

Curriculum Vitae
ALICIA WALKER, Ph.D.
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Kentucky, Sociology, May 2015
"Can I have that on the side?": Women's experiences and meaning-making of outside relationships concurrent to primary partnerships
 Committee: Claire Renzetti (Chair), Members: Edward Morris, Shaunna Scott, and Melissa Stein

Exam Areas: Gender & Sexuality; Social Inequality; Marriage, Family & Relationships; Media and Culture (2014)

M.Ed. Educational Administration, Texas State University, 2010
 Thesis: *Opting Out as a Means of Exerting Control: The Underachievement of Boys on a High-performing Campus*
 Certification: Secondary Principal (6-12)

Post-Bac Cert Education, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, 1995
 Certification: Secondary English Teacher (6-12)

B.A. English, University of Tampa, 1992

EMPLOYMENT

8/2022 – present **Associate Professor**, Department of Sociology, Missouri State University
 --Graduate Faculty Status, Missouri State University
 --Graduate Faculty Status, University of Missouri
 --Honors College Instructor
 --Faculty Sponsor, Generation Action
 --Chair, College Council

8/2016–6/2022 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology, Missouri State University
 --Graduate Faculty Status, Missouri State University

- Graduate Faculty Status, University of Missouri
 --Honors College Instructor
 --Faculty Sponsor, Generation Action
 --Chair, College Council
- 8/2015–7/2016 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology,
 Missouri State University
- 1/2015–4/2015 **Adjunct instructor**, Transylvania University
- 8/15/11–6/23/15 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Sociology,
 University of Kentucky

Microteaching Leader, Graduate Teaching Assistant Orientation
 and Training, University of Kentucky, August 18-20, 2014
- Summer 2012 **Research Assistant** to Dr. Brea Perry
 Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky
 Study on: Poverty, culture, and consumption in families and
 communities:
 Exploring the link between childhood obesity and socioeconomic
 status
- 8/08-6/11 Founding Faculty, **English Teacher**,
 Walsh Middle School, Round Rock ISD, Round Rock, TX
 Cooperating Teacher for Student Teacher
 Coordinator Mentoring Program
 Coordinator After-School Program
 Team Leader
 Administrative Intern
- 8/06-6/08 **English Teacher**, Stony Point High School
 RRISD, Round Rock, TX
 Student Council Sponsor
- 8/94-1/96 **English Teacher**, Copperas Cove ISD, Copperas Cove, TX
 Junior High and High School

FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

- Recipient** Summer Faculty Fellowship, College of Humanities and Public Affairs,
 Missouri State University, Summer 2016 (\$6,000)
- Recipient** Summer Faculty Fellowship, College of Education, Missouri State
 University, Summer 2015 (\$6,000)
- Recipient** University of Kentucky Beers Fellowship, May 2013 (\$1,000)

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Overarching areas:

Intimate sexual relationships and sexual behavior

Gender

Sexualities/Sexual Identities

Focused specifically on:

Closeted sexual behaviors

Online initiation of sexual relationships

Sociology of infidelity (which she is credited with creating)

MONOGRAPHS

Walker, Alicia M. 2020. *Chasing Masculinity: Men, Validation, and Masculinity*. London: Palgrave MacMillan.

Walker, Alicia M. 2017. *The Secret Life of the Cheating Wife: Power, Pragmatism, and Pleasure in Women's Infidelity*. Washington, DC: Lexington Books, imprint of Rowman & Littlefield.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Walker, Alicia M. and Arielle Kuperberg. 2022. "Pathways and Patterns of Entrance into BDSM." *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. 51: 1045–1062.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-021-02154-x>

Walker, Alicia M. 2019. "Having your cake and eating it too: Factors impacting life satisfaction during outside partnerships concurrent to primary partnerships." *Sexuality & Culture*. 23(1): 112-131. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12119-018-9545-z>

Kuperberg, Arielle and **Alicia M. Walker**. 2018. "Heterosexual College Students Who Hook-Up with Same-Sex Partners." *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. 47(5): 1387-1403.
doi.org/10.1007/s10508-018-1194-7

Bush, Amy, **Alicia M. Walker**, and Brea Perry. 2017. "The Framily Plan': Examining the Characteristics and Role of Ties Described as Both 'Friend' and 'Family' in Personal Networks." *Network Science* 5(1): 92-107.

Walker, Alicia M., Amy Bush, Ken Sanchagrin, and Jonathon Holland. 2016. "We've Got to Keep Meeting Like This": A Pilot Study Comparing Academic Performance in Shifting-Membership Cooperative Groups Versus Stable-Membership Cooperative Groups in an Introductory-Level Lab. *College Teaching* 65(1): 9-16.

Walker, Alicia M. 2014. "Revenge of the Beta Boys: Opting Out as an Exercise in Masculinity." *McGill Journal of Education* 49(1):183-2000.

Walker, Alicia M. 2014. "Our Little Secret': How Publicly Heterosexual Women Make

Meaning from their “Undercover” Same-sex Sexual Experiences.” *Journal of Bisexuality* 14(2):194-208.

2015. Included in “Most Read Behavioral Sciences Article Collection.” Routledge.
<http://bit.ly/behavioral-sciences-most-read>

Walker, Alicia M. 2014. “I’m not a lesbian; I’m just a freak’: A Pilot Study of the Experiences of Women in Assumed-Monogamous Other-Sex Unions Seeking Secret Same-Sex Encounters Online, their Negotiation of Sexual Desire, and Meaning-Making of Sexual Identity.” *Sexuality & Culture* 18(4):911-935 Doi: 10.1007/s12119-014-9226-5

Walker, Alicia M. and Bret D. Cormier. 2014. “Leveling the Playing Field: The Normed-Opportunity Paradigm.” *American Secondary Education Journal* 43(1):33-51.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Walker, Alicia M. 2022. “‘We Were on a BREAK!’: Men Chasing Masculinity and Women Seeking Pleasure in Affairs.” *Introducing the New Sexuality Studies Original Essays*, Edited by N. L. Fischer, L. Westbrook, S. Seidman. London: Routledge. 252-260.

BOOK REVIEWS

Walker, Alicia M. 2022. Book Review: *American Gold Digger: Marriage, Money, and the Law from Ziegfeld Follies to Anna Nicole Smith* by Brian Donovan. *Gender & Society*. 36(1):142-144. 10.1177/08912432211056324

Walker, Alicia M. 2022. Book Review: *Addicted to Lust* by Samuel Perry. *Contemporary Sociology*. 51(5): 406-407. 10.1177/00943061221116416v

Walker, Alicia M. 2021. Book Review: *Still Straight Sexual Flexibility among White Men in Rural America*. By Tony Silva. *American Journal of Sociology*. 127(5): 1713-174.

Walker, Alicia M. 2019. Book Review – *The Handmaid’s Tale*. *Teaching Sociology* 10.1177/0092055X19890639

Walker, Alicia M. 2019. Book Review – *90s Bitch*. *Teaching Sociology* 47(3): 252-255. 10.1177/0092055X19853281

Walker, Alicia. 2019. Book Review – “Review of Collins’ *Making Motherhood Work*.” *The Society Pages, Council on Contemporary Families*. July 30, 2019.
<https://thesocietypages.org/ccf/2019/07/30/review-of-collins-making-motherhood-work/>

ESSAYS

Walker, Alicia M. 2021. "This is the Real Reason Why Men Cheat." *Marie Claire*.
<https://www.marieclaire.com.au/why-do-men-cheat?category=lifestyle>

Walker, Alicia M. 2018. "Does cheating make people happier? It depends." *The Society Pages*. August 7, 2018.
<https://thesocietypages.org/ccf/2018/08/07/does-cheating-make-people-happier-it-depends/>

Walker, Alicia M. 2018. "The Secret Life of the Cheating Wife: These women cheat to keep their marriages strong." *Psychology Today*. January 17, 2018.
<https://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/stepmonster/201801/the-secret-life-the-cheating-wife>

Walker, Alicia M. 2018. "The Rise and Fall of One Professor's Penis Study." *The Society Pages: The Feminist Perspective*. July 9, 2018.
<https://thesocietypages.org/feminist/2018/07/09/the-rise-and-fall-of-one-professors-penis-study/>

Walker, Alicia M. 2017. "Women's Sexual Lives may not be about What We Think: Pragmatism in Women's Infidelity." *The Society Pages*. December 5, 2017.
<https://thesocietypages.org/ccf/2017/12/05/womens-sexual-lives-may-not-be-about-what-we-think-pragmatism-in-womens-infidelity/>

ENCYCLOPEDIA

Walker, Alicia M. "Infidelity." *Marriage and Divorce in America: Issues, Trends, and Controversies Encyclopedia*. Jaimee L. Hartenstein, Editor. *ABC/CLIO*. [forthcoming.]

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

Walker, Alicia M., Lutmer, Audrey, and Arielle Kuperberg. 2023. "Am I a Bad Feminist?": BDSM Practitioners Challenging or Upholding Patriarchy." [Conference Session.] Southern Sociological Society Conference. Myrtle Beach. March 30.

Walker, Alicia M., Lutmer, Audrey, and Arielle Kuperberg. 2023. "Not as Cold and Detached as I Thought': Masculinity, Gender, and BDSM Roles." [Conference Session.] Southern Sociological Society Conference. Myrtle Beach. March 30

Lutmer, Audrey and **Alicia M. Walker**. 2023. "Moans Speak Louder than Words': Patterns of Communication During Sex." [Conference Session.] Southern Sociological Society Conference. Myrtle Beach. March 31.

Walker, Alicia M. and Arielle Kuperberg. 2021. "Pathways and Patterns of Entrance

- into BDSM.” [Conference Session.] American Sociological Association Conference. August 8.
- Walker, Alicia M.** 2021. “If I were good enough, she’d want me”: The Power of Women to Invalidate Masculinity.” [Conference Session.] Southern Sociological Society Conference. April 9.
- Walker, Alicia M.** 2021. "They All Say I'm the Best She's Ever Had": Compensatory Masculinity and The Girlfriend Experience in Men's Infidelity.” [Conference Session.] Pacific Sociological Association Conference. March 18, 2021.
- Walker, Alicia M.** 2020. “Real Men Please Their Partners’: Men's Performance of Masculinity Through Provoking Orgasm in Female Outside Partners Concurrent to Their Primary Partnerships.” [Conference Session.] Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. November 2020.
- Walker, Alicia.** 2020. “I just want a woman who likes me”: Emotional Support as a motivation for men’s participation in infidelity. [Conference Session.] Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Meeting. October 17, 2020.
- Walker, Alicia.** 2020. “She’s Impossible to Please’: Outside Partnerships as a Source of Validation and Remedy for Primary Partnerships Dynamics That Sow the Seeds of Men’s Doubt.” [Conference Session.] Society for the Scientific Study of Social Problems. San Francisco, CA. August 8, 2020. (Conference Cancelled)
- Walker, Alicia.** 2020. “I needed someone to talk to’: Outside Partners as Outsourced Relational Managers in Men’s Infidelity.” [Conference Session.] American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA. August, 2020.
- Walker, Alicia.** 2020. "If I Were Good Enough, She'd Want Me": The Power of Women to Invalidate Masculinity.” [Conference Session]. Southern Sociological Society. Jacksonville, FL. April 4, 2020. (Conference Cancelled)
- Walker, Alicia.** 2018. “Sometimes you just need a subcontractor”: Power, Pragmatism, and Pleasure in Women’s Infidelity.” [Conference Session]. Roundtable. American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, PA. August 11, 2018.
- Walker, Alicia.** 2013. Beyond “the down low”: How Publicly Heterosexual Women Make Meaning from their “Undercover” Same-sex Sexual Experiences. [Conference Session]. Mid-South Sociological Association. Atlanta, GA, October 23-26.
- Holland, Jonathon, **Alicia Walker** and Amy Bush. 2013. “Is there an A in Team? Comparing Team-Based Learning and Individual Learning Styles in Sociology 101 Recitations Sections.” [Conference Session]. North Central Sociological Association. Indianapolis, IN, April 5.
- Cormier, Bret D., Matthew M. Munich, **Alicia Walker**, and Raymond Martinez. 2012.

Research Roundtable, “The Achievement Gap: Implications on College and Career Readiness.” [Conference Session]. *Teaching and Learning: What is Working in America’s Classrooms that Impacts the Success of Children of African Descent*. National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) 40th Annual Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, November 14-18.

Walker, Alicia and Benjamin P. Kramer. 2011. “Mentoring Relationships as a Learning Opportunity for Teachers.” [Conference Session]. Presented at American Educational Research Association (AERA) Conference, New Orleans. April 9.

Walker, Alicia and Benjamin P. Kramer. 2010. “Opting out as a means of exerting control: The underachievement of boys on a high-performing campus.” [Conference Session]. Presented at University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA) Conference, New Orleans. October 30.

INVITED TALKS

Invited Expert, Sexuality Course, University of North Carolina – Greensboro, April 6, 2023.

Invited Expert, Society of the Alumni of Bellevue Hospital, New York City, NY, January 4, 2023.

Invited Expert, Sociology Speaker Series, MSU-Mankato, November 4, 2022.

Invited Expert, Sexuality Course, Manchester University, November 26, 2019.

Invited Expert, The S Word: An Event About Sex, Missouri State University, November 20, 2019.

Invited Expert, Sexplanations, Freudenberger House Program, Missouri State University, November 13, 2017.

Invited Expert, Sexplanations, Hammons House Program. Missouri State University. February 9, 2017.

Invited Expert, Safe Sex, Wells House Program. Missouri State University. October 27, 2016.

Panel Expert, Sexplanations. Freudenberger House Program, Missouri State University, February 9, 2016.

SOC 302 *Research Methods*, Lecture on Qualitative Methods and Ethical Quandaries (Fall 2014)

SOC 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, Lecture on sexuality (SP2014)

SOC 101: *Introduction to Sociology*, Lecture on sexuality and gender (SP2013)

SOC 302: *Sociological Research Methods*, Lecture on Qualitative methods (SP2014)

K-Week Session (Freshman Orientation), “Succeeding in SOC 101,” University of Kentucky, August 27, 2013

Panel Expert, Sex in the Dark, Resident Student Association, University of Kentucky, March, 27, 2014.

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Sociology

Social Problems

Sociology of Sexuality (developed course, got approved by Senate)

Sociology of Intimate Relationships (developed course, got approved by Senate)

Sociology of Gender
 The Family
 Social Inequalities
 Crime, Law, Deviance

HONORS COURSES

Introduction to Sociology-Honors
 Honors Freshman Seminar: Gender and Sexuality

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2022-23 **Roundtable Organizer**, Sexualities Section of ASA 2023 Annual Meeting
 2022 - **Board Member**, *Council on Contemporary Families*
 2021 - **Editor**, *Council on Contemporary Families Blog*, hosted by *The Society Pages*
 2021 - Editorial Board Member, *Teaching Sociology*
 2021 Scientific Peer Reviewer, *Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality*, Annual Conference
 2020/1 Special issue editorial board on COVID-19 and Relationships for the *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*
 2020 Women and Gender Studies Sub-Committee, Mid-South Sociological Association
 2020/1 Chair, Contemporary Council on Families Media Awards Committee
 2018/9 Member, Contemporary Council on Families Media Awards Committee
 2012 Grant Review Service. Grassroots Grant, Partners for Youth, Lexington, KY

Peer Referee: *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, *Teaching Sociology*, *Social Problems*, *Sexuality & Culture*, *Relational Therapy*, *Current Psychology*, *Journal of Asian and African Studies*, *American Sociological Review*, *Journal of Research on Women and Gender*, *Journal of Comparative Research in Anthropology and Sociology (Compasso)*, *Women's Studies Journal*, *The High School Journal*, *Teacher Education Quarterly*, *Journal of Bisexuality*; *Journal of Gender Studies*; *Journal of Sex Research*, *Journal of the Education of the Gifted*, Conference Reviewer for National Women's Studies Association, Conference Reviewer for UCEA and AERA, *English Journal*

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2023 Presidential Scholarship Committee, Missouri State University. Honors College. **Member**.
 2021-23 College Council, Missouri State University, **Chair**.
 2022-23 Boyce/Wall Street Journal Public Affairs Scholarship Selection Committee, **Member**.
 2021- Designated Advisor for Honors students
 2020/21 College Council, Missouri State University. **Member**.
 2019-20 Presidential Scholarship Committee, Missouri State University. Honors College. **Member**.
 2014 – Session Moderator, Sociology panel, National Conference on Undergraduate Research, “Readiness for the Future: Maximizing Undergraduate Research.” University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. April 3-5
 2014 – Session Moderator, Psychology panel, National Conference on Undergraduate Research, “Readiness for the Future: Maximizing

Undergraduate Research.” University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. April 3-5

SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- 2021- *Scholarship Committee*, Missouri State University, Sociology Department.
Member.
- 2020/21 *Scholarship Committee*, Missouri State University, Sociology Department.
Chair.
- 2018/19 *Scholarship Committee*, Missouri State University, Sociology Department.
Member.
- 2017 *Diversity Committee*. Missouri State University. **Member.**
- 2016 *Hiring Committee*, Missouri State University, Sociology Department.
Member.
--Filled two assistant professor positions.
- 2016 *Recruitment Committee*, Missouri State University, Sociology Department.
& 2017 **Sole Member.**
--Sociology majors increased from 60 to 99; Sociology minors increased substantially as well.

MEDIA COVERAGE

Print/Internet Media

- 2022:** *UpJourney, Choosing Therapy, Good Housekeeping, Medium, USA Today*
- 2021:** *USA Today, France24, Council of Contemporary Families Blog/The Society Pages, Times Higher Education, Palgrave Social Science Blog, Fatherly, The Sun, Vice*
- 2020:** *USA Today, WalletHub, Women’s Health, Medium, Good Housekeeping, KOLR-10, SwipeLife, The Globe and Mail*
- 2019:** *Men’s Health, The Book of Man, Project Pleasure, Psychology Today, Elle Australia*
- 2018:** *New York Times, Bustle, Marie Claire, Cosmopolitan, Vice, Men’s Health, CNN, USA Today, Psychology Today, Logo, The Independent, The Sun, FoxNews (St Louis), Pink News, Qnotes, Baltimore Out Loud, Cosmopolitan (UK), Observer, Council on Contemporary Families, Times Higher Ed, Inside Higher Ed, Springfield News-Leader, Toronto Star, BTR Today, Men’s Health South Africa, Herald Sun, Daily Mail, Daily Star, Daily Telegraph, The Guardian, The Globe and Mail, The Sun, She Knows, AskMen, YourTango, Business Insider, Fatherly.com, Adweek, International Business Times, Calgary Sun, Radio Sarajevo, KITV (Honolulu), KRTV (Montana), LineNewsRadio. (Long Island), WENY. (Horsehead, NY), The Evening Standard, My San Antonio, Times Union, Stuff, She Does the City, Untrue (book by Wednesday Martin)*
- 2017:** *Redbook, Today Show, Council on Contemporary Families. The Society Pages, CNN, New York Times, The Cut, BBC Mundo, FOX2NOW, FOX, KNOV, WSMV, Libertatea, Daily Mail, SModa El Pais*

Radio/Television/Podcast/Video Media

- 2023:** *KSMU*

2020: *Radio Browser, Ticker TV!, The Modern Divorce Show, Passion with Dr. Laurie, Sex Talk with Erika, The Sociology Show, New Books in Sociology* podcast, KSMU; KOLR-10

2019: *You Do You, Middle Chicks*

2018: *Playground Magazine, NPR & KSMU, KOLR-10. Daily Beat with Joe Virgillito, W Radio, WLS-AM 890, Big John and Ramblin' Ray Show, Newstalk1010. The Night Side with Barb Digiulio, WMAR-TV, W Radio station, LBC, Lucy Beresford's Sex and Relationships, CJAD 800 AM*

2017: *KSMU, UK Talk Radio, PA Live, WLUP "The Loop." WGN Morning News.*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association
Council for Contemporary Families
Southern Sociological Society
Mid-South Sociological Society
Pacific Sociological Association
Eastern Sociological Society
Society for the Scientific Study of Sex