

**Curriculum Vitae**  
**KATIE E. CORCORAN**

Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
West Virginia University  
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Morgantown, WV 26506-6326

**Academic Positions**

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**Professor**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, West Virginia University (2023-).

**Associate Professor**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, West Virginia University (2020-2023).

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, West Virginia University (2015-2020).

**Post-doctoral Research Fellow**, Institute for Studies of Religion, Baylor University (January 2013-July 2015).

**Education**

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**Ph.D. in Sociology**, University of Washington (December 2012). *Committee*: Steven Pfaff (chair), James Kitts, Edgar Kiser, and James Wellman.

**Certification in Social Statistics**, from the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences (CSSS). (2011).

**M.A. in International Studies (Comparative Religion) with Honors**, University of Washington (2009). *Committee*: James Wellman (chair), James Kitts, and Steven Pfaff.

**M.A. in Sociology**, University of Washington (2006). *Committee*: Steven Pfaff (chair) and James Kitts.

**B.A. in Sociology with Distinction and Comparative Religion, Magna Cum Laude**, University of Washington (2004).

**Research Interests**

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Health, Science, Religion, Emotion, Criminology, Organizations, Social Networks, and Social Psychology.

## Research Grants

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**National Science Foundation.** *PI*, “[Collaborative Research: HNDS-R Networks and Health Disparities in Delays in Diagnosis of Medical Conditions with Ambiguous Symptoms.](#)” **\$403,730** (2023-2026), PIs: Diego Leal and Sydney Martinez.

**Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).** *Co-PI*, “Building Capacity to make an IMPACT for Intestinal Malrotation through PCOR/CER.” **\$249,995**, (2023-2025), PI: Sydney Martinez.

**John Templeton Foundation.** *PI*, “[Measuring and Assessing Multiple Religious Identities, Affiliations, and Congregational Memberships.](#)” **\$233,060**, (2023-2026). *Co-PI*: Christopher Scheitle.

**Explaining Atheism: The Causal Origins of Individual and Societal Non-belief.** *PI*, “[Social Location and Predictors of Adopting an Atheistic Worldview in the United States.](#)” **\$81,887**, (2022-2024). *Co-PI*: Christopher Scheitle.

**National Science Foundation.** *Co-PI*. “[The Effects of Group Closure and Organizational Network Ties in Closed Populations During a Pandemic.](#)” **\$258,721**, (2021-2024). Principal Investigator: Rachel Stein; *co-PI*: Corey Colyer.

**Sociology of Science and Religion: Identity and Belief Formation Grant.** *Co-PI*, “[Religion, Science, and the Enchanted Worldview.](#)” **\$167,797**, (2020-2023). Principal Investigator: Christopher Scheitle.

**International Research Network for the Study of Belief and Science.** *Co-PI*, “Lived Experiences of Closed Religious Congregations During a Global Pandemic: The Amish and Mennonite Response to COVID-19 Medical Guidelines.” **\$23,518**, (2020). Principal Investigator: Rachel Stein; *co-PI*: Corey Colyer.

**West Virginia University Humanities Center.** *Co-PI*, “Experiencing the Pandemic in a Closed Religious Group: The Amish and COVID-19.” **\$4,507**, (2020). Principal Investigator: Rachel Stein; *co-PI*: Corey Colyer.

**Sociology-Anthropology Excellence in Research Fund.** *PI*, “Twisted up Inside: Prevalence, Delayed Diagnosis, and Health Outcomes of Infants and Children Diagnosed with Intestinal Malrotation.” **\$4,800** (2020).

**Lake Institute Network of Emerging Scholars (LINES) Research Award.** *PI*, “Religion and Formal and Informal Giving: A Contextual and Multilevel Analysis.” **\$2,975** (August 2015).

**The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion,** Student Research Grant, **\$1,500** (2012).

## Books

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- 2020 Wellman, James K. Jr., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Kate Stockly.\* *High on God: How Megachurches Won The Heart of America*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2014 Stark, Rodney and **Katie E. Corcoran**. *Religious Hostility: A Global Assessment of Hatred and Terror*. Waco: ISR Books.

## Peer-Reviewed Articles

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- Forthcoming** **Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “Paranormal Beliefs, Vaccine Confidence, and COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake.” *Sociology of Religion*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/socrel/srac024>
- Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Shah Alam. “A Clash of Power: Church, State, and the Person.” *Sociological Inquiry* **Conditionally accepted.**
- 2023** **Corcoran, Katie E.**, Stephanie M. House-Niamke\*, Warren Bird, and Scott L. Thumma. “[Eating Your Cake and Having It Too: US Megachurches and Factors Associated with Attending Multiple Congregations.](#)” *Review of Religious Research* 64: 807-828.
- Martinez, Sydney, Scott C. Fligor, Savas Tsikis, Meagan Short, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Amy Rogers, Kathleen M. Gura, and Mark Puder. “[IMPOWER: A National Patient-Generated Registry for Intestinal Malrotation Exploring Diagnosis, Treatment, and Surgical Outcomes.](#)” *Orphanet Journal of Rare Diseases* 18: 113.
- 2022** Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “[Echo Chambers in a Closed Community: Vaccine Uptake and Perceived Effectiveness among the Amish and Old Order Mennonites.](#)” *The Sociological Quarterly* 64(1): 165-186.
- Corcoran, Katie E.**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, Sara K. Guthrie\*, and Annette M. Mackay\*. “[Rituals of Contagion in Closed Religious Communities: A Case Study of Amish and Mennonite Communities in the United States During the Beginning of the COVID-19 Pandemic.](#)” *Journal of Religion and Health* 61(5): 4260-4281.
- Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Annette M. Mackay\*. “[Amish Population Pyramids: Demographic Patterns across Affiliations in the Holmes County Ohio Settlement.](#)” *The Journal of Plain Anabaptist Communities* 3(1): 30-53.

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\* Denotes graduate student author.

## Peer-Reviewed Articles Continued

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2022 DiGregorio, Bernard D. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Christopher P. Scheitle. “[‘God will protect us’: Belief in God/Higher Power’s Ability to Intervene and COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake.](#)” *Review of Religious Research* 64(3): 475-495.

Scheitle, Christopher P. and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Endorsement of Religion-Science Conflict as an Expression of Group Solidarity among Graduate Students in the Sciences.” *Sociology of Religion* 83(1): 79-101.

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “[Individual’s Use of Religion in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic as Complementary to Their Use of Medically Recommended Responses.](#)” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 61(2): 293-313.

2021 **Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “[Christian Nationalism and COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy and Uptake.](#)” *Vaccine* 39(45): 6614-6621.

Scheitle, Christopher P. and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “[COVID-19 Skepticism in Relation to Other Forms of Science Skepticism.](#)” *Socius* 7.

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Ellory Dabbs\*. “[Multiple \(Non\)Religious Identities Leads to Undercounting Religious Nones and Asian Religious Identities.](#)” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 60(2): 424-441.

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, Annette M. Mackay\*, and Sara K. Guthrie\*. “[Global Contexts: How Countries Shape the COVID-19 Experience of Amish and Mennonite Missionaries Abroad.](#)” Special Issue: Religion and Public Health Threats in the 21st Century, *Religions* 12(1): 1-18.

Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, Annette M. Mackay\*, and Sara K. Guthrie\*. “[Closed but Not Protected: Excess Deaths Among the Amish and Mennonites During the COVID-19 Pandemic.](#)” *Journal of Religion and Health* 60: 3230-3244.

DiGregorio, Bernard D. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, and Rachel E. Stein. “[‘When the Waves Roll High’: Religious Coping among the Amish and Mennonites During the COVID-19 Pandemic.](#)” Special Issue Pandemic, Religion and Non-religion, *Religions* 12(9): 1-17.

## Peer-Reviewed Articles Continued

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- 2021** Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, Carina Perrone\*, and Jeralynn S. Cossman. "[The Influence of Reproductive History on Post-Reproductive Mortality: A Case Study of Amish Women](#)." *The Journal of Plain Anabaptist Communities* 2(1): 62-79.
- 2020** **Corcoran, Katie E.**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, and Brittany M. Kowalski\*. "Familial Ties, Location of Occupation, and Congregational Exit in Geographically-Based Congregations: A Case Study of the Amish." *Review of Religious Research*, 63: 245-268.
- Scheitle, Christopher P. and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "More than Nothing: Examining the Worldview Influences of Nonreligious College Students." *Review of Religious Research* 62: 249-271.
- Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, Brittany M. Kowalski\*, and Corey J. Colyer. "Congregational Cohesion, Retention, and the Consequences of Size Reduction: A Longitudinal Network Analysis of An Old Order Amish Congregation." *Sociology of Religion* 81(2): 206-229.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** and Rodney Stark. "Region, Routine Activities, and Violent Victimization: A Cross-National, Multilevel Analysis of 112 Countries." *International Review of Victimology* 26(2): 234-252.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** "Emotion, Religion, and Civic Engagement: A Multilevel Analysis of U.S. Congregations." *Sociology of Religion* 81(1): 20-44.
- Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher Scheitle, and Erin Hudnall\*. "Organizational Activities and Property Crime Victimization." *The Sociological Quarterly* 61(1): 164-186.
- 2019** **Corcoran, Katie E.** "Religious Capital Specificity: Predicting Member Retention." *Interdisciplinary Journal for Research on Religion* Volume 15, Article 1.
- Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Corey J. Colyer. "Fostering Interaction in a Strict Non-communal Group: A Case Study of Amish Visiting Practices." *Interdisciplinary Journal for Research on Religion* Volume 15, Article 3.
- Hudnall, Erin B. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Christopher P. Scheitle. "Is West Virginia A Religious Void? An Empirical Investigation." *Review of Religious Research* 61(2): 109-118.

## Peer-Reviewed Articles Continued

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- 2019** Scheitle, Christopher P, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Erin Hudnall\*. "Adopting a Stigmatized Label: Social Determinants of Identifying as an Atheist beyond Disbelief." *Social Forces* 97(4): 1731-1756.
- 2018** Scheitle, Christopher P., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Caitlin Halligan\*. "The Rise of the Nones and the Changing Relationships between Identity, Belief, and Behavior." *Journal of Contemporary Religion* 33(3): 567-579.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** and Rodney Stark. "Culture, Region, and Cross-National Violent Crime." *Sociological Forum* 33(2): 310-333.
- Scheitle, Christopher P. and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Religious Tradition and Workplace Religious Discrimination: The Moderating Effects of Regional Context." *Social Currents* 5(3): 283-300.
- Wurpts, Bernd\*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Steven Pfaff. "The Hanseatic League and the Coming of the Reformation: Urban Networks, Social Diffusion and the Adoption of Protestantism." *Social Science History* 42(2): 213-244.
- Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. "A Double-Edged Sword: The Countervailing Effects of Religion on Cross-National Crime." *Social Science Quarterly* 99(1): 377-389.
- 2017** Snedker, Karen, Lindsey Beach\*, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Beyond the 'Revolving Door'? Reducing Criminal Recidivism in One Mental Health Court." *Criminal Justice and Behavior: An International Journal* 44(9): 1141-1162.
- 2016** **Corcoran, Katie E.** and James K. Wellman Jr. "'People Forget He's Human': Charismatic Leadership in Institutionalized Religion." *Sociology of Religion* 77(4): 309-333.
- Pfaff, Steven, Michael Hechter, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "The Problem of Solidarity in Insurgent Collective Action: The Nore Mutiny of 1797." *Social Science History* 40(2): 247-270.
- 2015** **Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Jacob T.N. Young. "Perceptions of Societal Injustice and Efficacy: Participation in Low/Moderate/High-Cost Collective Action." *Sociological Inquiry* 85(3): 429-461.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** "Thinkers and Feelers: Emotion and Giving." *Social Science Research* 52: 686-700.

## Peer-Reviewed Articles Continued

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- 2014** Wellman, James K. Jr., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Kate Stockly-Meyerdirk\*. "God is like a Drug.: Explaining Interaction Rituals in American Megachurches." *Sociological Forum* 29(3): 650-672.
- 2013** Wellman, James K. Jr. and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Religion and Regional Culture: Embedding Religious Commitment within Place." *Sociology of Religion* 74(4): 496-520.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** "Divine Exchanges: Applying Social Exchange Theory to Religious Behavior." *Rationality and Society* 25(3): 335-369.
- 2012** Pfaff, Steven and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Piety, Power, and the Purse: The Political Religious Economies Theory and Urban Reform in the Holy Roman Empire." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 51(4): 757-776.
- Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. "Religion and the Acceptability of White-Collar Crime: A Cross-National Analysis." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 51(3): 542-567.
- Winner of the 2011 *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Student Paper Award*.
- Corcoran, Katie E.** "Religious Human Capital Revisited: Testing the Effect of Religious Human Capital on Religious Participation." *Rationality and Society* 24(3): 343-379.
- Winner of the 2011 *Rationality and Society Student Paper Award*.
- 2011** **Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Jacob T. N. Young. "The Context of Control: A Cross-National Investigation of the Link between Political Institutions, Efficacy, and Collective Action." *British Journal of Social Psychology* 50(4): 575-605.

## Peer-Reviewed Book-Chapters

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- Forthcoming** Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Symbolic Separation: The Amish and 21st Century Technologies." In *People, Technology, and Social Organization: Interactionist Studies of Everyday Life*, edited by Dirk vom Lehn, Will Gibson and Natalia Ruiz-Junco. Routledge.

## Peer-Reviewed Book-Chapters Continued

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- 2022** Wellman, James K. Jr and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “The Precarious Nature of Cascadia’s Protestants: New Strategies for Evangelical and Liberal Christians in the Region.” In *Religion at the Edge: Nature, Spirituality, and Secularity in the Pacific Northwest* (pp 163-183), edited by Paul Bramadat, Patricia O’Connell Killen, and Sarah Wilkins-Laflamme. University of British Columbia Press.
- 2020** Wellman, James K., Katie E. Corcoran, and Kate J. Stockly\*. “Megachurches as Total Environments.” In *Handbook of Megachurches* (pp 152-171). Brill.

## Other Publications

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- 2014** Johnson, Byron, William Wubbenhorst, Curtis Schroeder, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Stronger Families, Stronger Society: An Analysis of The RIDGE Project, Inc.” Institute for Studies of Religion (ISR Research Report), Baylor University.
- 2012** **Corcoran, Katie E.** and James A. Kitts. “Communitarianism: Industrial Experiments.” In *Encyclopedia of American Reform Movements, Facts on File*.
- Pfaff, Steven and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Seattle Protests.” In *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Globalization*, George Ritzer (ed.) Wiley-Blackwell Publishing.

## Papers Under Review

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- Stein, Rachel E., Corey J. Colyer, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Annette M. Mackay. “Pathways to immunity: Patterns of excess death across the United States and within closed religious communities.” *Revise & Resubmit, minor revisions*.
- Corcoran, Katie E.**, Corey J. Colyer, Annette M. Mackay, and Rachel E. Stein. “Funeral Directors as Street-Level Bureaucrats of COVID-19 Mandates in Plain Communities: A Case Study of Amish Obituaries and Funeral Practices.” *Revise & Resubmit*.
- Scheitle, Christopher P., Bernard D. DiGregorio\*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Sara K. Guthrie\*. “COVID-19 Pandemic’s Impact on the Public’s Confidence in the Scientific Community: The Role of Personal Contact.” *Revise & Resubmit*.
- Mackey, Cameron, Kimberly Rios, Christopher P. Scheitle, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Bernard D. DiGregorio. “Religion on the Mind: Examining Question Ordering Effects When Asking About Science on Large-Scale Surveys.” *Revise & Resubmit*.

## **Papers Under Review Continued**

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**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*.

“Secularization and Disenchantment: Education, Income, and Belief in Religious and Paranormal Phenomena.”

Remsburg, Taylor\*, Christopher P. Scheitle, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Witches, Magic, and Crystals: Assessing Differences in Paranormal Beliefs and Paranormal Engagement across Sexual Identity Groups Using National Survey Data.”

Bernard D. DiGregorio\*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Christopher P. Scheitle. “Lord, Destroy my Enemies: Correlates of Hostile Prayer using a U.S. Nationally Representative Survey.”

Scheitle, Christopher P., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “Questions of Truth vs Questions of Trust. Specifying Connections Between Religiosity, Political Conservatism, and Attitudes Toward Science.”

Scheitle, Christopher P., Bernard D. DiGregorio\*, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Strange Affinities in the Search for Personalized Health: New Age Practices and Genetic Testing.”

## **Research Honors, Awards, and Fellowships**

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**Bridge Faculty Fellows**, West Virginia University (2023-2024).

**Big 12 Faculty Fellowship**, West Virginia University (2023-2024).

**Research Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award**, West Virginia University with Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, and Sara K. Guthrie (2021).

**Best Student Paper Award**, the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion: “Religion and the Acceptability of White-Collar Crime: A Cross-National Analysis.” With David Pettinicchio and Blaine Robbins (2011).

**Best Graduate Student Paper Award**, the American Sociological Association, Rationality and Society section: “Religious Human Capital Revisited: Testing the Effect of Religious Human Capital on Religious Participation” (2011).

**Otto Larsen Dissertation Award**, Sociology Department, University of Washington, (2010-2011).

## **Teaching Honors and Awards**

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**Graduate Mentor of the Year Award** (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, West Virginia University, 2016-2017).

## **Teaching Honors and Awards Continued**

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**Excellence in Teaching Award** (Sociology Department, University of Washington, 2010-2011).

**Teaching Recognition** from the Dean of Sciences, University of Washington (2007).

**Excellence as a Teaching Assistant Award** (Sociology Department, University of Washington, 2006-2007).

## **Teaching Experience**

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### **West Virginia University**

*SOCA 393 – Special Topics, Sociology of Religion (2015-)*

*SOCA 304 – Complex Organizations (2015-)*

*SOCA 302 – Deviant Behavior (2016-)*

### **Graduate-level**

*SOCA 601 – Research and Writing Pro-Seminar (2017-)*

*SOCA 615 – Data Analysis 1 (2017-)*

*SOCA 690 – Teaching Practicum (2016-)*

*SOCA 720 – Individuals and Society (2018-)*

### **University of Washington**

*SOC 357 – Sociology of Religion (2007-2015).*

*SOC 494 – Sociology of Organizations and Work Practicum (2010-2012).*

*SOC 494 – Sociology of Education Practicum (2008-2009).*

*RELIG 254 – American Religion (2012)*

*Writing Tutor, Odegaard Library Writing and Recent Center. (2008-2012).*

## **Graduate Students**

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### **Current Ph.D. Students**

Erin Hudnall (chair)

Sara Guthrie (co-chair)

Annette Mackay (chair)

Lee Thorpe (chair)

Bernard DiGregorio (chair)

Stephanie House-Niamke (chair)

Kathryn Burnham (committee)

Matthew Hartwell (committee)

Summer Kuhn (committee)

Taylor Remsburg (committee)

Carina Perrone (committee)

Amanda Chappell (committee)

### **Current Position**

Youth and Community Engagement Lab, WVU

Assistant Professor, SUNY, Oneonta

PRODiG Faculty Fellowship, SUNY

## Graduate Students Continued

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### Completed Ph.D.

Vivian Guetler (committee) Assistant Professor, University of Northern Colorado  
Mikaela Zimmerman (committee)

### Completed MA

Erin Hudnall (chair)  
Bernard DiGregorio (chair)  
Daniel Liedl (chair)  
Stephanie House-Niamke (chair)  
Shah Alam (committee)  
Mel Anton (committee)  
Caitlin Halligan (committee)  
Matthew Hartwell (committee)  
Emily Hawkins (committee)  
Summer Kuhn (committee)

## Invited Presentations

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**Corcoran, Katie E.** Invited Panel: “Life (and Employment?) After Graduate School: A Discussion with Recent Ph.Ds.” Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Atlanta (November 2022).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** Invited Panel: “Navigating the Job Market.” Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Atlanta (October 2016).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Emotion, Religion, and Civic Engagement: A Multilevel Analysis of U.S. Congregations.” Presented at the Lake Institute Network of Emerging Scholars (LINES) inaugural workshop, Indianapolis (April 2015).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** and Rodney Stark. “Religious Persecution.” Presented at the Meeting of the Religion Newswriters Association, Atlanta (September 2014).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Religious Capital Specificity: Explaining Member Commitment and Retention.” Invited Session. Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver (August 2012).

## Conference Presentations

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Scheitle, Christopher P., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. “Questions of Truth, Questions of Trust: Specifying Connections between Religiosity, Christian Nationalism, Political Ideology, and Views on Science and Scientists.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

## **Conference Presentations Continued**

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Stein, Rachel E., Corey J. Colyer, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Annette M. Mackay\*. “Pathways to Immunity: Comparing Patterns of Excess Death across the U.S. and a Closed Religious Community.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, Annette M. Mackay\*. “Funeral Directors as Street-Level Bureaucrats of COVID-19 Mandates in Plain Communities: A Case Study of Amish Obituaries and Funeral Practices.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

DiGregorio, Bernard D.\*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Christopher P. Scheitle. “‘God will protect us’: Belief in God/Higher Power’s Ability to Intervene and COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “New Movements in the Old Order: A Case Study of an Amish Separatist Movement.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, and Sara K. Guthrie\*. “‘Get All the Sunshine You Can’: COVID-19 Misinformation among US Amish and Mennonite Communities.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD (November 2022).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Bernard D. DiGregorio\*. 2022. “Paranormal Beliefs, Vaccine Confidence, and COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake.” Presentation at the American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, CA (August 2022).

Scheitle, Christopher P., Bernard D. DiGregorio\*, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Strange Affinities in the Search for Personalized Health: Crystals, Acupuncture, and DNA Tests.” Presentation at the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Los Angeles, CA (August 2022).

Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Annette M. Mackay\*. “Amish Population Pyramids: Demographic Patterns across Affiliations in the Holmes County Ohio Settlement.” Amish Conference, Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA (June 2022).

## **Conference Presentations Continued**

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Mackay, Annette M. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, and Sara K. Guthrie \*. “Funeral Directors as Street-Level Bureaucrats of COVID-19 Mandates in Plain Communities: A Case Study of Amish Obituaries and Funeral Practices.” Amish Conference, Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA (June 2022).

DiGregorio, Bernard D. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, and Rachel E. Stein. “Who are the Amish?: Perceptions of Group Boundaries between Amish and Non-Amish during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Amish Conference, Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA (June 2022).

Guthrie, Sara K. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Rachel E. Stein, and Corey J. Colyer. “I Read it in the Budget: Health Information and Political Sentiments at the Onset of COVID-19.” Amish Conference, Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA (June 2022).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Corey J. Colyer, Rachel E. Stein, and Bernard D. DiGregorio \*. “Easy Targets: Religious Vulnerability to Predatory Crime.” Annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis, IN (March/April 2022).

Colyer, Corey J., Rachel E. Stein, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Shah Alam \*. “A Clash of Powers: Church, State, and the Person.” Annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis, IN (March/April 2022).

Vac, Aleksandra \*, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “Defining Deviance: A Case Study of “Breakaway Amish” in the News Media.” Annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association, Indianapolis, IN (March/April 2022).

Stein, Rachel E., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Corey J. Colyer. “Closed but not Protected: Excess Deaths among the Amish and Mennonites During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Annual meeting of the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR (October 2021).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Corey J. Colyer, Rachel E. Stein, Annette M. Mackay \*, and Sara K. Guthrie \*. “Global Contexts: How Countries Shape the COVID-19 Experience of Amish and Mennonite Missionaries Abroad.” Annual meeting of the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR (October 2021).

DiGregorio, Bernard D. \*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, Corey J. Colyer, and Rachel E. Stein. 2021. ““When the Waves Roll High’: Religious Coping among the Amish and Mennonites During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Annual meeting of the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR (October 2021).

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**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Rachel E. Stein, Corey J. Colyer, Sara K. Guthrie\* and Annette M. Mackay\*. “Rituals of Contagion in Closed Religious Communities: A Case Study of Amish and Mennonite Communities during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Annual meeting of the Religious Research Association, Portland, OR (October 2021).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** and Stephanie M. House-Niamke\*. “Factors Predicting Attending Multiple Congregations in the United States.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion conference, Portland, OR (October 2021).

Scheitle, Christopher P., **Katie E. Corcoran** and Erin Hudnall\*. “Adopting a Stigmatized Label: Social Determinants of Identifying as an Atheist beyond Disbelief.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Las Vegas, Nevada (October 26, 2018).

Wurpts, Bernd\*, **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Steven Pfaff. “The Hanseatic League and the Coming of the Reformation: Urban Networks, Social Diffusion and the Adoption of Protestantism.” Presented at the Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Montreal, Quebec Canada (November 5, 2017).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Gender Inequality and Cross-National Homicide: An Analysis of 146 Countries.” Presented at the Meeting of the Southern Demographic Association, Morgantown, WV (October 27, 2017).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Christopher P. Scheitle, and Erin Hudnall\*. “Organizational Activities and Property Crime Victimization.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Washington D.C. (October 14, 2017).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** and Rodney Stark. “Cross-National Criminal Victimization: Confronting the Neglected Regional Effects.” Presented at the Meeting for the American Sociological Association, Seattle (August 2016).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Emotion, Religion, and Civic Engagement: A Multilevel Analysis of U.S. Congregations.” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Newport Beach (October 2015).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Gender Inequality and Cross-National Violent Crime: An Analysis of 146 Countries.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago (August 2015).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. “A Double-Edged Sword: The Countervailing Effects of Religion on Cross-National Crime.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco (August 2014).

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**Corcoran, Katie E.** and James K. Wellman Jr. ““People Forget He’s Human’: Charismatic Leadership in Institutionalized Religion.” Presented at the Meeting of the Scientific Study of Religion, Boston (November 2013).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Thinkers and Feelers: Emotion and Religious Giving.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York City (August 2013).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Thinkers and Feelers: Emotion and Religious Giving.” Presented at the Meeting of the Scientific Study of Religion, Phoenix (November 2012).

Wellman, James K., **Katie E. Corcoran**, and Kate Stockly-Meyerdirk. ““God is like a Drug..’: Explaining Interaction Rituals in American Megachurches.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver (August 2012).

Pfaff, Steven, Michael Hechter, and **Katie E. Corcoran**. "Solidarity and High-risk Collective Action: the Nore Mutiny of 1797." Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver (August 2012).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. “Religion and Attitudes toward White-Collar Crime” Presented at the Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Milwaukee (October 2011)

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, James K. Wellman, and Kate Stockly-Meyerdirk. “Dance of Desire: The Role of Emotions in American Megachurches.” Presented at the Meeting of Group Processes, Las Vegas (August 2011).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Divine Exchanges: Applying Social Exchange Theory to Religious Behavior.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas (August 2011).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Jacob T. N. Young. “The Context of Control: A Cross-National Investigation of the Link between Social Structure, Efficacy, and Collective Action.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Las Vegas (August 2011).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Rethinking Religious Human Capital.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta (August 2010).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. “Context Matters: A Cross National Analysis of the Effect of Religion on Crime.” Presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta (August 2010).

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**Corcoran, Katie E.**, Jacob T. N. Young, and David Pettinicchio. “A Cross-National Analysis of the Effect of Religion on Social Movement Participation.” Presented at the Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Atlanta (August 2010).

Pfaff, Steven and **Katie E. Corcoran**. “The Political Economy of the Reformation: Religious Monopoly, Political Regime, and Urban Reform in the Holy Roman Empire.” Presented at the Meeting of the Association of the Study of Religion Economics and Culture, Portland, Oregon (June 2010).

**Corcoran, Katie E.**, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine Robbins. “Belief, Ritual, and Moral Community: A Cross-National Analysis of the Effects of Religion on Tolerance of Crime.” Presented at the Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, San Francisco (August 2009).

**Corcoran, Katie E.** “Finding Faith and Fellowship Online: Using Social Network Analysis to Identify Virtual Religious Communities.” Presented at the Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, Boston (August 2008).

## **Service**

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**West Virginia University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology:**

Faculty Advisor for the Think Tank for Social Research on Cannabis, 2019-2021.

Co-director Survey Research Center, 2019-.

Co-director Online Graduate Certificate in Quantitative and Qualitative Social Science Research Methods, 2019-.

Hiring Committee Member, 2021-2022.

Graduate Student Awards Committee Member, 2021.

Graduate Program Committee Member, 2018-.

University Mission Hiring Committee 2020-2021.

Graduate Student Association Advisor, 2019, 2020-.

Speaker Series Chair, 2019-2020.

Graduate Student Awards Committee Member, 2020.

Faculty Evaluation Committee Member, 2018-2019.

## **Service Continued**

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Ad hoc Research Center Committee Member, 2018-2019.

Ad hoc Graduate Student Awards Committee Chair, 2019.

Undergraduate Program Committee Member, 2016-2018.

Social Science Cafe Committee Chair, 2016-2017.

Mary L. Thomas Lecture Series Committee Member, 2015-2016.

### **University of Washington, Department of Sociology:**

Elected Graduate Student Representative to the Undergraduate Committee, 2008-2011.

### **West Virginia University:**

Ad Hoc Methodology Committee Member, 2020-2021.

Graduate Council member, 2019-.

Operations and Systems Research in Acute Care Collaborative member, 2016-.

### **Discipline:**

National Science Foundation Panelist, 2021, 2022, 2023.

*Sociology of Religion* Editorial Board, 2020-.

*Review of Religious Research* Editorial Board, 2020-.

*Theory and Society*, Corresponding Editor, 2022-.

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Council Member, 2021-.

Religious Research Association, Publications Committee Chair, 2023-2024.

Religious Research Association, Publications Committee Member, 2022-2023.

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Book Award Committee Chair, 2021-2023.

American Sociological Association, Rationality and Society Section, Best Article Award, Committee Member, 2023.

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Publications Committee Member, 2019-2020.

American Sociological Association, Sociology of Religion Section, Roundtable co-Organizer, 2021-2022.

## **Service Continued**

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American Sociological Association, Sociology of Emotions Section, Ad Hoc Committee Member (Faculty-Student Mentor Program Committee), 2021-2022.

American Sociological Association, Rationality and Society Section Council Member, 2017-2019.

American Sociological Association, Mathematical Sociology Section Graduate Student Paper Award Committee Member, 2019.

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Membership Committee Member, 2018-2019.

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Membership Committee Chair, 2017-2018.

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Membership Committee Member, 2016-2017.

American Sociological Association, Mathematical Sociology Section Graduate Student Paper Award committee member, 2016.

American Sociological Association, Altruism, Morality and Social Solidarity Section Outstanding Published Article Award Committee Member, 2015.

American Sociological Association, Rationality and Society Section Graduate Student Paper Award Committee Member, 2011.

### Ad hoc Reviewer for

- Advances in Research: Religion and Society
- American Journal of Sociology
- American Sociological Review
- Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being
- British Journal of Sociology
- City and Community
- British Journal of Sociology
- European Journal of Social Psychology
- European Sociological Review
- Human Vaccines and Immunotherapeutics
- International Criminology
- International Journal for the Psychology of Religion
- International Journal for Qualitative Studies on Health & Well-being
- Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion
- Public Health Reports
- Public Understanding of Science
- Qualitative Sociology
- Rationality and Society
- Religions
- Review of Religious Research
- Social Compass
- Social Currents
- Social Forces
- Social Problems
- Social Psychology Quarterly
- Social Science Research
- Sociological Forum
- Sociological Inquiry

- Journal of Quantitative Criminology
- Law & Society Review
- Mobilization
- National Science Foundation
- New Media and Society
- PLOS ONE
- Political Behavior
- Soc. Methods and Research
- Sociological Perspective
- Sociology of Religion
- Socius
- The Sociological Quarterly
- Violence & Victims

**Community:**

Intestinal Malrotation Foundation, Scientific Advisor

End Preeclampsia non-profit organization, Volunteer Patient Advocate and Educator,  
Scientific Advisor.

**Media Coverage**

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“Christian Nationalism and COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy and Uptake.” *Vaccine* article.

- ABC Online
- Religion News Service
- Medical Express

“Closed but Not Protected: Excess Deaths Among the Amish and Mennonites During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Journal of Religion and Health* article.

- Scienmag
- The Medical News
- Medical Express
- Eurasia Review
- Insider.com
- WVnews

“Gender Inequality and Cross-National Violent Crime” presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois (August 2015).

- Yahoo! Finance, phys.org
- Medical Daily
- Money Talks News

“Divine Exchanges: Applying Social Exchange Theory to Religious Behavior.” *Rationality and Society* article.

- Science Blog
- Yahoo News
- Science Codex
- Phys.org
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- Livescience.com

“‘God is like a Drug..’: Explaining Interaction Rituals in American Megachurches” presented at the Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, Colorado (August 2012).

- Washington Post
- Seattle Weekly
- 24 Hours Vancouver
- King 5 News (TV)
- Sciencedaily.com
- Calgary Sun
- Huffington Post
- Edmonton Sun
- Orlando Sentinel
- Huffington Post U.K.
- Toronto Sun
- Livescience.com
- Science Codex
- Phys.org
- NBCnews.com
- Christian Century
- Christianity Today
- Science.orf.at
- Counsel & Heal.com
- Eureka! Science News
- Yahoo News