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Academic Positions

Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware, Newark, DE	2022 – present
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware, Newark, DE	2016 – 2022
NICHD Postdoctoral Fellow, California Center for Population Research, University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA	2013 – 2016
Postdoctoral Researcher, Centre for Economic Demography, Lund University, Lund, Sweden	2013

Education

Ph.D. Sociology, Ghent University, Belgium	2012
M.A. Sociology (<i>magna cum laude</i>), Ghent University, Belgium	2006
B.A. Political and Social Sciences (<i>magna cum laude</i>), Ghent University, Belgium	2004

Honors

Recipient of the UCLA Chancellor's Award for Postdoctoral Research	2015
Honorary Fellowship of the Belgian American Educational Foundation (BAEF)	2012
Travel Award of the Research Foundation Flanders to participate in the European Population Conference in Stockholm, Sweden	2012
Prize of the Faculty of Political and Social Sciences (Ghent University, Belgium) for the best Master's Thesis in Sociology	2006

Funding

Extramural

Anonymous Private Foundation	2017 – present
<i>Evaluation of the Delaware Contraceptive Access Now (Del-CAN) Project.</i> PI: Michael S Rendall, Role: University of Delaware sub-award PI (2022-2023, \$225,351 sub-award); Collaborator (2018-2022); Consultant (2017-2018)	

- ACCEL Pilot grant 2020
Does Increased Use of Long-acting Reversible Contraception have Unintended Costs?
 PI: Katie Fitzpatrick, Role: **Co-Investigator**
 \$108,317
- ACCEL Jumpstart grant 2018
Monitoring Opioids to Reduce Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome: Informing Policy to Increase Contraceptive Access in Delaware
 PI: **Mieke C.W. Eeckhaut**, Co-PI: Tammy L. Anderson
 \$19,967
- NICHD Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award for 2013
 Individual Postdoctoral Fellow (F32 HD078037)
Sterilization Patterns in the United States [Impact score = 15, Percentile = 7]
 PI: **Mieke C.W. Eeckhaut**, Sponsor: Megan M. Sweeney, Co-sponsors: Patrick C. Heuveline and Jessica D. Gipson
 \$159,375

Intramural

- Women's Studies Faculty Research Award Program (University of Delaware) 2017
Female Sterilization during the Great Recession
 PI: **Mieke C.W. Eeckhaut**
 \$5,000
- General University Research Grant (University of Delaware) 2017
Contraceptive Sterilization in the United States: The Role of Race/Ethnicity
 PI: **Mieke C.W. Eeckhaut**
 \$7,034
- Centre for Economic Demography Seed Grant (Lund University, Sweden) 2013
Educational Homogamy, Gender, and Increasing Income Differentiation across Europe
 PI: Maria A. Stanfors, Co-PI: **Mieke C.W. Eeckhaut**
 SEK 464,000 (approximately \$75,000)

Publications (* denotes graduate student co-author)

In peer-reviewed journals

- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Fitzpatrick K. 2022. Are LARC Users Less Likely to Use Condoms? An Analysis of U.S. Women Initiating LARC in 2008-18. *Women's Health Issues*, 32(5): 431-439.
 ○ Selected as 'Editor's Choice' article for the Sept/Oct issue.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Rendall M.S. 2022. Are Births More Likely to be Intended Following Use of Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives? An Analysis of U.S. Births in 2003–2015. *Population Research and Policy Review*, 41(3): 1085-1110.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** 2022. Can LARC Fulfill its Potential to Reduce U.S. Women's Unintended Pregnancy Risk? Examining Women's Contraception and Childbearing in the Year Before Initiating LARC. *Population Research and Policy Review*, 41(3): 789-799.

- Eeckhaut M.C.W.**, Rendall M.S. & Zvavitch P.* 2021. Long-acting Reversible Contraceptive Use for Birth Timing and Birth Stopping. *Demography*, 58(4): 1327-1346.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Stanfors M.A. 2021. Educational Assortative Mating, Gender Equality, and Income Differentiation across Europe: A Simulation Study. *Acta Sociologica*, 64(1): 48-69.
- Eeckhaut M. C. W.** & Fitzpatrick K. 2020. Are New LARC Users Less Likely to Use Condoms than New Moderately-effective Hormonal Method Users? An Analysis of U.S. Women Ages 15-44. *Contraception*, 102(4): 297-298. [conference abstract]
- Sweeney M.M., **Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Gipson J.D. 2020. Reconsidering (In)equality in the Use of IUDs in the United States: A Closer Look across the Reproductive Life Course. *Demographic Research*, 43(35): 1049-1066.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** 2020. Intersecting Inequalities: Education, Race/ethnicity, and Sterilization. *Journal of Family Issues*, 41(10): 1905-1929.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.**, Wagner J.,* Neitzke-Spruill L.,* Walker R. & Anderson T.L. 2020. Is the Gender Gap in Overdose Deaths (Still) Decreasing? An Examination of Opioid Deaths in Delaware, 2013-2017. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs*, 81(1): 68-73.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Rendall M.S. 2019. Are Births Following LARC Use More Likely to Be Intended? *Contraception*, 100(4): 342. [conference abstract]
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** 2019. The Gendered Division of Sterilization ‘Fertility Work:’ The Role of Educational and Racial/Ethnic Heterogamy. *Journal of Family Issues*, 40(2): 167-189.
- Theunis L.,* **Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Van Bavel J. 2018. Who Leaves the Joint Home After Separation? The Role of Partners’ Absolute and Relative Education in Belgium. *European Sociological Review*, 34(6): 659-674.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.**, Sweeney M.M. & Feng L.* 2018. Desire for Sterilization Reversal among U.S. Females: Increasing Inequalities by Educational Level. *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, 50(3): 139-145.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Sweeney M.M. 2018. Understanding Sterilization Regret in the United States: Does Relationship Context Matter? *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 80(5): 1259-1270.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** 2017. Contraceptive Sterilization: Introducing a Couple Perspective to Examine Sociodemographic Differences in Use. *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, 49(3): 173-180.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Sweeney M.M. 2016. The Perplexing Links between Contraceptive Sterilization and (Dis)advantage in Ten Low-Fertility Countries. *Population Studies*, 70(1): 39-58.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.** 2015. Marital Status and Female and Male Contraceptive Sterilization in the United States. *Fertility & Sterility*, 130(6): 1509-1515.
- Eeckhaut M.C.W.**, Sweeney M.M. & Gipson J.D. 2014. Who is Using Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive Methods? Findings from Nine Low-Fertility Countries. *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, 46(3): 149-155.

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Van de Putte B., Gerris J.R.M. & Vermulst A.A. 2014. Educational Heterogamy: Does it Lead to Cultural Differences in Child-Rearing? *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 31(6): 729-750.

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Stanfors M.A. & Van de Putte B. 2014. Educational Heterogamy and the Division of Paid Labour in the Family: A Comparison of Present-Day Belgium and Sweden. *European Sociological Review*, 30(1): 64-75.

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Van de Putte B., Gerris J.R.M. & Vermulst A.A. 2013. Analysing the Effect of Educational Differences between Partners: A Methodological/Theoretical Comparison. *European Sociological Review*, 29(1): 60-73.

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Lievens J., Van de Putte B. & Lusyne P. 2011. Partner Selection and Divorce in Ethnic Minorities: Distinguishing between Two Types of Ethnic Homogamous Marriages. *International Migration Review*, 45(2): 271-298.

Van de Putte B., Van Poppel F., Vanassche S., Sanchez M., Jidkova S., **Eeckhaut M.C.W.**, Oris M. & Matthijs K. 2009. The Rise of Age Homogamy in 19th Century Western Europe. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 71(59): 1234-1253.

Eeckhaut M.C.W. 2007. Siblingconstellatie en Geslachtsrolattitudes. Een Onderzoek naar de Invloed van Broers en Zussen in een Gentse ASO-School [Sibling Constellation and Sex-Role Attitudes: An Examination of the Role of Siblings in a School for General Secondary Education in Ghent]. *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, 28(2): 140-165.

Book (chapter)

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Van de Putte B., Van Rossem R. & De Bruycker T. (Eds.). 2010. *Het Sociaal-Demografisch Perspectief [The Socio-Demographic Perspective]*. Ghent (Belgium): Academia Press.

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Lievens J., Van de Putte B. & Lusyne P. 2010. Partnersselectie en Echtscheiding in Etnische Minderheidsgroepen [Partner Selection and Divorce in Ethnic Minorities]. In **Eeckhaut M. C. W.**, Van de Putte B., Van Rossem R. & De Bruycker T. (Eds.), *Het Sociaal-Demografisch Perspectief [The Socio-Demographic Perspective]*, Pp. 189-212. Ghent (Belgium): Academia Press.

Other

Boudreaux M., **Eeckhaut M.C.W.** & Rendall M.S. 2022. Endline Statewide Survey of Women of Reproductive Age in Delaware and Maryland—Questionnaire Development. *Delaware Contraceptive Access Now Evaluation, Data Sources* [November 8, 2022: <https://popcenter.umd.edu/delcaneval/endline>].

Eeckhaut M.C.W., Rendall M.S. & Zvavitch P.* 2019. Women's Use of Long-acting Reversible Contraceptive for Birth Timing and Birth Stopping. *Maryland Population Research Center Working Paper Series No. 2019-010* [December 21, 2019: <https://www.popcenter.umd.edu/research/working-papers/papers/pwp-mprc-2019-010/>].

Eeckhaut M.C.W. & Sweeney M.M. 2018. What Place Does Female and Male Sterilisation Have in the Contraceptive Regimes of Europe? In: Gauthier A.H., Kotowska I.E., Vono de Vilhena D. (Eds.), *Gender (In)equality over the Life Course, Population Europe Discussion Paper No. 10*, Pp. 15-20. Berlin: Population Europe.

Eeckhaut M.C.W. 2016. Will the Affordable Care Act Eliminate Perplexing Inequalities in Contraceptive Sterilization? *Openpop.org: A collaborative blog on global population issues* [June 6, 2016: <http://www.openpop.org/>].

Presentations

Invited presentations

Women's Sterilization and Contraception during the Great Recession.

Mae and Robert Carter Endowment Annual Lecture, Department of Women and Gender Studies, University of Delaware, 2018

Sterilization (Regret) in the United States: A Closer Look at the Perplexing Links with (Dis)advantage.

Guttmacher Center for Population Research Innovation and Dissemination Research Brownbag Series, Guttmacher Institute, 2017

Recent Trends and Patterns in the Use of Long-Acting Contraception in the United States.

Maryland Population Research Center Seminar Series, Maryland Population Research Center, University of Maryland, College Park, 2017

Long-Acting Contraception in the United States: A Comparative Perspective.

Population Studies Center Colloquium, Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, 2017

Gender, Class, and Contraception: The Perplexing Links between Sterilization and (Dis)advantage.

Gender and Sexualities Workshop, Department of Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2016

Contraceptive Sterilization in the United States: Examining Inequalities by Education and Gender.

Family Working Group, Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, 2015

Using Diagonal Reference Models to Examine the Links between Educational Homogamy and Income Differentiation across Europe.

Workshop, Department of Sociology, University of Leuven, Belgium, 2014

Sterilization Patterns in the United States: A Comparative Perspective.

California Population Research Seminar Series, California Center for Population Research, University of California, Los Angeles, 2014

Gender, Class, and Contraception in Comparative Context: The Perplexing Links between Sterilization and Disadvantage.

Family Working Group, Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, 2013

The Perplexing Links between Sterilization and Disadvantage in the United States: A Comparative Perspective.

Colloquia Population, Society and Inequalities, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine, 2013

Educational Assortative Mating and the Patterning of Work and Income in Present-Day Europe.

Labor and Population Brown Bag Seminars, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, 2012

Educational Heterogamy and the Division of Paid Labor in the Family: A Comparison of Present-Day Belgium and Sweden.

Relations Cross Nations Workshop, California Center for Population Research, University of California, Los Angeles, 2012

Conference presentations

Pressure to Get or Keep LARC: Estimates from the 2021 Delaware and Maryland Survey of Women

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2023
Eastern Sociological Society Conference, 2023

Are LARC Users Less Likely to Use Condoms? An Analysis of U.S. Women Initiating LARC in 2008-18.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2022

Examining Women's Retrospective Pregnancy Intendedness using Cohort Data.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2022

Women's Contraception and Childbearing in the Year Before Initiating LARC.

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2021

Are New LARC Users Less Likely to Use Condoms than New Moderately-Effective Hormonal Method Users? An Analysis of US Women Ages 15-44.

Society of Family Planning Annual Meeting, 2020

Are Births Following LARC Use More Likely to Be Intended?

Society of Family Planning Annual Meeting, 2019

Has the Gender Gap in Overdose Deaths Decreased? An Examination of Opioid Deaths in Delaware, 2013-17.

ACCEL Community Research Exchange Conference, 2019

Do LARCs Increase Subsequent Intended Fertility?

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2019

Sterilization and LARC Use during the Great Recession: Variation by Economic Conditions.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2019

Eastern Sociological Association Mini-Conference: Sociology of Reproduction, 2019

International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) Spring Meeting, 2019

Intersecting Inequalities: Education, Race/ethnicity, and Sterilization.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2019

Deaths Involving Opioids in Delaware: Comparing Reproductive-aged Women to Other Demographic Groups.

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2018

Race, Ethnicity, and the Education Gradient in Contraceptive Sterilization.

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2018

Eastern Sociological Association Mini-Conference: Sociology of Reproduction, 2018

Understanding Sterilization Regret in the United States: Does Relationship Context Matter?

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2017

Eastern Sociological Association Mini-Conference: Sociology of Reproduction, 2017

Increasing Inequalities in Post-Sterilization Regret Among U.S. Females.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2017

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2017

Introducing a Couple Perspective to Examine Disparities in Contraceptive Use.

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2016

Reconsidering (In)Equality in the Use of IUDs: The Changing Context of Contraceptive Choice Across the Reproductive Life Cycle.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2016

Contraceptive Sterilization among U.S. Couples: Patterns of Use by Education and Racial and Ethnic Background.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2016

Choosing a Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive: The Changing Role of Education across the Reproductive Life Cycle.

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2015

Union Status and Female and Male Contraceptive Sterilization in the United States and Australia.

Psychosocial Factors in Population Change Workshop, 2015

European Population Conference, 2014

Who is Using Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive Methods? Findings from Nine Countries.

European Population Conference, 2014

Educational Homogamy and Income Differentiation across Europe.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2014

European Population Conference, 2014

International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) Spring Meeting, 2013

Gender, Class, and Contraception in Comparative Context: The Perplexing Links between Sterilization and Disadvantage.

Population Association of America Annual Meetings, 2013

Educational Heterogamy and the Division of Paid Labour in the Family: A Comparison of Present-Day Belgium and Sweden.

European Population Conference, 2012

International Sociological Association Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) Spring Meeting, 2012

Educational Heterogamy: Does it Equal Cultural Differences in Child-Rearing?

Flemish Sociological Association (VVS)/Dutch Sociological Association (NSV) Annual Meeting, 2011

Educational Heterogamy and Marital Quality: A New Look at the Old Question(s).

British Society for Population Studies (BSPS) Annual Meeting, 2010

Social Science History Association (SSHA) Annual Meeting, 2010

Educational Heterogamy: A Measurement Question.

European Sociological Association (ESA), 2009

Educational Heterogamy: Does this Equal a Difference in Values and Child-Rearing?

Flemish Sociological Association (VVS)/Dutch Sociological Association (NSV) Annual Meeting, 2009

Teaching Experience

University of Delaware

Introduction to Sociological Research (SOC 301), Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022

Social Class and Inequality (SOC 305), Fall 2017, Fall 2019

Advanced Social Statistics (SOC 625), Spring 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Fall 2022

University of California, Los Angeles

Understanding Fertility: Theories and Methods (M 206), Guest Lecturer [guest lecture on ‘Contraception, Unintended Fertility, and Delayed Fertility’], Spring 2014

Women’s Roles and Family Health (CHS 246), Guest Lecturer [guest lecture on ‘Sterilization Patterns in the United States’], Spring 2014

Ghent University

Family and Living Arrangements, Guest Lecturer [guest lecture on ‘Changes in Partner Selection’], Spring 2012

Multivariate Data Analysis, Spring 2011

Quantitative Analysis, Graduate Teaching Assistant [lab instructor], Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Seminar on Social Demography, Graduate Teaching Assistant [Master’s student research paper advisor], Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Demography, Graduate Teaching Assistant [lab instructor], Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011

Statistics, Graduate Teaching Assistant [lab instructor], Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009

Multivariate Analysis, Graduate Teaching Assistant [lab instructor], Fall 2006

Service and Membership

University of Delaware, Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice:

Member, P&T Committee: 2022 – 2023
Member, Graduate Policy Committee: 2017 – 2020, 2021 – present
Member, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee: 2021 – 2022
Member, Colloquium Committee: 2016 – 2019, 2020 – 2021
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Drug and Health Studies (CDHS): 2017 – present
Panelist, Advanced Series (professionalization workshops for graduate students): 2017, 2021, 2022
Member, Departmental Policy Committee: 2018 – 2019
Session Chair, Graduate Student Conference: 2017, 2018

University of Delaware, College of Arts & Sciences:

Faculty Scholar, Center for the Study of Diversity (CSD): 2016 – present

University of Delaware:

Faculty Affiliate, Data Science Institute (DSI): 2021 – present

Profession:

Professional membership:

- American Sociological Association, Member
- Eastern Sociological Society, Member
- European Association for Population Studies, Member
- Population Association of America, Member
- Research Committee on Social Stratification (RC28), Member

Professional service – editorial board membership:

- *Population Research and Policy Review*, Editorial Board Member: 2021 – present

Professional service – reviewing:

- Reviewer for journal articles for: *Demographic Research*, *Demography*, *European Sociological Review*, *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, *Journal of Adolescent Health*, *Journal of Biosocial Science*, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Personal Relationships*, *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, *Population Research and Policy Review*, *Population Studies*, *Social Science and Medicine*, *Social Science Research*, *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, *Zeitschrift für Familienforschung/Journal of Family Research*
- Reviewer for grants for:
 - *National Institutes of Health (NIH) – Center for Scientific Review* (Early Career Reviewer (ECR) program)
 - *Research Foundation Flanders (FWO, Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen)*

Professional service – conferences:

- Committee Member, 2021 and 2022 ASA Family Section's Article of the Year Award.
- Session Organizer and Session Chair, 'Contraception and Sterilization,' 2022 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Atlanta, GA.
- Session Organizer and Session Chair, 'Unmet need and contraceptive preferences,' 2022 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Atlanta, GA.
- Mentor, Career Mentoring Lunch, 2018 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Denver, CO.
- Discussant, 'Race, Ethnic, and Social Class Differences in Reproductive Health and Fertility,' 2018 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Denver, CO.
- Mentor, Career Mentoring Lunch, 2017 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Chicago, IL.
- Discussant, 'Reproductive Health and Fertility: Research on Couples,' 2017 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Chicago, IL.
- Session Organizer and Session Chair, 'Patterns and Determinants of Contraceptive Use,' 2016 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Washington, DC.
- Session Organizer and Session Chair, 'Long-acting Contraceptive Methods: Uptake, Use and Outcomes,' 2016 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Washington, DC.
- Session Organizer, 'Contraception: Uptake, Discontinuation, and Non-use,' 2016 Population Association of America Annual Meetings in Washington, DC.

Other:

- Treasurer, Flemish Sociological Association, 2009 – 2011