

Christin Munsch, Ph.D.

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Dr. Munsch's research focuses on gender roles and family "breadwinners."

Biography

Christin Munsch earned a Ph.D. in sociology from Cornell University in 2012 and then completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Stanford University's Clayman Institute for Gender Research. She specializes in family, work and occupations, gender, social psychology, and quantitative methods. The overarching goal of her research is to identify the ways in which contemporary, dual earner families organize interaction based on a traditional, breadwinner-homemaker model and the consequences of this mismatch for individuals, relationships, and the reproduction of inequality. This goal has generated two strains of research. First, her dissertation work considers the meaning and significance of breadwinning and investigates the effects of economic dependency in married and cohabiting heterosexual partnerships. In a second line of inquiry, she examines the "flexibility bias" and the ways in which penalties for flexible work vary by family structure.

Areas of Expertise

Family Breadwinners, Gender Roles

Education

Cornell University

Ph.D. Sociology

Virginia Commonwealth University

M.S. Sociology

University of Virginia

B.A. English Language and Literature

Accomplishments

SAGE and Pine Forge Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award, Section on Teaching and Learning

Awarded by the American Sociological Association.

Robert McGinnis Best Paper Award for "Economic Dependence, Gender, and Infidelity"

Awarded by the Department of Sociology, Cornell University.

Activism Award, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center
Awarded by Cornell University.

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