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EMPLOYMENT

2018- Assistant Professor of Sociology
 Department of Social Sciences
 Texas A&M University – San Antonio

EDUCATION

2018 Ph.D., Sociology, Michigan State University
2015 M.A., Sociology, Michigan State University
2011 B.A., Sociology and Political Science, Hope College

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health and Medicine; Aging and the Life Course; Marriage and Family; Gender and Sexuality;
Quantitative Methods

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2019 Liu, Hui, **Shannon Shen**, and Ning Hsieh. "A National Dyadic Study of Oral Sex, Relationship Quality, and Well-Being among Older Couples." *The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*. 74(2):298-308.
- 2018 **Shen, Shannon**. "For Better or For Worse: Nonstandard Work Schedules and Self-Rated Health across Marital Status." *Contemporary Perspectives in Family Research* 13:225-243.
- 2016 Liu, Hui, Linda J. Waite, **Shannon Shen**, and Donna Wang. "Is Sex Good for Your Health? A National Study on Partnered Sexuality and Cardiovascular Risk Among Older Men and Women." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 57(3):276-296.
- 2016 Liu, Hui, Linda J. Waite, and **Shannon Shen**. "Diabetes Risk and Disease Management in Later Life: A National Longitudinal Study of the Role of Marital

- Quality.” *The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*. 71(6):1070-1080.
- 2016 Liu, Hui, Corinne Reczek, Samuel C. Mindes, and **Shannon Shen**. “The Health Disparities of Same-Sex Cohabiters at the Intersection of Race-Ethnicity and Gender.” *Sociological Perspectives*. 60(3):620-639.
*Honorable mention for the Distinguished Contribution to Sociological Perspective Award, Pacific Sociological Association, 2018

Invited Policy Briefs and Book Reviews

- 2016 Liu, Hui, Linda Waite, **Shannon Shen**, and Donna Wang. Policy Brief: “Is Sex Good for Your Health?” *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 57(3):275.
- 2015 **Shen, Shannon**, and Hui Liu. “Wives, Husbands, and Lovers: Marriage and Sexuality in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Urban China by Deborah S. Davis and Sara L. Friedman-Book Review” *International Journal of Sociology of the Family* 41(1): 60-62.

Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2019 Liu, Hui, **Shannon Shen**, and Ning Hsieh. “How Oral Sex is Good for Older Couples.” *OUPblog: Oxford University Press’s Academic Insights for the World*. February 14, 2018. <https://blog.oup.com/2019/02/oral-sex-older-couples/>
- 2016 Liu, Hui, and **Shannon Shen**. “Can Marital Quality Affect Your Risk of Getting Diabetes or How Well You Manage It?” *OUPblog: Oxford University Press’s Academic Insights for the World*. November 14, 2016. <https://blog.oup.com/2016/11/marriage-quality-diabetes-risk/>
- 2016 **Shen, Shannon**, and Hui Liu. “Same-Sex Marriage and Race and Ethnicity.” Pp. 291-99 in *People of Color in the United States: Contemporary Issues in Education, Work, Communities, Health, and Immigration*. Vol. 2, *Employment, Housing, Family, and Community*, edited by P. B. Jackson, M. Adem, and P. X. Ruf. Santa Barbara: CA: Greenwood Press.
- 2014 **Brenneman, Shannon**, and Hui Liu. “Marital Division of Labor” in *The Social History of the American Family: An Encyclopedia*. Editors: Marilyn J. Coleman and Lawrence H. Ganong. SAGE Publications, Inc.

Manuscripts Under Review

- Liu, Hui, Zhenmei Zhang, Seung-won Choi, and **Shannon Shen**. “Age at First Marriage and Physical Health in Later Life.” Revise & Resubmit from *Sociological Perspectives*.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 2019 Editor’s Choice: “A National Dyadic Study of Oral Sex, Relationship Quality, and Well-Being among Older Couples.” *Journal of Gerontology Series B*
- 2018 Honorable mention for the Distinguished Contribution to Sociological Perspectives Award, Pacific Sociological Association
- 2018 Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$7,000), Michigan State University
- 2017-18 Pearl J. Aldrich Graduate Student Research Award (\$1,320), Michigan State University

2017-18	Education Opportunity Fellowship (\$3,000), Michigan State University
2017	Graduate Office Fellowship Travel Award (\$1,650), Michigan State University
2017	International Studies & Programs Travel Award (\$200), Michigan State University
2017	Emerging Scholar, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course
2016	John L. McAdoo Dissertation Award (\$500), Michigan State University
2016	Comprehensive Exam Completion Award (\$800), Michigan State University
2016	Graduate Office Fellowship Travel Award (\$1,650), Michigan State University
2015-16	Education Opportunity Fellowship (\$3,000), Michigan State University
2015	Graduate Office Fellowship Travel Award (\$1,600), Michigan State University
2014	Graduate Office Fellowship Travel Award (\$1,000), Michigan State University
2013-14	Appreciation of Service Award, Michigan State University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2019-	Co-PI, Texas A&M University-San Antonio Research Council Grant: “Jaguar Freshman health and Wellness Study.” PIs: Vicky Elias and Sukho Lee
2017-18	Research Assistant, Michigan State University Sparrow/MSU Center for Innovation and Research Grant: “Partnered Sexuality and Cardiovascular Health among Older Adults.” PI: Hui Liu.
2014-18	Research Assistant, Michigan State University National Institute on Aging K01 Grant: “How Does Marriage Get Under the Skin? An Integrative Social and Biological Approach.” PI: Hui Liu.
2015	Democratic Deliberations Facilitator, Michigan State/University of Michigan National Human Genome Research Institute, NIH R01 Grant: “Public Preferences for Addressing Donors' Moral Concerns about Biobank Research.” PI: Tom Tomlinson and Ray De Vries.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses taught at Texas A&M University – San Antonio:

Social Problems

Sociology Capstone

Myths and Reality of Marriage and Family

Courses taught at Michigan State University:

Family and Society

Introduction to Sociology

Social Problems (TA)

Africa: Social Science Perspectives (TA)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 **Shen, Shannon.** "Disease-Afflicted Older Adults: Can Marital Quality Help or Hinder Their Sexual Frequency?" Population Association of America. Austin, TX. (Upcoming)
- 2018 **Shen, Shannon.** "Chronic Disease Burden, Sexual Frequency, and Sexual Dysfunction in Partnered Older Adults." Population Association of America. Denver, CO.
- 2017 **Shen, Shannon.** "Chronic Disease, Sexual Frequency, and Sexual Satisfaction: A Dyadic Analysis of Older Couples." American Sociological Association. Montréal, Canada.
- 2017 Liu, Hui, **Shannon Shen**, and Ning Hsieh. "A National Dyadic Study of Oral Sex, Marital Quality and Psychological Well-being among Older Couples." American Sociological Association. Montréal, Canada.
- 2017 **Shen, Shannon.** "I Can't Get No Satisfaction: Chronic Disease and Sexual Satisfaction among Older Couples." International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics. San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 Liu, Hui, Zhenmei Zhang, **Shannon Shen**, Seung-won Choi, and Yan-Liang Yu. "Age at First Marriage and Physical Health in Later Life." Population Association of America. Chicago, IL.
- 2016 **Shen, Shannon.** "Chronic Disease and Sexual Quality among Older Couples." NSHAP Data Users Conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2016 Liu, Hui, Linda J. Waite, **Shannon Shen**, and Donna Wang. "Is Sex Good for Your Health? A National Study on Partnered Sexuality and Cardiovascular Risk among Older Men and Women." Population Association of America. Washington, D.C.
- 2015 **Shen, Shannon.** "How Much Sugar Helps Medicine Go Down? Social Exchanges and Diabetes Management among Older Adults." American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 Liu, Hui, Linda J. Waite, and **Shannon Shen**. "Marital Quality and Diabetes in Later Life." Population Association of America. San Diego, CA.
- 2014 **Shen, Shannon.** "An Institutional Problem: Race and Health Disparities." Michigan Sociological Association. Muskegon, MI.
- 2014 Liu, Hui, and **Shannon Brenneman.** "Sexuality and Cardiovascular Risk among Older Adults." Gerontological Society of America. Washington, D.C.
- 2014 Liu, Hui, and **Shannon Brenneman.** "Sexuality and Cardiovascular Risk Among Older Adults." Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences. Honolulu, HI.
- 2014 **Brenneman, Shannon.** "For Better or for Worse: The Effects of Nonstandard Work Schedules on Self-Reported Health across Marital Status." Population Association of America. Boston, MA.
- 2013 **Brenneman, Shannon.** "Trends in Income Sufficiency: Considering Gender and Work Variables Before and After the Recession." Michigan Sociological Association. Saginaw, MI.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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| 2017 | “Success in Graduate School,” Professional Development Seminar, MSU Department of Sociology |
| 2016 | “Medicine, Health, and Society Graduate Student Showcase,” MSU Department of Sociology |
| 2013 | “Sociology Collective Responds to Proposed Graduate Admissions Changes,” MSU Sociology Department Meeting |

AD HOC REVIEWER

American Sociological Review
Contemporary Perspectives in Family Research
Health Psychology
Sexual and Relationship Therapy
Sociological Perspectives
The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Social Sciences

SERVICE

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| 2019 | Sociology Lecturer Search Committee |
| 2018- | Alpha Kappa Delta Advisor, Texas A&M University – San Antonio |
| 2017- | Sociology of Aging and the Life Course Newsletter Co-editor |
| 2015-16 | Sociology Graduate Hearing Board Representative, Michigan State University |
| 2014-15 | Sociology Advisory Committee Representative, Michigan State University |
| 2013-14 | Sociology Collective Leader, Michigan State University |

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association (Sections: Family, Aging and the Life Course, Medical Sociology)
Population Association of America
Gerontological Society of America