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EDUCATION:

- 2018-Present Graduate student, Sociology PhD program, The Ohio State University; Columbus, OH.
- May 2018 B.A., Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges; Geneva, NY.
B.A., Economics, Hobart and William Smith Colleges; Geneva, NY.
Phi Beta Kappa, *summa cum laude*, *Honors in Sociology*.
Honors thesis: “Student Loans and Early Career Earnings: The Roles of Sociodemographic Characteristics, Institutional Context, and Student Experiences.” Advisor: Renee Monson

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS:

Inequality; Economic Sociology; Credit, Wealth, and Debt; Race, Class, and Gender; Education; Demography; Aging and Life Course; Social Policy; Quantitative Methods.

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- 2020 National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship (Honorable Mention)
- Ohio State University:***
- 2019-2020 Sociology Stipend Supplement Award \$3,000
2018-2019 University Fellowship, \$26,000

Hobart and William Smith Colleges:

- 2018 Blair C. Currie Prize, awarded to economics major with highest cumulative GPA, \$300.
Omicron Delta Epsilon, International Honors Society in Economics.
- 2015-2018 Rev. John Visger van Ingen Named Scholar, awarded by president of the Colleges to high achieving and financially deserving students.
- 2014-2015 Hobart Heritage Scholar, awarded to high achieving first years.

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

- 2020 **Rhodes, Alec P.** “The Economic Outcomes of Subbaccalaureate Credentials”
- Rhodes, Alec P.** “Student Debt and the Reproduction of Geographic Disadvantage: Disparities by Urban, Suburban, and Rural Background”

Rhodes, Alec P. "Household Debt and Fertility across 20 OECD Countries."

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

- 2020 **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Student Debt and the Reproduction of Geographic Disadvantage: Disparities by Rural, Suburban, and Urban Background." To be presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA. August 8-11.
- 2020 **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Urban-Suburban-Rural Disparities in Student Debt." Annual Meetings of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC, April 22. (Conference canceled).
- 2019 Loibl, Cäzilia., Donald Haurin, Stephanie Moulton, Chrisse Edmunds, and **Alec P. Rhodes** (presenter). "Food Insecurity among Older Adults: The Role of Mortgage Borrowing." Presented at World Food Day at The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, October 17.
- Rhodes, Alec P.** "Exploring Urban-Suburban-Rural Disparities in Student Debt." Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, August 9.
- 2018 **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Student Loan Debt and Post-College Earnings." Senior Symposium, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, April 20.
- Rhodes, Alec P.** (presenter) and Ervin Kosta. "Local Identity, Global Context: Symbolic Ethnicity and Barriers to Collective Refugee Action." Annual Meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, February 23.
- 2017 **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Bolstering Women's Employment and Increasing Men's Care through Parental Leave Policy Reform." Annual Meetings of the New York State Sociological Association, Rochester, NY, October 20.
- Rhodes, Alec P.** "The Syrian Community in Geneva: Past and Present." Annual Undergraduate Research Conference of the New York Six Liberal Arts Consortium (NY6), Saratoga Springs, NY, September 23.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

- 2020 Fellow and Trainee, "Ohio Scholars in Aging Program," The Ohio Department of Aging and the Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education. Columbus, Ohio.
- 2019 Graduate Research Associate, College of Education and Human Ecology and John Glenn College of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University

“The Impact of Financial and Housing Wealth on Food Insecurity.” Drs. Cäzilia Loibl (PI), Donald Haurin (Co-PI), and Stephanie Moulton (Co-PI). Research funded by Univ. of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research & USDA Food and Nutrition Service.

2017 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges. Summer 2017. “Local Ethic Identity, Institutional Change, and Global Ties,” Dr. Ervin Kosta (PI). Research funded by Mellon Foundation.

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Economics Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges. Summer 2017. “Premature Deindustrialization and Changing Employment Patterns,” Dr. Joshua Greenstein (PI). Research funded by Economics Department Seed Grant.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Hobart and William Smith Colleges:

2017-2018 Sociology Teaching Fellow, Department of Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Fall 2017-Spring 2018. Peer tutor for students in sociology courses. Nominated by faculty and selected by Center for Teaching and Learning Staff.

2015-2016 Writing Colleague, Hobart and William Smith Colleges. Collaborated with students to improve their writing. Nominated by English Department faculty and selected by Writing and Rhetoric Department in competitive application and interview process.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

The Ohio State University:

2019-Present Cohort Representative for Sociology Graduate Student Association, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University. Nominated and elected by fellow members of graduate cohort.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS:

2020 Population Association of America

2018-Present American Sociological Association, member. Sections: Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility; Economic Sociology.

RELEVANT SKILLS:

- (1) Quantitative data analysis using large datasets.
- (2) Data analysis, management, and visualization using STATA and R.
- (2) Qualitative data collection and analysis using in-depth interviews.

REFERENCES:

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