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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor, Department of Childhood Studies, Rutgers University (July 2020-)

Assistant Professor, Department of Childhood Studies, Rutgers University (Sept 2014-June 2020)

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto (2013-2014)
Funded by a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Postdoctoral Fellowship

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto (2011-2013)
Funded by an Ontario Government Early Researcher Award (to Dr. Josée Johnston)

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of Sociology and Equity Studies in Education, University of Toronto, 2011
M.A., Department of Sociology and Equity Studies in Education, University of Toronto, 2007
B.A., Department of Sociology (First Class Honours), McGill University, 2005

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Childhood and Youth; Feminist Theory; Qualitative Methods; Girlhood Studies; Children's Geographies; Food Studies; Sociology of Consumption; Education; Environmental Justice

BOOKS

Johnston, Josée, Kate Cairns, and Shyon Baumann. 2017. *Introducing Sociology Using the Stuff of Everyday Life*. New York: Routledge.

Cairns, Kate, and Josée Johnston. 2015. *Food and Femininity*. London: Bloomsbury Publishing.

Honorable Mention, Best Book Award, Consumers and Consumption Section of the American Sociological Association. June 2016.

Reviewed in: *Antipode*; *Canadian Food Studies*; *Choice*; *Contemporary Sociology*; *Food, Culture & Society*; *Gender & Society*; *London School of Economics and Political Science Review of Books*; *Review of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Studies*; *San Francisco Review of Books*; *The Sociological Review*

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Cairns, Kate. Forthcoming. Feeling environmental justice: Pedagogies of slow violence. *Curriculum Inquiry*.

Backer, David I. and Kate Cairns. 2021. Social reproduction theory revisited. *British Journal of Sociology of Education*. Online first, July 27, 2021.

MacKendrick, Norah, and Kate Cairns. 2019. The polluted child and maternal responsibility in the US environmental health movement. *Signs: A Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, 44(2): 307-332.

- Cairns, Kate. 2018. Beyond magic carrots: Garden pedagogies and the rhetoric of effects. *Harvard Educational Review* 88(4): 516-537.
- Cairns, Kate. 2018. Youth, temporality and territorial stigma: Finding good in Camden, New Jersey. *Antipode* 50(5): 1224-1243.
- Cairns, Kate. 2018. Relational foodwork: Young people and food insecurity. *Children & Society* 32(2018): 174-184.
- Cairns, Kate and Josée Johnston. 2018. On (not) knowing where your food comes from: Meat, mothering and ethical eating. *Agriculture and Human Values* 35(3): 569-580.
- Cairns, Kate. 2017. Connecting to food: Cultivating children in the school garden. *Children's Geographies* 15(3): 304-318.
- Cairns, Kate, Deborah McPhail, Claudyne Chevrier and Jill Bucklaschuk. 2015. The Family Behind the Farm: Race and the affective geographies of Manitoba pork production. *Antipode*. 47(5): 1184-1202.
- Cairns, Kate, and Josée Johnston. 2015. Choosing health: Embodied neoliberalism, postfeminism and the “do-diet”. *Theory and Society*. 44(2): 153-175.
- Cairns, Kate. 2014. Both here and elsewhere: Rural girls’ contradictory visions of the future. *Gender and Education*, 26(5): 477-489.
- Gaztambide-Fernández, Rubén, Elena VanderDussen, and Kate Cairns. 2014. “The Mall” and “The Plant”: Choice and the classed construction of possible futures in two specialized arts programs. *Education and Urban Society* 46(1):109-134.
- Cairns, Kate. 2013. Youth, dirt, and the spatialization of subjectivity: An intersectional approach to white rural imaginaries. *Canadian Journal of Sociology* 38(4): 623-646.
- Cairns, Kate, Josée Johnston and Norah MacKendrick. 2013. Feeding the ‘organic child’: Mothering through ethical consumption. *Journal of Consumer Culture*, 13(2): 96-117.
- Cairns, Kate. 2013. The subject of neoliberal affects: Rural youth envision their futures. *The Canadian Geographer*. 57(3): 337-344.
- Cairns, Kate. 2013. Ethnographic locations: The geographies of feminist post-structural ethnography. *Ethnography and Education* 8(3): 323-337.
- Gaztambide-Fernández, Rubén, Kate Cairns, Yuko Kawashima, Lydia Menna and Elena VanderDussen. 2011. Portraiture as pedagogy: Learning research through the exploration of context and methodology. *International Journal of Education and the Arts* 12(4).
- Cairns, Kate. 2010. “Thinking Beyond Borders”? A transnational feminist critique of discourses of internationalism in Canada. *Atlantis: A Women's Studies Journal* 35(1): 28-40.
- Cairns, Kate, Josée Johnston and Shyon Baumann. 2010. Caring about food: Doing gender in the foodie kitchen. *Gender & Society* 24(5): 591-615.

Reprinted in *Foodies, second edition: Democracy and distinction in the gourmet foodscape*, by Josée Johnston and Shyon Baumann, 2015, Routledge.

Cairns, Kate. 2009. A future to voice? Continuing debates in feminist research with youth. *Gender and Education* 23(3): 321-335.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Cairns, Kate, Norah MacKendrick and Josée Johnston. 2021. The 'organic child' idea holds mothers to an impossible standard. In *The State of Families: Law, Policy and the Meanings of Relationships*. Edited by Jennifer Reich, 306-308. New York and London: Routledge.

Cairns, Kate. 2019. Mapping futures, making selves: How rural young people experience *The Real Game*. In *Our Rural Selves: Memory and the Visual in Canadian Childhoods*, edited by Claudia Mitchell and April Mandrona, 224-242. McGill-Queen's University Press.

Cairns, Kate, Josée Johnston, and Merin Oleschuk. 2018. Calibrating Motherhood. In *Feeding children inside and outside the home: Critical perspectives*, edited by Vicki Harman, Benedetta Cappellini, Charlotte Fairclough, 174-190. London: Routledge.

Johnston, Josée, Kate Cairns, and Merin Oleschuk. 2017. A Kind Diet: Cultivating Consumer Politics, Status, and Femininity through Ethical Eating. *The Bloomsbury Handbook of Food and Popular Culture*, edited by Kathleen LeBesco and Peter Naccarato, 286-300. London: Bloomsbury Publishing.

Cairns, Kate. 2017. Morality and Relationality in Children's Foodscapes. In *Geographies of Identities and Subjectivities*, edited by Claire Dwyer and Nancy Worth, Vol. 4 of *Geographies of Children and Young People*, editor-in-chief Tracey Skelton, 371-388. Singapore: Springer.

Cairns, Kate. 2015. Girls' studies in the rural. In *Feminisms and Ruralities*, edited by B. Pini, B. Brandth, and J. Little, 167-180. Lexington Books.

Cairns, Kate, Kim DeLaat, Shyon Baumann, and Josée Johnston. 2014. The caring, committed Eco-Mom: Consumer ideals and lived realities. In *Green Consumption: The Global Rise of Eco-Chic*, edited by B. Barendregt and R. Jaffe, 100-114. Bloomsbury Publishing.

Gaztambide-Fernández, Rubén, Kate Cairns, and Chandni Desai. 2013. The sense of entitlement. In *Privilege, Agency, and Affect*, edited by P. Aggleton and C. Maxwell, 32-49. Palgrave Macmillan.

Cairns, Kate. 2013. Reading futures: Exploring rural students' literacy practices in neo-liberal times. In *Rethinking Rural Literacies: Transnational Perspectives*, edited by B. Green and M. Corbett. Palgrave.

Cairns, Kate. 2012. Partnering power: Questions posed from governmentality. In *Canadian education: Governing practices and producing subjects*, edited by B. L. Spencer, K. D. Gariepy, K. Dehli, and J. Ryan. Calgary: Sense Publishers.

Johnston, Josée, and Kate Cairns. 2012. Eating for change. In *Commodity activism: Cultural resistance in neoliberal times*, edited by S. Banet-Weiser and R. Mukherjee, 219-239. New York University Press.

Johnston, Josée, Shyon Baumann, and Kate Cairns. 2010. The national and the cosmopolitan in cuisine: Constructing America through gourmet food writing. In *The globalization of food*, edited by D. Inglis and D. Gimlin, 161-183. London: Berg Publishers.

REVIEWS AND OTHER WRITING

Cairns, Kate. 2021. "[How to notice the potholes without falling into them?](#)" Microblog for the Common Worlds Research Collective, April 2021.

Cairns, Kate. 2021. Food inequality. In *The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Critical Perspectives on Mental Health*, edited by Jessica Nina Lester and Michelle O'Reilly. Palgrave.

Cairns, Kate. 2020. Review of *Reclaiming Community: Race and the Uncertain Future of Youth Work*. *Contemporary Sociology* 49(5): 423-425.

Cairns, Kate. 2020. [Assignment: Earth – Children as agents of environmental change](#). In *Changing Childhoods*, July 14, 2020.

Cairns, Kate. 2020. Food studies and children. In *The Sage Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood Studies*, edited by Daniel Thomas Cook. Sage Publications.

Cairns, Kate, Norah MacKendrick and Josée Johnston. 2020. [The 'organic child' ideal holds mothers to an impossible standard](#). *Aeon* February 19, 2020.

Cairns, Kate. 2020. [Children, reproductive labor, and intergenerational solidarity: Comment on Newberry and Rosen](#). *Focaal: Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology*, 86(2020): 121-124.

Backer, David, and Kate Cairns. 2019. Meeting needs. *n+1* April 9, 2019. <https://nplusonemag.com/online-only/online-only/meeting-needs/>

MacKendrick, Norah and Kate Cairns. 2019. [Born Pre-Polluted: Mothers and Environmental Risk](#). WRISK blog, February 27, 2019.

Cairns, Kate. 2018. [What happens in the garden?](#) Microblog for the *Common Worlds Research Collective*. October 23, 2018.

Cairns, Kate. 2018. Review of *Fast-Food Kids: French Fries, Lunch Lines, and Social Ties*. *Contemporary Sociology* 47(3): 301-303.

Backer, David I., and Kate Cairns. 2017. [Movement pedagogy: Beyond the class/identity impasse](#). *Viewpoint Magazine*, December 21, 2017.

Cairns, Kate, Josée Johnston and Merin Oleschuk. 2017. [Calibrating extremes: The balancing act of maternal foodwork](#). Blog post for *Gender & Society*. October 17, 2017.

Goodman, Michael K, Josée Johnston and Kate Cairns. 2017. Food, media and space: The mediated biopolitics of eating. Introduction to themed issue of *Geoforum* 84:161-168.

Johnston, Josée, Kate Cairns, and Shyon Baumann. 2017. [Using Consumer Culture to Teach Sociological Thinking](#). Blog post for *Consume This!* Jan 4 2017.

Oleschuk, Merin, Kate Cairns, and Josée Johnston. 2016. [Let's Rethink the Pressure of Cooking Family Meals this Holiday Season](#). Blog post on Huff Post Parents Canada, December 20, 2016.

Cairns, Kate. 2016. Review of *Childhood* (by Michael Wyness). *International Journal of Sociology of the Family* 42(1-2): 54-56.

Cairns, Kate. 2016. Review of *Taking the Heat: Women Chefs and Gender Inequality in the Professional Kitchen*. *Gender & Society* 30(6).

Cairns, Kate. 2015. Review of *The Moral Geographies of Children, Young People and Food: Beyond Jamie's School Dinners*. *Food, Culture and Society* 18(4): 717-719.

Johnston, Josée, and Kate Cairns. 2014. Food shopping: A chore or a pleasure? *Contexts* 13(3).

Johnston, Josée, and Kate Cairns. 2013. Searching for the 'alternative', caring, reflexive consumer. *International Journal of the Sociology of Agriculture and Food* 20(3): 403-408.

Cairns, Kate. 2010. Review of *The methodological dilemma: Creative, critical and collaborative approaches to qualitative research*. *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education* 23(6): 755-758.

Gaztambide-Fernández, Rubén, and Kate Cairns. 2010. Cultural studies. In *International Encyclopedia of Education, 3rd Edition*, edited by Penelope Peterson, Eva Baker, Barry McGraw. Elsevier Press.

Cairns, Kate. 2008. Review essay: Being, inventing and understanding gendered subjects. *Gender and Education* 20(6): 655-659.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2021. Caring about water: Social reproduction amidst environmental insecurity. Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, August 2021.

2020. Water fight: Private risks, public goods, and environmental justice. To be presented at the International Conference on Child and Teen Consumption, June 2020, Camden, NJ. [Cancelled due to COVID-19 crisis]

2019. Critical Girlhoods in the 21st Century. Discussant at the annual meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society, March 2019, Boston, MA.

2019. Slow violence and the pedagogical challenge of environmental justice. Presented at Rethinking Child and Youth Marginalities, ACYIG Meetings, March 2019, Rutgers-Camden.

2018. Invited critic for Author Meets Critic panel on *Fast-Food Kids: French Fries, Lunch Lines, and Social Ties*. Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meetings, Feb 22-25, 2018, Baltimore, MA.

2017. Youth, temporality, and territorial stigma: Re-scripting place. Presented at the Conceptualizing Childhood and Youth Conference, Oct. 12-14, 2017, Brock University, St. Catharines, Canada.

2017. Place, identity, and uncertain futures: Youth theorizing social change. Presented at the International Conference on Geographies of Children, Youth, and Families, Sept 25-27, 2017. Loughborough University, UK.

2017. [with Josée Johnston]. On (not) knowing where your food comes from: Children, meat, and ethical eating. Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, August 2017, Montreal.

2017. [with Norah MacKendrick]. Born Chemical-Free: Constructing Childhood Purity in the Environmental Health Movement. Presented at the Society for the History of Children and Youth Conference, June 2017, Camden, New Jersey.

2017. “Don’t yuck my yum”: The politics of teaching taste. Presented at the Eastern Sociological Society Meetings, February 2017, Philadelphia, PA.

2016. “Toward a Feminist Food Studies” Invited roundtable speaker, Association for the Study of Food and Society Meetings, June 2016, Toronto, Ontario.

2016. “That’s the danger of ever reading *Charlotte’s Web* to your kids”: Meat-eating, mothering, and childhood innocence. Presented at the Child and Teen Consumption Conference, April 2016, Aalborg, Denmark.

2015. Cultivating childhood: The discursive construction of the school garden. Presented at the Association for the Study of Food and Society meetings, June 2015, Pittsburgh.

2015. [with Josée Johnston]. All consuming: Using consumer culture to teach sociological thinking. Roundtable presentation at the American Sociological Association, August 2015, Chicago.

2015. Connecting to food: Border-crossing in the school garden. Presented at the Eastern Sociological Society Meetings, February 2015, New York.

2015. Youth, dirt, and the spatialization of subjectivity: An intersectional approach to white rural imaginaries. Presented at the International Conference on the Geographies of Children, Youth, and Families, January 2015, San Diego.

2014. ‘Connecting’ to food: School gardens and the spatial imaginaries of urban childhoods. Presented at the Temple University Critical Geography Conference, November 2014, Philadelphia.

2014. [with Josée Johnston]. Caring through food? The gendered work of eating for change. Presented at the Annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, August 2014, San Francisco.

2014. [with Josée Johnston]. The “do-diet”: Embodying neoliberalism and postfeminism in healthy eating discourse. Presented at the Canadian Sociological Association, May 2014.

2014. [with Deborah McPhail and Claudyne Chevrier]. The Family Behind the Farm: Affective geographies of Manitoba pork production. Canadian Association of Food Studies, May 2014.

2013. [with Josée Johnston]. Food shopping, emotion, and the classed performance of femininity. Presented at the American Sociological Association Meetings, August 2013.

2013. “I don’t think of it as a chore. It’s a pleasure”: Food Shopping and the Classed Performance of Femininity. Presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Meetings. June 2013.

2012. Global youth cultures: Empirical, theoretical and methodological investigations. Discussant at the annual meetings of the Canadian Sociological Association, June 2012, Waterloo, ON.

2012. Situating selves: Students' place-based narratives of race, class and rurality. Presented at the Association of American Geographers, Feb. 2012, New York.

2011. Unmapping the gendered geographies of rural youth's imagined futures. Presented at the Canadian Women's Studies Association, June 2011, Fredericton.

2011. Gendered mobilities: Exploring rural girls' contradictory narratives of future success. Presented at the American Educational Research Association, April 2011, New Orleans.

2010. Envisioning futures in the “real world”: Exploring the interplay between neo-liberal discourses and student subjectivities. Oxford Ethnography Conference, Sept. 2010, Oxford, UK.

2010. “It's getting different from the olden days”: Rural intermediate students talk about gender and sexism. Presented at the Canadian Women's Studies Association, June 2010, Montreal.

2010. “It's nice, friendly, and everybody knows everybody”: Rural youths' narratives of space and place. Presented at the Canadian Society for Studies in Education, June 2010, Montreal.

2010. Playing the Real Game: Rural youth imagine their futures. Presented at the Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference, May 2010, Brantford, Ontario.

2009. “Thinking beyond borders”? Exploring the limits and possibilities for imagining transnational feminist scholarship in Canada. Presented on the Keynote Panel at the annual meeting of the Canadian Women's Studies Association, May 2009, Ottawa.

2008. Producing the Young Entrepreneur: Analyzing the discourse of one educational partnership. Presented at the Canadian Society for Studies in Education, June 2008, Vancouver.

TEACHING

Undergraduate Courses in Childhood Studies, Rutgers University-Camden (Sept 2014-present)

- Gender and Education
- Children's Geographies
- Introduction to Childhood Studies
- Developing Minds and Bodies

Graduate Courses in Childhood Studies, Rutgers University-Camden (Sept 2014-present)

- Children's Geographies
- Girlhood Studies

Previous Teaching Experience

- Sociology of Culture, University of Toronto Mississauga (Spring 2014)
- Power and Cultural Politics, University Toronto Mississauga (Fall 2013)
- Individual and Society, Vanier College, Montreal (2011-2013)
- Sociology of Youth Culture, Vanier College, Montreal (Summer 2011)
- Advanced Academic Writing, Western Town College, Toronto (2007)
- TOEFL Preparation, Western Town College, Toronto (2007)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS/ GUEST-LECTURES

2021. Invited response to Max Liboiron's *Pollution is Colonialism* as part of the book review panel for the Common Worlds Research Collective Annual General Meeting, September 15, 2021.

2021. "Feeding relations: Food as a lens onto inequality." Invited presentation within the Department of Nutritional Sciences Seminar Series, Rutgers-New Brunswick. Feb. 24, 2021.

2019. Invited (digital) guest in "Environmental Education for Young Children," University of Texas at Austin, April 2019.

2019. Invited presentation to non-profit groups in the "Campbell's Healthy Communities Collective Impact Initiative," Camden, NJ, March 2019.

2019. Invited guest in "PhD Proseminar," Childhood Studies, Rutgers-Camden, March 2019.

2018. Invited (digital) guest in "Introduction to Sociology," Paul Smith's College. Sept 10, 2018.

2017. Invited panel discussant for screening of *The Illusionists*, Honors College, Rutgers University-Camden, March 28, 2017.

2017. Invited guest in "Ethnographies of Childhood," Department of Childhood Studies, Rutgers University-Camden, March 9, 2017.

2015. "Choosing Health: Embodied neoliberalism, postfeminism and the 'do-diet,'" Invited presentation in the Department of Sociology, Rutgers-New Brunswick. November 19, 2015.

2015. "Feeding the Organic Child." Invited guest speaker in "Health and the Family," Department of Sociology, Ithaca College. November 5, 2015.

2015. "Food Politics: The Gendered Work of Eating for Change." Invited presentation within the Temple University Geography and Urban Studies GSA Colloquium. Oct. 23, 2015.

2015. "Feeding the Organic Child." Invited presentation at the Department of Child and Youth Studies Graduate Colloquium, Brock University, St. Catherines, Canada. Oct. 1, 2015.

2015. "Mothers as Guardians of Children's Nutrition." Invited panellist for online discussion series, "For Fork's Sake", May 27, 2015. www.forforkssakelive.com

2015. "Feeding the Organic Child." Invited presentation at the Chancellor's Junior Faculty Research Seminar, Rutgers University-Camden, April 30, 2015.

2013. "Perspectives on Gender and Sexual Oppression." Guest speaker in Graduate Seminar in "Theories of Social Justice and Community Engagement," Wilfrid Laurier University.

2013. "Kid Culture." Guest speaker in Graduate Seminar Sociology of Culture, University of Toronto.

2013. "Girls and Media." Invited panellist. International Day of the Girl Celebration hosted by the United Nations Association in Canada, Toronto.

2012. "Instituting Change in Institutional Frames: The Rural Context." Guest lecture in "Diversity in the Classroom," Department of Education, Concordia University.

2012. "Commodity Solutions to Social Problems: Green Consumerism." Guest speaker in "Graduate Seminar in Consumer Culture," Sociology, University of Toronto.

2011. "Gender, Schooling and Rural Youth: Current Experiences, Future Aspirations." Invited public lecture, Queens Institute for Lifelong Learning, Queen's University.

2011. "Gendered Ruralities: Power, Positioning and Possibility." Guest lecture in "Graduate Seminar in Feminism and Post-Structuralism in Education," OISE/University of Toronto.

2010. "Race, Space and Identity," Guest lecture in "Racisms," Humanities, Dawson College.

2010. "Doing Gender in the Foodie Kitchen," Guest lecture in "Families and Health," School of Nutrition, Ryerson University.

2010. "Power, Pedagogy and *The Real Game*," Guest lecture in "Feminism, Girls and Girlhoods," Simone de Beauvoir Institute of Women's Studies, Concordia University.

2010. "Space, Power and Subjectivity." Guest lecture in "Graduate Seminar in Minority Status and Learning," Department of Education, Concordia University.

2009/2010. Guest speaker in "Contemporary Studies Methodologies," Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford. Presented during Fall and Winter sessions.

GRANTS & AWARDS

Presidential Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, Rutgers University, 2020

Multidisciplinary Grant (Co-PI), Rutgers-Camden Provost's Fund for Research, 2020

Rutgers-Camden "Remarkable 31" for advancing gender equality on campus, March 2019

Rutgers Institute for Research on Women Faculty Fellow, 2018-2019

Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence, Rutgers University-Camden, May 2018

Research Council Grant, Rutgers University, 2016-2017

Carlsberg Foundation Travel Grant (Awarded by the Child and Teen Consumption Conference), 2016

Graduate Program Enhancement Grant, Rutgers-Camden Graduate School, 2015

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2013-2014

Alice Wilson Award, Royal Society of Canada, 2013

Nominated for the Leithwood Award for Outstanding Thesis of the Year, Feb 2012

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship, 2009-2011

Academic Excellence Award, OISE/University of Toronto, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 2008-09, 2006-07

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Departmental and University Service

2019-ongoing Gender Studies Steering Committee member, Rutgers-Camden

2019-2020 Faculty appointment to the TA/GA Grievance Committee

2019 Committee member for Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence, Rutgers-Camden

2019, 2020 "Speak Up!" Co-Organizer for Black Lives Matter at School event, Rutgers-Camden

2015-2020, Faculty Senate Representative, Rutgers-Camden

2014-present, Social Media Committee Member, Childhood Studies, Rutgers-Camden

2011 Vanier College Social Sciences Festival, Panel Organizer
2009 “Right to Education and Academic Freedom,” Symposium Organizer, University of Toronto

Current Graduate Students

Kacey Doran, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2022
Katie Fredricks, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2021
Smruthi Bala Kannan, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2021
Anna Perry, PhD Student (Committee member), expected 2023
Lisa Puga, PhD Candidate (Chair), expected 2021
Jessica Shriver, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2022
Halle Singh, PhD Student (Chair), expected 2023
Heather Reel, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2022
Deszeree Thomas, PhD Candidate (Committee member), expected 2021
Lidong Xiang, PhD Student (Committee member), expected 2023

Past Graduate Students

Megan Applegate, MA (Committee member), 2019
Sebastian Barajas, MA (Committee member), 2020
Julian Burton, PhD Candidate (Co-chair), 2017
Stephanie Contreras, MA (Committee member), 2015
Jessica DePaul, MA Student (Committee member), 2017
Quije Gong, MA (Committee member), 2019
Janice Stiglich, PhD Candidate (Committee member), 2020
Samantha White, PhD Candidate (Committee member), 2020
Doan Vassaf, MA (Advisor), 2015

Professional Association Service

Co-organizer of the themed session, “Toward a Political Economy of Care and Reproductive Work,”
American Sociological Association (online) Meeting, August 2020.
Co-organizer of the International Conference on Child and Teen Consumption, June 2020, Rutgers
University-Camden. [Cancelled due to COVID-19 crisis]
Council Member (elected position), Consumers and Consumption Section of the American
Sociological Association. 2016-2018.
Co-organizer of the ASA Consumers and Consumption Mini-Conference, August 2018, Rutgers
University-Camden.
Communications Coordinator, Consumers and Consumption Section of the American Sociological
Association. 2016-2018.
Advisory Board Member, H-Food-Studies. 2016-2018.

Editorial Board Service

Member of the *Contemporary Sociology* Editorial Board, Aug 2019-
Member of the *Curriculum Inquiry* International Editorial Board, Aug 2019-
Member of the *Gender & Society* Editorial Board, January 2017-December 2019
Member of the editorial board for *Critical Youth Perspectives*, NYU Press, August 2018

Journal Reviewer

Agriculture and Human Values
American Journal of Sociology
Antipode
Anthropology & Education Quarterly

Area
Childhood
Children’s Geographies
Cultural Geographies
Cultural Sociology

Curriculum Inquiry
Emotion, Space and Society
Environmental Sociology
Feminist Media Studies
Food and Foodways
Food, Culture, and Society
Geoforum
Gender & Society
Gender and Education
Girlhood Studies

Health Education
*International Journal of Child, Youth and
Family Studies*
International Journal of Masculinity Studies

*International Journal of Qualitative Studies in
Education*
Journal of Consumer Culture
Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences
Journal of Family Issues
Journal of Marriage and Family
Poetics
Qualitative Sociology
Social Problems
Sociological Forum
Sociological Perspectives
Sociological Review
Theory & Society
Women's Studies International Forum

MEDIA AND NEWS APPEARANCES

Pedersen, Shani. 2020. [It's no longer just women in the kitchen, but food is still gendered](#). *OXY Magazine*, December 1, 2020.

Miller, Mahala. 2019. [Family Meal Conflict: There's Research on That](#). *The Society Pages*, Nov. 14, 2019.

Lowe, Claire. 2019. [New Jersey is the Garden State. But in Atlantic City, it's a food desert](#). *The Press of Atlantic City*, Sept 1, 2019.

Cope, Suzanne. 2018. [In Camden, a Hot Sauce is Helping Young Urban Entrepreneurs Fight Poverty](#). *Civil Eats*, July 24, 2018.

Pagoni, Susan. 2018. [Nobody Is Safe: Disordered Eating in the Age of Foodies](#). *Los Angeles Review of Books*, April 26, 2018.

Nargi, Lela. 2018. [Want to Understand Food Insecurity? Talk to the Children Living Through It](#). *Slate*, April 2, 2018.

Nargi, Lela. 2018. [What Children Understand About Food Insecurity](#). *Civil Eats*, March 26, 2018.

McLaughlin, Tom. 2018. [Food-Insecure Teens Focus on Helping Moms Put Food on the Table, says New Rutgers-Camden Research](#). Rutgers Today Feature, January 2018.

Roussel, Annellyne. 2017. [Sexiste, La Culture Foodie?](#) *Gazette des Femmes*, 3 Feb 2017.

[Food & Femininity \(with Dr. Kate Cairns\)](#). Interview on the *Racist Sandwich* podcast, June 29, 2016.

Eblen, Shannon. 2016. [Organic, low-fat, gluten-free: What food labels mean](#). *Courier-Post*, 19 Feb 2016.

Markey, Charlotte N. 2016. [Eating Right in 2016: Still 'Women's Work?'](#) Feature on *Psychology Today*, Jan. 11, 2016.

[Even in the 21st Century, women take on the major role in food work.](#) Interview on NewsWorks Tonight, WHYY, Dec. 24, 2015.

McLaughlin, Tom. 2015. [A Full Plate: Rutgers-Camden Researcher Explores Food and Femininity in New Book.](#) Rutgers Today Feature, December 11, 2015.

Beutel, Ann. 2015. [Meet the Scholar: Kate Cairns.](#) Sociology of Children & Youth Section Newsletter, Fall 2015.

[Do You Have an Organic Child?](#) Interview on the *Slate* parenting podcast, *Mom and Dad Are Fighting*. July 30, 2015.

Elton, Sarah. 2015. [Wheat, meat, now milk – what’s safe to eat in the 21st century?](#) *The Globe and Mail*, 26 April 2015.

Johnson, Chandra. 2014. [How feminism and marketing became bedfellows – and how it’s changing.](#) *Desert News*, 1 September 2014.

Cole, Nicki Lisa. 2014. [Introducing Kate Cairns.](#) *Consumed*. Newsletter for the Consumers and Consumption Section of the American Sociological Association. 18 July, 2014.