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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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2018-present Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Pacific University (Forest Grove, OR, USA)

## EDUCATION

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2018 Ph.D. University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Sociology  
*Dissertation: "Emerging Adulthood, Diverging Experiences? Intimacy, Intersecting Identities, Aspirations, and Young Adult Lives"*

2010 B.A. Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame, IN), Sociology & Communication Studies  
(*Summa Cum Laude*)

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND INTERESTS

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Gender, Race, and Class • Identities • Sexual & Reproductive Health • Youth & Young Adulthood • Family • Qualitative Methods • Emotions • Education • Social Psychology • Sexualities • Culture

## PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

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### Research Articles:

2018 James-Hawkins, Laurie, Cristen Dalessandro, and Christie Sennott. "Conflicting Contraceptive Norms for Men: Equal Responsibility vs. Women's Bodily Autonomy." *Culture, Health & Sexuality* (online before print)

2018 Dalessandro, Cristen. "'Sister' and 'Brother' Schools, Women and Men: Gender, Power, and Inequality in a Women's College Space." *Journal of Gender Studies* (online before print)

2018 Dalessandro, Cristen. "Internet Intimacy: Authenticity and Longing in the Relationships of Millennial Young Adults." *Sociological Perspectives* 61(4): 626-641.

2018 Dalessandro, Cristen. "Recruitment Tools for Reaching Millennials: The Digital Difference." *International Journal of Qualitative Methods* 17(1): 1-7.

2017 Dalessandro, Cristen. "Manifesting Maturity: Gendered Sexual Intimacy and Becoming an Adult." *Sexualities* (online before print)\*

\*Winner of the 2017 Outstanding Research Paper Award, CU Boulder Sociology

2017 Dalessandro, Cristen, and Amy C. Wilkins. "Blinded by Love: Women, Men, and Gendered Age in Relationship Stories." *Gender & Society* 31(1): 96-118.

- 2017 Dalessandro, Cristen. "Hispanic and Catholic, or Hispanic-Catholic? Racialized Religious Identity for Self-Identified 'Hispanic' Students at a Predominantly White Institution." *NEXT Graduate Journal of Religious Studies* 5(2): 8-23.
- 2016 Dalessandro, Cristen. "'I Don't Advertise the Fact that I'm a Catholic': College Students, Religion, and Ambivalence." *Sociological Spectrum* 36(1): 1-12.
- 2013 Wilkins, Amy C., and Cristen Dalessandro. "Monogamy Lite: Cheating, College, and Women." *Gender & Society* 27(5): 728-751.

### **Book Reviews:**

- Forthcoming* Dalessandro, Cristen. Review of *The Secret Life of the Cheating Wife: Power, Pragmatism, and Pleasure in Women's Infidelity* by Alicia M. Walker. *Sexualities*
- Forthcoming* Dalessandro, Cristen. Review of *The Cost of Being a Girl: Working Teens and The Origins of The Gender Wage Gap* by Yasemin Besen-Cassino. *Teaching Sociology*
- Forthcoming* Dalessandro, Cristen. Review of *How Places Make Us: Novel LBQ Identities in Four Small Cities* by Japonica Brown-Saracino. *Sexualities*
- 2015 Dalessandro, Cristen. Review of *Distant Love: Personal Life in the Global Age* by Ulrich Beck and Elisabeth Beck-Gernsheim. *Gender & Society* 29(5): 755-757.

### **Research Under Review:**

- R&R* Dalessandro, Cristen, Laurie James-Hawkins, and Christie Sennott. "'Most Women I Know are on Birth Control': College Men's Decision-Making around Contraceptives." *Gender & Society*
- Under Review* Dalessandro, Cristen. "'My Family and Friends Thought it was a Horrible Idea': The Classed, Gendered Project of Young Adult Women's Intimacy Choices."

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS & WORK IN PROGRESS**

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### **Blog Contributions (Public Sociology):**

- 2018 James-Hawkins, Laurie, Cristen Dalessandro, and Christie Sennott. "It's 2018, But Young Men Still Don't Want to Talk about Contraception. Here's Why." Guest Bloggers for *The Conversation* blog. <https://theconversation.com>
- 2017 Dalessandro, Cristen. "Blinded by Love." Guest Blogger for *Gender & Society* blog. <https://gendersociety.wordpress.com>
- 2013 Wilkins, Amy C, and Cristen Dalessandro. "Monogamy Lite." Guest Bloggers for *Gender & Society* blog. <http://gendersociety.wordpress.com>

### **Work in Progress:**

- In Progress* "Dangerous Male Bodies: Gendered Sexuality and Perceptions of STI Risk." (draft available upon request)

- In Progress*      “Adulthood Achieved: The Importance of Emotions, Flexibility, and Social Class in Millennial Claims to Adult Status.” (draft available upon request)
- In Progress*      “LGBTQ Millennials and Marriage Equality: Politics, Identities, and Individual Lives.” (draft available upon request)
- In Progress*      “‘She Took Care of Us and She Went Through a Lot...’: Selfless Moms, Selfish Dads, and Young Adults’ Constructions of Gender.”
- In Progress*      *Intimate Inequalities: Young Adults’ Stories about Romance and Sex and Why They Matter.* (book manuscript)

## COMPETITIVE AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & GRANTS

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### External Awards:

- 2016              SAGE Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award (\$600)  
 2014              Colorado Women’s Education Foundation Award (\$1,000)

### University of Colorado:

- 2017              Department of Sociology Outstanding Research Paper Award (\$500)  
 2017              Department of Sociology Graduate Instructor of the Year Award (\$500)  
 2016              United Government of Graduate Students Travel Award (\$300)  
 2015              Department of Sociology Dissertation Expense Award (\$1,000)  
 2014              Betsy Moen Mathiot “Walk the Talk” Award (\$500)  
 2014              Department of Sociology Special Topics in Sociology Fellowship (\$500)  
 2011; 2014      Department of Sociology Research Expense Grants (\$1,200 total)  
 2011; 2012      Department of Sociology Summer Collaboration Grants (\$5,500 total)

## UNIVERSITY TEACHING

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### Instructor of Record (Pacific University):

Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2018, Spring 2019), Public Sociology (Fall 2018), Qualitative Research (Fall 2018), Families (Spring 2019), Gender & Sexuality (Spring 2019)

### Instructor of Record (University of Colorado Boulder):

Suffering and Care in Society (Spring 2018), Social Problems (Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2015, Fall 2013), Sex, Love, and Relationships (*Special Topics in Sociology Fellowship* course, Fall 2014), Deviance in U.S. Society (Spring 2014)

### Teaching Assistant (University of Colorado Boulder):

Ethics and Social Issues in U.S. Health and Medicine (Fall 2017), Sociology of Death and Dying (online Summer 2014), Sociology of Religion (online Summer 2014), The Social Construction of Sexuality (Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Fall 2011), Sex, Gender, and Society (Fall 2012, Spring 2017), Deviance in U.S. Society (Fall 2010, Spring 2011)

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2018 "Dangerous Male Bodies: Gendered Sexuality and Perceptions of STI Risk." American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA, USA (Paper session)
- 2016 "A Women's College Experience: Gendered Identities, Gendered Space." American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA, USA (roundtable)
- 2015 "Blinded by Love: Women, Men, and Gendered Maturity in Relationship Stories." American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL, USA (paper session)
- 2013 "Religion and Sociological Ambivalence in the Lives of Catholic College Students." American Sociological Association. New York, NY, USA (roundtable)
- 2012 "Monogamy Lite: College, Women, and Cheating." American Sociological Association Conference. Denver, CO, USA (paper session)

## SERVICE

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### Service to the Discipline:

- 2013-2018 Ad Hoc Reviewer.  
*American Journal of Sociology*  
*Gender & Society*  
*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*  
*Sexualities*  
*Sociology of Education*  
*Sociological Perspectives*  
*Sociological Spectrum*  
SAGE Publications  
Oxford University Press
- 2012; 2015 Conference Sessions Presider.  
2015 "Sexualities, Identity, & Stigma" and "Men & Masculinities." Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. Long Beach, CA, USA
- 2012 "Religion and Identity." Pacific Sociological Association annual meeting. San Diego, CA, USA

### University of Colorado Boulder:

- 2017-2018 Lead Sociology Graduate Teacher—Graduate Teacher Program
- 2011-2018 Sociology Graduate Student Peer Mentor
- 2016 Graduate Student "Comps and Beyond" Panel
- 2015 Award Committee Member—Betsy Moen Mathiot "Walk the Talk" Award, Sociology Faculty Mentor Award
- 2014-2015 Sociology Professional Seminar Coordinator Co-Chair
- 2014 Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Panel
- 2013-2014 University of Colorado United Government of Graduate Students (UGGS) Sociology Department Representative.
- 2012-2014 Graduate Student Organizer for the Culture, Power, and Inequality Workshop
- 2010-2011 Sociology Open House Planning Committee

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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2012- <i>present</i>	American Sociological Association
2012- <i>present</i>	Pacific Sociological Association
2014- <i>present</i>	Sociologists for Women in Society

## REFERENCES

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Available upon request