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Education

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| Ph.D. | In Progress
(Expected
Spring 2027) | Sociology, Indiana University – Bloomington
Dissertation: <i>“Finding Compromise: Negotiating Job Searches in Dual Earner Couples Across Socioeconomic Status”</i>
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
<i>Summa Cum Laude</i> , University Honors
Minors: Gender Studies and History |

Areas of Interest

Sociology of Family

Sociology of Gender

Social Psychology

Work and Occupations

Social Stratification

Publications

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

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

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

- 2026 **Cassie Mead**. “Behind the Application: Partners’ Cognitive and Emotional Labor in the Job Search Process” North Central Sociological Association, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2026 Jamie Oslawski-Lopez, **Cassie Mead**, Jaclyn Tabor, and Rebecca K. Grady. “The Division of Household Labor: A Theory-Driven Data Exercise” North Central Sociological Association, Pittsburgh, PA
- 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 Jaclyn 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

Research Experience

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

2022-26	Instructor of Record	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Sociology of Families: S316 ▪ Fall 2022: 16-week course, 47 students ▪ Spring 2023: 16-week course, 48 students ▪ Fall 2023: 16-week course, 45 students ▪ Spring 2024: 16-week course, 47 students ▪ Summer 2025: 6-week online course, 76 students ▪ Summer 2026: 6-week online course, 61 students
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2026	Graduate Teaching Apprenticeship Program: Associate	Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning, Indiana University
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 Fall 2025: 16-week course, 34 students
2024-25	Preparing Future Faculty Fellow	Dept. of Sociology, Indiana University Teaching Undergraduate Sociology (Instructor) Co-Instructor: Brian Powell Fall 2024: 16-week course, 7 students
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 - Instructor: Eric Wright, Fall 2020 - Instructor: Nicholas Smith, Summer 2022 Sociology of Gender - Instructor: Youngjoo Cha, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022
2017-20	Consultant	Digital, Written, and Oral Communication Studio, University of Mount Union

Teaching Presentations

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

Other Teaching Activities

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

Service

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

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