short Texts." <i>PI</i> (\$1,500) |
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- 2020–2021 PSID Small Grant, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development R25-HD083146. “Explaining Investments in Children in Cohabiting Families: Social Parents, Relationship Duration, and Economic Resources.” *PI* (\$9,500)
- 2018–2019 Peter G. Peterson Foundation and Ford Foundation (jointly funded), US 2050 Project. “Class Gaps in Parental Investments in Children: How will Changes to Family Structure Affect Socioeconomic Divides in Parental Investments?” *PI* (~\$51,000)
- 2016 The Tobin Project, Inequality and Decision Making pilot study grant. “Determining Income Inequality’s Effect on Optimism about Personal Economic Opportunity.” *Student PI* (\$2,000)

Internal

- 2022 Colorado State University Libraries, Open Educational Resources (OER) Grant. (\$2,200)
- 2022 Colorado State University College of Liberal Arts, Professional Development Program Award. “What’s a Parent to do? Measuring Parenting Approaches in the U.S. with Topic Modeling for Short Texts.” (\$1,000)
- 2019 Colorado State University College of Liberal Arts. “Rethinking Consumption Inequality: Investigating Differences by Types of Consumption and Consumers.” (\$5,000)
- 2018–2019 Colorado State University Office of the Provost, Program Review Quality Enhancement Grant. “Strengthening and Institutionalizing Sociology’s Internal Capacity for Self-Study and Program Improvement.” *Co-PI* (~\$25,000)
- 2016 UC Berkeley Department of Sociology, Summer Research Grant (\$3,500)
- 2014 UC Berkeley Department of Sociology, Small Research Grant (\$2,000)
- 2012 UC Berkeley Graduate Division, Summer Research Grant (\$5,000)

Training, Travel, and Conference Funding

- 2021 Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS), Princeton University (virtual due to COVID-19)
- 2015 Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group (HCEO), University of Chicago
- 2015 American Sociological Association Student Forum Travel Award
- 2011, 2012 Political Networks Conference Fellowship Stipend
- 2011 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Travel Award

PRESENTATIONS (selected) († = invited, * = scheduled)

- 2022 American Sociological Association (ASA), Los Angeles (2 papers)*

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- International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2), University of Chicago (poster) *
 - Population Association of America (PAA), Atlanta (1 paper, 1 poster)
 - 2021 Panel Study of Income Dynamics User Conference, University of Michigan (virtual due to COVID-19)
 - Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS), Princeton (virtual due to COVID-19)
 - 2020 ASA, San Francisco (2 papers, virtual due to COVID-19)
 - PAA, Washington, D.C. (session cancelled due to COVID-19)
 - 2019 ASA, New York City (2 papers)
 - The Tobin Project Conference on Inequality and Decision Making, Boston[†]
 - PAA, Austin
 - 2018 ASA, Philadelphia
 - US 2050 Author's Conference, Peter G. Peterson Foundation/Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.[†]
 - PAA, Denver (poster)
 - 2017 ASA, Montreal
 - PAA, Chicago
 - 2016 ASA, Seattle
 - Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Berkeley (2 papers)
 - PAA, Washington, D.C.
 - The Tobin Project Conference on Inequality and Decision Making, Boston
 - 2015 Berkeley Symposium on the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality, UC Berkeley[†]
 - American Sociological Association, Chicago (2 papers)
 - Association for the Sociology of Religion, Chicago[†]
 - Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility of the International Sociological Association (RC28), Philadelphia
 - 2014 Berkeley Population Center Great Recession Mini-Conference, UC Berkeley[†]
 - ASA, San Francisco (2 papers)
 - PAA, Boston
 - 2013 Demography Workshop, National Opinion Research Center, Chicago
 - Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), Boston
 - ASA, New York City (2 papers)

- 2012 Religion and Stratification Conference, Duke University
ASA, Denver
- 2011 SSSR, Milwaukee
ASA, Las Vegas
Religion, Politics, and Globalization Graduate Student Colloquium, UC Berkeley[†]
Bringing Stratification Processes “Back In” to the Scientific Study of Religion
Conference, Penn State University
- 2010 SSSR, Baltimore
- 2007 Annual Meeting of the Division of Plasma Physics, American Physical Society,
Orlando.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Courses Taught at Colorado State University (F = Fall, S = Spring, Su = Summer)

Advanced Graduate Statistics (Soc 613): F19, F21
Graduate Statistics (Soc 511): S19, S20, S21, S22
Graduate Research Methods (Soc 510): F17, F18
Undergraduate Research Methods (Soc 311): F17, S18, S19
The Power of Numbers—Statistics in Sociology (Soc 210): Su18, Su19, S20, Su20, F20, S21, Su21,
F21, S22

Advising at Colorado State University

Dissertation Committee Member

Keith Smith (2020)
Shawna Bendeck (in progress)
Azmal Hossan (in progress)
Adrienne Miller (in progress)
Sera Choi (Journalism & Media Communication, in progress)
Tom Biedscheid (Education, in progress)
James O'Mara (Communication Studies, in progress)
Woke Wang (Human Dimensions of Natural Resources, in progress)

Masters Thesis Committee Member

Carolyn Conant (2020)
Shelby Sims (2022)
Elijah Thunell (2022)
Bailey Underill (Psychology, 2022)

Undergraduate Honors Theses and Independent Studies

Adiam Tesfaselassie (2018)
Jamie Stoner (2018)
Kassandra Roeser (2018)
Megan Nolta (2021)
Andrea Santiago (2022)

University of California, Berkeley

Mentor, **Cal-ADAR: Advancing Diversity in Aging Research Program**, Berkeley Population Center (Spring 2016)

Instructor and Consultant , **Social Sciences D-Lab** (2014–2016)

Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Sociology

Social Inequalities (2015)

Methods of Sociological Research B/C (2-semester graduate statistics) (2012–2013)

Evaluation of Evidence (undergraduate research methods) (2011)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Reviewer

American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Applied Economics Letters, British Journal of Sociology, Demographic Research, Demography, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Population and Development Review, Public Opinion Quarterly, Review of Religious Research, Social Currents, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Science Research, Society and Mental Health, Socio-Economic Review, Sociological Methods and Research, Sociological Forum, Sociological Perspectives, Sociological Science, Sociology of Education, Sociology of Religion, Socius, The Sociological Quarterly, Columbia University Press, Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS)

Discipline

Discussant, ASA session on “Stratification, Families, and Gender,” 2019

ASA Family section

Nominations Committee, 2021–2022

Article of the Year Award Committee, 2019–2021

ASA Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility section

Social Media Committee, 2019–2020

Outstanding Article Award Committee, 2017–2018

Graduate Student Representative to the Council, 2015–2017

Outreach Committee, 2016–2017

Student Affairs Committee, 2015–2016

Membership Committee, 2015–2016

ASA Sociology of Education section

James Coleman Award for Best Article Committee, 2019–2020

ASA Sociology of Religion section

Annual Meeting Roundtable Organizer, 2021

Student Paper Award Committee, 2017–2018

Colorado State University

Member, Committee on the Liberal Arts: 2020–2022

Member, Executive Committee, Department of Sociology: 2021–2022

Member, Undergraduate Committee, Department of Sociology: 2018–2021

Member, Methods Comprehensive Exam Committee, Department of Sociology: 2017–current

Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology: 2017

Public

Human Services and Housing Funding Board, City of Fort Collins: 2019–current