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**AREAS OF INTEREST**

Sociology of health; medical sociology; gender and sexuality; stratification; social movements; microsociology; qualitative methods

**EDUCATION**

2020-Present Ph.D. in Sociology (in progress) Oklahoma State University (ABD as of May 2023)

Dissertation title: *Healthcare Practitioners’ Participation and Experiences in the Weight-Inclusive Healthcare Movement*

2020 M.A. in Sociology, Lehigh University

Graduate Certificate, Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies

2015 B.A. in Sociology, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Minors: Psychology; Women & Gender Studies

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

2024 Richard Dodder Award, Oklahoma State University Sociology Department

2024 Faculty Council for Gender Equity Student Research Award, Oklahoma State University

2023 Sarah Belusko Award, Oklahoma State University Sociology Department

2023 Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award, American Sociological Association

2022 Alpha Kappa Delta Graduate Paper Competition, *Becoming an “Anti-Diet” Dietitian: Dietitians’ Mobilization into the Health at Every Size Movement* (3rd place)

2022 Passed social movements comprehensive exam with distinction

**PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

2024 **Gomez, Gabby**. “Providing Weight-Inclusive Healthcare in a Weight-Centric Field: An Examination of the Barriers Faced by Weight-Inclusive Healthcare Providers in the U.S.” *Fat Studies*

2024 Coley, Jonathan, Dhruba Das, **Gabby Gomez**, Jericho McElroy, and Jessica Schachle. In Press. “How Educational Opportunity Structures Shape the Presence, Forms, and Outcomes of Campus Activism.” *Sociological Focus*

2023 Coley, Jonathan, Daniel Morrison, Lexie Taylor, Jessica Schachle, and **Gabby Gomez**. “Gendered Organizations as Heterosexualized Organizations: The Case of Housing, Roommate, and Visitation Policies at Christian Colleges and Universities.” *Socius*, 9(1): 1-17.

2023 **Gomez, Gabby**, Rachel M. Schmitz, Eve Nance, Jennifer Tabler, and Ruby Charak.

““Sometimes We Just Need to Sit Down and Breathe”: LGBTQ+ People’s Views on the Unexpected Benefits Stemming from COVID-19 Pandemic Life Changes.” *Journal of Ethnographic and Qualitative Research,* 17(2): 113-131.

2022 Schmitz, Rachel M., **Gabby Gomez**, Aidan Probst, Jennifer Tabler, and Ruby Charak. “Queer Politics of a Pandemic: LGBTQ+ People’s Conceptions of COVID-19’s Politicization.” *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*, 20: 751–765.

**ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW**

Coley, Jonathan, **Gabby Gomez**, AJ Kurtz, and Anna Baeth. “Queering College Sports: LGBTQ-Inclusive Athletic Department Policies at U.S. Colleges and Universities.” *Sexuality Research & Social Policy*

Schmitz, Rachel M., **Gomez, G**., Schachle-Gordon, J., Sainz Sujet, P., Hunger, K., Cost, K., Chung, R. (2024). For the Love of Dogs: Evaluating the Impacts of an Integrated Pet Therapy Program on a College Campus. *Journal of American College Health*

**Gomez, Gabby** and Kelley Sittner. “Healthcare Discrimination, Healthcare Avoidance, and Self- Rated Health in a Sample of American Indians with Type 2 Diabetes.” *CRC Review*

**ARTICLES IN PROGRESS**

**Gomez, Gabby**. “’It Just Made Sense’: Frame Resonance and Healthcare Practitioners’ Participation in the Weight-Inclusive Healthcare Movement”

**Gomez, Gabby**. “Finding Purpose in all of That Pain”: Anti-Diet Activism as a Means of

Biographical Repair.”

**Gomez, Gabby.** “Practicing Weight-Inclusivity in a Fatphobic Field: How Healthcare Providers Challenge Stigmatizing, Weight-Centric Healthcare”

Coley, Jonathan, and **Gabby Gomez**. “Legacies of Exclusion: Racial Segregation and  
 Discrimination against LGBTQ Students at Christian Colleges and Universities.”

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS**

2023-Present Dr. Jonathan Coley, National Science Foundation grant

* *Local Government Officials and the Management of Religion-State Relationships*, #2148554
  + Conducted interviews with local government leaders across the United States

2021-2024 Dr. Kelley Sittner, National Institutes of Health grants

* *Family-Based, Culturally-Centered Diabetes Intervention with Ojibwe Communities,* #5R01DK091250-10
  + Data management
* *Indigenous Pathways of Substance Use Risk and Resilience across Three Generations, #*5R01DA039912-09
  + Produced technical reports for Community Research Councils

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

2024 **Gomez, Gabby**, and Kelley Sittner. “Healthcare Discrimination, Healthcare Avoidance, and Self-Rated Health in a Sample of American Indians with Type 2 Diabetes.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Montreal, Quebec.

2024 Coley, Jonathan, **Gabby Gomez**, AJ Kurtz, and Anna Baeth. “Queering College Sports: LGBTQ-Inclusive Athletic Department Policies at U.S. Colleges and Universities.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Montreal, Quebec.

2024 **Gomez, Gabby**. “Helping Patients Navigate Medical Weight Stigma: Weight-Inclusive Providers as Occupational Activists.” Annual International Weight Stigma Conference. Colchester, UK. (Virtual Presentation).

2024 Coley, Jonathan, **Gabby Gomez,** AJ Kurtz, and Anna Baeth. “Queering College Sports: LGBTQ-Inclusive Athletic Department Policies at U.S. Colleges and Universities.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Des Moines, IA.

2023 Coley, Jonathan and **Gabby Gomez**. “Legacies of Exclusion: Racial Segregation and

Discrimination against LGBTQ Students at Christian Colleges and Universities.” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. Philadelphia, PA

2023 **Gomez, Gabby**, Rachel M. Schmitz, Eve Nance, Jennifer Tabler, and Ruby Charak.

““Sometimes We Just Need to Sit Down and Breathe”: LGBTQ+ People’s Views on the Unexpected Benefits Stemming from COVID-19 Pandemic Life Changes.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, PA.

2023 **Gomez, Gabby**. ““‘Finding Purpose in All of That Pain’: Anti-diet Activism as a Means of Biographical Repair.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, PA.

2023 **Gomez, Gabby**. “Repairing Biographical Disruption via Social Movement Participation: An Examination of The Anti-Diet Movement.” Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society. Myrtle Beach, SC.

2023 Coley, Jonathan, Dhruba Das, **Gabby Gomez**, Jericho McElroy, and Jessica Schachle. “How Educational Opportunity Structures Shape the Presence, Form, and Outcome of Campus Activism.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Minneapolis, MN.

2022 Schmitz, Rachel M. and **Gabby Gomez**. “Queer Politics of a Pandemic: LGBTQ+ People’s Conceptions of COVID-19’s Politicization.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Chicago, IL.

2020 **Gomez, Gabby.** “Negotiating the Role of the Registered Dietitian: From Weight Management Expert to Health at Every Size.” Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society. Philadelphia, PA.

2015 **Gomez, Gabby**. “Measuring Cultural Adherences: A Study of Female Scale Use.” National Undergraduate Conference on Body Image. Cabrini College, Radnor, PA.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2022-2023 Department of Sociology, Oklahoma State University (Instructor of Record)

* Introduction to Sociology (Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023)

2020-2021 Department of Sociology, Oklahoma State University (TA)

* Juvenile Delinquency, Dr. Kelley Sittner (Spring 2021)
* Introduction to Sociology, Dr. Monica Whitham (Spring 2021)
* Environmental Sociology, Dr. Jared Fitzgerald (Fall 2020)
* The Sociology of Race & Ethnicity, Dr. Kevin Johnson (Fall 2020)

2018-2020 Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Lehigh University (TA)

* Introduction to Sociology, Dr. Hugo Ceron-Anaya (Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
* Introduction to Sociology, Dr. Ziad Munson (Fall 2018, Spring 2019)

**SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

2024 Graduate Feedback Provider, Oklahoma State University Undergraduate Research Symposium

2023-Present Vice President, Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society of Sociology, Oklahoma State University

2023-2024 President, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Oklahoma State University

2022-2024 Sociology Graduate Student Association representative for the Graduate Professional Student Association, Oklahoma State University

2022-2023 President, Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society of Sociology,

Oklahoma State University

2022-2023 Vice President, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Oklahoma State

University

2020-2023 Graduate Student Faculty Liaison, Oklahoma State University

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Teaching**

2023 ASA Section on Teaching and Learning’s pre-conference workshop, “Sociology - Now More Than Ever”

2023 Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Workshop, Oklahoma State University

Presented by Kushal Jha

2019 Diversity and Inclusion Workshop for Graduate Students, Lehigh University

Presented by Dr. Donald Outing and Dr. Henri Odi

2019 Teacher Development Series (levels 1 & 2), Lehigh University

Presented by Dr. Greg Reihman

**EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE**

2024 Managing Editor, *The Sociological Quarterly* (appointment begins 8/1/2024)

2022-Present Ad-hoc peer reviewer: *Sociology of Religion*

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Collective Behavior and Social Movements

Medical Sociology

Social Psychology

Sociology of Body and Embodiment

Sociology of Emotions

Teaching and Learning in Sociology

Midwest Sociological Society (MSS)

Southern Sociological Society (SSS)

Mid-South Sociological Association (MSSA)

Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

Association for Size Diversity and Health (ASDAH)