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Curriculum Vitae
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Academic Appointments

2023-Present: Assistant Professor of Medical Sociology, Southern Illinois University
2016- 2023: Graduate Student, Department of Sociology, Purdue University

Education

PhD, 2023. Sociology, Purdue University (Advisors: Shawn Bauldry & J. Jill Sutor). Dissertation: *Adult Children's Education and Mothers' Health: Exploring the Roles of Adult Children's Problems and Mothers' Widowhood Status*.
MS, 2018. Sociology, Purdue University (Advisor: Shawn Bauldry). Thesis: *The Expansion of Higher Education and Variation in the Education-Health Gradient in the US*.
BA, 2015. Sociology, University of Akron (Summa Cum Laude, Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society).

Research Interests: Medical Sociology, Health Inequalities, Intergenerational Relations

Teaching Interests: Introduction to Sociology, Social Problems, Medical Sociology, Sociological Theory, Research Methods, Sociology of Aging, Sociology of Family

Honors and Awards

Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship, Fall 2022-Spring 2023 (\$24,124)
Robert L. Eichhorn Fellowship Award in Medical Sociology, Spring 2021 (\$5,000)
Graduate Teaching Award, Purdue University Teaching Academy, Spring 2021
Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching Award, Department of Sociology at Purdue University, Spring 2020
Summer Course Design Institute, Purdue University Center for Instructional Excellence, Summer 2019 (\$1,000)

Publications

Suitor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Destiny Ogle, **Robert T. Frase**, Reilly Kincaid and Catherine Stepniak. In press. "Respondent Uncertainty in Troubled Times: The Role of Mixed Methods in Studying Respondents' Deliberations Regarding Intergenerational Relations." In *The Handbook on Intergenerational Relations*, Marco Albertini (Ed.), Edward Elgar Publishing House.

Frase, Robert T. 2023. "Sick Role and the Media Essay". *ASA TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*.

Frase, Robert T., Shawn Bauldry, J. Jill Suitor, Megan Gilligan, and Destiny Ogle. 2023. "Adult Children's Educational Attainment and Older Mothers' Psychological Well-Being: Do Adult Children's Problems Mediate this Relationship?" *The Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 78 (3): 496-505.

Rurka, Marissa, J. Jill Suitor, Megan Gilligan, and **Robert T. Frase**. 2023. "How Gender Shapes Patterns and Consequences of Sibling Criticism During Caregiving." *The Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 78 (3): 520-531.

Suitor, J. Jill, Yifei Hou, Catherine Stepniak, **Robert T. Frase**, and Destiny Ogle. 2022. "Parent-Adult Child Ties and Older Adult Health and Well-Being." *Oxford Encyclopedia of Aging and Public Health*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Frase, Robert T. and Shawn Bauldry. 2022 "The Expansion of Higher Education and Variation in the Education-Health Gradient in the US." *Social Currents* 9 (1): 70-86.

Chen, Aleda M. H., Karen S. Yehle, Kimberly S. Plake, Lisa D. Rathman, J. Wes Heinle, **Robert T. Frase**, James G. Anderson, and John Bentley. 2020. "The Role of Health Literacy, Depression, Disease Knowledge, and Self-Efficacy in Self-Care Among Adults with Heart Failure: An Updated Model." *Heart and Lung* 49 (6): 702-708.

Manuscripts Under Review

Suitor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Destiny Ogle, **Robert T. Frase**, Catherine Stepniak, Yifei Hou, and Shawn Bauldry. "How Gender Shapes the Effects of Immediate Family Members' Deaths on Tension Among Siblings in Adulthood." Under 2nd Review at *The Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Manuscripts in Progress.

Frase, Robert T. and Gifty Kinful. "Quantitative Research Methods." Being prepared for submission to *The Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior, and Society, Second Edition*.

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Suitor, Megan Gilligan, Reilly Kincaid, and Catherine Stepniak. "The Power of Daughters: The Role of Sibship Gender Composition on Mother-Adult Child Relations." Being prepared for submission to *The Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Sutor, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak, Destiny Ogle, and Karen L. Fingerman. "Worrying Across the Generations: Effects of Grandchildren's Problems on Their Grandparents' Health and Well-Being." Being prepared for submission to *The Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*.

Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak, **Robert T. Frase,** Yifei Hou, and Destiny Ogle. "Role of Gender in the Effects of Immediate Family Members' Deaths on Adult Children's Psychological Well-Being." Being prepared for submission to *American Sociological Review*.

Frase, Robert T. Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak. "Did I Ask for Your Advice? Differential Effects of Comfort and Advice from Adult Children on Parents' Depressive Symptoms." Being prepared for submission to *The Journal of Marriage & Family*.

Conference Presentations

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Sutor, Shawn Bauldry, Megan Gilligan. 2023. How Widowhood Shapes the Relationship Between Adult Children's Education and Mothers' Psychological Well-Being." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, August, Philadelphia, PA.

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Sutor, Megan Gilligan, Reilly Kincaid, and Catherine Stepniak. 2022. "The Power of Daughters: The Role of Sibship Gender Composition in Mother-Adult Child Relations." Presented at the annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, November, Indianapolis, IN.

Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, **Robert T. Frase,** and Catherine Stepniak. 2022. "'Did I Ask for Your Advice?': Effects of Advice from Parents on Adult Children's Depressive Symptoms." Presented at the annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, November, Indianapolis, IN.

Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Destiny Ogle, Catherine Stepniak, **Robert T. Frase,** and Reilly Kincaid. 2022. "The Role of Mixed Methods in Studying Intergenerational Relationships in Troubled Times and Troubled Families." Presented at Intergenerational Relations: Theoretical and Empirical Developments & A Research Agenda, September, Bologna, Italy.

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Sutor, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak and Karen L. Fingerman. 2022. "Worrying Across the Generations: Effects of Grandchildren's Problems on Their Grandparents' Health and Well-Being." Presented at the 2022 Center for Aging and The Life Course Symposium, September, West Lafayette, IN.

Frase, Robert T., J. Jill Sutor, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak and Karen L. Fingerman. 2022. "Worrying Across the Generations: Effects of Grandchildren's Problems on Their Grandparents' Health and Well-Being." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, August, Los Angeles, CA.

- Frase, Robert T.**, Shawn Bauldry, J. Jill Sutor, Megan Gilligan, and Destiny Ogle. 2022. "Adult Children's Educational Attainment and Older Mothers' Psychological Well-Being: Do Adult Children's Problems Mediate this Relationship?" Presented at the annual meetings of Population Association of America, April, Atlanta, GA.
- Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Destiny Ogle, **Robert T. Frase**, Reilly Kincaid, and Catherine Stepniak. 2021. "Intergenerational Relationships During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Challenges and Opportunities of Data Collection." Presented at the annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, Held Virtually, November.
- Frase, Robert T.**, Shawn Bauldry, J. Jill Sutor, and Megan Gilligan. 2021. "Adult Children's Educational Attainment and Older Mothers' Psychological Well-Being: Do Adult Children's Problems Mediate this Relationship?" Presented at the annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, Held Virtually, November.
- Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Catherine Stepniak, Yifei Hou, and **Robert T. Frase**. 2021. "How Gender Shapes the Effects of Immediate Family Members' Deaths on Adults' Psychological Well-Being." Presented at the annual meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, Held Virtually, November.
- Sutor, J. Jill, Megan Gilligan, Marissa Rurka, Yifei Hou and **Robert T. Frase**. 2020. "Role of Gender in the Effects of Immediate Family Network Members' Deaths on Adult Children's Psychological Well-Being." Presented at the Sunbelt Social Networks Conference, Held Virtually, July.
- Frase, Robert T.** and Shawn Bauldry. 2019. "The Expansion of Higher Education and Variation in the Education-Health Gradient in the US." Presented at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, August, New York, NY
- Frase, Robert T.** and Shawn Bauldry. 2019. "The Expansion of Higher Education and Variation in the Education-Health Gradient in the US." Presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, April, Atlanta, GA.
- Bauldry, Shawn and **Robert T. Frase**. 2019. "A Counterfactual Approach to Analyzing the Effect of College Expansion on Health." Poster presentation at the Population Association of American Meetings, Austin TX.
- Bauldry, Shawn and **Robert T. Frase**. 2018. "A Counterfactual Approach to Analyzing the Effect of College Expansion on Health." Presented as part of the Advanced Methods at Purdue (AMAP) lecture series, April, West Lafayette, IN.
- Bauldry, Shawn and **Robert T. Frase**. 2018. "A Counterfactual Approach to Analyzing the Effect of College Expansion on Health." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April, New Orleans, LA.
- Yehle, Karen S., Aleda M. H. Chen, Kimberly S. Plake, Lisa D. Rathman, J. Wes Heinle,

Robert T. Frase, and James G. Anderson. 2017. "Cognitive Impairment and Depression as Mediators of the Relationship Between Health Literacy and Self-Care: A Proposed Model." Presented at the annual meeting of the Heart Failure Society of America, September, Dallas, TX.

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant, 2020-Current, "Within-Family Differences Study", Funded by the National Institute on Aging (RO1 AG18869-01; 2RO1 AG18869-01; 1R56AG062767-01), J. Jill Suitor (PI).

- In this position, I have been responsible for conducting quantitative and qualitative analyses, manuscript preparation, and transcribing and coding of WFDS T3 data.

Teaching

Instructor of Record

Soc 220-Social Problems: Summer 2018
 Soc 321-Society & the Individual: Fall 2023
 Soc 374-Medical Sociology: Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2022
 Soc 402-Sociological Theory: Summer 2022 (Online)

Teaching Assistant Experience

Soc 220-Social Problems: Fall 2016, Spring 2018
 Soc 383- Introduction to Research Methods in Sociology: Spring 2017
 Soc 326-Social Conflict and Criminal Justice: Spring 2019

Workshops

Methodology:

"Data Visualization", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2022.
 "The Potential of the Joint Modeling Approach. When Attrition Affects Causal Interpretation in Panel Data Analysis", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2022.
 "The Counterproductive Tyranny of the Representative Sample: A New Framework for Purposive Sampling for Social Science Experiments", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2022.
 "Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis: A Second Course", Statistical Horizons, 2020.
 "Conducting Survey Experiments to Test Causality", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2019.
 "Survey Design: How to Implement Best Practices Using Qualtrics", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2018.
 "Missing Data: Best Practices for Analyzing Incomplete Data", Advanced Methods at Purdue, 2017.

Teaching:

“Unconscious Bias Training”, Purdue University Office of Diversity, Inclusion, & Belonging Initiatives, 2022.

“Certificate in Fundamentals of College Teaching”, Purdue University Center for Instructional Excellence, 2021.

“Trans Inclusion Training”, Purdue University LGBTQ Center, 2020.

Professional Service

Reviewer

Sociological Spectrum

Reviewer in Training

The Gerontologist, The Journal of Adult Development, The Journal of Family and Marriage, The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences, Innovation in Aging, Sociology of Education

Department Service

2020-2021: President, Sociology Graduate Organization (SGO)

2019-2020: Vice President, Sociology Graduate Organization (SGO)

2018-2019: Chief Financial Officer, Sociology Graduate Organization (SGO)

2017-2018: Communications Officer, Sociology Graduate Organization (SGO)

Statistical Software

SPSS, Stata