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EDUCATION

2004	Ph.D., Rural Sociology, Penn State, University Park, PA
2000	M.S., Rural Sociology and Demography (dual degree), Penn State, University Park, PA
1998	B.S., , Rural Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
1994	H.S., Dryden High School, Dryden, NY

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2024–Present	Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, Louisiana State University (Courtesy Appointment)
2017–Present	Professor, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University
2011–2017	Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University
2013–2015	Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University
2004–2010	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University
2002–2004	Graduate Research Assistant, Center for Work and Family Research, Social Science Research Institute, Penn State

1998–2003 Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Penn State

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social stratification; community and environment; social demography; rural sociology

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

1. Slack, Tim, and Shannon M. Monnat. 2024. *Rural and Small-Town America: Context, Composition, and Complexities*. Oakland, CA: University of California Press.
 - * Winner of the 2025 Frederick H. Buttel Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award from the Rural Sociological Society.

JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

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2. Monnat, Shannon M., and Tim Slack. Forthcoming. “Ethnoracial Composition, Diversity, and Inequality in Rural America.” In *Rural America in the 2020s: Shocks, Stressors, and Successes*, S.M. Monnat and J.J. Green (Eds.). Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press.
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9. Slack, Tim, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Samuel Stroope, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Jonathan Sury, and Jeremy Brooks. 2022. "Disparate Effects of BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Exposure on Psychological Resilience." *Traumatology* 28: 503–509.
10. Stroope, Samuel, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Tim Slack, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Jonathan Sury, and Jeremy Brooks. 2022. "Parental Education and Child Physical Health following the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." *American Journal of Health Promotion* 36: 1200–1203.
11. Stroope, Samuel, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Tim Slack, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Jeremy Brooks, and Jonathan J. Sury. 2022. "Bidirectional Longitudinal Associations of Parent and Child Health following the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." *Population and Environment* 44: 123–144.
12. Stroope, Samuel, Tim Slack, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Jonathan J. Sury, Jeremy Brooks, and Thomas Chandler. 2022. "Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Exposure, Industry Sector, and Child Health." *Population Research and Policy Review* 41: 229–249.
13. Slack, Tim, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Samuel Stroope, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jonathan Sury, Jeremy Brooks, Thomas Chandler, and Jaishree Beedasy. 2021. "Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Exposure and Child Health: A Longitudinal Analysis." *Population and Environment* 42: 477–500.
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43. Slack, Tim, and Tracey E. Rizzuto. 2013. “Aging and Economic Well-Being in Rural America: Exploring Income and Employment Challenges.” Pp. 57–75 in *Rural Aging in 21st Century America*, N. Glasgow and E.H. Berry (Eds.). New York: Springer.
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45. Singelmann, Joachim, Tim Slack, and Kayla Fontenot. 2012. “Race and Place: Determinants of Poverty in the Texas Borderland and the Lower Mississippi Delta.” Pp. 293–306 in *International Handbook of Rural Demography*, L.J. Kulcsár and K. Curtis (Eds.). New York: Springer.
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59. Slack, Tim. 2007. "The Contours and Correlates of Informal Work in Rural Pennsylvania." *Rural Sociology* 72: 69–89.
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ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS, REPORTS, AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY

1. Slack, Tim, and Shannon M. Monnat. 2025. "6 Myths about Rural America: How Conventional Wisdom Gets It Wrong." *The Conversation*. Available at: <https://theconversation.com/6-myths-about-rural-america-how-conventional-wisdom-gets-it-wrong-269037>.
2. Slack, Tim. 2025. "Myths and Misunderstandings About Rural America: Five Insights into Rural People and Places that Challenge Conventional Wisdom." *GROW Magazine*, University of Wisconsin-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Fall. Available at: <https://grow.cals.wisc.edu/departments/front-list/myths-and-misunderstandings-about-rural-america>.
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4. Slack, Tim. 2024. "LSU Expert in Social and Economic Issues: Rural America's Unique Struggles Affect How it Votes." Available at: <https://www.lsu.edu/blog/2024/10/28expert-pol-tim-stack.php>.
5. Cope, Michael R., and Tim Slack. 2024. "BP *Deepwater Horizon* Oil Spill (USA)." In *The Encyclopedia of Technological Hazards and Disasters in the Social Sciences*, D.A. Gill, L.A. Ritchie, and N. Campbell (Eds.). London: Edward Elgar.
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8. Finucane, Melissa L., Aaron Clark-Ginsberg, Andrew M. Parker, Alejandro U. Becerra-Ornelas, Noreen Clancy, Rajeev Ramchand, Tim Slack, Vanessa Parks, Lynsay Ayer, Amanda F. Edelman, Elizabeth L. Petrun Sayers, Shanthi Nataraj, Craig A. Bond, Amy E. Lesen, Regardt J. Ferreira, Leah Drakeford, Jacqueline Fiore, Margaret M. Weden, K. Brent Venable, and A. Barrie Black. 2020. “Building Community Resilience to Large Oil Spills: Findings and Recommendations from a Synthesis of Research on the Mental Health, Economic, and Community Distress Associated with the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.” Santa Monica, CA: RAND Corporation.
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13. Slack, Tim. 2014. Invited cameo performance for “How to End Poverty in 60 Minutes,” HopKins Black Box Theatre, Louisiana State University.
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20. Singelmann, Joachim, Tim Slack, and Kayla Fontenot. 2009. "Poverty and Place: Understanding the Contours of Poverty, Jefferson County, Arkansas." LSU AgCenter Research and Extension.
21. Slack, Tim, and Joachim Singelmann. 2008. "Spatial Restructuring and Fiscal Impacts in the Wake of Disaster: The Case of the Oil and Gas Industry Following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita." Pp. 231 in the proceedings of the *Twenty-Fourth Gulf of Mexico Information Transfer Meeting*, M. McKay and J. Nides (eds.). New Orleans, LA: U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region.
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24. Theodori, Gene L., A.E. Luloff, and Tim Slack. 2000. "Recreationists' Attitudes Toward the Forest and Forest Management Policies." Pp. 219–223 in the *Proceedings of the 1999 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*, G. Kyle (ed.). Radnor, PA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Northeastern Forest Experiment Station.

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

1. Frederick H. Buttel Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award, Rural Sociological Society, 2025.
2. Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Honor Society, 2024.
3. LSU Distinguished Faculty Award, Louisiana State University, 2022.
4. National Excellence in Multistate Research Award, Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Research team award for *W4001: Social, Economic and Environmental Causes and Consequences of Demographic Change in Rural America*. 2020.

5. Highly Commended Paper, Emerald Literati Awards for Excellence, for: Tim Slack, Michael R. Cope, Leif Jensen, Ann R. Tickamyer. 2017. “Social Embeddedness, Formal Labor Supply, and Informal Work.” *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* 37: 248–264. 2018.
6. First-place winner for Best Research Poster at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR. Awarded for: Kathryn Keating, Tim Slack, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, and Jeremy Brooks. “Primary Healthcare Need as a Dimension of Resilience following the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Definition, Access, Perception.” 2018.
7. Alumni Highlight, *Grow: Wisconsin’s Magazine for the Life Sciences*, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2016.
8. LSU Alumni Association Faculty Excellence Award, Louisiana State University, 2015.
9. LSU Rainmaker Award for Research and Creative Activity, Emerging Scholar in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Office of Research and Economic Development, Louisiana State University, 2011.
10. Excellence in Teaching Award, Sociology Society, Louisiana State University, 2011.
11. Award for Dedication to Instruction of Freshman Students, Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society, Louisiana State University, 2005.
12. Dissertation Fellow, Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI), Rural Poverty Research Center, 2003–2004.
13. Penn State Alumni Association Dissertation Award, 2002.
14. Gamma Sigma Delta, The International Honor Society of Agriculture, 2001.

GRANTS AWARDED

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1. Co-PI (PI Amin Kargarian, LSU). “Equitable Resilience Assessment in a Changing Climate: A System-of-Systems Approach.” Louisiana State University, Provost’s Fund for Innovation in Research. 2024–2025. \$75,000.
2. Co-PI (PIs Robert Twilley and Greg Upton, LSU). “Pelican Gulf Coast Carbon Removal.” U.S. Department of Energy. 2024–2025. \$2,999,960. (Funding cancelled due to realignment of agency objectives; initial milestones successfully met).
3. PI. “Rural and Small-Town America.” Louisiana State University, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Manship Summer Research Fellowship. 2023. \$5,000.

4. Co-PI (PI Kevin T. Smiley, LSU). “Extreme Weather Events, Changing Communities, and Rural-Urban Disparities in Cardiovascular Health among Aging Adults.” Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging (INRPHA), funded by the NIH National Institute on Aging. 2022–2023. \$19,993.
5. Co-PI (PI Kevin T. Smiley, LSU). “Environmental Changes, Community Changes, and Rural-Urban and Racial Health Disparities.” Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, Faculty Research Grant. 2022–2023. \$10,000.
6. PI. “BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Exposure and Family Health.” Louisiana State University, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Manship Summer Research Fellowship. 2020. \$5,000.
7. PI. “Understanding Resilience Attributes for Children, Youth, and Communities in the Wake of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.” Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative (GoMRI) RFP-V. 2016–2019. \$1,929,860.
8. Co-PI (PI Melissa Finucane, RAND Corporation). “Consortium for Resilient Gulf Communities.” Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative (GoMRI) RFP-IV. 2015–2020. \$8,987,037.
9. Co-PI (PI Rajeev Ramchand, RAND Corporation). “RAPID: A Longitudinal Assessment of Risk and Resilience in the Gulf of Mexico Following Hurricane Harvey.” National Science Foundation. 2017–2018. \$200,000.
10. Co-PI (PI Aly Mousaad Aly, LSU). “Hurricane Flow Generation at High Reynolds Number for Testing Energy and Coastal Infrastructure.” Louisiana Board of Regents. 2016–2017. \$125,185.
11. PI. “Exploring the Influence of Local Change on Food Stamp Participation During the Great Recession: Small Town America in Comparative Perspective.” Louisiana State University, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Manship Summer Research Award. 2014. \$7,500.
12. PI. “Proposal to Create LSU Department of Sociology Graduate Computer Lab.” Louisiana State University, College of Humanities and Social Sciences. 2014. \$27,665.
13. PI. “Understanding the Social Dimensions of Environmental Change in Coastal Louisiana.” Economic Development Assistantship, Louisiana State University, The Graduate School. 2014. \$12,500.
14. Co-PI (PI Matthew R. Lee, LSU). “Vulnerability and Resilience in Threatened Coastal Louisiana Communities.” National Sea Grant College Program, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. 2012–2014. \$190,086.

15. PI. “Understanding the Social Impacts of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill in the Context of Community Vulnerability and Resiliency.” Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative, Round 2. 2011–2012. \$128,016.
16. Co-PI (PI Troy C. Blanchard, LSU). “Tracking Community Resilience in the Wake of the Deepwater Horizon Disaster: Assessing the Evidence.” Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative, Short-Term and Bridge Projects. 2011. \$60,553.
17. Co-PI (PI Troy C. Blanchard, LSU). “Tracking Community Resilience in the Wake of the Deepwater Horizon Disaster: Developing Infrastructure for Analyzing the Human Impact on Coastal Communities.” Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative, Round 1. 2010–2011. \$65,974.
18. Co-PI (PI J. Matthew Fannin, LSU AgCenter). “A Prospectus for Historical Social and Economic Analysis of the Oil and Gas Industry for the Gulf of Mexico Region.” U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, Coastal Marine Institute. 2010–2011. \$83,272.
19. Co-PI (PI Mark Schafer, LSU AgCenter). “Improving Capacity for Institutional Impact Assessment of the Oil and Gas Industry in the Gulf of Mexico Region.” U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, Coastal Marine Institute. 2009–2011. \$404,553.
20. Co-PI (PI Leif Jensen, Penn State). “Collaborative Research: A National Survey of Informal Work.” National Science Foundation, Sociology Program. 2007–2011. \$260,000.
21. PI. “Exploring the Structural Determinants of Food Stamp Program Dynamics in the South: Does Place Matter?” Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Innovation and Development Grants in Economics Program (RIDGE) sponsored by the Southern Rural Development Center with funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service. 2008–2009. \$34,852.
22. Co-PI (PI Rogelio Saenz, Texas A&M). “Race and Place: Patterns and Dynamics of Poverty in the Texas Borderland and Lower Mississippi Delta.” U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Research Initiative, Rural Development Program. 2006–2010. \$452,000.
23. PI. “Spatial Restructuring and Fiscal Impacts in the Wake of Disaster: The Case of the Oil and Gas Industry Following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.” U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, Coastal Marine Institute. 2006–2009. \$161,314.
24. PI. “Birth and Fortune Revisited: A Cohort Analysis of Underemployment, 1974–2004.” Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, Council on Research Summer Stipend. 2006. \$5,000.

25. PI. “Alternative Economic Strategies among Low-Income Rural Households.” Penn State University, College of Agricultural Sciences, Graduate Student Competitive Research Grants Program. 2003. \$2,000.
26. PI. “Alternative Economic Strategies in an Era of Recession, Restructuring, and Welfare Reform: An Analysis of Nonmetro Households.” Rural Sociological Society, Dissertation Research Award. 2002. \$8,000.

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Total presentations: 100+

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

1. Slack, Tim. “Crackdown, Slowdown: How Federal Immigration Policy Is Reshaping Small Town America.” Invited panelist for virtual event organized by American Community Media.
2. Slack, Tim. “Rural and Small-Town America: Misconceptions and Challenges.” Invited presentation for the Delta Scholars Program at Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS, 2026.
3. Slack, Tim, Leif Jensen, Ann Tickamyer, Emily Southard, and Iliya Gutin. “Informal Work in Rural America: A Contemporary Comparative Portrait.” Invited presentation for the Institute for Rural Initiatives Rural Social Science Symposium at Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR, 2026.
4. Monnat, Shannon M., and Tim Slack. “Population Health in Rural America: Changes, Challenges, and Opportunities.” Invited presentation for the Aspen Institute Health Strategy Group, Aspen, CO, 2025.
5. Slack, Tim. “Rural and Small-Town America: Myths and Misunderstandings.” Invited presentation for the Slesinger Lecture at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, 2025.
6. Slack, Tim. “Rural and Small-Town America: Myths and Misunderstandings.” Invited presentation for the Hardy Chair Lecture at Hartwick College, Oneonta, NY, 2025.
7. Monnat, Shannon M., and Tim Slack. “Key Demographic Trends and Labor Force Issues in Rural America.” Invited presentation to the U.S. Government Accountability Office on behalf of the Population Association of America, Washington, DC, 2024.
8. Slack, Tim. “Land Loss in Coastal Louisiana: A Rural-Urban Population Interface Issue.” Invited symposium titled *Population Matters: Demography and Wellbeing in Rural America*, sponsored by the Rural Population Research Network and hosted by the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities, Washington, DC, 2022.

9. Slack, Tim. “Land Loss is an Immediate Threat to Coastal Louisiana Communities.” Invited virtual Congressional Briefing titled *Small Towns / Big Trends: Demographic Insights on Living, Working, and Thriving in Rural America*, sponsored by the Population Association of America, Association of Population Centers, Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging, and Rural Population Research Network, 2022.
10. Slack, Tim. “Recent Demographic Trends in Louisiana: A State Population Profile.” Invited presentation to the Louisiana Education Policy Fellowship Program, 2019.
11. Slack, Tim. “The Policy Implications of Rural Poverty Research: Perspectives from the 2019 AECF/RUPRI Rural Poverty Fellowship.” Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, 2019.
12. Slack, Tim. “Recent Demographic Trends in Louisiana: A State Population Profile.” Invited presentation to the State of Louisiana House and Governmental Affairs Committee, Baton Rouge, LA, 2019.
13. Slack, Tim, and Kathryn Keating. “Oil Spills and Mental Health.” Invited presentation at the Sea Grant workshop for the National Academies Gulf Research Program on Prioritizing Health and Oil Spill Preparedness, Mobile, AL, 2019.
14. Slack, Tim, and Kathryn Keating. “Mental Health Following the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.” Invited presentation at the Sea Grant workshop for the National Academies Gulf Research Program on Prioritizing Health and Oil Spill Preparedness, Houma, LA, 2018.
15. Slack, Tim. “Continuing Conversations: Developing a Research Agenda for Rural Poverty.” Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR, 2018.
16. Slack, Tim, Brian C. Thiede, and Leif Jensen. “Race, Residence, and Underemployment: 50 Years in Comparative Perspective.” Invited presentation at the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) 50 Years after *The People Left Behind* Conference, Washington, DC, 2018.
17. Slack, Tim, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Kathryn Keating, Jonathan Sury, Stephanie Lackner, Jeremy Brooks, Antonia Samur, and Matthew R. Lee. “Family Resilience Following the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Preliminary Evidence from the RCYC Study.” Invited presentation at the Oklahoma State University Chautauqua Conference of Family Resilience, Tulsa, OK, 2018.
18. Slack, Tim. “Rural Poverty in the U.S.A.: Panel Discussion on Forthcoming Text.” Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, Canada, 2016.
19. Slack, Tim, Michael R. Cope, Leif Jensen, and Ann R. Tickamyer. “Social Embeddedness, Formal Labor Supply, and Participation in Informal Work.” Invited presentation at the Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course, Yale University, 2016.

20. Slack, Tim. "Mapping US Obesity: Seeing the Big Picture." Invited presentation at the LSU Office of Research and Economic Development Science Café, Baton Rouge, LA, 2015.
21. Slack, Tim. "Underemployment and the Great Recession: A Lingering Crisis." Invited presentation for presidential session at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, Charlotte, NC, 2014.
22. Carney, Jeff, and Tim Slack. "Interdisciplinary Collaboration." Invited presentation for the LSU Office of Research and Economic Development Creative Initiatives Task Force, 2014.
23. Slack, Tim. "The Geography of U.S. Poverty: Space, Place, and Implications for Health." Invited presentation for the AmeriHealth Caritas Health Equities Council Speakers Series, Baton Rouge, LA, 2014.
24. Slack, Tim, and Candice A. Myers. "The Great Recession and the Changing Geography of Food Stamp Receipt." Invited presentation at the Rural Poverty Research Symposium organized by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service, Atlanta, GA, 2013.
25. Slack, Tim, Michael R. Cope, Troy C. Blanchard, and Matthew R. Lee. "Vulnerability to Negative Health Impacts Following the BP Deepwater Horizon Disaster: Examining the Influence of Time, Community Attachment, and Natural Resource Employment." Invited presentation by the President of the Rural Sociological Society for a joint session at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association and the Rural Sociological Society, New York, NY, 2013.
26. Slack, Tim, Joachim Singelmann, and Candice A. Myers. "Social Vulnerability and Migration in the Wake of Disaster: The Case of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita." Invited poster at the Coastal Marine Institute 20th Anniversary Symposium, Baton Rouge, LA, 2012.
27. Slack, Tim, and Candice A. Myers. "Food Stamp Program Participation and Persistent Regional Poverty: Does Place Matter?" Invited presentation at the Southern Regional Science Association conference on Poverty and Regional Analysis, Baton Rouge, LA, 2011.
28. Slack, Tim. "The 'Face' of Poverty in the South." Invited presentation for *Turning the Tide on Poverty: Creating Vibrant Communities Together*, a workshop sponsored by the Southern Rural Development Center (SRDC) and Everyday Democracy with support from the Farm Foundation and Kettering Foundation, 2009.
29. Slack, Tim. "Networking, Mentorship, and Success in Rural Sociology." Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, 2009.
30. Slack, Tim, Joachim Singelmann, and Candice Myers. "Spatial Restructuring and Fiscal Impacts in the Wake of Disaster: The Case of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita." Invited presentation at the Information Transfer Meeting of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service (MMS), New Orleans, LA, 2009.

31. Slack, Tim, and Joachim Singelmann. “Spatial Restructuring and Fiscal Impacts in the Wake of Disaster: The Case of the Oil and Gas Industry Following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.” Invited presentation at the Information Transfer Meeting of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service (MMS), Kenner, LA, 2007.
32. Slack, Tim. “Behind the Scenes at an Academic Journal.” Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Louisville, KY, 2006.
33. Slack, Tim. “Tips for Students on the Job Market.” Invited panelist at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Tampa, FL, 2005.
34. Slack, Tim. “Employment Adequacy and Alternative Economic Strategies among Nonmetro Families: An Overview of Past and Ongoing Research.” Invited presentation to the Department of Human and Community Resource Development, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2002.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES (LAST 5 YEARS)

1. Slack, Tim, Arijita Pal, and Heather Rackin. “Labor Force Nonparticipation in Rural and Urban America, 2000–2024.” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Raleigh, NC, 2026.
2. Slack, Tim, with Kristen Cuthrell, Ashleen Williams, and Lynne Zummo. “Policy, Pedagogy, Narrative, and Play: Rural-Serving Institutions’ Responses to Natural Disasters.” Panel at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Raleigh, NC, 2026.
3. Slack, Tim. “Rural and Small-Town America: Problems and Prospects.” LSU Department of Sociology Speaker Series, Baton Rouge, LA, 2026.
4. Slack, Tim, with Shannon Monnat, John Green, Jessica Schad, and Jennifer Sherman. “Rural and Small-Town America: Context, Composition, and Complexities.” Authors Meet Readers panel at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Salt Lake City, UT, 2025.
5. Slack, Tim, Siddhartha Narra, and Gregory Upton. “Using Dynamic Web-Based Mapping for Community Benefits Plans: An Application in Louisiana.” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the U.S. Association for Energy Economics, Baton Rouge, LA, 2024.
6. Slack, Tim, and Shannon M. Monnat. “Rural and Small-Town America: Context, Composition, and Complexities.” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Population Research Network, USDA Multistate Research Project W5001, Kansas City, MO, 2024.
7. Pal, Arijita, and Tim Slack. “Food Security at the Intersection of Ethnoracial Identity and Family Structure, 2017–2019.” Roundtable presentation at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, 2024.

8. Slack, Tim, and Arijita Pal. “Pre- and Post-COVID Food Insecurity at the Intersection of Ethnoracial Identity and Rural-Urban Residence.” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, 2024.
9. Pal, Arijita, and Tim Slack. “Exploring Food Insecurity, Race/Ethnicity, and Family Structure in America.” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, 2024.
10. Pal, Arijita, and Tim Slack. “Unequal Hardship: Exploring the Intersection of Food Insecurity, Race/Ethnicity, and Family Structure in America.” Versions presented at the annual meetings of the Mid-South Sociological Association, New Orleans, LA, 2023, at the PAA Applied Demography Conference (online), 2024, and the annual meetings of the Southwestern Social Science Association, New Orleans, LA, 2024.
11. Slack, Tim. “Land Loss in Coastal Louisiana: A Rural-Urban Interface Issue.” Presentation at the NSF SRS RN Workshop on Convergent Sea Level Rise Adaptation for Urban and Rural Systems in the Gulf of Mexico, Miami, FL, 2023.
12. Slack, Tim, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Samuel Stroope, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Jonathan Sury, and Jeremy Brooks. “Oil Spill Exposure and Psychological Resilience: Does Type of Exposure Matter?” Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Denver, CO, 2022.
13. Slack, Tim, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Samuel Stroope, Kathryn Sweet Keating, Jaishree Beedasy, Thomas Chandler, Jonathan Sury, and Jeremy Brooks. “BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Exposure and Psychological Resilience.” Poster presented at the Gulf of Mexico Conference, Baton Rouge, LA, 2022.

TEACHING

Total number of students completed (through Spring 2026): 5,568

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate Level

SOCL 2001: Introductory Sociology

SOCL 2002: Honors Introductory Sociology

SOCL 3505: Poverty in the United States

SOCL 4091: Rural and Small-Town America

SOCL 4351: Rural Social Organization

Graduate Level

SOCL 7591: Poverty in the United States

SOCL 7351: Rural Social Organization

SOCL 7391: Social Stratification

SOCL 7903: Pro-Seminar in Sociology

GRADUATE COMMITTEES

Dissertation/Thesis Chair (placement in parentheses)

Present	Muhammad Saifuddin, Ph.D. Committee Co-Chair (with Kevin Smiley).
Present	Arijita Pal, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Chair.
Present	Carine Morrot de Oliveira Villasanti, M.A. Committee Chair.
Present	Asal Amini, M.A. Committee Chair.
Present	Iretiayo Akinjo, M.A. Committee Chair.
2024	Nicholas Van De Voorde, Ph.D. Committee Co-Chair (with Mike Barton). (Adams State University)
2023	Arijita Pal, Sociology, M.A. Committee Chair.
2020	Kathryn Keating, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Chair. (Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council)
2019	Vanessa Parks, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Chair. (RAND Corporation)
2018	Kathryn Keating, Sociology, M.A. Committee Chair.
2015	Michael Cope, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Chair. (Brigham Young University)
2012	Candice Myers, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Chair. (Pennington Biomedical Research Center)
2011	Michael Cope, Sociology, M.A. Committee Chair.
2007	Candice Myers, Sociology, M.A. Committee Chair.

Dissertation/Thesis Committee Member

Present	Marisa Karpinski (Geography), Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Elizabeth Ratcliffe (Kinesiology), Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Kaththiriarachchilage “Naduni” Jayasinghe, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Brooke Barrett, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Muhammad Saifuddin, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	KayLynn Larrison, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Katherine Seals, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Katie Patton, Ph.D. Committee Member.
Present	Jonathan Yevuyibor, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2025	Shriya Thakkar, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2025	Muhammad Saifuddin, M.A. Committee Member.
2024	Marcus Venable, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2023	Katherine Seals, M.A. Committee Member.
2023	Jennifer LaRose, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2022	Kyle Breen, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2018	Kyle Breen, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2016	Leah Drakeford, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2015	Kayla Fontenot, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2015	Hyojung Kim, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2014	Emily Blosser, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2014	Joseph Clark, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2013	Sarah Walsh, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Member.

2013	Nile Patterson, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2012	Kira Arthurs, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2011	Aaryn Ward, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2007	Russell Davis, Sociology, Ph.D. Committee Member.
2007	Kayla Fontenot, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2007	Raymond Baranco, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.
2006	Michael Boutte, Sociology, M.A. Committee Member.

Dean's Representative

2025	Sean Reagan, Environmental Sciences, Ph.D.
2021	Heather Lavender, Curriculum and Instruction, Ph.D.
2017	Celena Trahan, Human Resource and Leadership Development, Ph.D.
2012	William Bertollette, History, Ph.D.
2012	Thomas Johnson, Liberal Arts, M.A.
2010	Khata Jabor, Human Resource Education and Workforce Development, Ph.D.
2007	Fen Yu, Educational Leadership and Research, Ph.D.

Additional Teaching Activities

2024	Gabriele Trosclair, Sociology, Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee.
2023	Z Rigamer, Psychology, Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee.
2011	Chad Gremillion, Psychology, Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee.
2007	Christina Wolfe, Sociology, McNair Scholars Research Advisor.

SERVICE

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Chair, Joint Committee to Revitalize Stubbs Hall (with Poli Sci), 2022–2026.

Member, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2024–2026.

Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2023. Three positions.

Member, Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2017–2021.

Member, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2018–2020.

Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2019. One position.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2013–2015.

Chair, Undergraduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2013–2015.

Website Coordinator, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2009–2015.

Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2014. Three positions.

Chair, Metrics and Assessment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2013–2014.

Member, Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2013–2014.

Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2013.

Member, Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2012–2014.

Coordinator, Social Inequality Area, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2009–2012.

Member, Undergraduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2010–2012.

Member, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2007–2009.

Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2006–2007.

Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2005–2006.

Member, Tenure and Promotions Criteria Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2005–2006.

Member, Undergraduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, 2004–2006.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Member, LSU PS-109 Advisory Board to the Provost, Unsatisfactory Job Performance and Performance Improvement of Tenured Faculty, 2022–Present.

Member, LSU Courses and Curricula Committee, 2019–2021.

Member, LSU Faculty Adjudication Committee, 2015–2021.

LSU Representative for Coastal Social Science Initiatives, Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA), 2013–2023.

Reviewer, Manship Summer Research Awards, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Louisiana State University, 2017.

Member, Committee on Academic Planning and Program Evaluations, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Louisiana State University, 2013–2015.

Member, Committee to develop a Graduate Certificate in Community Engagement, Graduate School, Louisiana State University, 2013–2015.

Faculty Representative, Student Union Advisory Board, Louisiana State University, 2009–2011.

Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Stipend Program, Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, 2010.

University Faculty Senator, Louisiana State University, 2009.

Core Planning Team, Poverty Multidisciplinary Hiring Initiative (MHI), (PI Pamela Monroe), Louisiana State University, Office of Research and Economic Development, 2008. (Awarded, but subsequently cancelled due to sponsor budgetary constraints).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Activities

Guest Editor, special issue on “Policies, Politics, and the Wellbeing of Rural People and Places,” *Rural Sociology*, forthcoming.

Associate Editor, *Rural Sociology*, 2005–2009, 2021–2024.

Guest Editor, special issue on “The Changing Demography of Rural and Small-Town America,” *Population Research and Policy Review*, 2020.

Editorial Board, *Demography*, 2016–2020.

Editorial Board, *Population Research and Policy Review*, 2012–2020.

Ad Hoc Reviewer

American Journal of Sociology; American Sociological Review; Archives of Public Health; Cities; Community Development; Demography; Demographic Research; Economic Research Service Information Bulletin Series; International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health; International Migration Review; International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy; Growth and Change; Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management; Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences; Journal of Health and Social Behavior; Journal of Rural Social Sciences; Natural Hazards; Population and Environment; Obesity; Oxford University Press; Policy Press at the University of Bristol; Population Research and Policy Review; Public Health Reports; Race and Social Problems; Rural Sociology; Social Forces; Social Problems; Society and Natural Resources; Sociological Focus; Sociological Inquiry; Social Science and Medicine; Social Science Research; Social Service Review; Sociological Spectrum; Sociological Theory; Socius; Spatial Demography; The Social Science Journal; The Sociological Quarterly; University of Minnesota Press; West Virginia University Press.

Panels and Boards

Member, Portrait of Louisiana Advisory Panel, Measure of America, Social Science Research Council, 2020.

Member, National Advisory Committee, “Assessing Policy Innovations for Reducing Rural Poverty: A Research Conference Marking the 50th Anniversary of the People Left Behind.” 2017–2018.

Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Innovation and Development Grants in Economics Program (RIDGE) Center for Targeted Studies Board, 2015–2016.

Turning the Tide on Poverty: Creating Vibrant Communities Together, Everyday Democracy and the Southern Rural Development Center (SRDC), 2009.

Ad Hoc External Grant Reviewer

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Southern Rural Development Center (SRDC)

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Elected Positions

President-Elect, Rural Sociological Society, 2026–2027.

Vice President, Rural Sociological Society, 2024–2025.

Chair, Population Research Interest Group, Rural Sociological Society, 2018–2019.

Chair, W2001: Rural Population Dynamics and Change, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (CSREES), Multistate Research Project, 2009–2011.

Member, Nominations Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2009–2010.

Chair, Rural Poverty Research Interest Group, Rural Sociological Society, 2006–2007.

Other Professional Service Activities

Co-Chair, Program for the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, Canada, 2016.

Chair, Publications Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2011–2012.

Member, Publications Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2011–2014.

Member, Professional Communications Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2006–2009.

Member, Program Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2007.

Member, Standing Committee on Research and Interest Groups, Rural Sociological Society, 2007.

Member, Program Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2006.

Member, Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2003–2006.

Member (graduate student), Professional Communications Committee, Rural Sociological Society, 2002–2003.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Population Association of America (PAA)

Rural Population Research Network (RPRN)

Rural Sociological Society (RSS)

Scholar Strategy Network (SSN)

Southern Demographic Association (SDA)

REFERENCES

Available upon request.