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## Education

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- Ph.D. Sociology and Gerontology**, Purdue University Expected: 2031
- MPH, Concentration in Population Aging**, Rutgers School of Public Health 2025  
Thesis: *Factors Associated with Consideration of Future Preference for Medical Aid in Dying Among U.S. Adults*  
Advisor: Elissa Kozlov, PhD
- B.A. Sociology**, Purdue University 2023  
*With Distinction*  
Minor: Biological Sciences

## Research Interests

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Aging and the Life Course, Health & Well-Being, Quantitative Methods

## Publications

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### Peer-Reviewed Articles

1. **Nemeth, S. R.**, Thomas, P. A., Stoddart, C. M., & Ferraro, K. F.. (2025). Racial and Ethnic Differences in Community Belonging and its Impact on Cognitive Function in Older Adults. *The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*, 80(6).
2. Kozlov, E., Luth, E. A., **Nemeth, S.**, Becker, T. D., & Duberstein, P. R. (2025). Knowledge of and Preferences for Medical Aid in Dying. *JAMA Network Open*, 8(2), e2461495.

### Under Review

- Becker, Todd D., Elizabeth Luth, Paul Duberstein, Sanjana Kumar, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, Kira Phillips, and Elissa E. Kozlov. "Public-Facing Hospice Medical Aid in Dying Participation Policies in Legalizing US Jurisdictions."

- Monin, Joan, Amanda King, Marianne LaFrance, Rani Huo, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, Heidi Gil, and Becca Levy. “The Impact of Watching the Film Human Forever to Increase Dementia Positivity.”

## Works in Progress

†Indicates co-first author

- Hyungmin Cha†, **Samuel R. Nemeth**†, Patricia Thomas, and Debra Umberson. “More Deaths of Family Members Predict Higher Inflammation, but Biopsychosocial Mechanisms Mediate Differently Between Black and White Adults.”
- Thomas, Patricia A., Madison Sauerteig-Rolston, Shawn Bauldry, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, and Kenneth Ferraro. “Social Relationships and Dual Functionality in Later Life.”
- **Samuel R. Nemeth** and Shawn Bauldry. “To Recover or Not to Recover Dual Function.”
- **Samuel R. Nemeth**, Seoyoun Kim, Cal Halvorsen, and Shawn Bauldry. “Dual Functional Recovery: The Contrasting Roles of Volunteering and Helping Behaviors.”
- Isha Patel, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, and Patricia A. Thomas. “Depressive Symptoms and Community Belonging.”

## Awards and Fellowships

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| • CLA Dean’s Graduate Fellowship, Purdue University                                | 2025–2031 |
| • Presidential Excellence PhD Award, Purdue University                             | 2025–2029 |
| • Bernard D. Goldstein Award for Population Aging, Rutgers School of Public Health | 2025      |
| • Alpha Eta, Chapter of the Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health          | 2025      |
| • Jennifer Elliott Population Aging Scholarship, Rutgers School of Public Health   | 2023–2025 |
| • GSA Behavioral and Social Sciences Section Travel Stipend                        | 2023      |
| • Clarence E. Dammon Dean’s Scholar Program, Purdue University                     | 2022–2023 |
| • Dean’s List and Semester Honors, Purdue University                               | 2020–2023 |
| • Office of Undergraduate Research Scholarship, Purdue University                  | 2021–2022 |
| • Office of Undergraduate Research Summer Stay Scholarship, Purdue University      | 2021      |

## Conference Presentations

\*Indicates presenter

- **Samuel R. Nemeth**, Hyungmin Cha, Patricia Thomas, and Debra Umberson. (2025). “More Deaths of Family Members Predict Higher Inflammation, but Biopsychosocial Mechanisms Mediate Differently Between Black and White Adults.” *Population Association of America*.
- Elissa Kozlov\*, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, and Elizabeth Luth. (2024). “Awareness and Attitudes about Medical Aid in Dying in the U.S.” *Gerontological Society of America*.
- **Samuel R. Nemeth**\*, Seoyoun Kim, Cal Halvorsen, and Isha Patel. (2024). “Assessing the Predictive Power of Volunteer Frequency Categories: An Outcome-Wide Approach.” *Gerontological Society of America*.

- **Samuel R. Nemeth\***, Patricia Thomas, Cassidy Stoddart, and Kenneth Ferraro. (2024). “Racial/Ethnic Differences in Community Belonging and its Impact on Cognitive Function in Older Adults.” *American Sociological Association*.
- **Samuel R. Nemeth**, Patricia Thomas, Cassidy Stoddart\*, and Kenneth Ferraro. (2024). “Racial and Ethnic Differences in Community Belonging and its Impact on Cognitive Function in Older Adults.” *National Council on Undergraduate Research*.
- Patricia Thomas\*, Madison Sauerteig-Rolston, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, and Kenneth Ferraro. (2023). “Social Relationships and Dual Functionality in Later Life.” *Gerontological Society of America*.
- Patricia thomas\*, Madison Sauerteig-Rolston, **Samuel R. Nemeth**, and Kenneth Ferraro. (2022). “Social Relationships and Cognitive Function in Later Life.” *Gerontological Society of America*

## Workshops Attended

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- “Python for Social Sciences: Why and How.” (2024). American Sociological Association
- “Healthy Aging for All – Illusion or Promising Future?” Population Aging Research Center Aging Retreat, University of Pennsylvania.
- “Methods Matter: Understanding and Measuring Race and Racism in Health Research.” Penn Leonard Davis Institute Conference, University of Pennsylvania.
- “How do you teach a short workshop on methods? Tips, tricks, and other advice from experience.” Advanced Methods at Purdue, Purdue University
- “Data Visualization.” Advanced Methods at Purdue, Purdue University.

## Teaching

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### Graduate Teaching Assistant

**HBSP 0603** Mental Health and Aging, Rutgers School of Public Health

Spring 2025

**BIST 0535** Biostatistical Computing, Rutgers School of Public Health

Fall 2024

### Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

**SOC 419** Sociology of Law, Purdue University

Spring 2023

**SOC 100** Introduction to Sociology, Purdue University

Fall 2022

## Professional Membership

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### American Sociological Association

Section on Aging and the Life Course

Medical Sociology Section

## **Gerontological Society of America**

Member, Behavioral and Social Sciences

Member, Social Research, Policy, and Practice

Member, Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization (ESPO)

## **Population Association of America**

Member

## **Professional Service**

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### **American Sociological Association**

#### *Medical Sociology Section*

- Medical Sociology Newsletter: Student Co-Editor (2023-2024)

#### *Social Psychology Section*

- Graduate Student Advisory Committee (2023-2024); Co-Chair (2024-2025)

## **Gerontological Society of America**

- Abstract Reviewer, Annual Meeting (2023-2025)
- Annual Scientific Working Group Member (2023)

## **Public Engagement**

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- “Older Americans Month 2024: A Population Aging Student’s Perspective”. Rutgers University School of Public Health Blogpost, May 28th, 2024.

## **Software and Certifications**

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- Statistical Software: Stata, R/R Markdown, SAS (basics)
- Survey Software: Qualtrics, REDCap
- Other: LaTeX