Eric Klopack

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Education

M.A. University of Georgia, Sociology (2016)

B.A. University of Alabama, American Studies (2013)

Graduate Certificate in Quantitative Methods in Family Science (Expected 2018)

Research Interests

Social Determinants of Health Etiology of Delinquency and Deviant Behavior Intersection between Criminal Offending and Health Outcomes Social Influences on Biological Outcomes Higher-order Statistical Modeling for Longitudinal Research

Teaching Interests

Criminology Violence and Society
Juvenile Delinquency Medical Sociology

Deviance and Social Control Mental Health and Deviance

Research Methods Quantitative Methods

Publications (*Peer reviewed)

- *Klopack, Eric T., Ronald L. Simons and Leslie Gordon Simons. Accepted. "Puberty and Girls' Delinquency: A Test of Competing Models Explaining the Relationship between Pubertal Development and Delinquent Behavior." Justice Quarterly. doi: 10.1080/07418825.2018.1472291.
- *Klopack, Eric T., Kandauda A. S. Wickrama, Catherine Walker O'Neal, Ronald L. Simons, Tricia Neppl, and Frederick O. Lorenz. Under Review. "Life Course Models of Financial Strain, BMI, and Cardiovascular Disease: Exploring Stability, Mobility, and Interactions using Survival Growth Mixture Analysis." *Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*.
- *Klopack, Eric T., Kandauda A. S. Wickrama, Catherine Walker O'Neal, Tricia Neppl, and Frederick O. Lorenz. Under Review. "Exploring the Intersection of Social Strain, BMI, and Chronic Disease over the Middle Years in Married Men." Social Forces.
- *King, Victoria, Kandauda A. S. Wickrama, **Eric T. Klopack**, Frederick O. Lorenz. Accepted. "The Influence of Mastery on Mother's Health in Middle Years: Moderating Role of Stressful Life Context." *Stress and Health*.
- *Sutton, Tara E., Leslie Gordon Simons, Brittany T. Martin, **Eric T. Klopack**, Frederick X. Gibbons, Steven R. H. Beach, Ronald L. Simons. Accepted. "Racial Discrimination as a Risk Factor for African American Men's Physical Partner Violence: A Longitudinal Test of Mediators and Moderators." *Violence Against Women*.

- *Wickrama, Kandauda A. S., Seonhwa Lee, **Eric T. Klopack**, and Thulitha Wickrama. In Submission. "Stressful Work Conditions, Positive Affect, and Physical Health of Middle-Aged Couples: A Dyadic Analysis." *Scandinavian Journal of Work, Environment, and Health*.
- *Wickrama, K. A. S., **Eric T. Klopack**, Catherine W. O'Neal, Steven R. H. Beach, Tricia Neppl, Frederick O. Lorenz and Dayoung Bae. 2017. "Life Course Patterns of Concurrent Trajectories of BMI and Affective Symptoms of Rural Mothers: Socioeconomic Antecedents and Disease Outcomes in Later Life." *Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*: Advance online publication. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbx121.
- Simons, Ronald L. and **Eric T. Klopack**. 2014. "Invited Address: 'The Times They Are a-Changin" Gene Expression, Neuroplasticity, and Developmental Research." *Journal of Youth and Adolescence* 44(3):573-80.

Papers in Preparation

Klopack, Eric T., Kandauda A. S. Wickrama, et al. "Dynamic Models of Stability and Change for Developmental and Life Course Criminology"

Presentations

- Klopack, Eric T. and Kandauda A. S. Wickrama. 2018. "Dynamic Models of Stability and Change for Developmental and Life Course Sociology" Paper to be presented at the 113th American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA
- Klopack, Eric T. and Ronald L. Simons. 2017. "Explaining the Link Between Boys' Early Puberty and Delinquency: A Test of Three Competing Mechanisms" Paper presented at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, November 17, 2017, Philadelphia, PA
- Klopack, Eric T. and Kandauda A. S. Wickrama. 2017. "Understanding the Intersection of Illness, BMI, and Financial Strain Using Growth Mixture Modeling" Paper presented at the 112th American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, August 15, 2017, Montréal, QC, Canada.
- Klopack, Eric T. and Kandauda A. S. Wickrama. 2017. "Evaluating the Effects of Financial Strain Trajectories on Cardiovascular Disease Onset: A Person-Centric Approach" Paper presented at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 1, 2017, Greenville, SC.
- Klopack, Eric T. and Ronald L. Simons. 2016. "Puberty and Girls' Criminal Behavior: Exploring the Relationship between Somatic Development and Crime." Paper presented at the 72nd Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, November 19, 2016, New Orleans, LA.

Klopack, Eric T. and Ronald L. Simons. 2016. "Pubertal Timing and Criminal Behavior: Integrating Life History Theory with Traditional Criminological Perspectives." Paper presented at the 79th Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 14, 2016, Atlanta, GA.

Awards and Honors

2017 Bo Williams Award for Outstanding Performance as a Graduate Student (MA)

Best Student Paper Award: American Society of Criminology: Division of Women and Crime. Tara E. Sutton, Brittany T. Martin, and **Eric T. Klopack**. 2017. "Racial Discrimination as a Risk Factor for African American Men's Violence Against Women: A Longitudinal Test of Mediators and Moderators"

Skills and Abilities

Proficient with STATA, Mplus, SPSS, Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Creative Suite Experience with SAS, R, HLM, AMOS

Research Experience

RA for Dr. Ronald L. Simons	Fall 2014
RA for the Family and Community Health Study	Spring 2015-present
RA for Dr. Kandauda A. S. Wickrama	Fall 2016-present
RA for the Iowa Later Adulthood Study	Fall 2016-present

Teaching Experience

As a Teaching Assistant:

Deviance and Social Control, TA under Dr. Ronald L. Simons	Fall 2014
Criminology, TA under Dr. Thomas L. McNulty	Spring 2015
The Family, TA under Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons	Spring 2015
Criminology, TA under Dr. Sarah K.S. Shannon	Fall 2015
The Family, TA under Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons	Spring 2016
Development of Sociological Theory, TA under Dr. Diana Graizbord	Fall 2016
The Family, TA under Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons	Spring 2017

As Instructor of Record:

Social Control of Crime May 2017

Professional Service

Graduate Student Recruitment Committee	Spring 2015
Sociology Graduate Student Society, Featured Speaker Chair	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
Sociology Graduate Student Society, President-Elect	Fall 2016-Spring 2017
Sociology Graduate Student Society, President	Fall 2017-Spring 2018

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Affiliations/Memberships

American Society of Criminology Division of Developmental and Life-Course Criminology Division of Biopsychosocial Criminology

American Sociological Association Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance Section on Evolution, Biology, and Society Section on Medical Sociology

Southern Sociological Society