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## EDUCATION

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- University of Notre Dame** Expected May 2023  
PhD in Sociology  
*Qualifying Exams:* Cultural Sociology; Race and Ethnicity  
*Dissertation Committee:* Terence McDonnell (chair), Anna Haskins, Calvin Zimmermann, Margaret Hagerman (external member)
- The London School of Economics and Political Science** Nov. 2017  
MSc in Sociology  
*Masters Dissertation:* *Accumulation of advantage and the distribution of social and cultural resources through organizational parent networks: a case study of London's "The Nucleo Project"*
- University of California Berkeley** Dec. 2012  
BA in Music, College of Letters & Science  
BS in Society & Environment, College of Natural Resources  
Minor: Public Policy, Goldman School of Public Policy  
*Magna cum laude*

## RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

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culture • race and racism • gender • educational inequality • childhood

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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Zimmermann, Calvin R. and **Rachel Keynton**. (2021). "When to Call Home?: The Intersection of Race and Gender and Teacher Communication with Parents in First Grade." *Race Ethnicity and Education*, 1–20.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/13613324.2021.1890567>

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

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**Keynton, Rachel** and Kenya Lee. "The Concrete Backpack: Evidence of the Glass Escalator's Compounding Disadvantage."

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

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**Keynton, Rachel**. "Inclusive and Unequal: Organizational Parent Networks and the Accumulation of Advantage."

## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

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*"Accumulation of advantage and the distribution of social and cultural resources through organizational parent networks: a case study of London's 'The Nucleo Project'"*  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY August 2019

(Sociology of Culture Section Refereed Roundtable)

*“The Glass Escalator’s Compounding Disadvantage: Evidence from the Gender Gap in High School Performing Arts Participation”*  
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (Cancelled due to COVID-19) August 2020  
(Sex and Gender Section Refereed Roundtable)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Research Assistant, *University of Notre Dame*, with Dr. Terence McDonnell Spring 2021-present  
*Analyzed survey data on meaning-making around mask-wearing during COVID-19*

Research Assistant, *University of Notre Dame*, with Dr. Calvin Zimmermann Spring 2019-Fall 2020  
*Provided a review of the literature around race and gender inequality around parents’ involvement in schools and co-authoring a paper related on racial and gender bias in teachers/parent communication*

Research Assistant, *Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, Harvard University* Spring 2020  
with Dr. Apryl Williams  
*Collected data for an interdisciplinary project on algorithmic racial bias: conducted in-depth interviews about experiences around race in online dating. Data collected for this project will also be used to supplement my own research on racism in online dating.*

Research Assistant, *University of Notre Dame*, with Dr. Lynette Spillman Fall 2018  
*Assisted with Dr. Spillman’s book project, “What is Cultural Sociology?,” researching exemplary texts and line editing the manuscript*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Teaching Assistant, *Understanding Societies*, University of Notre Dame, Department of Sociology Fall 2021

## SERVICE

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### EXTERNAL:

Peer Reviewer for: *American Sociological Review; Poetics*  
Session Organizer for Culture Section Roundtables, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2021  
Organizing Committee for ASA Culture Section’s *Culture & Contemporary Life* Talk Series, 2021-2022

### INTERNAL:

Culture Workshop Coordinator, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame Spring 2020- present  
*Soliciting and organizing presentations at the workshop, facilitating the weekly meetings, and managing communication with participants*

Graduate Student Faculty Representative, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame Fall 202-present

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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*American Sociological Association; Section member of Culture; Education; Race, Gender, and Class*  
*American Educational Research Association*

## AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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Graduate Student Union *Conference Presentation Grant*, University of Notre Dame July 2019

Sociology Department 2019-2020 Nominee for the *Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Graduate Fellowship*