

# Miles S. Marsala

Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- 2020 Ph.D., Sociology, Duke University  
Qualification Areas: Medical Sociology, Demography
- 2018 M.A., Sociology, Duke University
- 2015 M.S., Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2013 B.A., French Studies, Brigham Young University

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2021-present Professor I, Social Science Department, Palm Beach State College
- 2020-2021 Temporary Associate Professor, Social Science Department, Palm Beach State College
- 2018-2019 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Social Sciences, Durham Tech Community College

## TEACHING & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Introduction to Sociology  
Social Problems  
Social Inequalities  
Marriage & Family

Medical Sociology  
Life Course & Aging  
Social Research Methods  
Death & Dying

## TEACHING

### Courses Taught

Introduction to Sociology **Summer 2022; Spring 2022; Fall 2021; Summer 2021; Spring 2021; Fall 2020** (Palm Beach State College); **Spring 2019** (Durham Tech Community College); **Fall 2018** (Durham Tech Community College)

Marriage and Family **Spring 2022; Fall 2021; Summer 2021; Spring 2021; Fall 2020** (Palm Beach State College)

American Social Problems **Summer 2022; Summer 2021** (Palm Beach State College)

Social Research Methods **Summer 2018** (Duke University)

### Teaching Assistant

2020-Spring Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate); Duke University: teaching assistant and group discussion instructor  
2019-Fall Social Research Methods (undergraduate); Duke University  
2019-Spring Social Research Methods (undergraduate); Duke University  
2018-Fall Social Research Methods (undergraduate); Duke University  
2018-Spring Sociology of Entrepreneurship (undergraduate); Duke University  
2017-Fall Sociology of Immigration and Health (undergraduate); Duke University  
2016-Spring Sociology of Drug Use and Abuse (undergraduate); Duke University  
2015-Fall Introduction to Sociology (undergraduate); Duke University: teaching assistant and group discussion instructor

### Teaching Preparation

2020 Graduate Symposium on Innovative Pedagogy; participant  
2019-2020 Certificate of Accomplishment in Teaching Writing  
2018-2019 Duke Sociology Teaching Workshop; participant  
2018-2019 Duke Graduate School Certificate of College Teaching

## RESEARCH

### Publications

Gibbs, Benjamin G., **Miles S. Marsala**, Ashley Gibby, Miriam Clark, Craig Adler, Bryce Hurst, Dustin Steinacker, Brent Hutchison [equal authorship]. "‘Involved Is an Interesting Word’: An Empirical Case for Redefining School-Based Parental Involvement as Parental Efficacy." *Social Sciences* 10(5): 156. DOI: 10.3390/socsci10050156

**Marsala, Miles S.** 2019. "Approval of Euthanasia: Differences Between Cohorts and Religions." *SAGE Open* January-March: 1-11.  
DOI: 10.1177/2158244019835921.

## **Dissertation**

**Marsala, Miles S.** "The Great Recession as a Turning Point: The Effect of the 2008 Financial Crisis on Physical and Mental Health Between Cohorts"

**Marsala, Miles S.** "Socioeconomic Status, Health Behaviors, and Health Outcomes: Is there Symmetry in Outcomes between Statuses and Behaviors?"

## **Manuscripts in Progress**

Gibbs, Benjamin G., **Miles S. Marsala**, Ashley Larsen Gibby, Bryce Hurst, Brent Hutchison, Craig Adler, Miriam Clark [equal authorship]. "School-Based Parental Involvement across Three Elementary Schools"

Erickson, Lance D. and **Miles S. Marsala**. "The Long-Term Relationship of Socioeconomic Status with Mental and Physical Health of Aging Vietnam-Era Veterans and Non-Veterans"

**Marsala, Miles S.** and Jacob S. Rugh [equal authorship]. "Racial Segregation by Age: A New Contribution to the Segregation Debate"

## **Master's Thesis**

"The Role of Military Service on the Physical and Mental Health of Baby Boomers: A Life Course Approach to Aging Vietnam Veterans"  
Thesis Committee: Lance D. Erickson (chair), Vaughn R.A. Call and Benjamin G. Gibbs.

## **Unpublished Research and Technical Reports**

**Marsala, Miles S.**, Dustin Steinacker, and Benjamin G. Gibbs. 2013. "Parental Involvement at Canyon Elementary" Final Report.

## **Presentations**

### *Conferences*

**Marsala, Miles S.** 2020. "Role-Playing Approaches to Teaching Privilege and Inequality in Introduction to Sociology" To be presented at *American Sociological Association*, San Francisco CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19

- Kamis, Christina, Anna Holleman, Elizabeth Johnson, **Miles S. Marsala**, Jessica S. West, and Ruth Wygle. 2020. "Early Adversity and Adult Outcomes: Unanswered Questions and Future Research (Research Working Group Roundtable)" To be presented at *American Sociological Association*, San Francisco CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2020. "Disparities in Cardiovascular Disease and the Great Recession" *Population Association of America*, Washington D.C. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2019. "Symmetry in Health Outcomes Based on Health Behaviors: Socioeconomic Status, Health Behaviors, and Self-Rated Health" Presented at *American Sociological Association*, New York City
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2018. "The Great Recession as a Turning Point: The Effects of the 2008 Crisis on Health Disparities." Presented *American Sociological Association*, Philadelphia
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2018. "The Great Recession as a Turning Point: The Effects of the 2008 Financial Crisis on Physical and Mental Health Outcomes Among Various Social Classes in the United States." Presented at *Population Association of America*, Denver
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2017. "Approval of Euthanasia: Changes Across Cohorts and Religion" Presented at *American Sociological Association*, Montreal
- Erickson, Lance D., **Miles S. Marsala**, and Jeremy B. Yorgason. 2017. "The Long-Term Relationship of Socioeconomic Status with Mental and Physical Health of Aging Vietnam-Era Veterans and Non-veterans" Presented at *International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics*, San Francisco (Presented by Lance D. Erickson)
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2016. "American Attitudes Regarding Euthanasia: How Attitudes are Changing in a General and Religious Context" Presented at *American Sociological Association*, Seattle
- Marsala, Miles S.** and Jacob S. Rugh. 2016. "Racial Segregation by Age: A New Contribution to the Segregation Debate" Presented at *Population Association of America*, Washington D.C. (Presented by Jacob S. Rugh)
- Marsala, Miles S.** 2015. "Military Service and Aging Baby Boomers: A Life Course Approach to Aging Vietnam Veterans" Presented at *American Sociological Association*, Chicago
- Marsala, Miles S.**, Brent Hutchison, and Benjamin G. Gibbs. 2014. "Involved, but not in PTA: Comparing Conventional Measures of School-Based Parental

Involvement with a Qualitative Approach” Presented at *American Sociological Association*, San Francisco

**Marsala, Miles S.**, Dustin Steinacker, Ann Nielsen, and Benjamin G. Gibbs. 2013. “Parental Involvement in Schools: Conceptualizing Active from Passive Types of Involvement” Presented at the *Pacific Sociological Association*, Reno

### *Department*

**Marsala, Miles S.** 2019. “Disparities in Cardiovascular Disease and the Great Recession: Did Disparities in Heart Disease Narrow or Widen Since the Great Recession?” Presented at *Duke Demography of Aging Seminar*, Durham

**Marsala, Miles S.** 2017. “Approval of Euthanasia: Changes Across Cohorts and Religion” Presented at *Duke Sociology Jensen Series*, Durham

Carr, Andrew, Kevin Kiley, **Miles S. Marsala**, Crystal Peoples, and Jessica S. West. 2016. “Social Cost and End-of-Life Decision Making” Presented at *Duke Sociology Jensen Series*, Durham

**Marsala, Miles S.** and Jacob S. Rugh. 2015. “Racial Segregation by Age: Trends since 1990 and Beyond” Presented at *Brigham Young University Brown Bag*, Provo

## **AWARDS and DISTINCTIONS**

2020-2021	Bass Instructional Fellowship Instructor of Record
2019-2020	Duke Graduate School Preparing Future Faculty Fellowship
2019	Duke Graduate School Competitive Summer Research Fellowship
2017	Duke Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship
2016	Duke Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship

## **RESEARCH POSITIONS**

2012-2015 Research Assistant; Brigham Young University, Department of Sociology

## **AD HOC REVIEWER**

*Journal of Gerontology: Series B, National Science Foundation, Society and Mental Health, OMEGA-Journal of Death and Dying*

## **P R O F E S S I O N A L   M E M B E R S H I P S**

American Sociological Association  
Teaching and Learning Sociology Section  
Medical Sociology Section  
Aging and Life Course Section  
Sociology of Population Section

## **O T H E R**

2011            Study Abroad in Senegal; Brigham Young University, Department of  
                    French and Italian

2007-2009    Full-time Missionary; Toulouse, France; The Church of Jesus Christ of  
                    Latter-day Saints

Language     French; fluent proficiency in speaking, reading and writing

## **R E F E R E N C E S**

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