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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2008 – Present Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Loyola University Chicago.

### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. Sociology. 2008. The University of Texas at Austin.  
Comprehensive Exams in Demography/Reproductive Health (with honors). Spring 2005.  
Dissertation: *Doctors, Clerics, Healers, and Neighbors: Religious Influences on Maternal and Child Health in Uzbekistan.*
- M.A. Sociology. 2003. The University of Texas at Austin.  
Thesis: *Religion and Health in the Russian Federation.*
- B.A. Sociology & Russian Language and Area Studies (*summa cum laude*). 2000. Texas Tech University.

### **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Religion, Health, Demography (Reproductive Health, Fertility, and Mortality), Post-Soviet Societies, Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### *Peer-reviewed Journal Articles*

- Ellison, Christopher G., Jennifer B. Barrett, and Benjamin E. Moulton. "Gender, Marital Status, and Alcohol Behavior: The Neglected Role of Religion?" *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.
- Buckley, Cynthia, Jennifer B. Barrett, and Kristen Adkins. Forthcoming. "Reproductive Health Information for Young Women in Kazakhstan: Disparities in Access by Channel." *Journal of Health Communication*.
- Barrett, Jennifer B., Jennifer Pearson, Chandra Muller, and Kenneth Frank. 2007. "Adolescent Religiosity and School Contexts." *Social Science Quarterly*, 88(4): 1024-1037.
- Barrett, Jennifer B. and Cynthia Buckley. 2007. "Constrained Contraceptive Choice: IUD Prevalence in Uzbekistan." *International Family Planning Perspectives*, 33(2):50-57.

Barrett, Jennifer B. 2007. "Gender and Sources of Religious Information in Uzbekistan." *Cognition, Brain, Behavior*, 11(2):417-435.

Buckley, Cynthia, Jennifer B. Barrett, and Yakov P. Asminkin. 2004. "Reproductive and Sexual Health Among Young Adults in Uzbekistan," *Studies in Family Planning*, 35(1):1-14.

#### *Other Publications*

Barrett, Jennifer B. 2006. "Islam," "Judaism," "Old Believers," and "Protestantism" in Tatiana Smorodinskaya, Karen Evans-Romaine, and Helena Gosciolo, eds. *Encyclopedia of Contemporary Russian Culture*. Routledge, UK.

Barrett, Jennifer B. 2003. "Enumerating the Komi Republic: An Ethnographic Snapshot of Syktyvkar during the Collection of the 2002 Russian Census." In Elena Filippova, Dominique Arel, and Catherine Gousseff, eds. *The Ethnography of Census 2002*. Moscow: OAO Aviaizdat.

#### **MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

Barrett, Jennifer B. "'As Many as Allah Gives': Religion, Health, and Family Planning Decisions in Uzbekistan."

Barrett, Jennifer B. and Cynthia Buckley. "Gender and Perceived Control in Russia."

#### **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

Barrett, Jennifer B. "Religion and Health Trajectories in the Russian Federation."

Barrett, Jennifer B. "Effects of Son Preference on Contraception, Abortion, and Fertility in Central Asia: The Case of Uzbekistan."

Barrett, Jennifer B., Christopher G. Ellison, Julie DaVanzo, and Clifford Grammich. "Religious Influences on American Opinion about Family Planning."

#### **SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS**

##### *Research Funding*

Institute of International Education US Student Fulbright Grant for Dissertation Fieldwork in Uzbekistan. 2005-2006. (\$21,320)

National Science Foundation Sociology Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant. 2005. (PI: Cynthia Buckley, dissertation advisor; Co-PI: Jennifer Barrett) (\$6,600)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship for Dissertation Field Research. 2005. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$4,450)

International Research and Exchanges Board Individual Advanced Research Opportunity Grant. 2005-2006. (\$7,200, declined)

Foreign Language and Area Studies Academic Year Fellowship for Dissertation Research. 2005-2006. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$14,500, declined)

Social Science Research Council Eurasia Program Graduate Training Fellowship - Uzbekistan. Summer 2003. (\$5,500)

*Fellowships and Academic Awards*

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. 2007-2008. The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. (\$19,000)

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Write-up Fellowship. 2007-2008. SSRC Eurasia Program. (\$22,000, declined)

University Co-op/George H. Mitchell Award for Excellence in Graduate Research. 2007. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$4,000)

David Bruton, Jr. Fellowship. 2007. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$2,000)

Donald D. Harrington Graduate Fellowship. 2001-2003, 2006-2007. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$86,000 over 3 years)

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Traineeship in Population. 2004-2005. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$21,800)

Foreign Language and Area Studies Academic Year Fellowship for the Study of Russian. 2004-2005. The University of Texas at Austin. (\$14,000, declined)

Nomination for Outstanding Thesis Award. 2004. The University of Texas at Austin.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention. 2002.

Dobro Slovo, the National Honor Society in Slavic Studies. Inducted 2000. Texas Tech University.

Alpha Kappa Delta, the National Honor Society in Sociology. Inducted 1998. Texas Tech University.

National Merit Scholarship. 1996.

*Selection for National and International Workshops*

International Research and Exchanges Board/Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Kennan Institute 2007 Silk Road Regional Policy Symposium. Washington, DC (April 26-29, 2007).

Social Science Research Council Eurasia Program Training Seminar for Policy Research: Public Health, Social Welfare Systems, and HIV/AIDS in Eurasia. New York and Washington, DC (June 6-9, 2006).

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Workshop: Russia/Eurasia in World Context – A Dialogue with Middle East Studies. Princeton, NJ (April 2-4, 2004).

**PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS**

- “Religion and Maternal Health in Uzbekistan.” Paper to be presented at the 2008 Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia, PA (November 20-23).
- “Religion and Support for U.S. Sponsorship of International Family Planning Programs.” (with Christopher G. Ellison, Joseph E. Potter, Julie DaVanzo, and Clifford Grammich.) Paper to be presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Louisville, KY (October 17-19).
- “Religion, Health, and Mortality: Reflections on the State of the Art.” (with Christopher G. Ellison.) Paper to be presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Louisville, KY (October 17-19).
- “Religious Influences on American Opinion about Family Planning.” (with Christopher G. Ellison, Julie DaVanzo, and Clifford Grammich.) Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA (April 17-19).
- “There Must be a Son: Religious Influences on Sex Preference for Children in Uzbekistan.” Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Tampa, FL (November 2-4).
- “Religion, Health, and Family Planning Decisions in Uzbekistan.” Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY (August 11-14).
- “Gender and Perceived Control in the Russian Federation.” (with Cynthia Buckley.) Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, NY (April 12-14).
- “Contested Knowledge: Gender and Sources of Religious Information in Uzbekistan.” Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, NY (April 12-14).
- “Effects of Son Preference on Contraception, Abortion, and Fertility in Central Asia: The Case of Uzbekistan.” Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New York, NY (March 29-31).
- “Few are Chosen: Profile of Religious Believers in the Russian Federation.” (with Christopher G. Ellison.) Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR (October 19-22).
- “‘As Many as Allah Gives’: Religion, Health, and Family Planning Decisions in Uzbekistan.” Presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Central Eurasian Studies Society, Ann Arbor, MI (September 28-October 1).
- “Religion and Health Trajectories in the Russian Federation.” Presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA (August 13-16).

- “The Persistence of Peers: Reproductive and Sexual Health Information Channels in Kazakhstan.” (with Cynthia Buckley and Kristen R. Adkins.) Poster presented at the 2005 Annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Philadelphia, PA (March 31-April 2).
- “Gender Differentials in Psychological Wellbeing: The Case of the Russian Federation.” (with Cynthia Buckley). Presented at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA (August 14-17).
- “Ethnicity, Language, and Religious Identity in Uzbekistan: A Research Note.” Presented at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, NY (April 15-17).
- “Sexual Behavior, Reproductive Attitudes, and Perceptions of Risk: Sexually Transmitted Diseases Among Young Adults in Uzbekistan.” (with Cynthia Buckley and Yakov P. Asminkin.) Presented at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Minneapolis, MN (May 1-3).
- “All in the Family? Generation and Ethnic Identity in the Komi Republic.” Presented at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York City, NY (April 3-5).
- “Gender, Marital Status, and Alcohol Behavior: The Neglected Role of Religion?” (with Christopher Ellison and Benjamin E. Moulton.) Presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Salt Lake City, UT (October 31-November 2).
- Member of Panel on Ethnic and Linguistic Identity Issues during the 2002 Census in the Russian North at the 2002 International Workshop of the Russian Census Project, Moscow, Russia (October 18-19).
- “Substituting Family Planning for Abortion: The Prevalence of IUD as a Method of Contraception in Central Asia.” (with Cynthia Buckley.) Poster presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Atlanta, GA (May 9-11).
- “Reinforcing Ties: Ethnicity and Religion in the Russian Federation.” (with Cynthia Buckley.) Presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York City, NY (April 11-13).

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- Dissertation Field Research – Tashkent and Jizzak region, Uzbekistan. October 2005 – September 2006.
- Research Assistantship, Cynthia Buckley, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas at Austin. Summer 2005.
- NICHD Traineeship in Population, Chandra Muller, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas at Austin.. 2004-2005.
- Pre-Dissertation Field Research – Uzbekistan. Summer 2003.
- Russian 2002 Census Project Field Research – Syktyvkar, Russian Federation. October 2002.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Instructor, "Seminar on Religion and Health." Loyola University Chicago. Spring 2009.

Instructor, "Statistics for Social Research." Loyola University Chicago. Spring 2009.

Instructor, "The Logic of Sociological Inquiry" (graduate). Loyola University Chicago. Fall 2008.

Teaching Assistant, "Demography of the Middle East." The University of Texas at Austin. Spring 2004.

Teaching Assistant, "Introduction to Central Asia." The University of Texas at Austin. Fall 2003.

Lab Instructor and Teaching Assistant, "Introduction to Social Research." Summer 2003.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES**

Ad Hoc Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *Epidemiologic Perspectives & Innovations*.

Panel convener. "Religion in Russia." Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR. October 19-22, 2006.

Panel chair. "Population Processes in Central Asia." Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, NY. April 15-17, 2004.

### *Departmental Service*

Advisor, Alpha Kappa Delta, the National Honor Society in Sociology. 2008-2009.

Member, Academic Events Committee. 2008-2009.

## **MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Sociological Association (Sections on Religion, Medical Sociology, Population)

Central Eurasian Studies Society

International Union for the Scientific Study of Population

Population Association of America

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion