

# Margaret Frye

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## Employment

- 2018– **University of Michigan**  
*Assistant Professor of Sociology*  
*Faculty Associate, Population Studies Center*  
*Faculty Associate, African Studies Center*
- 2015–2018 **Princeton University**  
*Assistant Professor of Sociology*  
*Faculty Affiliate, Office of Population Research*  
*On leave for Fulbright Fellowship in Uganda, 2017-2018*
- 2013–2015 **Harvard University**  
*Postdoctoral Fellow in Sociology*
- Canadian Institute for Advanced Research**  
*Global Scholar, Successful Societies Program*

## Education

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| 2013 | <b>PhD</b> in Sociology and Demography | The University of California, Berkeley |
| 2010 | <b>MA</b> in Sociology                 | The University of California, Berkeley |
| 2008 | <b>MA</b> in Demography                | The University of California, Berkeley |
| 2006 | <b>BA</b> in Environmental Studies     | Brown University                       |

## Book

- 2020 Mohr, John, Christopher A. Bail, **Margaret Frye**, Jennifer C. Lena, Omar Lizardo, Terence E. McDonnell, Ann Mische, Iddo Tavory, and Frederick F. Wherry. *Measuring Culture*. Columbia University Press.

## Articles and Book Chapters

\* denotes equal authorship

- Forth. **Frye, Margaret**, and Anna Wozny. "Moralizing the Production and Sale of Student Papers in Uganda." [Conditionally Accepted, *American Sociological Review*.]

- *graduate student coauthor*

- Forth. \*Behrman, Julia, and **Margaret Frye**. "Attitudes Towards Intimate Partner Violence in Dyadic Perspective: Evidence from sub-Saharan Africa." [Accepted, *Demography*]

- 2020 Janusz, Cara Bess, **Margaret Frye**, Martin K. Mutua, Abram L. Wagner, Mousumi Banerjee, and Matthew L. Boulton. "Vaccine Delay and Its Association With Under-vaccination in Children in Sub-Saharan Africa." *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, Published Online First.
- 2020 **\*Frye, Margaret**, and Daniela Urbina. "Fearing Such a Lady: University Expansion, Underemployment, and the Hypergamy Ideal in Kampala, Uganda." *Journal of Family Issues*, 41(8):1161-1187.
- *graduate student coauthor*
- 2020 **\*Lopus, Sara**, and **Margaret Frye**. "Intra-marital Status Differences Across Africa's Educational Expansion" *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 82(2): 733-750.
- 2019 **Frye, Margaret**. "The Myth of Agency and the Misattribution of Blame in Collective Imaginaries of the Future." Invited Commentary, *British Journal of Sociology*, 70(3): 721-730.
- 2019 Vaisey, Stephen, and **Margaret Frye**. "The Old One-Two: Preserving Analytical Dualism in Psychological Sociology," *Oxford Handbook of Cognitive Sociology*, 101-114.
- 2018 **\*Frye, Margaret**, and Sara Lopus. "From Privilege to Prevalence: Contextual Effects of Women's Schooling on African Marital Timing." *Demography*, 55(6): 2371-2394.
- *2019 Article of the Year Award, ASA Family Section*
- 2018 **Frye, Margaret**, and Nina Gheihman. "Like Bees to a Flower: Attractiveness, Risk, and Collective Sexual Life in an AIDS Epidemic." *Sociological Science*, 5: 596-627.
- *graduate student coauthor*
- 2018 **\*Lopus, Sara**, and **Margaret Frye**. "Visualizing Africa's Educational Gender Gap." *Socius*, 4:1-2.
- 2017 **Frye, Margaret**. "Cultural Meanings and the Aggregation of Actions: The Case of Sex and Schooling in Malawi." *American Sociological Review*, 82(5)945-976
- *Distinguished Contribution Award, ASA Sociology of Population Section*
  - *James Coleman Award for Outstanding Article, ASA Sociology of Education Section*
  - *Honorable Mention, Clifford Geertz Award for Outstanding Article, ASA Sociology of Culture Section*
- 2017 Chakrabarti, Parijat, and **Margaret Frye**. "The Promise of Quantitative Text Analysis for Demography" *Demographic Research*, 37(42)1351-1382
- *graduate student coauthor*
- 2017 **Frye, Margaret** and Lauren Bachan. "The Demography of Words: An Assessment of the Global Decline in Non-Numeric Fertility Preferences." *Population Studies*, 71(2):187-209

- 2017 **Frye, Margaret**, and Sophia Chae. "Perceived Physical Attractiveness and Women's HIV Risk in Rural Malawi." *Demographic Research*, 37(10):251-294
- 2018 Editor's Choice Award
- 2017 Chang, Charlotte, Michele L. Barnes, **Margaret Frye**, Mingxia Zhang, Rui-Chang Quan, Leah M. G. Reisman, Simon A. Levin, and David S. Wilcove. "The pleasure of pursuit: recreational hunters in rural Southwest China exhibit low exit rates in response to declining catch." *Ecology and Society*, 22(1):496-525
- 2015 **Frye, Margaret**, and Jenny Trinitapoli. "Ideals as Anchors for Relationship Experiences." *American Sociological Review*, 80(3):496-525
- 2015 Greenaway, Katharine, **Margaret Frye**, and Tegan Cruwys. "When aspirations exceed expectations: Quixotic hope increases depression among students." *Plos One*, 10(9):1-17
- 2014 Angotti, Nicole, **Margaret Frye**, Amy Kaler, Michelle Poulin, Susan Watkins, and Sara Yeatman. "Popular Moralities and Institutional Rationalities in Malawi's Struggle Against AIDS." *Population and Development Review* 40(3):447-473
- 2012 **Frye, Margaret**. "Bright Futures in Malawi's New Dawn: Educational Aspirations as Assertions of Identity." *American Journal of Sociology*, 117(6), pp. 1565-1624
- Shils Coleman Award, ASA Theory Section
  - David Lee Stevenson Award ASA Sociology of Education Section
  - Outstanding Graduate Student Award, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course
  - Outstanding Graduate Student Award, ASA Section on Altruism, Morality, and Social Solidarity
  - Honorable Mention for Suzanne Langer Award, ASA Section on Sociology of Culture
- 2006 Brody, Julia, Rachel Morello-Frosch, Phil Brown, Ruthann Rudel, Rebecca Gasior-Altman, **Margaret Frye**, Cheryl Osimo, Carla Perez, and Lisa Seryak. "Is it Safe? New Ethics for Reporting Personal Exposures to Environmental Chemicals." *American Journal of Public Health*. 97 (9) 1547-1554.
- Also appeared in: Brown, Phil, ed. 2007. *Perspectives in Medical Sociology*, Fourth Edition. Long Grove, Illinois: Waveland Press.

## Other publications

- 2019 Ysseldyk, Renate, Katharine H. Greenaway, Elena Hassinger, Sarah Zutrauen, Jana Lintz, Maya Bhatia, **Margaret Frye**, Else Starkenburg, and Vera Tai. "A Leak in the Academic Pipeline: Identity and Health Among Postdoctoral Women." *Frontiers in psychology*, 10:1297.
- 2016 **Frye, Margaret**. "Review of *Love, Money and HIV: Becoming a Modern Woman in the Age of AIDS*, by Sanyu Mojola." *American Journal of Sociology*, 121(6):1943-1945.

- 2014 **Frye, Margaret.** “Why is Culture Theory, and Demography Not?” Contribution to Symposium on the Boundaries of Theory, published in *Perspectives: Newsletter of the Theory Section of the ASA*.
- 2014 **Frye, Margaret.** “Schools’ Enduring Influence on Social Relationships.” Contribution to Playing the Field: Big Unanswered Questions, published in *ASA Sociology of Education Section Newsletter*.
- 2012 **Frye, Margaret,** and John Levi Martin. “The Relationship Between a Theory of Social Fields and a Theory of Individual Motivation.” *Perspectives: Newsletter of the Theory Section of the ASA*.
- 2010 Emery, Hannah, **Margaret Frye,** Kristen Gray, and Hana Brown. *Instructors’ Guide to Writing for Sociology*. University of California, Berkeley.

## Awards

- 2019 **Article of the Year Award (with Sara Lopus)**  
American Sociological Association, Family Section
- 2018 **James Coleman Award for Outstanding Article**  
American Sociological Association, Sociology of Education Section
- 2018 **Distinguished Contribution Award**  
American Sociological Association, Sociology of Population Section
- 2018 **Honorable Mention, Clifford Geertz Award for Outstanding Article**  
American Sociological Association, Sociology of Culture Section
- 2018 **Editor's Choice Award (with Sophia Chae)**  
*Demographic Research*
- 2016 **Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award**  
Awarded by undergraduates in the Princeton sociology department
- 2013 **Eugene and Joan Hammel Dissertation Award**  
University of California, Berkeley
- 2012 **Shils-Coleman Award for Best Graduate Student Paper**  
American Sociological Association, Theory Section
- 2012 **Honorable Mention, Suzanne Langer Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper**  
American Sociological Association, Culture Section
- 2012 **David Lee Stevenson Award for Best Graduate Student Paper**  
American Sociological Association, Section on Sociology of Education
- 2012 **Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award**  
American Sociological Association, Section on Aging and the Life Course
- 2012 **Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award**  
American Sociological Association, Section on Altruism, Morality, and Social Solidarity

- 2006      **Phi Beta Kappa**  
Brown University
- 2006      **Susan Colver Rosenberger Senior Thesis Award**  
Brown University

## Grants and fellowships

(post PhD)

- 2020      **Population Studies Center New Investigator Mentoring Program**      \$13,000  
University of Michigan
- 2019      **Institute for Research on Women and Gender Faculty Seed Grant**      \$8,000  
University of Michigan
- 2017-2018      **Fulbright Scholar Award, Uganda, 10-month Fellowship**      \$78,000  
United States Fulbright Program
- 2016      **University Center for Human Values Faculty Research Award**      \$7,500  
Princeton University
- 2016      **William Hallum Tuck '12 Memorial Fund for International Research**      \$11,000  
Princeton University
- 2016      **Women and Work Incubator Grant (Co-Investigator)**      \$5,000  
Centre for Research and Education on Women in Work, Carleton University
- 2013-2015      **Global Scholar Research Postdoctoral Fellowship**      \$150,000  
Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Successful Societies Program
- 2014      **William T Grant Foundation Scholars Program (Finalist)**
- 2013      **Global Scholar Creativity Research Grant** with Katharine Greenaway      \$5,000  
Canadian Institute for Advanced Research
- 2013      **Michigan Society of Fellows Postdoctoral Fellowship (Declined)**  
University of Michigan

## Colloquia and Workshop Presentations

(last 5 years)

- 2020      **"Institutional and Social Class Inequalities and the Moralization of Illicit Research in Ugandan Universities"**  
Cultural and Political Sociology Workshop, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, March 27. [Conducted online due to Coronavirus]

- 2020 **"Educational Expansion and Family Formation in Sub-Saharan Africa"**  
(Drawing on work with Sara Lopus):
- Sociology Department Colloquium, University of North Carolina, March 17. [Canceled due to Coronavirus]
- Center for Demography and Ecology Seminar Series, University of Wisconsin Madison, February 25.
- Institute for Population Research Seminar Series, Ohio State University, February 18.
- 2019 **"Educational Expansion and Family Formation in sub-Saharan Africa"**  
Dilemmas of Inequality Lecture Series, Princeton University Sociology Department, October 14. (Drawing on work with Sara Lopus)
- 2019 **"Constraints and Conventions in African Assortative Mating"**
- Brown Bag Series, University of California, Berkeley Demography Department, February 28. (Co-presented with Sara Lopus)
- Brown Bag Series, University of Michigan Population Studies Center, February 26. (Drawing on Work with Sara Lopus).
- 2017 **"Technical Know Who: University Expansion and the Contraction of Opportunities in Uganda"**  
Jensen Lecture, Duke University Sociology Department, November 15.
- 2017 **"Cultural Meanings and the Aggregation of Actions: The Case of Sex and Schooling in Malawi"**  
Departmental Colloquium, Brown University Sociology Department, April 25.
- 2016 **"Bees to a Flower: Desire, Risk, and Cultural Friction in Malawi's AIDS Epidemic"**  
Departmental Colloquium, University of Notre Dame Sociology Department and African Studies Program, October 7. (Drawing on work with Nina Gheihman).
- 2016 **"Cultural Meanings and the Aggregation of Actions: A Mixed Methods Analysis"**  
Departmental Colloquium, University of Southern California Sociology Department, October 5.  
Culture Workshop, University of Notre Dame Sociology Department, October 7.
- 2016 **"Sexual Relationships and School Dropout in Malawi"**  
Seminar, Center for Population and Applied Statistics, Makerere University, Uganda, June 23.
- 2016 **"Attractiveness and Risk in an AIDS Epidemic"**  
Notestein Seminar Series, Office of Population Research, Princeton University, February 6.

## Conference presentations

(last 5 years)

- 2020 **"Intimate partner violence in a dyadic perspective in sub-Saharan Africa."**  
Population Association of America, Washington DC, Apr. 25. (Non-presenter, with Julia Behrman.) [*Canceled due to Coronavirus*]
- 2020 **"The Increasing Educational Differentiation of African Birth Timing"**  
Seminar on African Demography in Historical Perspective, International Union for the Scientific Study of Populations (IUSSP), Nairobi, Kenya, April 2. (Presenter, with Sara Lopus), [*Canceled due to coronavirus*]  
  
Population Association of America, Washington DC, Apr. 25 (Non-presenter, with Sara Lopus) [*Canceled due to Coronavirus*]
- 2020 **"Hypergammy Ideals and Relationship Behavior among University Graduates in Kampala, Uganda"**  
Second International Seminar on New and Emerging Family Forms around the Globe, International Union for the Scientific Study of Populations (IUSSP), Manila, Philippines, Jan. 20. [*Canceled due to volcanic eruption*]
- 2019 **"Using card sorts to measure relationship scripts"**  
Expert Group Meeting, Population Data for the 21st Century: Advances in Data Collection Methodologies, IUSSP and UNFPA, UNFPA Headquarters, NYC, Dec. 6.
- 2019 **Panel organizer and presenter: "New Horizons in African Demography."**  
Sociology of Development Conference, Notre Dame, IN, Oct. 18.
- 2019 **"Constraints and Conventions in African Assortative Mating."**  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, Aug. 12. (Presenter, with Sara Lopus.)
- 2019 **"Intimate partner violence in a dyadic perspective in sub-Saharan Africa."**  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, Aug. 12. (Presenter, with Julia Behrman.)
- 2019 **Panel organizer and discussant: "Innovations in Measurement for Fertility, Family Planning, and Sexual and Reproductive Health"**  
Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas, Apr. 11.
- 2019 **Panel organizer and chair: "Capturing Hard-to-Measure Outcomes in Sexual and Reproductive Health"**  
Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas, Apr. 11.
- 2018 **Invited Keynote Panelist: "Weak Institutions, Weak Signals: Questioning University Credentials as Development Tools,"**  
Sociology of Development Conference, University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, Oct. 20.

- 2018 **"Educational Expansion and Assortative Mating across Africa."**  
(non-presenter, with Sara Lopus)
- Sustainability and Development Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 9.
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Denver, CO., Apr. 27
- 2018 **"Fearing Such a Lady: University Expansion and Gendered Relationship Ideals in Kampala, Uganda."**
- Changing Middle Classes: Comparative and Global Perspectives Conference, Weatherhead Center of Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. (presenter, with Daniela Urbina, graduate student coauthor)
- American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. (Non-presenter, with Daniela Urbina, graduate student coauthor)
- 2017 **Invited Critic, Author-Meets-Critic Panel on Sanyu Mojola's *Love, Money, and HIV: Becoming a Modern African Woman in the Time of AIDS***  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal CAN.
- 2017 **Invited Organizer and Panelist, Thematic Session on Culture and Demographic Processes**  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal CAN.
- 2017 **"The Promise of Quantitative Text Analysis for Demography."**
- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Cape Town, South Africa, Oct. 29 (Presenter, with Parijat Chakrabarti).
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (Non-Presenter, with Parijat Chakrabarti)
- 2017 **"Education as a Cohort Phenomenon: Compositional Effects on Women's Schooling and Marital Age in Sub-Saharan Africa."**
- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Cape Town, South Africa, Nov. 1 (Presenter, with Sara Lopus).
- Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (Non-Presenter, with Sara Lopus)
- 2016 **Invited Critic, Author-Meets-Critic Panel on Terence McDonnell's *Best Laid Plans: Cultural Entropy and the Unraveling of AIDS Media Campaigns*.**  
Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

## Teaching

### University of Michigan



- 2018, 2019 **Professor, SOC210: Introductory Statistics**  
University of Michigan Department of Sociology
- 2019 **Professor, SOC547: Gender and Sexuality (graduate seminar)**  
University of Michigan Department of Sociology
- 2018 **Professor, SOC495: Love, Sex, and Marriage in Comparative Perspective**  
University of Michigan Department of Sociology

## Princeton University

- 2016 **Professor, SOC320: Growing Up Poor Across America: An Introduction to Reasoning With Data (co-taught with Brandon Stewart)**  
Princeton Department of Sociology
- 2016 **Professor, SOC305: Introduction to Quantitative Social Science (co-taught with Kosuke Imai)**  
Princeton Department of Sociology
- 2016 **Professor, SOC406: Love, Sex, and Marriage in Comparative Perspective**  
Princeton Department of Sociology
- 2015 **Professor, SOC301: Sociological Research Methods**  
Princeton Department of Sociology

## Service

### External Service

- 2021-2023 **Editorial Board Member, *Sociological Theory***
- 2020-2021 **Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Marriage and Family***
- 2019-2021 **Chair, Theory Prize Committee (Book Award) ASA Theory Section**
- 2019-2021 **Consulting Editor, *American Journal of Sociology***
- 2018-2019 **Member, Distinguished Contribution Award Committee ASA Sociology of Population Section**
- 2018-2019 **Chair, Distinguished Article Award Committee ASA Sociology of Development Section**
- 2018-2021 **Elected Council Member, ASA Sociology of Development Section**
- 2018 **Member, PAA Program Committee**
- 2016-2019 **Elected Council Member, ASA Theory Section**
- 2015 **Distinguished Reviewer Award, *Sociology of Education***
- 2014-2017 **Editorial Board Member, *Sociological Theory***
- 2014-2015 **Member, Pierre Bourdieu Book Award Committee, ASA Sociology of Education Section**

2014-2015	<b>Chair</b> ASA Theory Section Nominations Committee
2014-2015	<b>Co-organizer</b> (with Phillipa Chong) ASA Inequality and Social Mobility Section Roundtables
2013-2015	<b>Member</b> Canadian Institute for Advanced Research Global Scholars Organizing Committee
2012-2013	<b>Member</b> David Lee Stevenson Award Committee, ASA Sociology of Education Section
Reviewer	<i>American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Demographic Research, Demography, Gender and Society, Journal of Marriage and Family, Law and Social Inquiry, Oxford University Press, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Psychological Quarterly, Sociological Theory, Sociology of Education,</i>
Member	Population Association of America (PAA), American Sociological Association (ASA), Union of African Population Scientists (UAPS), International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)

### **Dissertation committees**

Ongoing	<b>Co-chair</b> Anna Wozny	University of Michigan Sociology
Ongoing	Daniela Urbina	Princeton Sociology
2020	Jeffrey Swindle	University of Michigan Sociology
2020	Cara Bess Janusz	University of Michigan School of Public Health
2018	Heba Gawayed, Cheng Cheng, Allison Kenney, Kendall Park	Princeton Sociology
2017	Charlotte Chang	Princeton Ecology and Environmental Biology