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EDUCATION

- (2020) Ph.D., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Preliminary exams: Demography, Sociology of the Family
- 2017 M.S., Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Master's Thesis: "Cesarean Section, the Gut Microbiome and Children's Health: Investigating Causal Linkages"
Committee: Jason Fletcher, Michal Engelman, Jenna Nobles
- 2010 Master of Public Policy, University of Chicago
- 2004 B.A., Anthropology, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
B.A., International Studies, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Summa cum laude

PUBLICATIONS

- Fletcher, Jason and **Jessica Polos**. 2018 "Nonmarital and Teen Fertility." In *The Oxford Handbook of Women and the Economy*. Ed. Susan L. Averett, Laura M. Argys, and Saul D. Hoffman: Oxford University Press, 2018.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

- Polos, Jessica and Jason Fletcher "Cesarean Section, the Gut Microbiome and Children's Health: A Quasi-Experimental Design." (Under Review at *Population Studies*)

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- Ophir, Ariane and Jessica Polos "Life Expectancy in a Caregiving Role"

PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 **Polos, Jessica** and Jason Fletcher. "Cesarean Section, the Gut Microbiome and Children's Health: A Quasi-Experimental Design." Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

2018 Ophir, Ariane and **Jessica Polos**. “Lifelong Caring: Caring across the Lifecourse in the Context of Population Aging” Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2015 **Polos, Jessica**. Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Traineeship, 2015 - 2018
Harris School of Public Policy, Irving B. Harris Tuition Fellowship 2008-2010
University of Illinois, Bronze Tablet Honors, 2004
University of Illinois, Phi Beta Kappa, 2004
University of Illinois, James Honors Scholar, 2000-2004

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2014 – Present Member, WiscPAL
2015-16 Graduate Student Fellow, Institute for Research on Poverty
2015, 17 Mentor for new graduate students
2014 – Present Member, Population Association of America
2016 Member, American Sociological Association
2009 Leadership in Chicago Fellow

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010– 2014 University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy
Founding Associate Director, Energy Policy Institute at Chicago, 2011-2014
International Program Coordinator, 2010-2011

2005-08 Illinois Office of the Comptroller
Policy Analyst
Government Career Trainee

SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (fluent); French (basic)
Computer Software: STATA (advanced); R (basic)