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Education

May 2026 Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology

(Expected)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- ♦ **Dissertation**: Coupling (In)Fertility: Gender, Partnership, and Ideal Families
- ❖ Committee: Jessica Su (chair), Lisa Pearce, Karen Benjamin Guzzo, Bob Hummer, Mia Brantley (North Carolina State University)
- Comprehensive Exams: Medical Sociology, Family Sociology

May 2024 Master of Arts, Sociology

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- ❖ Thesis: "Beyond Baby Blues": Making Sense of Postpartum Depression Online
- * Committee: Taylor Hargrove (chair), Lisa Pearce, Neal Caren

May 2021 Bachelor of Arts, Medicine, Health and Society (with Honors), Economics Vanderbilt University

Thesis: Agenda-Setting and Women's Health: Social Media Narratives of Maternal Mortality

Research Interests

Medical Sociology, Reproductive Health, Gender, Work, Family, Fertility, Qualitative Methods

Funding	
2024	Graduate Student Transportation Grant, Graduate School, UNC Chapel Hill
	(\$1,500)
2023-2026	Graduate Research Fellowship Program, National Science Foundation (\$147,000)
2023	Summer Research Stipend, Sociology Department, UNC Chapel Hill (\$4,000)
2022	Summer Research Stipend, Sociology Department, UNC Chapel Hill. 2022 (\$4,000)
2019	Lovinger Family Internship Fund, Vanderbilt University Career Center (\$5,000)

Journal Articles

Allison B, Angelino A, **Joshua KH**, Strayhorn L, Rogers P, Mann ES. "It means being safe, having power over one's body": Black Female Adolescent Experiences with Reproductive Health Counseling in Primary Care. J Pediatr Adolesc Gynecol. 2024

Jan 30:S1083-3188(24)00178-5. doi: 10.1016/j.jpag.2024.01.165. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38301797.

Allison, Bianca A., Alessandra C. Angelino, **Kaitlin Joshua**, Peyton Rogers, and Lydia Strayhorn. 2023. "126. Black Female Adolescent Experiences with Reproductive Health Counseling in Primary Care: A Qualitative Study." *Journal of Adolescent Health* 72(3):S72–73. doi: 10.1016/j.jadohealth.2022.11.148.

Works in Progress

In progress **Joshua, Kaitlin H.**, "Beyond 'Baby Blues': Making Sense of Postpartum Depression Online."

In progress Pearce, Lisa, Jenna Wertsching, **Kaitlin Joshua**, Amanda Thompson, and Dana Haynie, "Specifying Family Networks to Better Measure Family Contexts."

Presentations

- **Joshua, Kaitlin Hope**. 2024. "Beyond 'Baby Blues': Making Sense of Postpartum Depression Online." American Sociological Association, Oral Presentation., Montréal, QC; August 2024.
- Joshua, Kaitlin Hope, Bianca A. Allison, and Emily S. Mann. 2024. "I wanted to see what other people are going through': How Black adolescents evaluate sources of sexual and reproductive health information in North Carolina." UNC Chapel Hill, Department of Sociology, Workshop on Race and Ethnicity, Chapel Hill, NC; January 2024.
- **Joshua, Kaitlin Hope**, Bianca A. Allison, and Emily S. Mann. 2023. "Reinforcing autonomy, building trust: Black girls' evaluations of sources of sexual and reproductive health information." American Sociological Association, Oral Presentation, Philadelphia, PA; August 2023.
- **Joshua, Kaitlin**. 2020. "Restoring Cultures of Life': Examining the Narrative Strategies of Pro-Life Facebook Groups." Vanderbilt University Undergraduate Research Fair, Nashville, TN; September 2023.

Guest Lectures

- 2024 "Gender and Health" University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: Sex and Gender.
- 2023 "Beyond Baby Blues: Making Sense of Postpartum Depression Online." University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: Qualitative Research Methods.

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record

Family and Society (Summer 2024)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, UNC Chapel Hill (Fall 2021-Spring 2024)

Sex and Gender in Society (Spring 2024)

Population Problems (Fall 2023)

Sociology of Food and Food Justice (Spring 2023)

Race and Ethnicity (Fall 2022)

Introduction to Population Health (Spring 2022) Sociology of Mental Health and Illness (Fall 2021)

Service

2024	Graduate Student Representative, Hiring Search Committee
2024	Peer Reviewer, NSF GRFP Peer Review Workshop hosted by UNC Materials
	Research Society
2023	Peer Reviewer, NSF GRFP Peer Review Workshop hosted by UNC Materials
	Research Society
2023-2024	Member, Social Committee, Graduate Student Association
2021-2023	Member, Recruitment Committee, Graduate Student Association

Other Work

2024	Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, UNC Chapel Hill, Dr. Jessica Su
2023-present	Assistant Project Coordinator, Family Matters Research Study, Carolina Population
	Center – Dr. Lisa Pearce
2022-2023	Research Assistant, Chancellor's Science Scholars Program, UNC Chapel Hill – Dr.
	Kait Aikens, Dr. Bryan Dougan
2022	Research Assistant, School of Medicine, UNC Chapel Hill – Dr. Bianca Allison
2020	Press Intern, Committee on Oversight and Reform, U.S. House of Representatives
2019	Press Intern, Committee on Veterans' Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives

Memberships/Affiliations

Member, American Sociological Association (ASA)

ASA Section on Medical Sociology

Affiliate, UNC Center for Information, Technology, and Public Life

Skills

Research: Qualitative methods, mixed-methods, in-depth interviewing, content analysis, thematic analysis, survey research, computational social science

Skills: Project management, communication, program evaluation **Software**: STATA, R, Qualtrics, Dedoose, Python (novice) **Training**: CITI Group 2 Social and Behavioral Research