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EDUCATION

- 2021 PhD. Rural Sociology and Demography (Dual Title)
Pennsylvania State University
- 2017 M.A. Geography
Kansas State University
- 2015 B.S. Community and Regional Planning, Sociology minor
Iowa State University

MAJOR AREAS

Social Demography; Rural and Urban Sociology; Family and Childhood Well-being; Health Disparities;
Affordable Housing; Spatial Analysis

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2023- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Florida State University
- 2023- Research Associate, Center for Demography & Population Health, Florida State
University
- 2021-2023 Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Sociology and Centre on Population Dynamics,
McGill University

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

- 2023 Lichter, Daniel T., Brian C. Thiede, and **Matthew M. Brooks**. 2023. "Racial Diversity and Segregation: Comparing Principal Cities, Inner-Ring Suburbs, Outlying Suburbs, and the Exurban Fringe." *Russell Sage Foundation Journal of Social Sciences* 9(1): 26-51
- 2023 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2023 "Persistent Disparities in Affordable Rental Housing among America's Ethnoracial Groups." *Social Science Research* 113 (102828): 1-14
- 2022 Mueller, J. Tom, **Matthew M. Brooks**, and Jose Pacas. 2022. "Cost of Living, Nonmetropolitan America, and implications for the Supplemental Poverty Measure." *Population Research and Policy Review* 41: 1501-1523
- 2022 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2022. "Measuring America's Affordability Problem: Comparing Alternative Measurements of Affordable Housing." *Housing Policy Debate*. Online First. 1-20
- 2022 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2022. "The Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing in the Rural and Urban United States, 1990-2016". *Rural Sociology*. 82(2): 511-546
**Top Cited Article from Rural Sociology in 2021-2022*
- 2021 **Brooks, Matthew M.**, J. Tom Mueller, and Brian C. Thiede. 2021. "Rural-urban differences in the labor-force impacts of COVID-19 in the United States". *Socius* 7: 1-12.

- 2021 Thiede, Brian C., **Matthew M. Brooks**, and Leif Jensen. 2021. "Unequal from the Start? Poverty across Immigrant Generations of Hispanic Children". *Demography* 58 (6): 2139-2167
- 2020 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2020 "Countering Depopulation in Kansas: An Assessment of the Rural Opportunity Zone Program." *Population Research and Policy Review* 40: 137-148
- 2020 **Brooks, Matthew M.**, J. Tom Mueller, and Brian C. Thiede. 2020. "County reclassifications and Rural-urban mortality disparities in the United States (1970-2018)". *American Journal of Public Health* 110 (12): 1814-1816.
- 2020 **Brooks, Matthew M.**, and J. Tom Mueller. 2020. "Factors affecting mobile home prevalence in the United States: Poverty, natural amenities, and natural resource employment." *Population, Space and Place* 26(4): 1-13.
- 2020 Mueller, J. Tom, and **Matthew M. Brooks**. 2020. "Burdened by renewable energy? A multi-scalar analysis of distributional justice and wind energy in the United States." *Energy Research and Social Science* 63: 1-13
*Winner of 2019 Olaf Larson Award. *Rural Sociological Society*
- 2019 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2019. "The Advantages of Comparative LISA Techniques in Spatial Inequality Research: Evidence from Poverty Change in the United States." *Spatial Demography* 7: 167-193
- 2018 Thiede, Brian C., and **Matthew M. Brooks**. 2018 "Child poverty across immigrant generations in the United States, 1993-2016: Evidence using the official and supplemental poverty measures." *Demographic Research* 39(40): 1065-1080

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- 2020 **Brooks, Matthew M.**, and Sabrina Voltaire. 2020. "Rural Families in the United States: Theory, research and policy". In *Rural Families and Communities in the United States: Facing Challenges and Leveraging Opportunities*, edited by S.M. McHale, V. King, and J. Glick. Springer. 253-267

Book Reviews

- 2019 **Brooks, Matthew M.** 2019. Review of "We're Still Here: Pain and Politics in the Heart of America", by Jennifer M. Silva. *Rural Sociology* 84(3): 622-624

Policy Briefs and other Reports

- 2020 Zhou, Shuai, and **Matthew M. Brooks**. 2020. "Pennsylvania Pomp and Circumstance: Trends in High School Drop Outs." *Pennsylvania Population Network Briefs* 3: 1-4. https://pop.psu.edu/sites/pri/files/HSDropOutRatesBrief_RFCdocx.pdf

Manuscripts Under Review

- Taylor, John, Elwood Carlson, Kathryn H. Tillman, **Matthew M. Brooks**, Byron Miller, John S. Felkner, Tim Arthur, Mirna Chakhachiro, Sunshine A. Jacobs, Siriruy Methakitwerun, and Rachel Sparkman. "A Profile of Current Trends in Family Mobility in Florida: 2023" Under review at *Marriage & Family Review*
- Brooks, Matthew M.**, and Shelley Clark. "Following a Different Path to Adulthood: Early Marriage and Parenthood in Rural America." Under review at *Rural Sociology*
- Brooks, Matthew M.**, J. Tom Mueller, Brian C. Thiede, and Daniel T. Lichter. "Ethnoracial Diversity Across Nonmetropolitan and Metropolitan America: Urbanization, Multiracial Growth, and Uneven Exposure to Diversity" Under review at *Demography*. [Available at SocArXiv](#)

Clark, Shelley, **Matthew M. Brooks**, Ann-Marie Helou, and Rachel Margolis. “Are Rural Areas Holdouts in the Second Demographic Transition?: Evidence from the U.S. and Canada.” Under review at *Demography*.

Mueller, J. Tom, Peyman Hekmatpour, **Matthew M. Brooks**, and Regina Baker. “Further complications to poverty of place: Daily poverty dynamics across space.” Under review at *Population, Space and Place*.

Yin, Junjun, **Matthew M. Brooks**, Guangqing Chi, and Donghui Wang. “Characterizing Climate-Change Sentiments in Alaska with Twitter Data.” Under review at *New Media and Society*

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

In preparation Partnership: Family Diversity and Change in Canada.
 Agency: Social Science and Humanities Research Council
 P.I.: Shelley Clark,
 Partners: Rachel Margolis, **Matthew M. Brooks**, Laura Wright, Yue Qian, Lisa Strohschein, Statistics Canada, Vanier Institute of the Family
 Amount: \$1,154,000, **Amount to Brooks:** \$320,000 (CAD)

Funded (2022-2026) R01: The Effect of Medicaid Expansion on Mortality Disparities and Poverty
 Agency: National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities
 P.I.: J. Tom Mueller
 Co-PI’s: **Matthew M. Brooks**, Regina S. Baker
 Consultants: David Brady, Irma Elo, Liana Fox, Shannon Monnat, Jose Pacas, Ann R. Tickamyer
 Amount: \$1,480,085, **Amount to Brooks:** \$106,954 (USD)

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021 Alumni Association Dissertation Award. Pennsylvania State University

2020 Outstanding Dissertation Award, College of Agricultural Sciences. Pennsylvania State University

2020 Francena L. Miller and Michael F. Nolan Graduate Scholarship in Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology. Pennsylvania State University

2020 Dr. Fern “Bunny” Willits Graduate Award Endowment in Rural Sociology. Pennsylvania State University.

2020 Paul Hand Award for Research Excellence. College of Agricultural Sciences, Pennsylvania State University.

2019 Natural Resources RIG Graduate Student Paper Award. “*Who bears the burden of renewable energy? A multi-scalar analysis of distributional injustice and wind energy.*” Awarded with J. Tom Mueller. Rural Sociological Society

2019 Olaf Larson Graduate Student Paper Award. “*Who bears the burden of renewable energy? A multi-scalar analysis of distributional injustice and wind energy.*” Awarded with J. Tom Mueller. Rural Sociological Society

2018 M.E. John Student Professional Development Grant

2017 University Graduate Fellowship. College of Agricultural Sciences, Pennsylvania State University

2017 College of Arts and Sciences Diversity Lecture Series Grant

2017 Best Student Research Poster. “*Countering Depopulation in Kansas: Understanding Perceptions of Rural Life and the Effectiveness of the Rural Opportunity Zone*”

Program.” Rural Geography Specialty Group, The American Association of Geographers

2017 Graduate Student Travel Award. College of Arts and Sciences, Kansas State University
2015-2017 Student Travel Award. Department of Geography, Kansas State University

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Papers Presented

- 2023 “Shacking Up” and Single Parenthood in Rural America: Implications for Child Poverty. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Burlington, VT
- 2023 Further Complications to Poverty of Place: Daily Poverty Dynamics Across Space. *Presented by J. Tom Mueller.* Population Association of America Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- 2023 Ethnoracial Diversity Across Nonmetropolitan and Metropolitan America: Urbanization, Multiracial Growth, and Uneven Exposure to Diversity. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- 2023 Are Rural Areas Holdouts in the Second Demographic Transition? Evidence From the United States and Canada. *Presented by Shelley Clark.* Population Association of America Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- 2022 Changing Ethnoracial Diversity in Rural America: Population Change, Urbanization, and the Places Left Behind. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Westminster, CO.
- 2022 Marriage and Fertility among Rural Migrants in the United States. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Westminster, CO.
- 2022 Ethnoracial Diversity in Urbanizing Rural Areas and the Places left Behind. Trans-Atlantic Rural Research Network Annual Meeting. Newcastle upon Tyne, U.K.
- 2022 Cost of Living, Nonmetropolitan America, and implications for the Supplemental Poverty Measure. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- 2022 Marriage and Fertility among Rural Migrants in the United States. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- 2022 Disparities Between Rural and Urban Canadian Families. Canadian Population Society Annual Meeting. [Virtual due to Covid-19].
- 2021 The Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing in the United States, 1990-2016. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO. [Virtual due to Covid-19].
- 2020 Differential Attainment of Affordable Housing among Whites, Blacks, and Hispanics, 2005-2017. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. [Cancelled due to Covid-19].
- 2020 The Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing in the United States: A Spatial Fixed Effects Approach. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Westminster, CO. [Cancelled due to Covid-19].
- 2019 The Uneven Perils of Unemployment and Underemployment: The Role of Employment Structure in explaining Rural-Urban Poverty Differences, 1970-2018. Rural Studies Student Conference. University Park, PA.
- 2019 Metropolitanization, population redistribution, and the changing geography of poverty in the United States. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Richmond, VA.
- 2019 Who bears the burden of renewable energy? A multi-scalar analysis of distributional injustice and wind energy. *Presented by J. Tom Mueller.* Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Richmond, VA.

- 2019 Metropolitanization, population redistribution, and the changing geography of poverty in the United States. IUSSP Population, Poverty and Inequality Research Conference. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2018 Factors affecting mobile home prevalence in the United States: Poverty, natural amenities, and natural resource employment. Rural Studies Student Conference. University Park, PA.
- 2018 Countering Depopulation in Kansas: Understanding Perceptions of Rural Life and the Effectiveness of the Rural Opportunity Zone Program. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Portland, OR
- 2017 Countering Depopulation in Kansas: Understanding Perceptions of Rural Life and the Effectiveness of the Rural Opportunity Zone Program. Rural Studies Student Conference. University Park, PA

Posters Presented

- 2021 Measuring America's Affordability Problem: Conceptualizing various measurements of affordable housing among poor and near poor households. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO. [Virtual due to Covid-19]
- 2020 The Uneven Perils of Unemployment and Underemployment: The Role of Employment Structure in explaining Rural-Urban Poverty Differences, 1970-2018. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. [Cancelled due to Covid-19]
- 2020 Characterizing Climate Change Sentiment in Alaska with Twitter Data: A Spatial-Temporal Analysis Approach. *Presented with Junjun Yin*. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. [Cancelled due to Covid-19]
- 2019 POLARIS: The Pursuing Opportunities for Long-term Arctic Resilience for Infrastructure and Society. *Presented with Guangqing Chi*. Research to Action: The Science of Drawdown. University Park, PA.
- 2019 Transitions in County-Level Poverty in the Rural United States: A Comparison of LISA Techniques. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Austin, TX.
- 2019 Localized Distributional Injustice: Wind Energy Siting in the Continental United States. *Presented with J. Tom Mueller*. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Austin, TX.
- 2017 Countering Depopulation in Kansas: Understanding Perceptions of Rural Life and the Effectiveness of the Rural Opportunity Zone Program. American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. Boston, MA

Panels and Sessions Organized

- 2023 Changing Families across Space and Place. Population Association of America Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- 2021 Demographic perspectives on Covid-19 in Rural America. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Burlington, VT. [Virtual due to Covid-19].
- 2017 Interdisciplinary Thinking in the Rural Social Sciences. Rural Studies Student Conference. University Park, PA.

Panel Participation

- 2023 Special Session for Students: Preparing for the Next Steps After Graduation. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Burlington, VT

INVITED TALKS

- 2022 Persistent Disparities in Affordable Rental Housing Among America's Ethnoracial Groups. Bowling Green State Sociology Department Seminar Series. Dec 5th, 2022
- 2022 Persistent Disparities in Affordable Rental Housing Among America's Ethnoracial Groups. Florida State Sociology Department Seminar Series. Nov. 18th, 2022
- 2022 Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing in the United States. Mississippi State Sociology Seminar Series. Nov. 14th, 2022
- 2022 Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing in the United States. Oklahoma State Sociology Seminar Series. Nov. 8th, 2022

CAMPUS AND DEPARTMENTAL TALKS

- 2021 Persistent Disparities in Affordable Housing Among America's Ethnoracial Groups: 2006-2018. Population Research Institute Community and Place Working Group. Feb. 26, 2021.
- 2020 County reclassifications amplify Rural-urban mortality disparities in the United States; 1970-2018. Population Research Institute Brown Bag Series. Nov. 10, 2020.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Florida State University

Cities in Society. Instructor of Record (F2023)

McGill University

Rural Life in a Global Society. Instructor of Record (F2022)

Pennsylvania State University

Population and Policy Issues. Guest Lecture: The 2020 Census and You (S2020)

Development Issues in a Global Context. Guest Lecture: International Migration (F2019-S2020)

Introductory Rural Sociology. Reoccurring Guest Lecturer (F2019-S2020)

Community Development Concepts and Practice. Guest Lecture: Community Capital Framework (S2019)

Kansas State University

Human Geography. Teaching Assistant (Four Semesters, F2015 - S2017)

MANUSCRIPT REFEREEING

Canadian Journal of Sociology; Cities; Environment and Planning B: Urban Analytics and City Science; Frontiers in Public Health; Great Plains Quarterly; Journal of Marriage and Family; The Journal of Rural and Community Development; Population Research and Policy Review; Professional Geographer; Regional Studies; Rural Sociology; Social Science Research; The Sociological Quarterly; Sociological Perspectives; Spatial and Spatio-temporal Epidemiology; Spatial Demography; Telecommunications Policy

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Population Association of America

2023 Paper Session Organizer

2022 Poster Session Discussant

Rural Sociological Society

- 2023- Awards Nominations Committee, Member
- 2023 RSS Mentorship Network, Mentor
- 2019-2023 Population Research Interest Group, Chair Elect and Chair
- 2018-2019 Population Research Interest Group, Graduate Student Representative

Southern Demographic Association

- 2023 Everett S. Lee Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, member

McGill University

- 2021-2023 Executive Board for Centre on Population Dynamics, Member
- 2022 Mentor, Arts Undergraduate Research Internship Award (ARIA) Program
- 2021-2022 Grad Publication Workshop, Discussant

Pennsylvania State University

- 2021 Thesis Proposal Workshop for New Graduate Students, Panelist
- 2020 Stata Bootcamp for New Graduate Students, Organizer
- 2019-2021 Mini-PAA Planning Committee
- 2018-2021 PRI Student Methods Workshop Planning Committee
- 2018-2020 Dept. of Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education Faculty Meetings, Graduate Student Representative
- 2018 Rural Sociology Graduate Association, President
- 2017-2018 M.E. John Seminar Committee
- 2017-2019 Rural Studies Student Conference Planning Committee

Kansas State University

- 2017-2018 President, Gamma Theta Upsilon

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- 2020 Centre County Complete Count Committee, Volunteer
- 2016-2017 Kansas Geography Bee, Volunteer

MEDIA COVERAGE

- 2023 As the Suburbs Go, So Goes America. By Thomas B. Edsall. *The New York Times*. June 7th, 2023
- 2023 Brooks and Mueller: Mobile Home Prevalence in the USA. *The Rural Reconciliation Project*. April 3rd, 2023
- 2022 The Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing. By Jessica Shoemaker. *The Rural Reconciliation Project*. February 18th, 2022
- 2019 Kansas and Vermont pay college grads to move to small towns. Montana could follow suit. By Eric Dietrich. *Montana Free Press*. March 8th, 2019

OTHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- 2018 IPUMS CPS Summer Data Workshop, Minnesota Population Center
- 2018 PSID Data User Workshop, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Canadian Population Society
Population Association of America
Rural Sociological Society - Population Research Interest Group