Claudia Geist

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EDUCATION:

2008-2009 Postdoctoral Fellow, Carolina Population Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

2008 Ph.D. in Sociology, Indiana University, Minor: Applied Social Statistics   
The Marriage Economy: Examining the Economic Impact and the Context of Marriage in Comparative Perspective

2001 M.A. in Sociology, Indiana University  
The Welfare State, Gender Stratification and the Home: A Cross-national Study of the Domestic Division of Labor.

1998 Vordiplom in Social Sciences, University of Mannheim, Germany

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS:

2018- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, College of Social and Behavioral Science, and Division of Gender Studies, School of Cultural & Social Transformation, University of Utah (joint appointment)

2018- Adjunct Professor, Division of Family Planning, Department of OB/GYN, School of Medicine, University of Utah

2012-2018 Assistant Professor, Division of Gender Studies, School of Cultural and Social Transformation, University of Utah

2010-2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Utah

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

9/2022-12/2024 Faculty Fellow, Office for Faculty

1/2020-6/2023 Associate Dean for Research, School for Cultural and Social Transformation, University of Utah, with additional responsibilities in Student Affairs

2018-2019 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, University of Utah

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Gender Sexuality Family Inequality

Overall Scholarly Impact

Citations: 2138 H Index: 20 I-10 index: 24

RECENT PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

(\*\* denotes coauthor was a graduate student at time of writing or publication, \* denotes coauthor is a former graduate student):

2022 **Geist, Claudia** and Lisa Diamond. Gender Disparities in the Real World. Contexts, 21(4): 66-68.

2022 Tabler, Jennifer,\* Carlos M. Gonzales, Jamie Snyder, Rachel M. Schmitz, and **Claudia Geist**. “Hidden (and not so hidden) messaging in top utilized U.S. social surveys: the persistence of heteronormative ideology and the gender binary.” in *Handbook on Transgender, Non-Binary, and Gender Minority Populations*. Springer Press.

2022 Tabler, Jennifer,\* Jamie A. Snyder, Rachel M. Schmitz, **Claudia Geist**, and Carlos Gonzales. “Embracing Complexity: Variation in Faculty’s Attitudes toward Inclusive Measures of Gender and Sexuality in Social and Health Sciences Research.” *Journal of Homosexuality*. Online ahead of print. DOI: 10.1080/00918369.2022.2059967.

2021 Dockendorff, Kari,\* and **Claudia Geist**. “Beyond the Binary: Gender Image and Experiences of Marginalization on Campus.” *Journal of Critical Scholarship on Higher Education and Student Affairs 6(1): Article 3*.

2021 Myers, Kyl,\* Cristen Dalessandro, **Claudia Geist**, Carolyn. “Jail as a Point of Contraceptive Care Access: Needs and Preferences Among Women in an Urban Jail.” *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jmwh.13270>.

2021 Tabler, Jennifer,\* Rachel M. Schmitz, Jason Nagata, and **Claudia Geist**. “Self-perceived gender expression, discrimination, and mental health disparities in adulthood.” *SSM-Mental Health 1*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmmh.2021.100020>.

2021 **Geist, Claudia**, Bethany G. Everett, Rebecca G. Simmons, Jessica N. Sanders, Lori M. Gawron, Kyl Myers\*, David K and Turok. “Changing lives, dynamic plans: Prospective assessment of 12-month changes in pregnancy timing intentions and personal circumstances using data from HER Salt Lake.” *PlosOne* 16(9). <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0257411>.

2021 Myers Kyl,\* Jessica N. Sanders, Cristen Dalessandro, Corinne D. Sexsmith, **Claudia Geist**, David K. Turok. “The HER Salt Lake media campaign: comparing characteristics and outcomes of clients who make appointments online versus standard scheduling.” *BMC Women’s Health*. Mar 23;21(1):121. DOI: 10.1186/s12905-021-01256-x.

2021 Delaney RK, Locke A, Pershing ML, **Geist C**, Clouse E, Debink MP, Haaland B, Tanner AJ, Anzai Y, Fagerlin A. Experiences of a Health System’s Faculty, Staff, and Trainees’ Career Development, Work Culture, and Childcare Needs During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *JAMA Network Open*.2021;4(4):e213997. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2021.3997.

2021 Cole, Wade M., and **Geist, Claudia**. “Conceiving of Contraception: World Society, Cultural Resistance, and Contraceptive Use, 1970–2012” *Social Forces* 99(4): 1394-1431. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/soaa077>.

2021 Tabler, Jennifer,\* and **Claudia Geist**. “Do Gender Differences in Housework Performance and Informal Adult Caregiving Explain the Gender Gap in Depressive Symptoms of Older Adults?” *Journal of Women and Aging* 33 (1), 41-56. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08952841.2019.1681243>.

2020 **Geist, Claudia**, Katherine, Greenberg, Rixt Luikenaar, and Nicole Mihalopulous. “Pediatric Research and Health Care for Transgender and Gender Diverse Adolescents and Young Adults: Improving (Biopsychosocial) Health Outcomes.” *Academic Pediatrics* 21(1): p32-42. DOI: 10.1016/j.acap.2020.09.010.

2020 Gull, Bethany,\*\* and **Claudia Geist**. “Godly Husbands and Housework: An International Comparison of the Role of Religion in Men’s Participation in Domestic Labor.” *Social Compass* 67(3) 389-409.

2020 **Geist, Claudia** and Wade M. Cole. “Beyond Geography: Cultural Zones and Global Patterns of Modern-method Contraceptive Use.” *Health Care for Women International* 41(4) 382-396. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07399332.2019.1672170>.

2019 Tabler, Jennifer,\* **Claudia Geist**, Rachel M. Schmitz, Jason Nagata. “Does it Get Better? Change in Depressive Symptoms from Late-Adolescence to Early-Adulthood, Disordered Eating Behaviors, and Sexual Identity.” *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health* 2: 1-23. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19359705.2019.1568944>.

2019 Simmons, Rebecca, Jessica Sanders, **Claudia Geist**, Lori M. Gawron, Kyl Myers, and David K Turok. “Predictors of contraceptive switching and discontinuation within the first six months of use among HER Salt Lake study participants.” *American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology 220*(4): 376. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2018.12.022.

2019 **Geist, Claudia**, Bethany Everett, Kyl Myers, Jessica Sanders, Rebecca Simmons, Abigail R. Aiken, Patty Cason, David K. Turok. “Beyond Intent: Exploring the association of contraceptive choice with PATH questions.” *Contraception* 99(1): 22-26. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.contraception.2018.08.014.

2018 Everett, Bethany, Jessica Sanders, Kyl Myers, **Claudia Geist**, David K. Turok. “One in three Challenging heteronormative assumptions in family planning clinics.” *Contraception* 98(4): 270-274. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.contraception.2018.06.007>.

2018 Tabler, Jennifer,\*\* Rachel M. Schmitz, **Claudia Geist**, Rebecca L.Utz, Ken R. Smith. “Age at First Birth and Parity in Early Adulthood of Young Women with Eating Disorder Psychopathology: Does Methodological Approach Shape Women’s Health Research Outcomes?” *Journal of Women’s Health* 27(11): 1389-1399. https://doi.org/10.1089/jwh.2017.

2018 **Geist, Claudia** and Megan M. Reynolds. “Men’s and Women’s Marriage and Cohabitation Earnings Gaps in Comparative Perspective.” *Journal of Comparative Family Studies* 49(2): 203-230.

2018 **Geist, Claudia**, and Leah Ruppanner. “Mission Impossible? New Housework Theories for Changing Families.” Journal of Family Theory and Review 10(1): 242-262.

2018 **Geist, Claudia**, and Jennifer Tabler.\*\* “Somebody has to DUST! Gender, Health, and Housework in Older Couples.” Journal of Women & Aging 30(1): 38-48. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/08952841.2016.1259442.

2018 Jennifer Tabler,\*\* Ken Smith, Heidi Hanson, Rebecca Utz, **Claudia Geist**. “Variation in Reproductive Outcomes of Women with Histories of Bulimia Nervosa, Anorexia Nervosa, or Eating Disorder Not Otherwise Specified Relative to the General Population and Closest-Aged Sisters.” International Journal of Eating Disorders 51(2):102-111.

(2018) Cole, Wade M., and **Claudia Geist**. “Progress without Progressives? The Effects of Development on Women’s Educational and Political Equality in Cultural Context, 1980 to 2010.” Sociology of Development 4(1): 1-69. (forthcoming at closing date of tenure file).

(2017) Young, Yvette, and **Claudia Geist**. “The Gender of Joiners: Exploring the Impact of Gender, Development and Inequality on Membership in Voluntary Associations.” Sociology of Development 3(4): 346-376. DOI: 10.1525/sod.2017.3.4.346 (was forthcoming at closing date of tenure file).

EDITED BOOK CHAPTERS

Forthcoming **Geist, Claudia**, Brian Powell, Catherine Bolzendahl, and Lala Carr Steelman. “Change that Counts: The Evolution of Americans’ Definitions of Family” In B. Risman and V. Rutter (Eds.). Families as They Really Are. Third Edition W. W. Norton Russell Sage Foundation.

2020 [2010] **Geist, Claudia**. Men’s and Women’s Reports about Housework. In J. Treas & S. Drobnič (Ed.), Dividing the Domestic (pp. 217-240). Redwood City: Stanford University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1515/9780804773744-014>.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

2022 **Geist, Claudia**. The Economic Circumstances of Sexual Minority Women in Utah. Utah Women Stats: Research Snapshot. Utah Women’s Leadership Project. <https://www.usu.edu/uwlp/files/snapshot/34.pdf>.

BOOK REVIEWS

2021 **Geist, Claudia**. Book Review: “Motherlands: How States Push Mothers Out of Employment” by Ruppanner, Leah. Philadelphia, Temple University Press, 2020. Political Science Quarterly, 136: 402-403. <https://doi.org/10.1002/polq.13183>

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

2020 Quashie, N., **Geist, C**., & McManus, P. (2020). Internal Migration. Encyclopedia of Quality of Life and Well-Being Research, 1-4.

2019 [2013] **Geist, Claudia** and Bethany Gull\*\*: “Motherhood.” Oxford Bibliographies in Sociology. Manza, Jeff (Ed.). New York: Oxford University Press. DOI: 10.1093/OBO/9780199756384-011

OTHER PUBLICATIONS (\*\*\*co-author was an undergraduate student at the time of writing,

\*\* denotes coauthor was a graduate student at time of writing or publication, \* denotes coauthor is a former graduate student)::

2019 Mason, Indigo\*\*\* and **Claudia Geist**. Getting It: A Study on University of Utah Sexual Health Care Accessibility. Hinckley Journal of Politics, 20.

2019 **Geist, Claudia** and Bethany Everett: Sexual Minority Women’s Health in Utah. The Utah Women’s Health Review. DOI: 10.26054/0KC8V40BZQ

SELECTED AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

2021-2024 University of Utah Presidential Scholar, University level award for outstanding mid-career researcher

2021/2022 Utah System of Higher Education Women’s Leadership Exchange Participant (one of two participants from the University of Utah)

2018 University of Utah College of Social and Behavior Science Superior Teaching Award Winner (Junior Category)

INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS:

Co-PI, University of Utah NSF ADVANCE IT grant (full proposal invited after initial preproposal, under review; projected budget: $3,000.000; PI: Taylor Randall).

Member, grant writing team, Pacific Islands Studies Growth and Outreach Renewal Mellon foundation, $1,000,000, PI: Kathryn Stockton).

Member, grant writing team and coordinating collective, “Intersectional Studies Collective: Ecologies of Place and Transformative Justice,” Mellon Foundation (PI: Kathryn Stockton; budget: $517,600), 2022-2024.

RESEARCH GRANTS:

2023 1U4U grant, (with Susanna Cohen, OBGYN and Robyn Jensen, Communication): Let’s talk about (prenatal) sex (chromosomes): Understanding opportunities for gender inclusive health care provision and parent education  ($30,000, under review)

2022 CSBS/VPR Seed Grant: Attitudes towards Gender among Health Professionals ($7500, awarded)

2021 CARI Grant, American Sociological Association ($3000)

2021 (Not) Planning for the Future: A longitudinal Study of the Economic Impact of COVID-19 on Pregnancy Intentions and Attitudes (NICHD R03, proposed budget: $131,795, not funded)

2018 Pilot Grant “Highly Effective Reversible Contraceptive Initiative – Salt Lake Stories: A Qualitative Study’ Consortium for Families and Health Research ($6000, awarded)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (since tenure):

2022 (Re)Count: Changing Family Definitions 2003-2020 – Implications for Population Research Maryland Population Research Center, University of Maryland

2022 Theory meets practice: What could be next for survey measurements of gender(s)? GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Mannheim, Germany

2021 Gender, Policy, and Health Across the Lifespan, Sex, Gender and Women’s Health Across the Lifespan Symposium, Center of Excellence of Women’s Health, University of Utah

2018 “Gendering Gender: Introducing Gender Image as a Way to Assess Variation in Gender Expression in Survey Research” Presented at Gender Diversity in Survey Research University of Gothenburg, 2018

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (since tenure file closing date):

Cole, Wade, and Claudia Geist. Don’t you be my neighbor! Perceptions of Homosexuality in Global and Cross-Cultural Perspective. Accepted for Presentation at the 29th Conference of Europeanists, Reykjavik, Iceland, 2023

Geist, Claudia A pregnancy now would be the worst: Emotional dispositions towards hypothetical pregnancy in longitudinal perspective, Accepted for Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, 2023

Geist, Claudia, Alexandra Gero and Rebecca Simmons. Attitudes towards pregnancy in adolescent and young adult contraceptive implant users. Presented at the 16th Congress of the European Society for Contraception, Ghent, Belgium, 2022

Geist, Claudia Pregnancy Attitudes and Intentions in Turbulent Times, Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, 2021 (virtual conference)

Geist, Claudia. "My world would fall apart" – How Women Talk About Hypothetical Unplanned Pregnancies. Accepted for Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, 2020 (conference was cancelled)

Geist, Claudia and Wade Cole: Beyond Global Regions: Religious Traditions and Modern Contraceptive Method Use, Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Austin, 2019

Myers, Kyl and Claudia Geist. Why Wait? Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Class and Teens’ Attitudes Towards Pregnancy. Presented at Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Denver, 2018

SERVICE (since tenure file closing date):

**Department**

2021 RPT ad hoc committee

2020-2021 RPT chair

2020 TFR ad hoc committee

2018-2020 Incentive Award Committee (Sociology)

2017-2020 Honors faculty advisor (Sociology)

2015**-**present Undergraduate Program Committee (Sociology)

**College and University**

2022-present Member, University Innovation Alliance (UIA) extend group, (3-year term, representing Transform)

2022-present Member, One U Research Council (3-year term, representing Transform)

2021-present Member, Senate Advisory Committee on Academic Policy (3-year term)

2020-present Member , Executive Committee, School for Cultural and Social Transformation

2018-present Member, Undergraduate Council (serving 2nd 3-year term) (elected position; representing CSBS)

2015-2021 Member, Athletics Advisory Council (served two 3-year terms, appointed by University President, chair in AY 20-21)

2018-2019 Member, General Education Curriculum Committee (representing Sociology)

**Discipline**

2016-2019 Member, Council of the American Sociological Association Section on Family

2016-2020 Member, Editorial Board of Sex Roles

2021,2022 Session Organizer, Presider, & Discussant, Population Association of America

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Sociological Association

Population Association of America

Society for Family Planning

Council for Contemporary Families

Council for European Studies

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (\* denotes course taught since tenure file closing date)

Courses taught since tenure file closing date

* Introduction to Sociology (fulfills “Social/Behavioral Science Exploration” requirement)

Undergraduate General Education Courses:

* \*Introduction to Sociology (fulfills “Social/Behavioral Science Exploration” requirement)
* Undergraduate Statistics (fulfills “Quantitative Intensive” requirement)
* The Price of Gender (fulfills “Quantitative Intensive” requirement)
* \*Gender and Contemporary Issues (fulfills “Diversity” requirement)

Other Undergraduate Courses:

* Sociology for Business Majors: Men and Women at Work (taught exclusively to Business majors)
* Families in Society
* Honors Praxis Lab (year-long, co-taught with Megan Reynolds): Gender, Health and Human Rights
* \*Reproductive Justice

Graduate Seminars:

* Political Sociology
* Comparative Inequalities (graduate/undergraduate)
* Graduate Statistics I
* Graduate Statistics II

ADVISING (since tenure)

**Postdoctoral Scholars**

Vrinda Marwah, ACLS postdoctoral fellowship in Medical Humanities, member, mentorship team (2021-2022); current position: Tenure-Track, University of South Florida

Justin Gutzwa, School for Cultural and Social Transformation & Physics Education Research Collaborative Postdoctoral Fellowship, co-mentor with Ramón Barthelemew (2022-2023); current position (starting 8/23): Tenure-Track: Michigan State University

**Dissertation Committee Chair or co-chair**

Coco James (PhD, 2019); current position: Instructor, LEAP, University of Utah

Mindy Steadman (PhD, 2022); current position: Assistant Professor, Tenure-Track, Utah Valley University

Meg Tippets (anticipated graduation 2024)

**Current Dissertation Committees, member (alphabetically)**

Virginia Jenkins

Gaelle Perrier

Nhung Tran

Amber Thompson

Marin Christensen

**Past PhD committee memberships (alphabetically, department of sociology unless specified)**

Lupe Aguilera

Kari Dockendorff (Educational Leadership and Policy)

Kelin Li

Nekehia Quashie

Jennifer Tabler

**Honors thesis chair (alphabetically, since tenure file closing date)**

Indigo mason (Gender Studies, 2021)

Abigail Barney (Sociology, 2020)

Noelle Huhn (International Studies), Spring 2020

Mahalia Lotz (Sociology, 2019)

Katie Houser (HSP, 2018)

**Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) Students since tenure file closing date**

Planned: Lauren

Natalia Garrido, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

Holden Jones, Spring 2022, Summer 2022

Brynn Adams, Spring 2020

Johnny Rodriguez, Fall 2019

Sydney Friesen, Summer 2018

Nour Jatool, Summer 2017

**Summer Program in Undergraduate Research (SPUR) students**

Natalia Garrido Summer 2022

Saffron Collins summer 2019

**Bennion Scholars Program**

Brekke Pattison (in progress)

Professional Development

* Fundamentals of Professional Mentoring (2022), 2-part workshop (led by Tony Tsai)
* UCAN Motivational Interviewing (2022) (led by Tony Tsai)
* Utah Women’s Leadership Exchange (2021/2022 year-long leadership development program organized by USHE, selected by SVPAA, one of two University of Faculty chosen for this program)
* Managing Competing Values (2021) (led by Tony Tsai)
* Managing Transitions (2021), 3-part workshop (led by Tony Tsai)
* 2018-2019 Leadership Development Program (Led by Mary Anne Berzins, yearlong program)