This is the core required course for students specializing in Gender, Work, and Family in the sociology department. We will develop a familiarity with the empirical, theoretical and methodological foundations of research on the interrelation of gender, work and family; develop the ability to critically analyze work in this field; and advance students’ own research.

The articles and excerpts are available online through the library website, or posted in the Files section of ELMS. The following books are required reading:


**Schedule and topics**

**January 26: Introduction and overview**


**February 2: Theory and explanation**


**February 9: The Gender Revolution 1**


**February 16: The Gender Revolution 2**


February 23: Gender, household and family economics


Blau, Francine D. and Anne E. Winkler. 2021 The Economics of Women, Men, and Work (9th Edition), Chapter 4, “The Family as an Economic Unit” (unless they changed the chapter order or titles this edition – will update.)


March 2: Career and family


March 9: Mothering, race and class


March 16: Race, racism, and family poverty (TOPIC DUE)


March 23: Spring Break

March 30: Race, gender, and reproduction

**April 6: Gender, Work, and Fertility**


**April 13: Pandemic studies 1: Fertility (OUTLINE DUE)**


**April 20: Pandemic studies 2: Family dynamics (includes violence)**


**April 27: Family change in comparative context**


Cohen, Philip N. 2022. “Rethinking Marriage Metabolism: The Declining Frequency of Marital Events in the United States.” [https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/ut8bc/](https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/ut8bc/).

Cohen, Philip N. 2022. “What’s the Story? Family Demography at the End of Progress.” [https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/gbc7s/](https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/gbc7s/). (Option video version: [https://youtu.be/LPoT0nTwlRk](https://youtu.be/LPoT0nTwlRk).)

**May 4: Masculinity and fathering**


**May 11: TBD (PAPER DUE)**