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**Education:**

Ph.D., Sociology, Cornell University, 2002  
M.A., Human Development and Family Studies, Cornell University, 1999  
B.A., Social Sciences, Residential College, University of Michigan, 1990

**Academic employment:**

University of California, Irvine; Assistant Professor, 2002-present  
(Not including periods of medical leave and disability leave 2003-2006.)

**Research and Teaching Interests:**

Gender, Work, and Family  
Life Course Sociology  
Sex Stratification / Mobility  
Survey Research Methods / Research Design

**Honors and Awards:**

2010	2009 Rosabeth Moss Kanter International Award for Research Excellence in Work and Family; Center for Families at Purdue University and Boston College Center for Work and Family; "Life Course Patterns of Career-Prioritizing Decisions and Occupational Attainment in Dual-Earner Couples," 2008, <i>Work and Occupations</i> .
2001	Graduate Student Paper Award; ASA Aging and the Life Course Section; "Analyzing Life Course Patterns with the Interval Graph Approach," with Carter T. Butts
1997-2002	Cornell Employment and Family Careers Institute Graduate Fellow
1997-2000	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
1996-1997	Sage Graduate Fellowship

**Grants:**

Faculty Career Development Award, School of Social Sciences, University of California Irvine; \$5,500 (Course release); 1/09-3/09  
Faculty Research Initiative, Department of Sociology, University of California Irvine; \$25,000 (Graduate Research Assistant); 9/1/03-7/1/04  
"Career Prioritizing in Dual-Earner Couples: Patterns, Antecedents, and Consequences over the Life Course," College of Human Ecology Dissertation Research Support Grant; \$1,583; 9/28/00-5/31/02.

**Referee Activities:**

Gender & Society, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Marriage and Family, Social Forces, Social Networks, Social Problems, Sociological Perspectives, Work and Occupations

**Professional Organizations:**

American Sociological Association  
Section on Aging and the Life Course  
Section on Sociology of the Family  
International Network for Social Network Analysis  
National Council on Family Relations  
Population Association of America

**Publications:**

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Differentiating Careers from Jobs in the Search for Dual-Career Couples." *Sociological Perspectives*, 52: 363-384.

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Career Prioritizing in Dual-Earner Couples." Pp. 79-105 in B. Mousli and E. Roustang-Stoller (Eds.), *Women, Feminism, and Femininity in the 21st Century: American and French Perspectives*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Pixley, Joy E. 2008. "Life Course Patterns of Career-Prioritizing Decisions and Occupational Attainment in Dual-Earner Couples." *Work and Occupations*, 35:127-163.

Pixley, Joy E. 2008. "Career-Prioritizing in Dual Earner Couples." Sloan Work and Family Encyclopedia: <http://wfnetwork.bc.edu/encyclopedia.php?mode=nav>.

Butts, Carter T. and Joy E. Pixley. 2004. "A Structural Approach to the Representation of Life History Data." *Journal of Mathematical Sociology*, 28:81-124.

Wethington, Elaine, Ronald C. Kessler, and Joy E. Pixley. 2004. "Turning Points in Adulthood." Pp. 586-613 in O. G. Brim, C. D. Ryff and R. C. Kessler (Eds.), *How Healthy Are We? A National Study of Well-Being in Midlife*. Chicago: Chicago University Press.

Pixley, Joy E. and Phyllis Moen. 2003. "Prioritizing Careers." Pp. 183-200 in P. Moen (Ed.), *It's About Time: Couples and Careers*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.

Wethington, Elaine, Joy E. Pixley, and Allison Kavey. 2003. "Turning Points in Work Careers." Pp. 168-182 in P. Moen (Ed.), *It's About Time: Couples and Careers*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.

**Papers under review:**

Pixley, Joy E. "Career Hierarchy in Dual-Earner Couples: Implications for Occupational Attainment." Second revise and resubmit to *Social Forces*.

Pixley, Joy E. "Career Prioritizing and Spouses' Relative Career Gains in Dual-Earner Couples' Family Migration Decisions." Submitted to *Work and Occupations*.

Pixley, Joy E. "A New Way to Represent Work Hour Histories, Used to Explain Work-Family Outcomes and Income." Submitted to *Community, Work, & Family*.

Ruppanner, Leah and Joy E. Pixley. "Work-Family Policy and Negative Work-Family Spillover in Ten Countries." Submitted to *Marriage and Family Review*.

Tai, Tsui-o and Joy E. Pixley. "Decomposing Child and Elderly Poverty: A Cross-National Study." Submitted to *Population and Development Review*.

### **Papers in progress:**

Pixley, Joy E. and Carter T. Butts. "Analyzing Life Course Patterns of Men and Women in Dual-Earner Couples: A New Approach." Revise and resubmit from *American Journal of Sociology*

Pixley, Joy E. "Spousal Concurrence on Career Hierarchy."

Pixley, Joy E. "Revealed Career Strategies in the Life Course Pathways of Female MBA Students."

Pixley, Joy E., Carter T. Butts, and Sean Fitzhugh. "Using Life History Graph Analysis to Compare Life Course Patterns in Developed and Developing Nations."

Pixley, Joy E., Cynthia Feliciano and Belinda Robnett-Olsen. "Age Preferences for Partners Among Internet Daters."

Pixley, Joy E. and Andrea Dauber. "Marital Negotiations over Time in the Bamberg Married Couples Study."

Skemer, Melanie and Joy E. Pixley. "Interracial Cohabitation: The Ties that Bind? "

Marcum, Christopher and Joy E. Pixley. "Trends in Euthanasia Attitudes, 1977-2004: A Cohort Analysis."

### **Recent Presentations:**

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Career Prioritizing in Dual-Earner Couples and Spouses' Relative Career Gains to Major Decisions." Presented at the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco CA, August 2009.

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Past Patterns of Work Hours and Work-Family Spillover in Dual-Earner Couples." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Detroit MI, April 2009.

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Past Work Hour History and Current Work-Family Evaluations in Dual-Earner Couples." Presented at Community, Work and Family in the 21st Century: Innovation and Sustainability, Utrecht, The Netherlands, April 2009.

Pixley, Joy E. 2009. "Career Prioritizing in Dual-Earner Couples over the Life Course." Invited talk at the Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota, March 2009.

Pixley, Joy E., Cynthia Feliciano, and Belinda Robnett-Olsen. 2008. "Partner Age Preferences by Age, Sex, and Race." Presented at the National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference, Little Rock AR, November 2008.

Pixley, Joy E. 2008. "Gender Differences in Education-Work-Family Pathways of MBA Students." Presented at the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston MA, August 2008. Pixley, Joy E. 2008. Discussant, "Agency, Control, and The Life

- Course.” Presented at the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Boston MA, August 2008. Leah Ruppanner and Joy E. Pixley. 2008. "Family Policy and Negative Work-Family Spillover in Ten Countries." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans LA, April 2008.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2008. "Career Prioritizing in Dual-Earner Couples and Spouses' Relative Career Gains to Major Decisions." Presented at the Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Portland OR, April 2008.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2007. “Comparing Patterns of Life Course Events.” Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco CA, November 2007.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2007. “Making Distinctions Between Jobs and Careers.” Presented at the 102nd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York NY, August 2007. Pixley, Joy E., Cynthia Feliciano, and Belinda Robnett. 2007. “Age Preferences for Partners Among Internet Daters.” Presented at the 102nd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York NY, August 2007. Pixley, Joy E. 2007. “Representing and Comparing Life Course Patterns.” Invited scholar. State Institute for Family Research at the University of Bamberg, Germany. June 2007.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2007. “Representing and Comparing Life Course Patterns.” Invited talk. Department of Sociology, Rhine-Westphalia Technical University, Aachen, Germany.
- Pixley, Joy E., Cynthia Feliciano, and Belinda Robnett. 2007. “Age Preferences for Partners Among Internet Daters.” Presented at Sunbelt XXVII, Conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis, Corfu Greece, May 2007.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2007. “Representing and Comparing Life Course Data.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New York, March 2007.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2006. “Revealed Strategies in the Life Course Pathways of MBA Students.” Presented at the 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec, August 2006.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2006. “His Career versus Her Career: The Partnership Penalty on Income.” Invited talk at the University Club Forum, University of California - Irvine, May 2006.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2005. “Comparing Male and Female MBA Students: Similar Positions, Different Futures.” Presented at the 100th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Philadelphia PA, August 2005.
- Pixley, Joy E. 2003. “Spousal Concurrence on Career Hierarchy.” Presented at the 65th National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference, Vancouver BC, Canada, November 2003.

### **Courses Taught:**

Undergraduate

Aging and the Life Course

Marriage and Families  
Sociology Majors Seminar: Transition to Adulthood

Graduate

Gender and Work  
Marriage and Cohabitation  
Sociology Graduate Proseminar II  
Survey Research Methods I and II

**Academic Community Service:**

Graduate Committee, UCI, 2003-2004, 2006-2007  
Organizer, Gender, Work, and Family Research Group, 2003-2004, 2006-present  
Coordinator, Family, Life Course, and Sexuality Research Cluster, 2003-2004, 2006-present  
Council Member, American Sociological Association Section on Aging and the Life Course, 2001-2003