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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Researcher

Sept. 2019-Present

University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg

- Department of Social Sciences
- Institute for Research on Socio-Economic Inequality

EDUCATION

Doctorate of Philosophy, Sociology

Nov. 2019

University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

- Dissertation title: *The Multi-Contextual Effects Through Which Environmental Economic Declines Impact Older Persons' Quality of Life*
- Committee: Markus Schafer (chair), Brent Berry, and Geoffrey Wodtke
- Comprehensive examinations:
 - Health and Mental Health
 - Stratification, Work and Labour Markets

Master of Arts, Sociology

Nov. 2013

Western University, London, Ontario, Canada

- Thesis title: *Return to Work After Retirement: Contributing Factors and Health Implications*
- Supervisor: Julie McMullin

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, Distinction, First Class Honours

Feb. 2011

Bachelor of Science, Psychology, First Class Honours

Feb. 2007

McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Sociology honours thesis title: *Education and the Quebec Liberation Front*
- Sociology honours thesis supervisor: Matthew Lange

Diploma of Collegial Studies, Health Science, Marianopolis Scholar

Oct. 2000

Marianopolis College, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Introductory sociology, quantitative research methods, demography, health and mental health, aging, the life course, cities and neighbourhoods, work, social inequality and stratification, and social networks.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Settels, Jason. "The Health Effects of Workforce Involvement and Transitions for Europeans Aged 50-75 Years: Heterogeneity by Financial Difficulties and Gender." *Canadian Journal on Aging/La Revue canadienne du vieillissement*, forthcoming.
- Settels, Jason, and Anja K. Leist. "Changes in Neighborhood-Level Socioeconomic Disadvantage and Older Americans' Cognitive Functioning." *Health & Place*, forthcoming.
- Settels, Jason. 2021. "Compound Disadvantage between Economic Declines at the City and Neighborhood Levels for Older Americans' Depressive Symptoms." *City & Community* 20(3):260–288.
- Settels, Jason. 2021. "Multiple Vulnerabilities: The Effects of Neighborhood Structural Changes upon Older Residents' Mental Health and Perceptions of the Broader Community." *Journal of Community Psychology* 49(2):672-690.
- Settels, Jason. 2021. "Changes in Neighborhood-Level Concentrated Disadvantage and Social Networks among Older Americans." *Journal of Applied Gerontology* 40(10):1288-1296.
- Settels, Jason. 2021. "Changes in City-Level Foreclosure Rates and Home Prices through the Great Recession and Depressive Symptoms among Older Americans." *Society and Mental Health* 11(1):1-19.
- Schafer, Markus H., Jason Settels, and Laura Upenieks. 2020. "As Goes the City? Older Americans' Home Upkeep in the Aftermath of the Great Recession." *Social Problems* 67(2):379–397.
- Silver, Michelle P., Jason Settels, Markus H. Schafer, and Scott Schieman. 2019. "Getting the Hours You Want in the Preretirement Years: Work Hour Preferences and Mismatch Among Older Canadian Workers." *Work, Aging and Retirement* 5(2):175-188.
- Settels, Jason, and Markus H. Schafer. 2018. "Workforce Transitions and Social Connectedness Among Older Adults in the United States." *Work, Aging and Retirement* 4(3):274–288.
- Upenieks, Laura, Jason Settels, and Markus H. Schafer. 2018. "For Everything a Season? A Month-by-Month Analysis of Social Network Resources." *Social Science Research* 69:111–25.
- Settels, Jason, and Julie McMullin. 2017. "Gender and Relationship Status Interaction and Likelihood of Return to Work Post-Retirement." *Canadian Journal on Aging/La Revue canadienne du vieillissement* 36(3):366-385.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Chauvel, Louis, Lindsay Flynn, Anne Hartung, Anja Leist, Emily Murphy, and Jason Settels. 2021, October. "Wealth is health: An international comparison of intergenerational homeownership and self-assessed health status." Paper presented at the European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) conference. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online. (Presenter: Louis Chauvel)

Chauvel, Louis, Lindsay Flynn, Anne Hartung, Anja Leist, Emily Murphy, and Jason Settels. 2021, August. "Wealth and homeownership as major determinants of seniors' self-assessed health status, an international comparison." Paper presented at the European Network for Social Policy Analysis (ESPAnet) conference. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online. (Presenter: Louis Chauvel)

Chauvel, Louis, Francisco Ceron, Emily Murphy, and Jason Settels. 2021, July. "The very long arm of wealth: Effects of intergenerational wealth resources on health in the U.S. over the last three decades." Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality Ninth Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online. (Presenter: Louis Chauvel)

Chauvel, Louis, Francisco Ceron, Emily Murphy, and Jason Settels. 2021, June. "The very long reach of wealth: Health and the effects of intergenerational wealth resources in the U.S. over the last three decades." Paper presented at the International Sociological Association Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility Spring Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online. (Presenter: Louis Chauvel)

Settels, Jason. 2021, May. "Multiple Vulnerabilities: The Effects of Neighborhood Structural Changes Upon Older Residents' Mental Health and Perceptions of the Broader Community." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online.

Settels, Jason. 2021, May. "Financial Difficulties and Gender as Moderators of How Workforce Involvement and Transitions Affect the Health of Older Europeans." Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this poster was presented online.

Leist, Anja K., Jason Settels, and Louis Chauvel. 2021, May. "Risk of Obesity in the United States, 1976–2018: Cohort Effects and Increasing Educational Inequalities." Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this poster was presented online. (Presenter: Louis Chauvel)

Settels, Jason, and Anja K. Leist. 2020, November. "Changes in Neighborhood-Level Socioeconomic Disadvantage and Older Americans' Cognitive Functioning." Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this paper was presented online.

Settels, Jason. "Changes in Neighborhood-Level Concentrated Disadvantage and Social Networks among Older Americans."

2020, April. Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this poster was presented online.

2019, October. Paper presented at a SEMILUX Seminar, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Fosse, Ethan, and Jason Settels. 2019, August. "Population-Level Variability of Happiness Trends in the United States." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York City, New York, United States. (Co-presented with Ethan Fosse)

Schafer, Markus H., Haosen Sun, and Jason Settels. 2019, April. "Retirement Transitions and Social Network Change among Older Europeans: Variation by Socioeconomic Status." Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, United States. (Presenter: Markus H. Schafer)

Schafer, Markus H., Jason Settels, and Laura Upenieks. 2018, August. "As Goes the City? Older Americans' Home Upkeep in the Aftermath of the Great Recession." Paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States.

Settels, Jason. "The Effect of City-Level Changes in Home Prices Upon the Well-Being of Older Americans."

2018, July. Paper presented at the International Sociological Association World Congress of Sociology, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

2018, April. Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, United States.

Settels, Jason, and Markus H. Schafer. 2017, July. "City Livability and the Well-Being of Older Americans." Poster presented at the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, San Francisco, California, United States.

Silver, Michelle P., Jason Settels, Markus H. Schafer, and Scott Schieman. 2017, July. "Age and Job Satisfaction Within a Canadian Context." Poster presented at the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, San Francisco, California, United States. (Presenter: Michelle P. Silver)

Silver, Michelle P., Jason Settels, Markus H. Schafer, and Scott Schieman. 2017, June. "The Relationship between Age and Job Satisfaction in the Canadian Context." Paper presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Annual Congress, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Upenieks, Laura, Jason Settels, and Markus H. Schafer. "Seasonal Variation in Social Network Resources among Older Adults?"

2016, June. Paper presented at the Canadian Population Society Annual Meeting, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

2015, May. Paper presented at Together Through Time: Conference on Social Networks and the Life Course, University Park, Pennsylvania, United States. (Presenter: Markus H. Schafer)

Settels, Jason, and Markus H. Schafer. 2015, June. "Workforce Transitions and Changes in Social Connectedness among Older Adults." Paper presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Annual Congress, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Settels, Jason. 2014, May. "A Study of Teacher Labour Activism Through the Lens of Symbolic Struggle." Paper presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Annual Congress, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada.

Settels, Jason. 2014, May. "Formal Activities as Sources of Role-Identity Supports for Older Persons." Paper presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Annual Congress, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada.

Settels, Jason, and Julie A. McMullin. 2013, June. "Who Engages in Bridge Employment?" Paper presented at the Canadian Population Society Graduate Research Development Conference, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Settels, Jason, and Julie A. McMullin. 2013, June. "Work After Retirement and its Association with Health and Well-Being." Paper presented at the Canadian Sociological Association Annual Congress, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Settels, Jason, and Julie A. McMullin. 2013, March. "Return to Work After Retirement in Contemporary Canada's Aging Population." Paper presented at the Sociology Graduate Student Research Day, Western University, London, Ontario, Canada.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2020 Research Block Grant Allocation Scheme–Merit Based Funding Scheme: Incentive B, Faculty of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences, University of Luxembourg. 5,000 €/year of funding for research activities to be used from 2020 to 2022. Awarded June 2020.

Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$1,000 funding to present at the American Sociological Association 2019 Annual Meeting in New York City, New York, United States, August 2019.

Grant Notley Memorial Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Alberta, \$46,000 per year for two years. Awarded and declined in May 2019.

Research Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$600 funding to help with the purchase of a one-year extension of licensed use of foreclosure data from ATTOM Data Solutions. Awarded November 2018.

Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$1,000 funding to present at the American Sociological Association 2018 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States, August 2018.

Canadian Sociological Association Student Funding Program Grant. \$250 funding to present at the International Sociological Association 2018 World Congress of Sociology in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, July 2018.

Ontario Graduate Scholarship. \$10,000 over the 2018-2019 school year. Awarded July 2018.

Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$500 funding to present at the Population Association of America 2018 Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado, United States, April 2018.

Research Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$500 funding to help with the purchase of foreclosure data from ATTOM Data Solutions. Awarded December 2017.

IAGG 2017 World Congress Travel Stipend. \$1,000 funding to present at the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics in San Francisco, California, United States, July 2017.

Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$500 funding to present at the 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics in San Francisco, California, United States, July 2017.

Conference Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto. \$1,000 funding to present at the Canadian Population Society Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 2016.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship. \$20,000/year: 2016-2017, 2017-2018. Awarded April 2016.

Ontario Graduate Scholarship. \$15,000 over the 2015-2016 school year. Awarded July 2015.

Outstanding Graduating Student Award, Canadian Sociological Association. Awarded in April 2014 for being the top graduating Master of Arts sociology student of Western University in the year 2013.

Graduate Student Teaching Assistant Award Nomination, Western University, May 2013.

Graduate Student and Post Doctoral Student Competition for Funding of Internships, Trainings, Workshops and Conference Presentations, Population Change and Lifecourse Strategic Knowledge Cluster, Western University. \$987 funding to present two papers at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, June 2013.

University of Toronto Fellowship. \$10,937/year, renewable from Fall 2013 through August 2017. Because of the awarding of an Ontario Graduate Scholarship in 2015 and a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship in 2016, this fellowship was not renewed as of the 2015-2016 school year. Awarded March 2013.

Outstanding Admissions Award, University of Toronto, \$2,000. Awarded March 2013.

Western Graduate Research Scholarship, Western University, \$7,036 over the 2011-2012 school year. Awarded July 2011.

Recruitment Scholarship, Western University, \$500. Awarded July 2011.

Undergraduate Student Research Award, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada. \$4,000 funding for research from May to August 2002. Awarded April 2002.

Hellenic Community of Montreal Scholarship – Christos-Siros Award, Hellenic Scholarship Foundation. \$1,000 awarded in February 2002 for academic and extra-curricular excellence.

Golden Key International Honour Society Membership, McGill University, October 2001. Membership offered for having ranked in the top 15% of the undergraduates in the Faculty of Science.

J. W. McConnell Award, McGill University. \$500 awarded in May 2001 for having ranked in the top 5% of the undergraduates in the Faculty of Science.

CJAD Community Service Award, CJAD radio station. Awarded in February 2001 in recognition of outstanding volunteer work at Miriam Home and Services.

Hugh Brock Entrance Scholarship, McGill University. \$2,000/year: 2000-2001, 2001-2002. Awarded in May 2000.

Student Life Certificate, Marianopolis College. Awarded in May 2000 in recognition of exceptional performance as a blood drive executive.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor

University of Luxembourg

Faculty of Language and Literature, Humanities, Arts and Education: Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences:

- Advanced Research Methods: Research Design Sept. 2021-Jan. 2022
- Social Inequalities & Education Sept. 2021-Jan. 2022

Teaching Assistantships

University of Toronto

Social Inequality, SOCB47H3S	Jan.-April 2019
Sociology of Work, SOCB54H3	Sept.-Dec. 2016, 2017, 2018
Sociology of Work, Employment and Society, SOCC15	Jan.-April 2018
Sociology of Work and Occupations, SOC207H1S	Jan.-April 2017
Sociology of Organizations and Industrial Relations, SOC361	Jan.-April 2016
Sociology of Aging, SOC246H1F	Sept.-Dec. 2015
Women and Work, SOC366H1S	Jan.-April 2015
Introduction to Sociology, SOC100H5F	Sept.-Dec. 2014
Sociology of Work and Occupations, SOC227H5F	Sept.-Dec. 2014
Status Attainment, SOC304H1S	Jan.-April 2014
Population and Society, SOC356H5F	Sept.-Dec. 2013

Western University

Research Methods for Sociology, SOCI 2206b	Jan.-April 2013
Introduction to Sociology: Essay Based, SOCI 1021E	Sept. 2012-April 2013
Investigating the Social World: Quantitative Research, SOCI 3306a	Sept.-Dec. 2012

Additional Training in Teaching

Western Certificate in University Teaching and Learning

July 2013

Western University, London, Ontario, Canada

- Successfully completed an extensive set of university teaching training exercises including:
 - Ten workshops and two 20-hour intensive Teaching Assistant Training Programs (one general, the other social science in specific) that covered a diverse array of topics including conflict resolution, setting expectations, managing a multicultural classroom environment, effective grading, devising and writing effective course learning outcomes, integrating technology in the classroom, and designing group activities.
 - A peer-mentoring program allowing for the giving and receiving of feedback on quality of teaching.
 - Compilation of an effective teaching portfolio.
 - Completion of a Scholarship of Teaching and Learning research proposal: I wrote on the topic of the divide between the teaching of quantitative and qualitative research methods in sociology.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistantships

Urban Environments and Older Adults' Quality of Life

2014-2019

- Under the supervision of Markus Schafer.

Theoretical Perspectives and Current Research on Global Inequality

2013

- Under the supervision of Julie McMullin.

Ethnic Conflicts, Social Movements, and Education

2009

- Under the supervision of Matthew Lange.

Additional Research Experience

Pain Sensitivity in an Animal Model of Depression

2002

- Under the supervision of Frances Abbott.
- Research funded through a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Undergraduate Student Research Award.

STATISTICAL SOFTWARE AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata, SAS, R, and SPSS statistical software packages
Microsoft Office

ADDITIONAL METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

Luxembourg Income Study Introductory Summer Workshop **July 2019**
University of Luxembourg – Luxembourg

**Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research-
Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States

- Multilevel and Mixed Models Using Stata **July 2016**
- Structural Equation Modeling with Stata **July 2015**

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department of Sociology, University of Toronto

- Toronto Inequality Workshop **Sept. 2015-Dec. 2018**

Department of Sociology, Western University

- Public Sociology @ Western **began April 2013**

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer: *Journal of Aging and Health* **began Nov. 2021**
Health & Place **began Feb. 2021**
European Sociological Review **began Oct. 2020**
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health **began March 2020**
Canadian Review of Sociology **began Aug. 2018**
The Gerontologist **began Oct. 2016**
Work, Aging and Retirement **began May 2016**
The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: **began March 2015**
Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences

Canadian Sociological Association – 2016 Annual Congress **May 2016**

University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- Session: Social Determinants of Health in Later Life
- Co-chaired with James Falconer. Discussants: Laura Upenieks and Annie Gong.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Let's Talk Science – Fun House **April 23rd, 2018**

University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada **April 24th, 2017**

- Title: Sociology and Social Networks **April 25th, 2016**
- Presented the fundamentals of sociology and network science at a youth outreach event.
- In collaboration with Laura Upenieks and Haosen Sun

Animator **May-Aug. 2011**

Miriam Home and Services, T.M.R., Quebec, Canada **Jan.-Dec. 2000**

- Led activities for individuals with disabilities.

Board of Directors, Technical Support **2008-2011**

Hellenic Scholarship Foundation, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Performed numerous fundraising and administrative duties.
- Participated in organizational meetings.

General Volunteer **June-Aug. 2010**

Montreal Fluency Centre, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Aided a psychologist with a reading and writing skills group for children attending the therapeutic center.

Arts and Crafts Volunteer **May-Sept. 2008**

Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Provided patients with care and support.

Child Psychiatry Volunteer **Jan.-Aug. 2002**

Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Participated in the Big Brother program in child psychiatry.

Jan.-Aug. 2001

Rotaract Club of Old Montreal President **May 2001-April 2002**

McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Recruited members and coordinated their involvement.
- Organized a wide range of service activities.
- Dealt with club finances.

Humour Program Volunteer **May-Aug. 2001**

Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Handled the viewing of humorous films by patients.

Blood Drive Executive **July 1999-April 2000**

Marianopolis College, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Recruited volunteers to provide aid to nurses from Hema-Quebec.
- Trained the following year's blood drive executive team.

General Volunteer **May-Aug. 1999**

The Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital, Laval, Quebec, Canada

- Analyzed the speech difficulties of a Greek patient and created a language test for this patient in the Greek language.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in English, French, and Greek.