

Johannah Palomo

Curriculum Vitae

September 2026

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
208 W. Franklin St., CB 3210
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3210

johannahpalomo.com
johannah@unc.edu

EDUCATION

- 2027 (expected) Ph.D., Sociology, University in North Carolina at Chapel Hill *Dissertation*:
“Religious Incongruence, Aesthetic Practice, and Moral Identity in American Life.”
Committee: Lisa Pearce (chair), Jessica Su, Kate Weisshaar, Elizabeth Korver-Glenn, and Lauren Valentino
Comprehensive Exams: Sociology of Religion, Sociology of the Family
- 2023 M.A., Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Thesis: “Religious Service Attendance and Depressive Symptoms: Exploring the Reciprocal and Gendered Relationship from Adolescence to Early Adulthood.”
- 2020 B.A., Sociology and the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality, Rice University

AREAS OF INTEREST

Religion, Family, Gender, Mental Health, Social Stratification, Mixed Methods

PUBLICATIONS

Book Reviews

- January 2025 **Palomo, Johannah.** "Book Review: Irish Mormons: Reconciling Identity in Global Mormonism." *Mormon Studies Review* 12:151–156.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

- In Progress **Palomo, Johannah.** “Dissonant Tones: The Prevalence Of (In)Congruence between Congregational Policies and Personal Views On Gender and Sexuality Issues.”
- Palomo, Johannah,** Julia Murrow, and Lisa D. Pearce. “Religiosity and Distress During Pregnancy.”
- Palomo, Johannah.** “Religious Service Attendance and Depressive Symptoms: Exploring the Reciprocal and Gendered Relationship from Adolescence to Early Adulthood.”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- August 2026 **Palomo, Johannah,** Julia Murrow, and Lisa D. Pearce. “Religiosity and Prenatal Distress.” Roundtable presentation, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY.

- October 2025 **Palomo, Johannah**, Julia Murrow, and Lisa D. Pearce. "Religiosity and Prenatal Distress." Paper presentation, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
- August 2025 **Palomo, Johannah**. "The relationship between (in)congruent congregational policies, personal views on social issues, and well-being." Paper presentation, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- August 2024 **Palomo, Johannah**. "'It's Perfectly Obvious': Perceived benevolence of gender differences by LDS women." Roundtable presentation, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- October 2023 **Palomo, Johannah**. "Sisters in Zion: Irish Latter-day Saint women navigating gender." Paper presentation, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT.
- August 2023 **Palomo, Johannah**. "Sisters in Zion: Latter-day Saint women navigating gender." Roundtable presentation, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- April 2023 **Palomo, Johannah**. "Religious service attendance and depressive symptoms: exploring the reciprocal relationships from adolescence to adulthood." Poster presentation, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- November 2022 **Palomo, Johannah**. "Religious service attendance and depressive symptoms: exploring the reciprocal and gendered relationships from adolescence to early adulthood." Paper presentation, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD.
- October 2021 Pearce, Lisa D., **Johannah Palomo**, Claire Chipman Gilliland, Erin Davenport, and Haley Simons. "Messages about motherhood: gendered rhetoric and practice in protestant worship services on Mother's Day." Paper presentation, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Portland, OR.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 2026 Wilson-Aldrich Teaching Award, UNC Sociology
Dissertation Advancement Assistantship, UNC Sociology
Nathan Kitchen and Matthew Rivera Award to Advance Queer Mormon Studies, Eugene England Summer Institute (\$1,250)
- 2025 Student Travel Grant, ASA Religion Section (\$200)
- 2020 Wiess College Nominee for the Linda Faye Williams Prize
Wagoner Foreign Study Scholarship
- 2019 Byrd Award for Social Justice
Rice University Nominee for Beinecke Fellowship
- 2018 – 2019 Rice University President's Honor Roll
- 2018 Leadership Rice Mentorship Experience Fellowship
- 2016 – 2020 QuestBridge College Match Scholarship

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAININGS

- 2026 **Eugene England Summer Institute**
Midway, UT, June 7 – 13
- Online Course Development Workshop**
UNC Chapel Hill Summer School, Chapel Hill, NC, March 9 – 20
- 2025 **Wheatley Seminar on Religion & Politics**
Wheatley Institute at Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, June 17 – 20

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

- Sociology of Religion (Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Spring 2026)
- Sociology of Mental Health and Illness (Summer II 2023, Fall 2024, Fall 2025, Summer II 2026)

Teaching Assistant

- Social Stratification (Fall 2026)
- Organizations and Bureaucracies (Spring 2023)
- Research Methods (Fall 2022)
- Sociological Perspectives (Spring 2022)
- Health and Society (Fall 2021)
- Sociology of Religion (Spring 2021)
- Social and Economic Justice (Fall 2020)

Senior Thesis Mentor

- 2024 – 2025: McKenzie Roller, B.A. Sociology, UNC Chapel Hill

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Department of Sociology, UNC Chapel Hill

Graduate Studies Committee, Graduate Student Association, 2025 – Present

Member, Hiring Committee, 2024 – 2025 Search

Graduate Lounge Liaison, Graduate Student Association, 2024 – 2025

Duke-UNC Sociology of Religion Workshop

Co-organizer and Facilitator, 2025 – Present

Mormon Social Science Association

Board Member, 2022 – Present

Graduate Student Representative, 2022 – Present

Reviewer, Social Forces, Sociological Imagination

OTHER RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Interview Coordinator
Lisa Pearce, “Family Matters” Research Study
UNC Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
- 2022 Interviewer
Chancellor’s Science Scholars Program Evaluation Team

	UNC Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
2020 – Present	Research Assistant Lisa Pearce, Gigachurch Project UNC Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
2019 – 2020	“The Intersection of Gender, Mental Health, and Orthodoxy among Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.” Senior Honors Thesis, Sociology Department Rice University, Houston, TX
2018 – 2019	Undergraduate Seminar and Practicum Capstone Center for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Rice University, Houston, TX
2016 – 2017	Undergraduate Research Assistant Bridget Gorman, Sociology Department Rice University, Houston, TX

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

- Section on Family
- Section on Sociology of Mental Health
- Section on Sociology of Religion
- Section on Sociology of the Body and Embodiment

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Mormon Social Science Association