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EDUCATION

Expected 2025 Ph.D.	University of Chicago, Chicago, IL Sociology
May 2017 B.A. with Honors	University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA Global Studies & Neuroscience

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Manuscripts

Ismayilova, L., **Beard, L.M.**, Claypool E., and Heidorn, E. (2023). "From institutional care to family reunification in a post-Soviet country: A qualitative study of challenges and opportunities in restoring child-parent relationships." *Child & Youth Services Review*.

Beard, L.M., Schilt, K, and Jagoda P. (2023). "Divergent Pathways: How Pre-Orientation Programs Can Shape the Transition to College for First-Generation, Low-Income Students." *Sociological Forum*.

Sharma, A., **Beard, L. M.**, Moore, T., Kaczurkin, A. N., Ciric, R., Shankar, S., Rish, S., Harowitz, J., Rosen, A., Cook, P., Shinohara, R., Davatzikos, C., Wolf, D. H., Satterthwaite, T.D. (2018). Dimensions of Anhedonia Associate with Dissociable Neurostructural Measures Across Psychiatric Disorders. *Biological Psychiatry*, 83(9), S381.

Eryilmaz, H., Dowling, K. F., Huntington, F. C., Rodriguez-Thompson, A., Soare, T. W., **Beard, L. M.**, Lee, H., Blossom, J. C., Gollub, R. L., Susser, E., Gur, R. C., Calkins, M. E., Gur, R. E., Satterthwaite, T. D., & Roffman, J. L. (2018). Association of Prenatal Exposure to Population-Wide Folic Acid Fortification With Altered Cerebral Cortex Maturation in Youths. *JAMA psychiatry*, 75(9), 918–928. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamapsychiatry>.

Hibar, D. P., Westlye, L. T., Doan, N. T., Jahanshad, N., Cheung, J. W., Ching, C., Versace, A., Bilderbeck, A. C., Uhlmann, A., Mwangi, B., Krämer, B., Howells, F. M., ... Andreassen, O. A. (2018). Cortical abnormalities in bipolar disorder: an MRI analysis of 6503 individuals from the ENIGMA Bipolar Disorder Working Group. *Molecular psychiatry*, 23(4), 932–942. <https://doi.org/10.1038/mp.2017.73>

van Erp, T., Walton, E., Hibar, D. P., Schmaal, L., Jiang, W., Glahn, D. C., Pearlson, G. D., ... Turner, J. A. (2018). Cortical Brain Abnormalities in 4474 Individuals With Schizophrenia and 5098 Control Subjects via the Enhancing Neuro Imaging Genetics Through Meta Analysis (ENIGMA) Consortium. *Biological psychiatry*, 84(9), 644–654. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2018.04.023>

Walton, E., Hibar, D. P., Van Erp, T. G. M., Potkin, S. G., Roiz-Santiañez, R., Crespo-Facorro, B., ... Ehrlich, S. (2018). Prefrontal cortical thinning links to negative symptoms in schizophrenia via the ENIGMA consortium. *Psychological Medicine*, 48(1), 82-94. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0033291717001283>

Walton, E., Hibar, D. P., van Erp, T. G., Potkin, S. G., Roiz-Santiañez, R., Crespo-Facorro, B., Suarez-Pinilla, P., Van Haren, N. E., A. O., Mørch-Johnsen, L., ... Ehrlich, S. (2017). Positive symptoms associate with cortical thinning in the superior temporal gyrus via the ENIGMA Schizophrenia consortium. *Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica*, 135(5), 439–447. <https://doi.org/10.1111/acps.12718>

Manuscripts Under Review

Beard, L.M. and Choi, W. K. (equal authorship). Under Review. "Disrupted family reunification: Mental health, race, and state-level factors."

Published Abstracts

Beard, L.M., Ismayilova, L., Claypool, E., Heidorn, E., and N. Guliyeva. (2022). "From child institutions to family reunification: challenges and opportunities in building family-centred care." *The Lancet: Global Health* 10(S31). [https://doi.org/10.1016/S2214-109X\(22\)00160-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/S2214-109X(22)00160-7)

Reports

Beard, L.M. (2023). "LGBTQ+ Youth in Child Welfare." Lawrence Hall. Chicago, IL.

Beard, L.M. (2022). "CENE: A Middle School Alternate Reality Game about Climate Change." Fourcast Lab. Chicago, IL.

Beard, L.M. (2021). "Developing Interdisciplinary Approaches to Health Humanities Education." Smart Museum of Art, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Beard, L.M., Priester, Ryan K. (2019). "Trauma-Informed Care in Youth Education." Community Programs Accelerator, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Public Writing

Beard, L. M. (2023). "Queer Dance Freakout: An Interview with Company Leads A'Keisha Lee and Dawn Heilung." Sixty Inches from Center. <https://sixtyinchesfromcenter.org/queer-dance-freakout-an-interview-with-company-leads-akeisha-lee-and-dawn-heilung/>

Beard, L.M. (2022). "How some therapists are helping patients heal by tackling structural racism." NPR – Health. <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2022/11/25/1137754258/heres-how-some-therapists-are-tackling-structural-racism-in-their-practice>

Beard, L.M. (2022). "Meet the Author: Camille Roy." South Side Weekly. Chicago, IL. <https://southsideweekly.com/meet-the-author-camille-roy/>

Beard, L.M. (2022). "Five Chicago Women Ahead of Their Time." South Side Weekly. Chicago, IL. <https://southsideweekly.com/a-book-review-on-five-chicago-women-ahead-of-their-time/>

Beard, L.M. (2021). "Best Regenerative Epicenter: Sweet Water Foundation." South Side Weekly. Chicago, IL. <https://southsideweekly.com/best-of-washington-park-2021/>

Podcasts

Beard, L.M. (Research Lead). (2022). "Therapy Ghostbusters." *Invisibilia*. Audio Podcast. <https://www.npr.org/2022/09/20/1124139592/therapy-ghostbusters>

Beard, L.M. (Research Assistant). (2022). "Freedom Diving." *Invisibilia*. Audio Podcast. <https://www.npr.org/2022/09/29/1126052986/freedom-diving>

Beard, L.M. (Research Assistant). (2022). "A Little Bit Pregnant." *Invisibilia*. Audio Podcast. <https://www.npr.org/2022/09/12/1122470621/a-little-bit-pregnant>

Beard, L.M. (Research Assistant). (2022). "The P-Word." *Invisibilia*. Audio Podcast. <https://www.npr.org/2022/09/08/1121747527/the-p-word>

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Awards

2023	Robert K. Merton Social Theory Award Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy
2022	Diversity Award Social Sciences Division, University of Chicago
2020	Student Leadership Recognition Award University of Chicago
2013 – 2017	QuestBridge Scholar University of Pennsylvania

Fellowships

2023	Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant American Sociological Association
2023	Dissertation Research Grant Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy
2023 – 2025	UCANU Health Services Research Program (T32) University of Chicago & Northwestern University
2022 – 2023	Kreisman Housing Graduate Fellowship Mansueto Institute for Urban Innovation, University of Chicago
2021 – 2022	Human Rights Doctoral Fellowship Pozen Center for Human Rights, University of Chicago
2021 – 2023	Health Research Fellowship Center for Health Administration Studies, University of Chicago
2021	Global Health Research Fellowship Center for Global Health, University of Chicago
2015 – 2017	Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship U.S. Department of Education

PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

Presentations

- Beard, L. M.** “The Transition Shock: Emancipating into State-Defined Adulthood.”
- August 2023: American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. Presenter.
 - August 2023: Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, PA. Presenter.

Beard, L.M. (December 2022). “Individualized Guilt and Shame: Mothers’ Reliance on State Institutions as a Needed Resource.” International Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions (IACAPAP). Presenter.

- Beard, L.M.** “From Child Institutions to Family Reunification: Challenges and Opportunities in Building Family-Centered Care.”
- March 2022: Consortium of Universities for Global Health. Presenter.
 - August 2021: Center for Global Health, University of Chicago. Presenter.

Presentations Cont.

Beard, L.M. "Divergent Pathways: How Pre-Orientation Programs Can Shape the Transition to College for First-Generation, Low-Income Students."

- August 2021: American Sociological Association. Presenter.
- August 2021: Society for the Study of Social Problems. Presenter.

Beard, L.M. (April 2021). "Health Humanities in Times of Crisis." Smart Museum of Art, University of Chicago. Chicago, IL. Organizer.

Beard, L. M. (April 2020). "Challenging Rhetorics of Violence in Community-based Mental Health." Chicago Disability Studies Conference. Chicago, IL. Presenter.

Invited Talks

Beard, L.M. (2022). "How to Write a Research Proposal." National Mental Health Center. Baku, Azerbaijan. Invited Speaker.

Wadzinski, E., **Beard, L. M.**, Nguyen, V. (2019). "Tough Choices: Deciding Between Lucrative and Impactful Careers." QuestBridge 25th Conference. San Francisco, CA. Invited Panelist.

Beard, L. M., Dailey, S., Lawyer, S., Zirbel, E. (2017). "Focusing on the Future: Developing Leadership, Institutional Change, and Post-Graduation Success as a First-Generation, Low-Income Student." 1vyG Conference. Philadelphia, PA. Invited Panelist.

Beard, L. M. (2014). "Building Community among First-Generation, Low-income Students." QuestBridge Leadership Conference. Palo Alto, California. Invited Speaker.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chicago, IL March – June 2021	Graduate Teaching Assistant Social Psychology of Inequality, Geoffrey Wodtke, Ph.D. The University of Chicago, Department of Sociology
Chicago, IL January – March 2021	Graduate Teaching Assistant Statistical Methods of Research I, Stephen Raudenbush, Ph.D. The University of Chicago, Department of Sociology
Chicago, IL May – June 2020	Graduate Teaching Assistant The Effects of Schooling, Ross Stolzenberg, Ph.D. The University of Chicago, Department of Sociology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Chicago, IL October 2021 – Present	Graduate Research Assistant Prof. Anna S. Mueller, Ph.D. Indiana University – Bloomington, Dept. of Sociology
Chicago, IL June 2020 – Present	Graduate Research Assistant Prof. Leyla Ismayilova, Ph.D. University of Chicago, Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice
Chicago, IL June 2019 – June 2023	Graduate Research Assistant Prof. Kristen Schilt, Ph.D. University of Chicago, Dept. of Sociology
Philadelphia, PA 2014 – 2018	Data Analyst Dr. Theodore Satterthwaite, M.D. UPenn Perelman School of Medicine, Brain Behavior Laboratory

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chicago, IL 2023	Lawrence Hall LGBT Youth Advocate
Washington, D.C. 2022	National Public Radio (NPR) Enterprise Storytelling Unit Fellow
Chicago, IL 2020 – 2022	American Journal of Sociology Associate Editor, Manuscript Board
Chicago, IL 2020 – 2021	Smart Museum of Art Health Humanities Graduate Intern
Chicago, IL 2019 – 2020	Thresholds Mental Health Intake & Research Specialist
Chicago, IL 2019 – 2021	Community Programs Accelerator Nonprofit Project Manager

SERVICE

Chicago, IL 2020 – Present	Reviewer American Journal of Sociology, Children & Youth Services Review
Chicago, IL 2021 – Present	First-Generation, Low-Income Graduate Student Network Founder, President
Chicago, IL 2021	Leadership Alliance Summer Research Early Identification Program Research Mentor
Chicago, IL 2018 – Present	Center for Identity & Inclusion First-Gen, Low-income Co-Chair & LGBT Student Mentor
Philadelphia, PA 2015 – 2018	PennFirst Alumni Advisor, First-Gen Student Mentor & Penn Representative
Philadelphia, PA 2012 – 2018	QuestBridge National Alumni Advisory Board Member, National Executive Board Member

CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING

Crisis Intervention	IM+CANS	Sexual Abuse Awareness
De-escalation	LGBTQ+ Cultural Competency	Suicide Risk Assessment
Harm Reduction	Mental Health First Aid	Trauma-Informed Care

SKILLS

Qualitative Analysis (Dedoose, NVivo)	Statistical Analysis (R, STATA, BASH)	Podcasting Software (Descript, Pro Tools)
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association
Association of Academic Museums and Galleries
Society for the Study of Social Problems