

# Cassie Mead

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## Education

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- Ph.D.      In Progress      Sociology, Indiana University – Bloomington  
(Expected  
Spring 2027)      Dissertation: “*Finding Compromise: Negotiating Job Searches in Dual Earner Couples Across Socioeconomic Status*”  
Dissertation Committee: Youngjoo Cha (chair), Jennifer Barber,  
Brian Powell, Hyeyoung Kwon  
Qualifying Exams: Gender, 2024  
Minor: Social Science Research Methods
- M.A.      2023      Sociology, Indiana University – Bloomington  
Readers: Timothy Hallett and Keera Allendorf  
Title: “All is Not Fair in Love and Housework: Happiness with Division of Labor and Relationship Attitudes in Cohabiting and Married Couples”
- B.A.      2020      Sociology and Theatre, University of Mount Union  
*Summa Cum Laude*, University Honors  
Minors: Gender Studies and History

## Areas of Interest

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Sociology of Family

Sociology of Gender

Social Psychology

Work and Occupations

Social Stratification

## Publications

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Tabor, Jaclyn, **Cassie Mead**, Jamie Oslawski-Lopez, and Rebecca Grady. 2025. “[Division of Labor over the Life Course: Structural or Symbolic Pressures?](#)” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 88(2):425–41. doi:10.1111/jomf.70023.

Cha, Youngjoo and **Cassie Mead**. 2025. “[Understanding the Causes of Burnout and Gender and Race Disparities in STEMM: A Multilevel Approach.](#)” Pages 73-106 in *Impact of Burnout on the STEMM Workforce: Proceedings of a Workshop*, by National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press.

Lee, Jennifer Jiwon, Kristin Kelley, **Cassie Mead**, and Youngjoo Cha. 2024. “[‘It’s Just My Personality.’ How Employees Understand their Long Work Hours in a Supportive Workplace](#)” *Community, Work, & Family* 1–21. doi:10.1080/13668803.2024.2396600.

**Mead, Cassie**. 2023. “[All is Not Fair in Love and Housework: Perceptions of Household Labor and Relationship Attitudes in Cohabiting and Married Couples](#).” *Contemporary Perspective in Family Research* Vol. 24, edited by S. L. Blair and Y. Zhang.

## **Manuscripts In Progress**

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**Mead, Cassie** and Jessica R. Short. “Becoming Exclusive: Weekly Factors Predicting Women’s Nonexclusive Relationship Outcomes”

**Mead, Cassie** and Rachel Filippone. “Outside of the Binary: Discussions of Transgender and Nonbinary Individuals in Introduction to Sociology Textbooks.”

## **Honors and Awards**

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2026	Doctoral Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Graduate School Bloomington, Indiana University
2025	Stewart Family Scholarship/ Kruse Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Indiana University (for excellence in teaching)
2025	Sheldon Stryker Graduate Research Grant, Department of Sociology, Indiana University (\$1000)
2025	Grant-in-Aid, Graduate School Bloomington, Indiana University (\$1000)
2024	Sutherland Teaching Award, Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2023	Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award, Sage Publishing (\$800)
2023	Graduate Student Travel Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Indiana University (\$300)
2023	GPSG Travel Award, Graduate and Professional Student Government, Indiana University (\$500)
2021-23	Summer Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2020-25	Graduate Tuition Remission and Stipend, College of Arts and Sciences, Indiana University
2020-25	Graduate Tuition Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2020	The William H. Porter Sociology Award, University of Mount Union

- 2020 The Maria Leonard Book Award, University of Mount Union
- 2018 Faculty/Staff Academic Prize, University of Mount Union

## **Presentations**

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- 2024 **Cassie Mead** and Rachel Filippone. “Inside the Core, Outside the Binary: Transgender and Nonbinary Individuals in Introduction to Sociology Textbooks” American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC
- 2024 Jaelyn Ann Tabor, **Cassie Mead**, and Jamie Oslawski-Lopez. “Division of Labor over the Life Course: Structural or Symbolic Pressures?” American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC
- 2024 **Cassie Mead** and Jessica R. Short. “Becoming More or Less Serious: Factors Influencing Women's Weekly Increasing or Decreasing in Relationship Seriousness” Population Association of America – Poster Session, Columbus, OH
- 2023 **Cassie Mead** “All’s Not Fair: Happiness with Housework and Relationship Quality in Cohabiting and Married Couples” American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA
- 2023 **Cassie Mead** “All is Not Fair in Love and Housework: Perceptions of Labor Fairness and Relationship Attitudes in Cohabiting and Married Couples” North Central Sociological Association, Grand Rapids MI
- 2022 Jennifer Jiwon Lee, Kristin Kelley, Youngjoo Cha, and **Cassie Mead** “It’s Just My Personality.’ Why do employees overwork in a flexible, supportive, and non-competitive workplace?” American Sociological Association, Los Angeles CA
- 2022 **Cassie Mead** and Robert Gallagher “The Relationship Between Gender and Stigma: How Men and Women Stigmatize Individuals with Mental Illness.” North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis IN
- 2020 Danielle Cordaro and **Cassie Mead** “Reality Check: Recalibrating the Self-Efficacy Beliefs of First Year University Students to Encourage Implementation of Self Determined Success Strategies in Written and Oral Communication.” East Central Writing Center Association Conference, Indianapolis IN

## Research Experience

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2024	Research Assistant	Sociological Research Practicum (2024): Public Ideas Project, Indiana University Responsibilities: Content analysis (magazines, newspaper, online content) Principal Investigator (PI): Timothy Hallett
2023	Research Assistant	Indiana University Responsibilities: Manage survey collection through Prolific PI: Youngjoo Cha
2021	Research Assistant	Indiana University Responsibilities: Verify Interviews, Assist in Literature Review PI: Youngjoo Cha
2021	Research Assistant	Sociological Research Practicum (2021): Public Ideas Project, Indiana University Responsibilities: Content analysis (magazines, newspaper, online content) PI: Timothy Hallett
2021	Research Assistant	Pandemic Parenthood Study, Indiana University Responsibilities: Conducting Interviews PI: Jessica Calarco
2020	Research Assistant	University of Mount Union Responsibilities: Data collection and Organization PI: Danielle Cordaro
2018	Research Assistant	University of Mount Union Responsibilities: Content Analysis (advertisements in magazines) PI: Bryan Robinson

## Teaching and Mentorship Experience

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2022-26	Instructor of Record	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Sociology of Families: S316 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fall 2022: 16-week course, 47 students</li> <li>▪ Spring 2023: 16-week course, 48 students</li> <li>▪ Fall 2023: 16-week course, 45 students</li> <li>▪ Spring 2024: 16-week course, 47 students</li> <li>▪ Summer 2025: 6-week online course, 76 students</li> <li>▪ Summer 2026: 6-week online course, 58 students</li> </ul>
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2026	MA Thesis Mentor	Sociological Research Practicum (SRP), Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2025	Lab Instructor	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Statistics for Sociology: 371 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fall 2025: 16-week course, 34 students</li> </ul>
2024-25	Preparing Future Faculty Fellow	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Teaching Undergraduate Sociology (Instructor) Co-Instructor: Brian Powell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fall 2024: 16-week course, 7 students</li> </ul>
2024	Preparing Future Faculty Certificate	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University
2023	Preparing Future Faculty Certificate	North Central Sociological Association
2022-25	Graduate Student Mentor	Graduate Student Association, Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2020-22	Graduate Teaching Assistant	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Introduction to Sociology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Instructor: Eric Wright, Fall 2020</li> <li>▪ Instructor: Nicholas Smith, Summer 2022</li> </ul> Sociology of Gender <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Instructor: Youngjoo Cha, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022</li> </ul>
2017-20	Consultant	Digital, Written, and Oral Communication Studio, University of Mount Union

### **Teaching Presentations**

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2025	<b>Cassie Mead.</b> “Navigating the Classroom as a Graduate Student Instructor.” ASA Teaching Preconference Workshop.
2024	<b>Cassie Mead.</b> “Sociological Research about Gender / Learn about Graduate School” Indiana University Kokomo, Invited Talk

## Other Teaching Activities

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2026 Jaclyn Tabor, **Cassie Mead**, Jamie Oslawski-Lopez, & Rebecca Grady.  
 “The Division of Household Labor – A Theory-Driven Data Exercise” In  
 Progress for Submission to TRAILS.

## Service

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2024-26	Executive Committee	Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2025	Presider	Session title: “Social Networks and Interorganizational Relations”, American Sociological Association
2024-25	Conference Organizer	<i>As the Preparing Future Faculty Fellow</i> Preparing Future Faculty Conference, Indiana University
2023-25	Planning Committee	Teaching and Learning Pre-Conference, American Sociological Association
2023-24	Treasurer	Department of Sociology Graduate Student Association, Indiana University
2022-26	Planning Committee	Preparing Future Faculty Conference, Indiana University
2022-23	Undergraduate Affairs Committee	Department of Sociology, Indiana University
2021-22	Social Committee	Department of Sociology Graduate Student Association, Indiana University
2021	Co-Presider	Section on Inequality, Poverty and Mobility, American Sociological Association

## Professional Memberships and Affiliations

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American Sociological Association

- Section member: Family, Sociology of Sex and Gender, Teaching and Learning in Sociology, Social Psychology

North Central Sociological Association

Population Association of America

Sociologists for Women in Society