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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2014-present Assistant Researcher (Tenure-track), Center on the Family
Affiliate Graduate Faculty, Department of Sociology
University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
- 2012-14 NICHD Postdoctoral Fellow
Population Research Center, University of Texas, Austin
Mentor: Mark Hayward

EDUCATION

- 2012 Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles
Dissertation: *Race, Ethnic and Nativity Differences in Intergenerational Relationships*
Committee: Judith Seltzer (chair), Suzanne Bianchi, Andrew Fuligni, Robert Mare
- 2008 M.A., Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles
Concentrations: Social Demography, Social Stratification
- 2002 B.S., Economics, with Honors, George Washington University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Aging and the life course Demography Family Gender	Health International migration Quantitative research methods Social stratification
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PUBLICATIONS

- Yahirun, J.**, Park, S. & Seltzer, J. 2018. “Step-grandparenthood in the United States.” *Journal of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbx164>
- Yahirun, J.**, Sheehan, C. & Hayward, M. 2017. “Adult Children's Education and Changes to Parents' Physical Health in Mexico.” *Social Science and Medicine*. 181: 93-101.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2017.03.034>
- Yahirun, J.**, Sheehan, C. & Hayward, M. 2016. “Adult Children’s Education and Parents’ Functional Limitations in Mexico.” *Research on Aging*. 38(3): 322-345.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/0164027515620240>
- Ambugo, E. & **Yahirun, J.** 2016. “Remittances and Risk of Major Depressive Episode and Sadness among New Legal Immigrants to the United States.” *Demographic Research*. 34(8): 243-258.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.4054/DemRes.2016.34.8>

- Fingerman, K. & **Yahirun, J.** 2015. "Emerging Adulthood in the Context of Family: Young Adults' Relationships with Parents." *Oxford Handbook of Emerging Adulthood*. Ed. Jeffrey Jensen Arnett. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Yahirun, J.** & Hamplova, D. 2014. "Children's Union Status and Contact with Mothers: A Cross-National Study." *Demographic Research*. 30(51): 1413-1444. <http://dx.doi.org/10.4054/DemRes.2014.30.51>
- Seltzer J. & **Yahirun, J.** 2014. "Diversity in Old Age: The Elderly in Changing Economic and Family Contexts" in *Diversity and Disparities: America Enters a New Century*. Ed. John Logan. New York: Russell Sage Foundation. Pg. 270-305.
- Yahirun, J.**, Perreira, K. & Fuligni, A. 2013 "Family Obligation across Contexts: Latino Youth in North Carolina and Southern California." *Journal of Family Issues*. 36 (10): 1296-1323. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/0192513X13501664>
- Seltzer, J., **Yahirun, J.** & Bianchi, S. 2013. "Coresidence and Geographic Proximity of Mothers and Adult Children in Stepfamilies" *Journal of Marriage and Family*. 75(5): 1164–1180. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/jomf.12058>
- Yahirun, J.** 2012. "Take Me Home: Return Migration among Germany's Older Immigrants." *International Migration*. 52(4): 231-254. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/imig.12009>
- Soehl, T. & **Yahirun, J.** 2011. "Timing of Union Formation and Partner Choice in Immigrant Societies: The United States and Germany." *Advances in Life Course Research*. 16(4):205-216. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.alcr.2011.09.004>
- Yahirun, J.** 2011. "Thai Americans" in *Multicultural America: An Encyclopedia of the Newest Americans*. Ed. Ronald Bayor. Phoenix: Greenwood Press. Pp. 2097-2134.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Yahirun, J.** & E. Arenas. "Offspring Migration and Parents' Emotional and Psychological Well-being in Mexico" (*Revise and Resubmit*)
- Yahirun, J.** "Marriage, Interracial Marriage and Parent-Child Relationships." (*Revise and Resubmit*)
- Yahirun, J.** & Kroeger, R. "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? Parent-child Relationships and Interracial Unions." (*Under Review*)
- Yahirun, J.**, Sheehan, C. & K. Mossakowski. "Depression in Later Life: The Role of Adult Children's Education for Older Parents in the United States." (*Under Review*)
- Arenas, A., **Yahirun, J.** & Teruel, G. "Burden or Joy: Differential Influence of Sending Remittances on Mental Health by Immigrant Family Type."

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS

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| 2013 | Pilot Grant, Population Research Center, University of Texas, Austin. "Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico" |
| 2011-2012 | National Institute on Aging Trainee Fellowship, California Center for Population Research, UCLA |
| 2010 | Wilshire Foundation Grant |

2008-2010	NSF IGERT Interdisciplinary Relationship Science Program Trainee Fellowship
2008-09	American Sociological Association, Minority Fellowship Program Alternate
2008	Poster Award, Population Association of America
2008	UCLA Summer Research Fellowship Program
2007-2008	UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship
2007	UCLA Summer Research Fellowship Program
2006-2007	UC Eugene Cota-Robles Graduate Fellowship
2002-2003	Congress- Bundestag Youth Exchange Fellowship, U.S. State Department
1998-2002	George Washington University Honors Program Scholarship Recipient

REFEREED CONFERENCE PAPERS

2017	Voorpostel, M., Yahirun, J. , & Nazio, T. "What Is a Family? Family Definitions in France, Germany, and the Netherlands." Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL. Arenas, E. & Yahirun, J. "Remittances and Immigrant Health." Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
2016	Voorpostel, M., Yahirun, J. , Nazio, T., Lesnard, L. "Family Definitions and Family Inclusion in France and the Netherlands." European Society on Family Relations, 8 th Congress. Dortmund, Germany.
2015	Yahirun, J. , Sheehan, C. & Hayward, M. "Children's Resources and Changes to Older Parents' Health in Mexico." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL. Also presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, San Diego, CA. Yahirun, J. , Park, S. & Seltzer, J. "Step and Biological Grandparenthood in the United States." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, San Diego, CA.
2014	Yahirun, J. , Sheehan, C. & Hayward, M. "Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico: Evidence for Upward Transfers of Intergenerational Resources." Paper presented at the International Conference on Aging in the Americas, Boulder, CO. Yahirun, J. & Seltzer, J. "Biological and Step Grandparenthood in the United States." Paper Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA. Yahirun, J. , Sheehan, C. & Hayward, M. "Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico: Evidence for Upward Transfers of Intergenerational Resources." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA.
2013	Yahirun, J. "Parent-Child Relationships, Marital Timing and Offspring's Partner Choice." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.

- Yahirun, J.** “The Effects of Marriage and Partner Choice on Intergenerational Relationships.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2012 Seltzer J., **Yahirun, J.** & Bianchi, S. “Co-residence and Geographic Proximity of Parents and Adult Children in Blended Families.” Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America's 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- Yahirun, J.** “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner?: Intergenerational Relationships and Offspring’s Partner Choice.” Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, San Francisco, CA.
- 2011 **Yahirun, J.** “Intergenerational Obligation: A Comparison of Immigrants and Natives in Germany and the Netherlands.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Soehl, T. & **Yahirun, J.** “Timing of Union Formation and Partner Choice in Two Immigrant Societies: The U.S. and Germany.” Roundtable discussion at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Seltzer, J., Bianchi, S., McGarry, K. & **Yahirun, J.** “Co-residence and Geographic Proximity of Mothers and Adult Children in Intact and Step Families.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC.
- 2010 **Yahirun, J.**, Perreira, K. & Fuligni, A. “We are Family” - Family Identity and Obligation Across Contexts: A Comparison of Latino Youth in North Carolina and Southern California. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- Arenas, E. & **Yahirun, J.** Left Behind: The Effects of Children's Migration on Elderly Parents' Health. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Dallas, TX.
- 2009 **Yahirun, J.** Take Me “Home”: Determinants of Return Migration among Later-Life Immigrants in Germany. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Yahirun, J.** To Stay or To Go: Work and Family Determinants of Return Migration among Older Immigrants. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit, MI.
- 2008 **Yahirun, J.** Take Me “Home”: Determinants of Return Migration among Later-Life Immigrants in Germany. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA.
- 2007 **Yahirun, J.** Speaking English Elsewhere: Determinants of Bilingualism and English Monolingualism amongst Hispanic Adults in California. Paper presented at the UCLA Graduate Student Conference on Migration and Race.
- 2004 **Yahirun, J.** Comparing Thai Marriage Migration in a Multi-National Framework: Family Reunification Policies in Denmark and Germany. Paper presented at the Changes in Migration Governance Conference, Florence, Italy.

INVITED TALKS

- 2017 Arenas, A., **Yahirun, J.** & Teruel, G. "Burden or Joy: Differential Influence of Sending Remittances on Mental Health by Immigrant Family Type." Expanding Bridges and Overcoming Walls. Broom Center for Demography: University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 2016 Zan, H. & **Yahirun, J.** "Hawai'i's Older Adults: A Demographic Profile." Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society Biennial Conference: Converging Paths, Building Resilience. Honolulu, HI.
- 2015 **Yahirun, J.** "Adult Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico." The Sixth EWC-KIHASA Joint Seminar on Low Fertility and Population Aging. East-West Center, Honolulu, HI.
- Yahirun, J.** "Adult Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico." Monday Seminar. Institute for Social and Economic Research. University of Essex, UK.
- Yahirun, J.,** Park, S. & Seltzer, J. "Step and Biological Grandparenthood in the United States." Invited Panelist to a Critical Dialogue Session on Grandparenting in the 21st Century, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **Yahirun, J.** "Adult Children's Resources and Parents' Health in Mexico." Research Friday Workshop, Department of Sociology, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.
- Yahirun, J.** "Intergenerational Relationships Across the Life Course." Spring 2014 Brownbag Speaker Series, Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2011 **Yahirun, J.** & Hamplova, D. "The Effects of Children's Relationship Status on Intergenerational Relationships: A Cross-National Study Survey of Health, Aging, and Retirement in Europe." Workshop of the Relations Across Nations Network, Lausanne, Switzerland.

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2015-present Member. Family Reunification Network, Act 16: Data Collection on Children of Incarcerated Parents in Hawai'i.
- 2013 Participant. Rand Summer Institute. Mini-Medical School for Social Scientists and Conference on Demography, Economics, Psychology and Epidemiology of Aging. Santa Monica, CA.
- 2010-2011 Research Assistant, Suzanne Bianchi and Judith Seltzer
Department of Sociology, UCLA
- 2007-2008 Research Assistant, Ruth Milkman
Department of Sociology and UC Institute for Labor and Employment, UCLA
- 2006 Survey Statistician, Education and Social Stratification Branch, Population Division
U.S. Census Bureau, Washington DC

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2018 (Spring) Instructor
Dept. of Sociology
SOC 699: Directed Reading in Demographic Methods

- 2016-present Instructor
Human Development and Family Studies program, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
HDFS 340: Intimacy, Marriage and Families
- 2015 Guest lecturer
Dept. of Sociology, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
SOC 715: How to Publish a Journal Article

MENTORSHIP

- 2014-present Graduate Research Supervisor, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2010-2012 Undergraduate Honors Research Mentor, UCLA

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2017-present Brown Bag Co-coordinator
Center on the Family, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 2015-Present University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources
- Member of Executive Committee, 2017 - present
 - Faculty Senator, Member of Research Subcommittee, 2015 - 2017
- 2010-Present Ad hoc Reviewer for *Demography*, *Demographic Research*, *European Sociological Review*, *Journal of Ageing and Society*, *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Journal of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*; *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *Social Currents*, *Social Science and Medicine*, *Sociology of Education*, *Social Forces*
- 2009-2011 Student Coordinator, UCLA Sociology of the Family Working Group
- 2008-2009 Co-President, UCLA Sociology Graduate Student Association

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2006-Present American Sociological Association
- Session discussant and organizer, "Family Relationships Across the Life Course," Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, 2017
- 2006-Present Population Association of America
- Session chair, "Social Disparities in Health and Mortality in Developing Countries," Annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA, 2014
 - Session chair, "Marriage Markets around the World," Annual meeting of the Population Association of America, Boston, MA, 2014
 - Session chair, "Geographic Proximity of Kin", Annual meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA, 2013