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Present Doctoral Program in Sociology, The University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D. Expected May 2015
Dissertation: "Preparing for Local Labor in a Global Economy: The Occupational Structure of the Local Labor Market and Males' and Females' Educational and Early Labor Market Outcomes."

2009 M.A. Sociology, The University of Texas at Austin

Thesis: *The Impact of Transferring During the Later Years of High School on Postsecondary Matriculation*

2006 B.S. Sociology and American and Southern Studies, Vanderbilt University
summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Research Interests

Education; Social Stratification and Inequality; Life Course Transitions

Publications

Sutton, April, Chandra Muller, and Amy Langenkamp. 2013. "High School Transfer Students and the Transition to College: Timing and the Structure of the School Year." *Sociology of Education* 86(1):63-82.

Manuscripts Under Review

Shifrer, Dara and April Sutton. "Region-Urbanicity Differences in Locus of Control: Social Disadvantage or Cultural Exceptionalism?" *Revise and Resubmit.*

Manuscripts in Progress (drafts available)

Sutton, April. "Local Labor Markets, High School Course Offerings, and Student Course-Taking."

Sutton, April, Amy Langenkamp, Chandra Muller, and Kathryn Schiller. "Academic Performance During the Transition from Middle School to High School: The Roles of Gender and Race."

Glass, Jennifer and April Sutton. "Undoing Gender: Evidence from Religious Switching Among Emerging Adults."

Glass, Jennifer, Scott Fitzgerald, and April Sutton. "Leaving the Faith: How Religious Switching Changes Pathways to Adulthood Among Conservative Protestant Youth."

Selected Presentations

Sutton, April. "The Impact of Transferring During the Later Years of High School on Postsecondary Matriculation." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association of America, August 2009, San Francisco, CA.

Sutton, April. "The Role of Urbanicity in the Female Advantage in Higher Education Participation and Attainment." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association of America, August 2010, Atlanta, GA.

Sutton, April, Amy Langenkamp, Chandra Muller, and Kathryn Shiller. "The Shape of the River from Middle School through High School: School, Transitions, and Students." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association of America, August 2011, Las Vegas, CA.

Sutton, April. "Local Labor Markets and Males' Transitions to College." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, May 2012, San Francisco, CA.

Sutton, April. "Males' and Females' Transitions to College and the Gender Gap in College Participation: Does the Local Labor Context Matter?" Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association of America, August 2012, Denver, CO.

Research Experience

Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin.

Summer 2008-present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Chandra Muller
Spring 2012-present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Jennifer Glass

Other Research Experience

Spring 2009
Statistical Survey Analyst for Policy Research Project on Nonprofit Evaluation Policy, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin.

2006-2007
Field Researcher. National Treatment Center Study at the Institute for Behavioral Research, University of Georgia.

Teaching Experience

Spring 2013
Instructor, University of Texas-Austin

- Education and Society

Fall 2007-Fall 2009
Teaching Assistant, University of Texas-Austin

- Criminology
- Intro to the Study of Society
- Community Politics and Leadership

Fellowships

Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute for Child Health and Human Development Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin ($21,000), 2011-2012

Professional Service

Student Representative, Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association, 2013-2014

Editor, Newsletter of the Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association, 2011-2012

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association
Population Association of America

*References Available Upon Request