



**Curriculum Vita  
August 2023**

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<b>EDUCATION</b>
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*Doctor of Philosophy  
Sociology (Demography and Gender)  
Texas A&M University-College Station, 2011*

*Graduate Gender Certificate  
Women's and Gender Studies Program  
Texas A&M University-College Station, 2010*

*Master of Arts  
Sociology  
Minor in Women's Studies  
Texas State University-San Marcos, 2008*

*Bachelor of Arts  
Sociology  
Certificate in Gender Studies  
Texas A&M University-College Station, 2006*

<b>TEACHING EXPERIENCE</b>
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*September 2023 to Present, Professor of Sociology, Texas A&M University-Commerce*

*September 2018 to Present, Associate Professor of Sociology, Texas A&M University- Commerce*

*August 2016 to September 2018, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Texas A&M University-Commerce*

*August 2012 to June 2016, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of West Alabama*

*January 2012 to May 2012, Adjunct Instructor of Sociology, Austin Community College*

*August 2009 to December 2011, Graduate Lecturer of Sociology, Texas A&M University- College Station*

<b>PUBLICATIONS</b>
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D’Lane R. Compton, **D. Nicole Farris** and Mary Ann Davis. “Prevalence and Trends in Obesity Across Gender Identities.” in the International Handbook of the Demography of Obesity eds. Dudley L. Poston, Jr. and Ginny Garcia. New York, NY: Springer Publishers (Forthcoming 2023)

Jacob Armstrong, Elvira White-Lewis, **D. Nicole Farris** & Willie J. Edwards. 2021. “Reevaluating factors associated with negative attitudes toward police: capturing information from college students.” *Journal of Ethnicity in Criminal Justice*, DOI: 10.1080/15377938.2021.1907827

Farris, D. Nicole and A.J.J. Bourque. 2020. The International Handbook on the Demography of Family. New York, NY: Springer Publishers

Farris, D. Nicole, D’Lane R. Compton and Andrea P. Herrera. 2020. Gender, Sexuality and Race in the Digital Age. New York, NY: Springer Publishers.

Farris, D. Nicole. 2016. Boomerang Kids: The Demography of Previously Launched Adults. New York: Springer Publishers.

Davis, Jennifer Lauren, D’Lane R. Compton, **D. Nicole Farris** and Tony Love. 2015. “Implementing and Analyzing Social Media in Higher Education” *The Journal of Faculty Development* 29: 2; 9-16.

Farris D. Nicole, D’Lane R. Compton and Yu-Ting Chang. 2015. “Patterns of Bisexuality in America.” *Journal of Bisexuality* 15:4.

Farris, D. Nicole, Mary Ann Davis and D’Lane Compton (editors). 2014. Illuminating How Identities, Stereotypes and Inequalities Matter Through Gender Studies. New York: Springer Publishers.

Poston, Dudley L. Jr., Wen Shan Yang and **D. Nicole Farris** (editors). 2013. The Family and Social Change in Chinese Societies. New York, NY: Springer Publishers.

Poston, Dudley L. Jr., D. Nicole Farris and Lei He. 2013. "Sexuality in China." A chapter in Amanda K. Baumle (editor), *International Handbook of Sexuality*. New York, NY: Springer Publishers.

Dudley L. Poston, Jr., **D. Nicole Farris**, and Qian Xiong. 2013. "Death/Mortality Rates." In Michael Brennan (ed.), *The A-Z of Death and Dying: Social, Medical and Cultural Aspects*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Poston, Dudley L. Jr., **D. Nicole Farris** and Qian Xiong. 2013. "Infant Mortality." In Michael Brennan (ed.), *The A-Z of Death and Dying: Social, Medical and Cultural Aspects*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Poston, Dudley L., Jr. and **D. Nicole Farris**. "Which States Lose House Seats if Puerto Rico Becomes a State?" *The Social Contract* Winter 2011- 2012, 22:2.

#### **FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS/WORKS IN PROGRESS**

Farris, D. Nicole and Burchan Aydin. "A Gender Comparison of Attitudes Toward Drone Pilots" (in progress)

Farris, D. Nicole and Dudley L. Poston, Jr. "Poverty In China." A chapter in Joachim Singelmann and Marlene Lee (editors), *International Handbook of Poverty Populations*. New York, NY: Springer Publishers, (in progress)

#### **BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Dudley L. Poston, Jr. and D. Nicole Farris. 2020. "The Political Implications of D.C./Puerto Rico Statehood" *Sabato's Crystal Ball* (October 6): <https://centerforpolitics.org/crystalball/articles/statehood-for-washington-d-c-and-puerto-rico-background-and-political-implications/>

Dudley L. Poston, Jr. and D. Nicole Farris. 2017. "If Puerto Rico Gains, Texas is Likely to Lose." *San Antonio Express-News*, June 22: A11.

Farris, D. Nicole. Book Review: *Raised Up Down Yonder: Growing up Black in Rural Alabama*. *The Alabama Review* 2015, 68:2.

Farris, D. Nicole. Book Review: *Superdads: How Fathers Balance Work and Family in the 21st Century*. *Journal of Men and Masculinities* 2014, 17:347.

#### **PROFESSIONAL DUTIES, AWARDS/GRANTS, HONORS AND POSITIONS HELD**

- Participant: Texas Women in Higher Education Conference: Discovering Your Leadership Playlist (2023)
- Co-Author and Consultant: Campus Violence Against Women Grant (with Marta Mercado-Sierra, Avril Knox and Gracie Brownell, 2023)
- Recipient: Faculty Development Travel Grant: \$1500 (2022)
- Featured Speaker: Women of Commerce, Breaking the Glass Ceiling (March 2021)
- Site Director, Southwestern Social Science Association (2018 to Present)
- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Psychology and Sociology (2019 to Present)
- Recipient: Faculty Development Travel Grant: \$1000 (2019)
- Invited Guest Speaker, Diversity Lecture for Resident Advisors at UWA (August 2015)
- Participant, Phi Kappa Phi Partnering for Success Event (August 2015)
- Founder, Center for the Study of Gender and Social Science (July 2015)
- Invited Member, Domestic Violence Task Force of Tuscaloosa County (June 2015)
- Invited Guest Speaker, University of West Alabama Resident Assistant Training (August 2015)
- PI: Sparking Progress: Attracting, Advancing, and Retaining Women in STEM (\$183,445) Submitted November 2015 (Not Funded)
- Panelist, #sexandpizza event sponsored by UWA Equality Alliance and Active Minds (2015)
- Featured: University of West Alabama Sociology Testimonial Video (2015)
- Recipient, OSP Grant Pyramid Incentive Program (\$4000) (2015)
- Elected as Phi Kappa Phi Chapter President-Elect (May 2014)
- Invited Guest Speaker, Diversity Lecture for Gilbert Hall (2014)
- Co-PI: The University of West Alabama ADVANCE Catalyst for Institutional Transformation Grant (\$199,905) (Not Funded)
- Elected as Phi Kappa Phi Chapter Secretary (June 2013)
- Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society (March 2013)
- Invited Guest, Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society Induction (February 2013)
- University of West Alabama Research Grant Recipient (\$1000) (2012, 2013)
- University of West Alabama Teaching Excellence Grant Recipient (\$250) (2012)
- Interviewed for KAGS News Segment on "The Lost Generation" November (2011)
- Invited Guest Speaker, Texas A&M University Sociology Club (2011)
- Recipient Sociology Department Research Award (\$925) (2011)
- Recipient Regents' Fellowship (\$5000) (2008)
- Departmental Travel Award to SSSA for paper presentation (\$500) (2008) • Recipient Geoff Woods Memorial Scholarship for Scholastic Excellence (\$750) (2007)

<p><b>THESIS/DISSERTATION COMMITTEES</b></p>
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- Chair, Sophia Suan, Honor's Thesis (2023-Present)
- Committee Member, Cassie Rice, EdD Student (Higher Education)
- Chair, Kylie McMillon, Honor's Thesis (2022-Present)
- Chair, Javion Lynch, Honor's Thesis (2022-Present)
- Committee Member, Delaney Searcy, Honor's Thesis (2021)
- Committee Member, Rachel Sumrall, PhD Student (Psychology)
- Committee Member, Krystal Ervin, MS Student (Applied Psychology)
- Chair, Marissa Abernathy Honor's Thesis (2020- 2022)
- Chair, Cyai Ramirez Honor's Thesis (2020-Present)
- Chair, Jennifer Polk Honor's Thesis (2019)
- Committee Member, Holly Ferguson, EdD Student (Educational Leadership)
- Committee Member, Robert Delcastillo Honor's Thesis (2018-2020)
- Chair, Jacqueline Bejarano Honor's Thesis (2018- Present)
- Chair, Delia Wallace Honor's Thesis (2018-2020)
- Committee Member, Kenneth Gregorski, EdD Student (Educational Leadership)
- Chair, Ahnialiese Bell Honor's Thesis (2018)
- Committee Member, Megan Opperman, PhD Student (Language and Literature)
- Chair, Seth Harred Honor's Thesis (2017- 2019)
- Co-Chair, Leanna Brown Honor's Thesis (2017-2019)
- Committee Member, Calsi Shepard Honor's Thesis (2016-2018)
- Chair, Randa Simpson Honor's Thesis (2014 to 2016)
- Committee Member, Caleb Walters Honor's Thesis (2014)
- Committee Member, Dylan Cooper Honor's Thesis (2014)

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Attitudes toward Drones: Does Gender Matter?” Accepted for Presentation at the 17th Annual International Conference on Sociology: Athens, Greece- May 2023 (with Burchan Aydin)

“Effects of Parental Support on Relationship with First-Generation College Students” Accepted for Presentation at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Ft. Worth, TX- April 2023 (with Kylie McMillon)

“ Status Exchange Theory and Same Sex Interracial Unions in the United States” Presented at the 9th Annual International Conference on Demography and Population Studies: Athens, Greece- June 2022 (with Danny Malone and Dudley L. Poston, Jr.)

“A Preliminary Analysis of Status and Same Sex Unions in the United States” Presented at

the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: San Antonio, TX- April 2022 (with Danny Malone and Dudley L. Poston, Jr.)

“Perspectives on Cursing in the Classroom” Invited Presentation at the Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL- April 2022

“ Perceived Medical Gender Bias toward Chronic Illness in College-Aged Women” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: San Antonio, TX- April 2022 (with Marisa Abernathy)

“Is there a Relationship between Demographic Characteristics and Global Competence?” Accepted for Presentation at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Demography and Population Studies: Athens, Greece- June 2021

“Challenges, Transitions and Outcomes Among Foster Care Alumni” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: San Diego, CA- October 2019 (with Vivian Dorsett and Kirthi Abburi)

“An Exploration of the Afro-Panamanian Identity” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: San Diego, CA- October 2019 (with Delia P. Wallace)

“Why Mental Health Matters: Racism, Prejudice and Discrimination Against Minorities” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: San Diego, CA October 2019 (with Jacqueline Bejarano)

“Parental Leave Policy Influence on Fertility Rates: The Importance of Social Contexts on German and Swedish Reform with the United States as a Reference” Presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Demography and Population Studies, Athens, Greece- June 2019

“Self-Reports of Bisexuality in the United States” Presented at the 11th Annual International Conference on Sociology Meeting, Athens, Greece- May 2017

“How Strong is Your Bi-Fi?: Assessing Bisexuality Representation in the United States” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Austin, TX- April 2017 (With D’Lane Compton)

“Lessons in Parental Leave from Sweden” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Austin, TX- April 2017 (With Philip Copeland)

“Willfully Childfree in the U.S.: To Have or Not to Have Children?” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, NV- March 2016 (With Shelby Schmidt)

“Back that Sexism Up: An Analysis of the Representation of Women’s Bodies in Music Videos” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Las Vegas,

NV- March 2016 (With Randa Simpson)

“Trans is the New Black: A Content Analysis of Transsexuals in the Media” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, NV- March 2016 (With Sarah Stone)

“Marriage Practices in North America” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, NV- March 2016 (With Bailey Wright)

“Bitches in Blue: Barriers for Women in Law Enforcement” Accepted for Presentation at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, NV- March 2016 (With Hannah Johnson)

“The Underrepresentation of Female STEM Faculty in the United States” Presented at the 9th Annual International Conference on Sociology Meeting, Athens, Greece May 2015

“Kathoeys: The Construction of Gender in Thai Ladyboys” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Association Meeting, Denver, CO- April 2015 (with Elizabeth Harmon Threatt)

“Narrowing the Pipeline? An Ethnographic Approach to Studying the Underrepresentation of Women in STEM” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Denver, CO- April 2015 (With Heather McDonald)

“The Effect of Gender and Political Affiliation on Attitudes Toward the Legalization of Marijuana” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting: Denver, CO- April 2015 (With Kelly Koontz)

“Narrowing the Pipeline? Assessing Female Participation in STEM” Accepted for Presentation at the International Sociological Association Meeting: Yokohama, Japan- July 2014.

“It’s All in the Game: Using HBO’s The Wire to Teach Urban Inequality” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting: San Antonio, TX April 2014

“The New Norm? Assessing Student Attitudes Toward Previously Launched Adults” Presented at the Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting: Montgomery, AL- October 2013.

“Trends of Bisexuality in America” Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: New York, NY- August 2013 (with D’Lane R. Compton and Yu Ting Chang)

“A Quantitative Analysis of Previously Launched Adults: A Family Structure and Family Development Perspective” Presented at the Population Association of America Annual

Meeting: New Orleans, Louisiana- April 2013

"Bisexuality in America: A Preliminary Analysis" Presented at the Southwestern Social Sciences Annual Meeting: New Orleans, Louisiana- March 2013 (with D'Lane R. Compton and Yu Ting Chang)

"The Boomerang Age? A Qualitative Analysis of Previously Launched Adults." Accepted to be presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: Denver, Colorado- August 2012

"The Proof is in the Pudding: Gender and Race Specific Stereotypes in Television Commercial Food Advertising." Presented at the Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting: San Diego, California-April 2012.

"Poverty in Urban and Rural China: Chronic or Transient?" Presented at the Applied Demography Conference: San Antonio, Texas – January 2012 (with Lei He, Anna Iwinska- Nowak and Dudley L. Poston, Jr.)

"A Quantitative Analysis of Previously Launched Adults: The Life Course Perspective." Presented at the Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting: Tallahassee, Florida- October 2011

"Demographic Ageing of the Populations of the Countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region, with Comparisons to Japan, China, the U.S. and Qatar: Today and the Future." Presented at the Conference on Ageing and Health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: Cyprus- September 2011 (with Dudley L. Poston, Jr.)

"Previously Launched Adults and Their Parents: A Look at Division of Household Labor." Presented at the Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, Nevada  
March 2011

"A Descriptive Look at Previously Launched Adults." Presented at the Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting: Knoxville, Tennessee-October 2010

"The Effects of Using Different Measures on Analyses of Household Poverty in the Texas Borderland & Lower Mississippi Delta: United States, 2006." Presented at the International Sociological Association Meeting: Gothenburg, Sweden-July 2010 (with Dudley L. Poston, Jr.)

"Toward a Quantitative Analysis of Previously Launched Adults." Presented at the Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting: Houston, Texas-March 2010.

"Reconnecting With My Roots:' A Qualitative Analysis of Previously Launched Adults Prior Research and Future Directions." Presented at the Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting: Galveston, Texas October-2009.

“Reconnecting With My Roots: Analyses of Boomerang Children” Presented at the Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting: Las Vegas, Nevada March 2008.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Post-Doctoral Researcher  
Sociology Department, Texas A&M University- College Station, TX  
January 2012 to May 2012

Graduate Teaching Assistant  
Sociology Department, Texas State University—San Marcos, TX  
August 2006 – May 2008

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member: American Sociological Association, Spring 2007 to present  
Section Member: Demography, Race/Class/Gender  
Member: Southwestern Social Science Association, Spring 2008 to present  
Member: Southern Demographic Association, Fall 2009 to present  
Member: Population Association of America, Spring 2010 to present  
Member: Alpha Kappa Delta Sociological Honor Society, Fall 2006 to present  
Member: Sociology Club, Texas A&M University and Texas State University

## **SERVICE**

### DISCIPLINE

Reviewer: Kentucky Journal of Communication Manuscript: “Redefining Women: Challenging Gender Narratives in Country Music”

Session Chair: Time Slot 7, 9th Annual International Conference on Demography and Population Studies, 13-16 June, Athens, Greece (2022)

Reviewer: Springer Publishers Book Proposal: “Transforming Unequal Gender Relations: An Intersectional Perspective on Challenges and Opportunities” (2021)

Reviewer: Cogent Social Sciences Manuscript: “Does poverty affect divorce rates? The role of women’s income as moderating variable” (2021)

Committee Member: Budget and Financial Policies Committee, Southwestern Social Science Association (2019)

Committee Member: Site Policy Committee, Southwestern Social Science Association (2016- Present)

Chair: Site Policy Committee, Southwestern Social Science Association (2017- Present)

Committee Member: Resolutions Committee, Southwestern Social Science Association (2015- Present)

Committee Member: Nominations Committee, Southwestern Social Sciences Association (2013-2014; 2016-Present)

Session Chair, Challenges and Transitions, SSSA Annual Meeting (2019)

Session Chair, World Affairs: Violence, Human Security, Criminal Law and Sectarianism, 6th Annual International Conference on Demography and Population Studies, June 17-20, Athens, Greece (2019)

Session Chair, Gender and Media, SSSA Annual Meeting (2018)

Session Chair, Challenges to Economic Opportunity and Growth, 11<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Sociology, 1-4 May 2017, Athens, Greece

Session Chair, Gender and Culture SSSA Annual Meeting (2017)

Review Editor: Gender, Sex, and Sexuality Studies, Frontiers in Psychology (2016- Present)

Reviewer: Population Review (2016)

Session Chair, Deviance I, 9th Annual International Conference on Sociology, 4-7 May, Athens, Greece (2015)

President, Women's and Gender Studies Section, Southwestern Social Science Association (2014- 2016)

Discussant, Women's and Gender Studies Session on Gender and Media, Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting (2013)

Program Chair for Women's and Gender Studies Session, Southwestern Social Science Association (2012-2014; 2016-2018)

Session Chair for Women's and Gender Studies Sessions on Gender and the Family for the Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meetings (2011- 2018)

Session Chair for Women's and Gender Studies Session on Gender, the Family, and Children for the Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting (2012)

Session Chair for Women's and Gender Studies Session on Gender and Family:  
Division of Labor for Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting (2011)

Session Chair for Social Issues and Policies Session for Southwestern Social  
Sciences Association Annual Meeting (2010)

### UNIVERSITY

Committee Member: Honor's Council (2022 to Present)

Committee Member: Texas Transfer Committee (Sociology Representative) (2022 to Present)

Graduate Council Representative: Maryann Pina Dissertation Defense (November 2021)

Guest Speaker: Talk the Walk Event (April 2021)

Faculty Advisor: Gender Perspectives Club (2020 to Present)

Graduate Council Representative: Tobi Fuller Dissertation Defense (November 2020)

Chair: Graduate Council Faculty, Research and Instruction Committee (2020-2022)

Guest Speaker: Leaving Your Legacy (August 2020)

Committee Member: College of Innovation and Design Search (Instructor, Instructor and Design Incubator, Instructor and Program Liaison Positions) (2020; 2021)

Graduate Council Representative (2019 to 2022)

### COLLEGE

Committee Member: Literature and Language Search (Two Searches- Assistant Professor, 2022)

Committee Member: CHSSA Ad Hoc Post Tenure Review Committee, Jiaming Sun (2021)

Committee Member and Chair: CHSSA Tenure and Promotion Advisory Committee (2021)

Committee Member: Literature and Language Search (Assistant Professor and Writing Center Director) (2020; 2021)

Committee Member: Theater Search (Assistant Professor of Scenic Design; Playwriting and Theater Pedagogy) (2020; 2021)

Committee Member: Gender Studies Curriculum Committee, Texas A&M University Commerce

Faculty Representative: Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice at CHSSA Football Game (2016)

## DEPARTMENT

Chair: Sociology Search (Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2022-2023)

Committee Member: Sociology Search (Assistant Professor of Sociology, 2022)

Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mike Tapia

Faculty Mentor: Advised Jacob Armstrong with construction, administration, and analysis of survey/methods portion of Honor's Thesis (including transforming, recoding, and running statistical models)

Mane Event Volunteer: Sociology Presentation (Fall 2016, Fall/Spring 2017, Fall/Spring 2018; Fall 2019; Fall 2021)

Faculty Advisor: Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society, Texas A&M University Commerce

Committee Chair: Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice Scholarship Committee, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Committee Member: Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice Curriculum Committee, Texas A&M University-Commerce (2016-Present)

## **SKILLS AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Proficient knowledge of STATA and SPSS, IPUMS, ICPSR, General Social Survey, American Community Survey, National Survey of Families and Households

Research Interests: Demography/Statistics with an emphasis in gender, marriage/family, and methodology

## **REFERENCES**

Dr. Dudley L. Poston  
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