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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME	Notre Dame, IN
Doctoral Program: Sociology	Expected 2030
Minor: Advanced Quantitative Social Science	
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME	Notre Dame, IN
MA, Sociology	Expected 2027
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME	Notre Dame, IN
Master's in Education: Elementary Education	July 2024
ST. OLAF COLLEGE	Northfield, MN
Bachelor of Arts: Economics & English	May 2022
Magna Cum Laude	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME	Notre Dame, IN
Graduate Research Assistant	August 2025-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Assisting Dr. Catherine Riegler-Crumb on her ongoing project on the effects of gender role ideology in high school on later career attainment and occupational sex segregation.● Conducted a literature review on topics such as: Occupational sex segregation, predictors of gender role ideology, and outcomes of gender role ideology.	
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME	Notre Dame, IN
Research Assistant	August 2025-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Assisted Dr. Joe Waddington and Dr. Monica Kowalski on a study entitled: <i>The Early Impacts of Ohio EdChoice Expansion on Catholic Schools and Families</i>● Designed survey instruments that were used to gauge parents and school administrators experience with the expansion of Ohio's EdChoice voucher program.● Coded school and parent responses for theme and valence.	

EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL FUNDING

2026	University of Notre Dame: Graduate Student Professional Development Award of \$3,975
2025	University of Notre Dame, Institute for Educational Initiatives: ND PIER Fellowship
2022	Notre Dame College Football Playoff Foundation, Teaching Award of \$4,000

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Sociology of Education
School Choice & Education Reform
Quantitative Methods
Social Stratification

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Sociology (SOC 2002)

Notre Dame, IN

(June 2024 – August 2025)

CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

4th & 5th Grade STEM Teacher, Morrill Math & Science School

Chicago, IL

(August 2024 – June 2025)

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Teacher in Residence, ACE Teaching Fellows

Notre Dame, IN

(June 2024 – August 2025)

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO SCHOOL

3rd Grade Teacher

Sacramento, CA

(June 2022 – June 2024)

TECHNICAL SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

Illinois Professional Educator License (Elementary Education)

Expires 06/30/2030

Illinois Professional Educator License (Early Childhood Education)

Expires 06/30/2030

Intermediate Proficiency: STATA

WORKING PAPER

Waddington, R. Joe, Monica Kowalski, **Joe Thursby**, & Adam Dufault. “The Early Impacts of Ohio EdChoice Expansion on Catholic Schools and Families.” In progress.

PRESENTATIONS

“The Early Impacts of Ohio EdChoice Expansion on Catholic Schools and Families.”

Association for Education Finance and Policy. March, 2026.

“It’s Your Choice: Supporting Newly Transitioned Students to Catholic Schools.” Oral

Presentation at the ACE Teaching Fellows Conference. July, 2017.

MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

Fellow, Program for Interdisciplinary Educational Research (ND PIER)

Affiliate, Center for Research on Educational Opportunity (CREO)

American Sociological Association

American Educational Research Association

Association for Education Finance and Policy

Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness