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## **EDUCATION**

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- 2005 - present      University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Ph.D. Candidate in Sociology  
 (expected May 2010)
- Doctoral exams: Stratification (October, 2006) and Family (February, 2007)
- Dissertation: *Understanding How Economic and Ideational Factors Combine to Influence the Timing of Marriage*.  
 Committee: Lisa D. Pearce (Chair), Philip N. Cohen, Guang Guo, Kathleen Mullan Harris, and Ronald R. Rindfuss
- 2003 - 2005      University of Victoria (Canada), M.A., Sociology, 2005.
- 1992 - 1996      Nanjing University (China), B.A., Sociology, 1996.

## **AREAS OF INTEREST**

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Social Demography; Family; Gene and Environment Interaction; Stratification; and Quantitative Methods.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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- Predoctoral Traineeship, UNC-CH Carolina Population Center (May 2006 – present).
- Carolina Population Center Research Residency Award for dissertation fieldwork in Nepal (Fall 2008).
- The Robert Hagedorn Graduate Scholarship, University of Victoria, 2004-2005.
- The Bob and Kaye Lane Scholarship, University of Victoria, 2004-2005.
- The Graduate Tuition Fellowship, University of Victoria, 2003-2005.
- The Dean's Scholarship, University of Victoria, 2003-2004.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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- 2006 - present      Graduate Research Assistant, Chitwan Valley Family Study, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Dr. Lisa Pearce).
- 2004-2005          Graduate Research Assistant, University of Victoria, Canada (Dr. Douglas Baer).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Spring, 2008	Data Analysis and Quantitative Research
Fall, 2008	Data Analysis and Quantitative Research
Spring, 2009	Data Analysis and Quantitative Research
Summer, 2009	Sociological Perspectives
Fall, 2009	Sociological Perspectives

Teaching Assistant Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Fall, 2005	Sociological Perspectives (Professor Anne Hastings)
Spring, 2006	Sociological Perspectives (Professor Anne Hastings)
Fall, 2006	Graduate Course, Demography I (Graduate Course, Professor Philip Cohen)
Spring, 2007	Families and Society (Professor Philip Cohen)
Fall, 2007	Demography I (Graduate Course, Professor Philip Cohen)

Short Course Instructor

Winter, 2008	Institute for Social and Environmental Research, Nepal Statistical Programming using SAS
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Teaching Assistant Department of Sociology, University of Victoria, Victoria (Canada)

2003 – 2005	Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to Social Problems; and Categorical Data Analysis
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## PAPERS IN PROGRESS

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“How Economic and Ideational Factors Interact to Shape Marriage Timing”  
(*Under Review at Journal of Marriage and Family*)

“Religion’s Role in Shaping Family Size Preferences” (with Lisa D. Pearce and Sarah R. Brauner-Otto)

“The Role of Education in Marriage Formation: An In-depth Investigation of the Economic and Ideational Features of Education’s Influence”

“Why Hurry into Marriage When Others Retreat from It? Interactions between Economic Potential and Marital Expectations among American Youth”

“Gene, Family Structure, Risk-seeking, and Marriage”

“Contraceptive Sterilization in Canada: A Reasonable Choice”

## PRESENTATIONS

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“How Economic and Ideational Factors Interact in Shaping Marriage Timing in Nepal: A Reasonable Choice Approach” (award winner). Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI, May 2009.

“Early Marriage Timing of Young Adults: The Dynamics of Culture and Economics in the Social Context.”  
Presented at the Add Health User’s Conference, Bethesda, Maryland, July 2008.

“Contraceptive Sterilization in Canada: A Reasonable Choice.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociology Association, May 2006.

“An Ordinary People’s Sociology: Theoretical Framework and Constructive Tools in Everyday Life.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociology Association, May 2006.

“Framework Transferring and Everyday Life of a Chinese Immigrant Christian Fellowship.” Presented at *Celebrating a Legacy: A Teach-In on Institutional Ethnography*. Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, October 2005.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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Population Association of America  
American Sociological Association  
Canadian Sociological Association

## REFERENCES

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