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Education

Brown University, Providence, RI

Ph.D., Sociology Exp. 2029

Qualifying Exams: Social Inequality (with distinction), Sociology of Gender and Sexuality

M.A., Sociology 2025

Thesis: "Care Off the Clock: The Relationship Between Paid Care Work and Unpaid Childcare"

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

B.A., Sociology (with departmental honors) and Economics 2023

Thesis: "Determining Sorority Membership: Status Reproduction and Hegemonic Femininity Within the National Panhellenic Sorority System."

Honors Notation, Hutton Honors College

Phi Beta Kappa, Gamma of Indiana Chapter

Minors in Gender Studies and History

Research Interests

Interpersonal and Relational Aspects of Work; Caring Professions; Sociology of Education; Medical Sociology; Intersectional and Feminist Theory; Work and Organizations; Ethnography; Descriptive Quantitative Methods

Works in Progress

* indicates undergraduate student author.

Brammer, Macy, Jordan Kostiuk, Vivek Malik*, Damiana Harper*, Samuel Song*, and Cristina Barbella*. "Partnering with Students in Qualitative Research: A Case Study."

Brammer, Macy. "'I'm Not Mad at This Child, I'm Mad at the System': Teachers' Sensemaking of Student Behavior."

Brammer, Macy. "Care Off the Clock: Differences in Childcare Time Between Careworker and Non-Careworker Parents."

Donohue, Kate, Emily Qazilbash, John Papay, **Macy Brammer**, Andrew Camp, Lawrenzo Howell, and Claire Shin. "Understanding Teacher Career Decisions."

Short, Susan, **Macy Brammer**, and Meghan Zacher. "A Demographic Portrait of Caregiving by Adults 65 and Older in the U.S."

Research Experience

Annenberg Institute for School Reform, Brown University	
<i>Impacts of Team-Based Inquiry Learning</i> Research Team Co-Lead	<i>2026 – Present</i>
<i>Teacher Career Decisions in Rhode Island</i> Research Team Member	<i>2025 – 2026</i>
<i>Educational Opportunity in Massachusetts</i> Research Team Assistant	<i>Summer 2024</i>
Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University	
Susan Short and Meghan Zacher, Research Assistant	<i>2024 – Present</i>

Fellowships and Awards

Summer Mentored Research Fellowship (\$2,250)	<i>Summer 2025</i>
Susan Short, Department of Sociology, Brown University	
NICHD T32 Trainee Fellowship (\$49,012)	<i>2024 – 2025</i>
Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University	
Summer Mentored Research Fellowship (\$2,250)	<i>Summer 2024</i>
Emily Rauscher, Department of Sociology, Brown University	
Robert N. Johnson Award	<i>2023</i>
Department of Economics, Indiana University	
Carrington Award	<i>2022</i>
Department of Economics, Indiana University	
Robert A. Buccieri Jr. Award	<i>2021</i>
Department of Economics, Indiana University	

Affiliations and Service

Graduate Student Affiliate	<i>2024 – Present</i>
Annenberg Institute for School Reform, Brown University	
Predoctoral Trainee	<i>2023 – Present</i>
Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University	
Section Newsletter Editor and Website Manager	<i>2025 – 2026</i>
Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association	
Graduate Student Representative	<i>2024 – 2025</i>
Department of Sociology, Brown University	

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association	<i>2023 – Present</i>
Sociology of Education Section	
Medical Sociology Section	
Teaching and Learning in Sociology Section	
Population Association of America	<i>2023 – Present</i>

Presentations

August 2026. “‘I’m Not Mad at This Child, I’m Mad at the System’: Teachers’ Sensemaking of Student Behavior.” (Roundtable presentation). American Sociological Association. New York City, NY.

August 2026. “What Students Are Saying About Team-Based Inquiry Learning.” (Paper presentation with Dr. Jordan Kostiuk). Mathematical Association of America. Boston, MA.

February 2026. “Between Policy and Practice: Competing Logics of Discipline Among Teachers.” (Poster presentation). Sociology of Education Association. Asilomar, CA.

August 2025. “Care Off the Clock: The Relationship Between Paid Care Work and Time Spent on Unpaid Caregiving.” (Roundtable presentation). American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL.

April 2025. “Effects of Teacher Salary on Student Achievement.” (Roundtable presentation). American Educational Research Association. Denver, CO.

April 2025. “Teachers’ Time Spent on Childcare.” (Roundtable presentation). American Educational Research Association. Denver, CO.

February 2025. “Care Off the Clock: The Relationship Between Paid Care Work and Time Spent on Unpaid Caregiving.” (Oral presentation). Annenberg Institute Half-Baked Seminar. Providence, RI.

August 2024. “Determining Sorority Membership: Status Reproduction and Hegemonic Femininity Within the National Panhellenic Sorority System.” (Roundtable presentation). American Sociological Association. Montreal, Canada.

Other Conference Activity

Sociology of Education Section Reception Committee

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, NY

August 2026

Presider, “Rewriting the Future: Youth-Driven Policies That Catalyze Change” paper session

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.

August 2025

Teaching

Session Instructor, Undergraduate Research Fellows for Social Science and Public Policy *Summer 2026*
Annenberg Institute & Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

- Created materials for and led sessions on Stata macros/looping and qualitative interview methods

Qualitative Data Analysis Training Lead, Impacts of Team-Based Inquiry Learning *Spring 2026*
Annenberg Institute for School Reform with Dr. Jordan Kostiuk

- Developed training/learning materials on qualitative data analysis and coding for a team of four undergraduate RAs
- Designed and facilitated project plan to code and analyze 1,300 open-ended student survey responses
- Led weekly team meetings

- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Introductory Statistics for Social Research *Spring 2026*
for Han Zhang, Department of Sociology, Brown University
- Taught weekly Stata sections, developed slides and practice materials
 - Wrote and graded exams and problem sets
- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Multivariate Statistical Methods I *Fall 2025*
for Jennifer Candipan, Department of Sociology, Brown University
- Taught weekly Stata labs, developed slides and practice materials
- Lab Manager, Undergraduate Research Fellows for Social Science and Public Policy *Summer 2025*
Annenberg Institute & Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University
- Supported research collaboration between faculty member and undergraduate fellow
 - Provided undergraduate fellows with additional instruction in quantitative data analysis using Stata
 - Created materials for and led sessions on research design and qualitative interview methods
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Computational Methods in Macroeconomics *Spring 2023*
for Rupal Kamdar, Department of Economics, Indiana University
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Computational Methods in Macroeconomics *Spring 2022*
for Rupal Kamdar, Department of Economics, Indiana University
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Fundamentals of Economics *Fall 2021*
for Carl Sanders, Department of Economics, Indiana University