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### **Education**

Ph.D in Sociology, Florida State University, Summer 2008 (expected)  
“Social Role Determinants of Successful Aging.” Committee: Anne E. Barrett (chair), Jill Quadagno, Robin Simon, and Mary Gerend.

Qualifying Examination in Aging and the Life Course, Spring 2006  
Committee: Anne E. Barrett (chair), Jill Quadagno, and John Reynolds.

Certification in Aging Studies, Florida State University, Spring 2008 (expected)

M.S. in Sociology, Florida State University, Summer 2005  
“Long-term Payoffs of Work? Women’s Paid Work Histories and Mental Health in Widowhood.” Committee: Anne E. Barrett (chair), Jill Quadagno, and Robin Simon.

B.A. in Sociology and Anthropology, Knox College, IL, Summer 2003  
“Public Housing and The Elderly: The People of Mary Allen West.” Senior Research Project Advisor: Charles E. Broughton.

### **Research and Teaching Interests**

Social Gerontology  
Medical Sociology  
Social Stratification and Health  
Social Psychology

Aging and the Life Course  
Social Inequality  
Social Problems  
Sociological Theory

### **Honors and Awards**

2008 Claude and Mildred Pepper Dissertation Fellowship, Florida State University.  
(\$11,000)

2006-2007 Allen-Klar Best Graduate Student Research Paper Award (“Long-term Payoffs of Work? Women’s Paid Work Histories and Mental Health in Widowhood”).

### **Publications**

Pai, Manacy and Anne E. Barrett. "Long-term Payoffs of Work? Women's Paid Work Histories and Mental Health in Widowhood." *Research on Aging*, 29(5): 436-456.

Barrett, Anne. E. and Manacy Pai. "Sketches in Cyberspace: Using Student Drawings in an Online Sociology of Aging Course." *Gerontology and Geriatrics Education* (Forthcoming).

### **Papers in Progress**

Gerend, Mary and Manacy Pai. "Social Determinants of Black-White Disparities in Breast Cancer Mortality." *Cancer Epidemiology Biomarkers & Prevention* (Under Review)

Pai, Manacy and Deborah Carr. "Do Personality Traits Moderate the Effects of Late-Life Spousal Loss on Psychological Adjustment?"

Pai, Manacy and Mary Gerend. "The Role of Personality as a Coping Resource among Cancer Survivors."

Pai, Manacy and Mathew Gayman. "Middle-Aged and Late Life Paid Work Transitions and Age Identity"

Pai, Manacy. "Role Determinants of Successful Aging: Gender and Race Differences."

Pai, Manacy. "Childhood Economic Hardship and Depression in Later Life: The Role of Physical Health."

### **Professional Presentations**

"Childhood Economic Hardship and Depression in Later Life: The Role of Physical Health." Abstract accepted at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, November 2007, San Francisco, CA.

"Do Personality Traits Moderate the Effects of Late-Life Spousal Loss on Psychological Adjustment?" (with Deborah Carr). Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Fall 2007, New York, NY

"Social Determinants of Black-White Disparities in Breast Cancer Mortality." (with Mary Gerend). Presented at the annual meeting of Society for Study of Social Sciences, Fall 2007, New York, NY.

"Work Status and Subjective Age: Do Retired People Feel Older than their Actual Age?" Presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, November 2006, Dallas, TX

“Long-term Payoffs of Work? Women’s Paid Work Histories and Mental Health in Widowhood” (with Anne E. Barrett). Presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, November 2005, Orlando, FL

### **Research Experience**

Research Assistant – Dr. Anne. E. Barrett and Dr. Deana Rohlinger (Fall 2005-Current).  
*Duties:* Conducted interviews for the Red Hats project with middle-aged and elderly women, assisted with design of the interview questionnaire, development of qualitative coding scheme, and analysis of the collected interview data.

Independent Researcher, Project – “Microfinance and Women Empowerment in India” (Fall 2002 – Summer 2003). Received assistance from Annapurna Mahila Mandal, NGO, Bombay, India. *Project Involvement:* Designed and conducted semi-structured interviews with young, middle-aged, and elderly women who were recipients of microfinance, transcribed and analyzed interview data, and composed a qualitative research report.

### **Research Skills**

Quantitative data analysis with STATA and SPSS.

Qualitative data analysis with ATLAS-ti and HyperResearch

Experience with the following datasets: Americans’ Changing Lives, ACL (1986, 1989, 1994); Changing Lives of Older Couples, CLOC (1987-1993); National Survey of Midlife Development in the United States, MIDUS (1995-1996); and, Aging, Status, and Sense of Control, ASOC (1995, 1998).

### **Teaching Experience**

#### *Instructor*

Aging and the Life Course (Online), Fall 2007  
Introduction to Sociology, Summer 2006

#### *Teaching Assistant*

Aging and Policy (Dr. Marie E. Cowart), Spring 2007  
Aging and Life Course (Dr. Anne Barrett), Spring and Fall 2006  
Sociological Theory (Jason Eastman), Spring and Fall 2005  
Social Problems (Dr. Jim Orcutt), Spring 2004  
Introduction to Sociology (Dr. Melonie Heron), Spring 2004  
Sociological Theory (Dr. Harry Dahms), Fall 2003, Spring 2004

### **Workshops Attended and Certifications Earned**

FSU Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE) Workshop on Encouraging Classroom Civility, February 17, 2006.

FSU Workshop on Uploading Content to Your Course Site, January 18, 2006

FSU Workshop on Seven Practices for Classroom Success Workshop, January 12, 2006

FSU Office of Distance and Distributed Learning Online Mentor Training Certificate, November 2003

### **Professional and Departmental Service**

Reviewer for *The Sociological Quarterly*, and *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*

Student representative, Honors and Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, 2006-2007

Elected student representative, Admissions and Financial Aid Committee, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, 2006-2007

Elected student representative, Departmental Policy Committee, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, 2005-2006

### **Professional Memberships**

American Sociological Association (ASA)

American Society on Aging (ASA)

Gerontological Society of America (GSA)

Society for the Study of Social Sciences (SSSP)

**References**

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