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## EDUCATION

Jan. 2021-Present	Ph.D. Student, Sociology, The Ohio State University
Dec. 2020	M.A., Sociology, The Ohio State University
May 2018	B.A., Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges B.A., Economics, Hobart and William Smith Colleges Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, honors in sociology

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Inequality; credit, wealth, and debt; work; education; rural and urban sociology; aging and life course.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

2021	Olaf Larson Graduate Student Paper Award, Rural Sociological Society
2020	Graduate Research Fellowship (Honorable Mention), National Science Foundation
2019-2020	Sociology Stipend Supplement Award, The Ohio State University
2018-2019	University Fellowship, The Ohio State University
2018	Blair C. Currie Prize in Economics, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
	Omicron Delta Epsilon, International Honors Society in Economics
2015-2018	John Visger van Ingen Named Scholar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
2014-2015	Hobart Heritage Scholar, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

## PUBLICATIONS

2021 Loibl, Cäzilia, **Alec P. Rhodes**, Stephanie Moulton, Donald Haurin, and Chrisse Edmunds. “Food Insecurity among Older Adults in the U.S.: The Role of Mortgage Borrowing.” Forthcoming in *Applied Economic Perspectives & Policy*

**Rhodes, Alec P.** “Student Debt and Geographic Disadvantage: Disparities by Urban, Suburban, and Rural Background.” Forthcoming in *Rural Sociology*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/ruso.12403>

- Olaf Larson Graduate Student Paper Award, Rural Sociological Society
- Featured in *The Rural Review* and *The Daily Yonder*

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

- 2021      **Rhodes, Alec P.** “Platforms for Opportunity or Institutional Traps? Sub-Baccalaureate Credentials and Financial Security in Young Adulthood.”

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

- 2021      Moulton, Stephanie, **Alec P. Rhodes**, Donald Haurin, and Cäzilia Loibl. “Managing a Health Shock in Older Age: Housing Wealth, Mortgage Borrowing, and Medication Adherence.”
- Phillips, Lora and **Alec P. Rhodes**. “Late Career Precarious Work and Racial-Ethnic Inequalities in Later Life Poverty.”

## PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

- 2021      **Rhodes, Alec P.** (September 9). [“Geographic Disparities in Student Debt by Rural, Suburban, and Urban Background.”](#) Work in Progress: Sociology on the Economy, Work and Inequality.

## PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

- 2021      Phillips, Lora A. and **Alec P. Rhodes**. “Precarious Employment and Late Life Poverty among Older Workers.” Presented at the Virtual Engagement Event of the American Sociological Association, August 6-10.
- Loibl, Cäzilia, **Alec P. Rhodes**, Stephanie Moulton, Donald Haurin, and Chrisse Edmunds. Food insecurity among older adults in the U.S.: The role of mortgage borrowing. Presented at the 2021 IAREP-SABE Virtual Conference, June 11, <https://sabeconomics.org/iarep-sabe-2021/>
- Rhodes, Alec P.** “Sub-Baccalaureate Credentials and Economic Inequality in Young Adulthood.” Presented at the Virtual Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, May 5-8.
- 2020      **Rhodes, Alec P.** “Student Debt and the Reproduction of Geographic Disadvantage: Disparities by Rural, Suburban, and Urban Background.” Presented at the Virtual Engagement Event of the American Sociological Association, August 8-11.
- 2019      **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.** and Ervin Kosta. "Local Identity, Global Context: Symbolic Ethnicity and Barriers to Collective Refugee Action." Annual Meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD, 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.

## **WORKSHOP AND SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS**

- 2021                   **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Platforms for Opportunity or Institutional Traps? Sub-Baccalaureate Credentials and Financial Security in Young Adulthood." SocPIE Working Group, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, February 26.
- 2020                   Zhang, Runtian, Cäzilia Loibl, Stephanie Moulton, Don Haurin, and **Alec P. Rhodes**. "Housing Wealth and Economic Security in Retirement: Does Borrowing from Home Equity Increase Adherence to Prescription Drugs?" Consumer Sciences Seminar, College of Education and Human Ecology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, October 30.
- 2019                   Loibl, Cäzilia., Donald Haurin, Stephanie Moulton, **Alec P. Rhodes**, and Chrisse Edmunds. "Food Insecurity among Older Adults: The Role of Mortgage Borrowing." Presented at World Food Day at The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, October 17.
- 2018                   **Rhodes, Alec P.** "Student Loan Debt and Post-College Earnings." Senior Symposium, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, April 20.

## **RESEARCH AND TRAINEE EXPERIENCE**

- 2021-Present         *John Glenn College of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University*  
 Role: Graduate Research Associate  
 Team: Stephanie Moulton (PI), Donald Haurin, Cäzilia Loibl, and Joshua Joseph  
 "Economic Security in Retirement: Does Borrowing from Home Equity Moderate the Impact of a Health Shock on Health Outcomes?" Funding agency: Social Security Administration Retirement and Disability Consortium, Center for Financial Security, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2020                   *Ohio Department of Aging and Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education, Ohio Scholars in Aging Program*  
 Role: Fellow and Trainee

2019-2020      *College of Education and Human Ecology, The Ohio State University*  
Role: Graduate Research Associate, College of Education and Human Ecology,  
Team: Cäzilia Loibl (PI), Donald Haurin, and Stephanie Moulton  
“Food Insecurity among Older Adults in the U.S.: The Role of Mortgage  
Borrowing” Funding agency: United States Department of Agriculture Food and  
Nutrition Service, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research

2017      *Department of Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges*  
Role: Undergraduate Research Assistant  
Team: Ervin Kosta (PI)  
“Local Ethic Identity, Institutional Change, and Global Ties”  
Funding agency: Mellon Foundation

*Department of Economics, Hobart and William Smith Colleges*  
Role: Undergraduate Research Assistant  
Team: Joshua Greenstein (PI)  
Funding agency: Department Seed Grant

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017-2018      Teaching Fellow, Department of Sociology, Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
2015-2016      Writing Colleague, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

## DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2021-present      President, Sociology Graduate Student Association, The Ohio State University  
2019-2020      Cohort Representative, Sociology Graduate Student Association,  
The Ohio State University

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2021-present      Institute for Population Research, The Ohio State University, Graduate Affiliate  
2020-Present      Population Association of America, member  
2019-Present      Rural Sociological Society, member  
2018-Present      American Sociological Association, member  
Sections: Inequality, Poverty, and Mobility; Economic Sociology

## REFERENCES

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