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- Education**
- The University of Texas at Austin**, Austin, TX
Graduate Student in Sociology and Demography, Ph.D. expected 2023
Supervisors: Abigail Weitzman, Joseph E. Potter
Population Research Bureau U.S. Health Policy Communication Fellow, 2020-2021
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine**, London, UK
MSc. Demography and Health, 2015
Thesis: Access to and quality of Emergency Obstetric Care (EmOC) and delivery services in Ethiopia, 2014
- Tufts University**, Medford, MA
B.A. Anthropology, B.A. Community Health, 2010 *magna cum laude*
Thesis (awarded high honors): Effectiveness of *Utasanjam usuña* birthing room for Aymara women of northern Chile
- Research Interests**
- Demography – Sexual and Reproductive Health – Causal Inference
Cognitive Sociology – Health Systems – Social Relationships and Health
- Publications**
- Eilers, Michelle A.**, C. Emily Hendrick, Rafael Pérez-Escamilla, Daniel A. Powers, Joseph E. Potter. 2020. “Breastfeeding Initiation, Duration, and Supplementation Among Mexican-Origin Women in Texas.” *Pediatrics* 145(4): e20192742.
- Goldberg, Rachel E., Marta Tienda, **Michelle A. Eilers**, Sara S. McLanahan. 2019. “Adolescent Relationship Quality: Is there an Intergenerational Link?” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 81(4): 812-29.
- Sedgh, Gilda, Lawrence Finer, Akinrinola Bankole, **Michelle A. Eilers**, Susheela Singh. 2015. “Adolescent pregnancy, abortion, and birth rates across countries: a cross-sectional review and assessment of recent trends.” *Journal of Adolescent Health* 56(2):223-230.
- Japuntich, Sandra, **Michelle A. Eilers**, Sharon Shenhav, Elyse Park, Jonathan Winickoff, Yuchiao Chang, Michele Reyen, Neal Benowitz, Nancy Rigotti. 2015. “Secondhand tobacco smoke exposure among hospitalized nonsmokers with coronary heart disease.” *JAMA Internal Medicine* 175(1):133-136.

Sedgh, Gilda, Susheela Singh, Akinrinola Bankole, **Michelle A. Eilers**. 2012. "Legal abortion levels and trends by woman's age at termination." *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health* 38(3):143-153.
- Spanish version also in *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*

Papers Under Review **Eilers, Michelle A.** and Abigail Weitzman. "Young Women's Sexual Behavior and Contraceptive Use Amidst Conflicting Desires and Morals."
Revise and resubmit, American Sociological Review

Papers in Progress **Eilers, Michelle A.** "Moral Attitudes and Sex in the Transition to Adulthood: Is there a Dynamic Relationship for Young Women?"

Eilers, Michelle A. "Desire to Avoid Pregnancy and the Desire for Sex: Psychosocial Determinants of Sex and Contraceptive Use"

Eilers, Michelle A. "Women's Experiences with Crisis Pregnancy Centers Before Obtaining Abortion."

Potter, Joseph E., **Michelle A. Eilers**, Kari White, Kristine Hopkins, Daniel Powers, and Daniel Grossman. "Rapid Repeat Births Among Texas Women."

Potter, Joseph E. and **Michelle A. Eilers**. "Proximate Determinants Analysis of underreported Abortion among Texas Women."

Conference Presentations **Eilers, Michelle A.** "Moral Attitudes and Sexual Behavior Among Young Women: Is there a Reciprocal Relationship?"
- Paper presented at the Family Section Roundtable, 2020 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (ASA). Virtual, August 2020.
- Poster selected for the 2020 Population Association of America Meeting (PAA).*

Potter, Joseph E., **Michelle A. Eilers**, Elizabeth J. Ela, Kristine Hopkins, Daniel Powers, and Kari White. 2020. "Access to Postpartum Contraception and Rapid Repeat Births among Low-Income Women in Texas." Paper selected for the 2020 Population Association of America Annual Meeting (PAA). Washington, D.C. *

Eilers, Michelle A. and Abigail Weitzman. "Young Women's Sexual Behavior and Contraceptive Use Amidst Conflicting Desires and Morals." Paper presented at the 2019 Population Association of America Annual Meeting (PAA). Austin, TX.

Eilers, Michelle A. "Women's Experiences in Pregnancy Resource Centers in Texas." Project presented at the 2018 Psychosocial Workshop. Denver, CO.

Eilers, Michelle A., Sandra Japuntich, Sharon Shenhav, Michele Reyen, Jonathan Winickoff, Elyse Park, Nancy Rigotti. "Secondhand Smoke Exposure Patterns among Patients Hospitalized with Coronary Heart Disease." Poster presented at the 2011 Society of Research on Nicotine and Tobacco Annual Meeting. Toronto, Canada.

* Cancelled due to COVID-19 outbreak

Invited Presentations	<p>Eilers, Michelle A. “Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study Introduction and Research Opportunities.” December 2016. Guttmacher Institute. New York, NY.</p>
Awards and Fellowships	<p>NICHD Training Fellowship, University of Texas Population Research Center, 2019-2020 Academic Year (\$21,000 + tuition)</p> <p>Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, 2018 and 2019 (\$5,000 each summer)</p> <p>North American Friends Studentship for tuition, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 2014 (£10,000)</p> <p>Bixby Fellowship for Professional Development for field work in Ethiopia, Guttmacher Institute, 2013</p> <p>Ellen C. Myers Memorial Prize, Tufts University, 2010 (\$3,000)</p> <p>Alice Rowan Swanson Fellowship, School for International Training, 2009 (\$2,700)</p> <p>Gilman Scholarship, U.S. Department of State, 2008 (\$4,000)</p>
Invited Workshops	<p>Population Research Bureau U.S. Health Policy Communication Workshop and Fellowship, 2020-2021 Academic Year</p> <p>Berkeley Formal Demography Workshop, June 2018</p>
Research Experience	<p>Texas Policy Evaluation Project (TxPEP), University of Texas at Austin <i>Graduate Research Assistant (2017-)</i>: Led longitudinal data analyses of breastfeeding trajectories and demographic differentials; demographic predictors of rapid repeat births; and indirect estimation of under reported abortion using a proximate-determinants framework. Developed survey instrument and in-depth interview guide of experiences of women who visited crisis pregnancy centers prior to abortion. Co-developed crisis pregnancy center education workshop for reproductive justice advocacy groups.</p> <p>Center for Research on Child Wellbeing, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ <i>Research Specialist II (2015-2017)</i>: Led data cleaning and processing for public release of the Year 15 Wave of the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing study (PI Sara McLanahan). Managed operations of the mDiary Study of Adolescent Relationships, an online survey of adolescent relationship formation and dynamics (PIs Marta Tienda and Rachel Goldberg).</p> <p>Guttmacher Institute, New York, NY <i>Research Assistant II (2011-2014)</i>: Supervised data entry and management, supported research trainings and field work with study partners on Ethiopia Abortion Incidence study. Analyzed DHS data from 31 countries on reasons for family planning non-use. Constructed data set of demographic indicators for multi-country comparative studies of adolescent unintended pregnancy rates and age-specific abortion rates.</p>

Tobacco Treatment and Research Center, Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston, MA. *Clinical Research Coordinator (2010-2011)*: Recruited cardiac hospital
patients for a study of secondhand smoke exposure. Drafted and finalized study
protocol, intervention materials, and IRB application for a secondhand smoke
exposure reduction intervention study.

Professional Service Planning team, 2019 Psychosocial Meeting at the PAA Annual Meeting, Austin, TX
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Demography and Health MSc Social
Event Coordinator (2014-15)
Ad hoc reviewer for *Journal of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care*
Member, American Sociological Association, 2020 - present
Member, Population Association of America, 2013-present
Member, Society of Family Planning, 2017-present