

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### ACADEMIC DEGREES AND TRAINING

- 2021 Postdoctoral Research Scholar, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL  
Mentor: Lindsay Peterson, PhD
- 2021 PhD, Social Gerontology, Miami University, Oxford, OH  
Dissertation: Till death do us part?: The influence of deceased romantic partners on the lives and social convoys of older women  
Dissertation Advisor: Kate de Medeiros, PhD
- 2013 MGS, Gerontology, Miami University, Oxford, OH  
Thesis: How increasing the full benefit age of Social Security affects factory workers' plans to retire  
Thesis Advisor: Kate de Medeiros, PhD
- 2011 BS, Family Studies, Miami University, Oxford, OH  
Minor: Disability Studies

### CERTIFICATIONS

- 2022 Online Instructor Certification, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
- 2022 Fundamentals in Teaching Program, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
- 2022 Certificate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2021 MiniMBA Certificate, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2020 Graduate Certificate in College Teaching, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2018 Graduate Student Teaching Enhancement Program, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2016 Certificate in Leadership in Human Services Management, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

2022 – Present	Assistant Professor of Instruction, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2021 – 2022	Postdoctoral Research Scholar, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2020 – 2021	Dissertation Fellow, Department of Sociology and Gerontology, Miami University, Oxford, OH
2017 – 2020	Doctoral Level Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Gerontology, Miami University, Oxford, OH
2011 – 2013	Master's Level Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Gerontology, Miami University, Oxford, OH

**TEACHING****Graduate Courses – University of South Florida:**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>
GEY 6910	MA/MS Capstone

**Undergraduate Courses – University of South Florida:**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>
GEY 2000	Introduction to Aging Sciences
GEY 4641	Death and Dying
GEY 4647	Ethical and Legal Issues in Aging

**Undergraduate Courses – Miami University:**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>
GTY 154	Big Ideas in Aging
GTY 260	Global Aging (Discussion Leader)
GTY 440	Capstone Field Experience in Gerontology (Graduate Teaching Assistant)
SOC 257	Population (Graduate Teaching Assistant)
SOC 152	Social Relations & US Cultures (Graduate Teaching Assistant)

**PUBLICATIONS – PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Peterson, L. J., **Hackett, S. E.**, Dobbs, D., & Haley, W. E. (2023). Dementia caregivers' perspectives on disaster preparedness: Barriers, resources, and recommendations. *The Gerontologist*. Advance access publication June 23, 2023. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnad076>

- Hackett, S. E.**, Peterson, L. J., Vogel, C. E., & Dobbs, D. (2023). “We did more damage”: How COVID-19 collapsed the care convoys of residents living with dementia. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. Advance access publication March 23, 2023. doi: 10.1177/07334648231162360
- Hackett, S. E.** & de Medeiros, K. (2022). Till death do us part?: Exploring the social convoys of conjugally bereaved women. *Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*, 77(12), 2317-2325. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbac129
- Stemen, S. E.**, de Medeiros, K., & Radina, M. E. (2021). Exploring cause of death as a factor in social convoy membership: The case of Pauline. *The Journal of Women & Aging*, 33(2), 170-183. doi: 10.1080/08952841.2020.1825033
- Stemen, S. E.** (2020). “I can’t explain it”: An examination of social convoys and after death communication narratives. *Death Studies*. Advance access publication September 25, 2020. doi: 10.1080/07481187.2020.1825296
- Koumoutzis, A., **Stemen, S. E.**, Maharjan, R., Heston – Mullins, J., Mayberry, P., & Applebaum, R. A. (2020). Local initiatives to fund services for older Americans: Community recognition of the importance of social care. *The Journal of Applied Gerontology*, 40(9), 980-984. doi: 10.1177/0733464820944325
- Stemen, S. E.** (2020). “They’re in my heart, mind, and cells”: What continuing bonds reveal about social networks. *The Gerontologist*, 60(6), 1085-1093. doi: 10.1093/geront/gnz188 \*Article selected as Editor’s Choice

#### **PUBLICATIONS – BOOK CHAPTERS, ESSAYS, AND REPORTS**

- Roy, S. & **Stemen, S. E.** (2021). Is age just a number? In S. R. Kunkel & R. Settersten (Eds.), *Aging, Society, and the Life Course* (pp. 107 – 110). New York: Springer Publishing
- Stemen, S. E.** & de Medeiros, K. (2019). Narrative Analysis. In D. Gu & M. E. Dupre, *The Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*. doi: 10.1007/978-3-319-69892-2
- Straker, J. K., Janssen, L. M., **Stemen, S. E.**, Nelson, I., Young, M. A., & Brottman, B. J. (2019). *Implementation of the 2018 Ohio Nursing Home and Residential Care Facility Family Satisfaction Surveys*. (Research Report). Oxford, OH: Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University
- de Medeiros, K. & **Stemen, S. E.** (2019). Reminiscence, self and meaningful connections: A case example of Bill. In F. Gibson, *International Perspectives on Reminiscence, Life Review and Life Story Work* (pp. 244-262). London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers

#### **PUBLICATIONS – MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW/IN PREPARATION**

- Hackett, S. E.** & de Medeiros, K. Reading between the lines: Using narrative analysis to make the implicit, explicit. In A. Humble & M. E. Radina, *How Qualitative Data Analysis Happens: Moving Beyond “Themes Emerged”*

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS – NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL**

**Hackett, S. E.** Continuing bonds or unbreakable vows?: Conjurally bereaved women's perceptions about repartnering. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, November 2022.

Role: Presenter and Symposium Co-Chair

**Hackett, S. E.,** Peterson, L. J., Vogel, C. E. & Dobbs, D. "We did more damage": How COVID-19 collapsed the convoys of care for residents living with dementia. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, November 2022.

Role: Presenter

**Hackett, S. E.** Till death do us part?: Exploring the influence of deceased romantic partners on the lives of older women. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, November 2021.

Role: Presenter (Presentation delivered via online poster).

**Hackett, S. E.** Flipping the script about aging through film: The gerontological movie database review. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, November 2021.

Role: Presenter (Presentation delivered via online streaming symposium).

**Stemen, S. E.,** de Medeiros, K., & Radina, M. E. Exploring cause of death in social convoy membership. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, November 2020.

Role: Presenter and Symposium Chair (Presentation delivered via online streaming symposium).

Koumoutzis, A., **Stemen, S. E.,** Maharjan, R., Heston – Mullins, J., Mayberry, P. S., & Applebaum, R. A. Local initiatives to fund services for elders: Increased community recognition of the importance of social care. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, November 2020.

Role: Presenter (Presentation delivered via online poster).

**Stemen, S. E.** "Isn't that crazy?": What after death communication narratives reveal about social networks. Southern Gerontological Society Annual Meeting, Norfolk, VA, April 2020.

Role: Presenter (Presentation delivered via online streaming webinar on July 15, 2020).

**Stemen, S. E.** Away but not gone: Continuing bonds and deceased loved ones in social convoys. Southern Gerontological Society Annual Meeting, Miramar Beach, FL, April 2019.

Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** How to build an impactful and sustainable caregiver program. American Society on Aging's Aging in America Conference, Washington, D.C., March 2016.

Role: Presenter

Kinney, J. M., **Stemen, S. E.,** & Molea, M. J. Gerontologist meets world: Linking students, research, policy, and practice. Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Nashville, TN, February 2016.

Role: Presenter

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS – REGIONAL/LOCAL**

**Stemen, S. E.** Is "OK, Boomer" OK?: Strengthening students' gerontological voices through current events. Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference, April 2021.

Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** “They’re in my heart, mind, and cells”: What continuing bonds reveal about social networks. Miami University Graduate Research Forum, Oxford, OH, November 2019.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** Breaking down ageism: Social barriers and steps toward achieving a third demographic dividend. Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Oxford, OH, April 2019.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** Is it better to have loved and lost? How widowhood affects sense of belonging. Miami University Graduate Research Forum, Oxford, OH, November 2018.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** From the ground up: How to effectively merge research and practice to build impactful community programs. Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Bowling Green, OH, April 2015.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** Promising trends and tools for supporting family caregivers. Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, November 2014.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** Aging is everybody’s business. Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Dayton, OH, March 2014.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** How increasing the full benefit age of Social Security affects factory workers’ plans to retire. Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Ashland, OH, April, 2013.  
Role: Presenter

**Stemen, S. E.** Do individuals who have a strong relationship with God have less fear of death than individuals who do not? Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Annual Meeting, Youngstown, OH, April, 2012.  
Role: Presenter

## **SERVICE**

### **Ad hoc Reviewer:**

*The Gerontologist*

Reviewer-in-Training: 2 manuscripts

*Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine*

Reviewer: 3 manuscripts

*The Journal of Applied Gerontology*

Reviewer: 2 manuscripts

Reviewer-in-Training: 3 manuscripts

*The Journal of Gerontology & Geriatrics Education*

Reviewer-in-Training: 1 manuscript

**Professional Organizational Committees:**

01/2022 – Present	Gerontological Society of America, Behavioral and Social Sciences Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Representative
03/2021 – 04/2021	Gerontological Society of America, Volunteer Peer Abstract Reviewer
01/2020 – 11/2020	Gerontological Society of America, Annual Scientific Meeting Workgroup
08/2019 – 04/2020	Southern Gerontological Society, Annual Scientific Meeting Program Committee
11/2018 – 12/2019	Gerontological Society of America, Membership Committee
11/2018 – 12/2019	Gerontological Society of America, Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Leadership Council Member
08/2018 – 05/2020	Miami University Graduate Student Association, Department Representative
08/2018 – 05/2019	Graduate Student Resource Team, Department of Sociology and Gerontology, Miami University
04/2016 – 07/2017	Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education, Secretary
04/2015 – 07/2017	Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education, Member Board of Trustees

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

03/2022	1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Postdoctoral Research Symposium “It was a struggle”: Challenges to keeping residents living with dementia safe during COVID-19 University of South Florida
08/2020	Dissertation Fellowship Award Department of Sociology & Gerontology – Miami University
06/2020	Graduate Student Achievement Award The Graduate School – Miami University
09/2019	Comprehensive Exams Passed with Distinction Department of Sociology & Gerontology – Miami University
04/2019	1 <sup>st</sup> Place – Best Graduate Student Paper Award Away but not gone: Continuing bonds and deceased loved ones in social convoys Southern Gerontological Society
04/2019	Best Conference Theme Paper Award Breaking down ageism: Social barriers and steps toward achieving a third demographic dividend Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education
04/2013	Jerome Kaplan Best Graduate Student Paper Award

How increasing the full benefit age of Social Security affects factory workers' plans to retire  
Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education

04/2013 Outstanding Student in Gerontology Award  
Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education

12/2012 Scholarship Recipient  
Tri-State Association of Professionals in Aging

**RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

06/2014 – 07/2017 SourcePoint, Family Caregiver Program Coordinator, Delaware, OH

03/2013 – 06/2014 Ohio Department of Aging, Community Engagement Coordinator, Columbus, OH

05/2012 – 08/2012 Area Agency on Aging 3, Graduate Student Intern, Lima, OH