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**Education**

Ph.D. Sociology, Purdue University, December 2013  
Minor in Gerontology  
Dissertation Title: "The Role of Traditionalism in Patterns of Support to Fathers in the Later Years" Eugene Jackson, Chair

M.S. Sociology, Purdue University 2004

B.A. Summa Cum Laude, Eastern Illinois University 2001  
Major: Sociology  
Minor: Psychology  
Minor: Women's Studies

**Research Interests**

Parent-adult child relations, Family relationships and support exchanges, Gender and the family, Empathy, Mental Illness.

**Teaching Interests**

Introduction to Sociology, Sociology of Aging, Social Problems, Marriage and the Family, Sociology of Gender, Social Psychology, Mental Health and Mental Wellness.

**Teaching Experience**

Introductory Sociology  
Special Topics Course: Gerontology  
Social Stratification  
Research Methods  
Social Theory  
Marriage and Family

Social Problems  
Social Psychology  
Sociology of Work  
Senior Research Seminar  
The Sustainable Community  
Race and Ethnicity

Practicum in Gerontology  
 Core 8: China  
 Three Professors Podcast  
 Oral English Proficiency Program

Student Internship  
 The Sociology of Education  
 Individual in Society  
 Freshman Orientation

### **Publications**

- Sechrist, Jori, J. Jill Suitor, Angela C. Henderson, Krista M.C. Cline and Michael Steinhour. 2007. "Regional Differences in Mother--Adult-Child Relations: A Brief Report." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 62B (6): S388-S391.
- Suitor, J. Jill, Jori Sechrist, Michael Steinhour, and Karl Pillemer. 2006. "I'm Sure She Chose Me!' Consistency in Intergenerational Reports of Mothers' Favoritism in Later-Life Families." *Family Relations* 55: 526-538.
- Ferraro, Kenneth and Steinhour, Michael W. 2005 "Language." In E. Palmore & D. Harris (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Ageism*. New York: Haworth Pastoral Press.

### **Presentations at Professional Meetings**

- Steinhour, Michael, J. Jill Suitor, Jori Sechrist, Megan Gilligan, Abby Howard, Karl Pillemer. 2010. "Fathers Traditional Attitudes: Their Role in the Flow of Support from Adult Children." Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Association of America Meetings, New Orleans, LA.
- Suitor, J. Jill, Jori Sechrist, Michael Steinhour, Karl Pillemer. 2007. "Differences in Mothers' and Fathers' Parental Favoritism in Later-Life: A Within-Family Analysis." Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, New York City, NY.
- Sechrist, Jori, J. Jill Suitor, Angela Henderson, Krista Cline, and Michael Steinhour. 2006. "Regional Differences in Parent-Adult Child Relations." Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Society of American, Dallas, TX.
- Suitor, J. Jill, Jori Sechrist, Michael Steinhour, and Karl Pillemer. 2006. "When Fathers Have Favorites: Patterns of Parental Favoritism among Later-Life Families." Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.
- Suitor, J. Jill, Jori Sechrist, Michael Steinhour, and Karl Pillemer. 2006. "When Mothers Have Favorites: Conditions under Which Mothers

Differentiate among Their Adult Children.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.

Steinhour, Michael W., Jori Sechrist, Krista Kline, Tariqah Nuridden, and J. Jill Suitor. 2005 “Surviving Without Mom.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

Steinhour, Michael W. 2004. “Sociobiology: Old Issues to New Ideas.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the North Central Sociological Association, Cincinnati, OH.

Steinhour, Michael W. 2005. “Humor in the Classroom, You Must be Joking.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Association, Minneapolis, MN.

Muschert, Glenn, Michael W. Steinhour, and Kelly Powers. 2003. “The Washington, D.C. Sniper and the Mass Media’s Construction of Random Victimization.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Atlanta, GA.

Muschert, Glenn, Michael W. Steinhour, and Kelly Powers 2003. “Washington, D.C. Sniper as Media Event within a Discourse of Fear.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Denver, CO.

### **Research Experience**

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| Fall 2016              | Tara Elmes (Student Research Assistant) on <i>Empathy in the Billboard Top Hits, 1960-2010</i> .<br>Duties: Mentoring, aiding in data collection.  |
| 2015-2016              | Stephanie Zywicki, Principal Investigator; Suzanne Zurn-Birkhimir, Co-Investigator on <i>Creating Indigenous Pathways: Broadening the Participation of Indigenous Women in STEM</i> .<br>Duties: Assimilating social science theory into manuscript assisting with manuscript preparation, various research duties.  |
| 2008-2010<br>2004-2007 | J. Jill Suitor, Principal Investigator; Karl Pillemer, Co-Principal Investigator on <i>Parent-Child Relations: Within Family Differences</i> .<br>Funded by the National Institute on Aging (RO1 AG18869-01 & 02).<br>Research Assistant<br>Duties: Transcribing interviews, coding and cleaning data, assisting with manuscript preparation, qualitative data analysis. |

2003-2004 Gerald Hyner, PhD: Professor, Health/Kinesiology/  
 2003-2005 Leisure Studies.  
 Data Analyst  
 Duties: Quantitative data analysis. Data set creation.  
 Statistical consultant.

### **Certificates**

Safezone Training Certificate, July 2016. *Awarding Institution:* Saint Joseph's College

North Central Sociological Association Future Faculty Program Certificate, April 2004. *Awarding Institution:* IUPUI

### **Professional Memberships**

American Sociological Association  
 Section on Aging and the Life Course  
 Section on the Family  
 Gerontological Society of America  
 Midwest Sociological Society  
 Alpha Lambda Delta  
 Psi Chi  
 Alpha Kappa Delta

### **Committee Service**

Core 8: China Planning Committee Spring 2015

Institutional Review Board Chair Fall 2015-Present

Institutional Review Board Member Fall 2014-Spring 2015

Departmental Teaching Committee Member Fall 2004-Spring 2005

### **Clubs and Organizations**

*Never Alone. Forever Strong.* (Student Support Network) Outreach Coordinator  
 Fall 2016-Present

Sociology Club Faculty Advisor Fall 2016-Present

Travel Abroad Co-Coordinator, England/France, Fall 2016-Present

Travel Abroad Coordinator, Australia/New Zealand, Fall 2015-Summer 2016

Travel Abroad Coordinator, Netherlands/France, Fall 2014-Summer 2015

Habitat for Humanity Faculty Advisor Fall 2015-Present

Habitat for Humanity Jasper County Affiliate Liaison Fall 2015-Present

The Writer's Guild Faculty Advisor Fall 2014-Present

### **Fellowships**

*Parent--Child Relations in Later Life*. Purdue Research Foundation Summer Fellowship, 2006. (\$3,500).

*Parent--Child Support Exchanges in Later Life*. Purdue Research Foundation Summer Fellowships, 2011. (\$3,500).