

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology (anticipated 2024)
 - University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
 - Advisor: Leslie Irvine, PhD
- Master of Science, Anthrozoology (2014)
 - Canisius College, Buffalo, NY
 - Thesis: *Cultivating Healing, Compassion, and Ethical Understanding Within a New Generation of Humane Veterinarians*. Advisor: Paul Waldau, PhD
- Master of Public Administration (2010)
 - Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI
 - Thesis: *Shelter from the Storm: Companion Animal Emergency Planning in Nine States*. Advisor: Robert Peters, PhD
- Bachelor of Arts, Psychology (2003)
 - Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Animals and society; social psychology; qualitative methods

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- Austin, Jessica. 2022. "I Suppose I'll be Patching You Up, As Usual': Women's Roles and Normative Femininity in a Team-based Video Game." *New Media and Society* 24(5):1116-1132.
- Peek, Lori, Heather Champeau, **Jessica Austin**, Mason Mathews, and Haorui Wu. 2020. "What Methods do Social Scientists use to Study Disasters? An Analysis of the Social Science Extreme Events Research Network." *American Behavioral Scientist* 64(8):1066-1094.
- **Austin, Jessica**, and Leslie Irvine. 2020. "'A Very Photogenic Cat': Personhood, Social Status, and Online Cat Photo Sharing." *Anthrozoös* 33(3):441-450.
- Austin, Jessica J. 2013. "Shelter from the Storm: Companion Animal Emergency Planning in Nine States." *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare* 40(4):185-210.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

- Peek, Lori, **Jessica Austin**, Elizabeth Bittel, Simone Domingue, and Melissa Villarreal. 2020. "Children Take Charge: Helping Behaviors and Organized Action among Young People after Hurricane Katrina." Pp. 87-111 in *Bottom-Up Responses to Crisis*, edited by V. Storr and S. Haefele. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Austin, Jessica J. 2016. "Beyond Coping: Active Mourning in the Animal Sheltering Community." Pp. 165-170 in *Mourning Animals: Rituals and Practices Surrounding Animal Death*, edited by M. DeMello. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press.

PUBLISHED DATASETS

- Peek, Lori, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. 2023. "2022 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-rjay-8g20>.
- Peek, Lori, Heather Champeau, and **Jessica Austin**. 2023. "2021 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-htk5-9w67>.
- Peek, Lori, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. 2022. "2020 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-arw3-9z86>.
- Peek, Lori, Mason Mathews, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. 2022. "2019 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-tkix-rf45>.
- Peek, Lori, Mason Mathews, Emma Hines, Haorui Wu, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. 2022. "2018 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-2qc4-fh48>.

EDITED COLLECTIONS

- Breeden, Jolie, Rachel Adams, **Jessica Austin**, Lori Peek, and Sandra Appiah, Editors. 2021. Special Collection on Mass Sheltering and Disasters. Volume 4, *Research Counts*. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://hazards.colorado.edu/news/research-counts/special-collection/mass-sheltering>.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Austin, Jessica. 2021. "A Call to Protect Both Humans and Non-Humans in Disaster." Review of *All Creatures Safe and Sound: The Social Landscape of Pets in Disasters* by Sarah E. DeYoung and Ashley K. Farmer. *Symbolic Interaction*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/symb.582>.

RESEARCH GUIDANCE

- West, Jocelyn, Heather Champeau, **Jessica Austin**, Candace M. Evans, Rachel M. Adams, and Lori Peek. 2022. *Reciprocity in Hazards and Disaster Research Training Module*. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://converge.colorado.edu/resources/training-modules>.
- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *Approaches to Sampling*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-ygx8-eh29>.
- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *Privacy Requirements and Use of Health Data*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-0bn5-dv59>.
- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *Social Science Methods*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-m96p-hn68>.
- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *Social Science Methods: Focus Groups*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-vcp2-jr78>.

- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *Social Science Methods: In-Depth, Semi Structured Interviews*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-mmhr-td76>.
- Peek, Lori, and **Jessica Austin**. (2020). *Social Science Methods: Observations*. CONVERGE Extreme Events Research Check Sheets Series. Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-4evc-4k10>.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- **Jessica Austin**, Heather Champeau, and Lori Peek. 2023. "2021 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Census," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-jw4k-6w60>.
- Champeau, Heather, **Jessica Austin**, and Lori Peek. 2022. "2020 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Census," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-v0xj-gw06>.
- Peek, Lori, Heather Champeau, and **Jessica Austin**. 2022. "2019 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Census," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-t0k5-3v04>.
- Peek, Lori, Haorui Wu, Mason Mathews, Heather Champeau, and **Jessica Austin**. 2022. "2018 Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Census," in *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Data, Survey Instrument, and Annual Census*. DesignSafe-CI. <https://doi.org/10.17603/ds2-Of0q-vz13>.
- Austin, Jessica. 2020. *All in the Family: Planning for Animals is Planning for People*. Research Counts, Special Collection on Mass Sheltering and Disasters. <https://hazards.colorado.edu/news/research-counts/all-in-the-family-planning-for-animals-is-planning-for-people>.

INVITED LECTURES

- Guest Lecturer for Animals and Society undergraduate course, University of Colorado. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Spring 2023.
- Guest Lecturer for Animals and Society undergraduate course, University of Colorado. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Spring 2022.
- Guest Lecturer for Animals and Society undergraduate course, University of Colorado. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Spring 2020.
- Guest Lecturer for Animals and Society undergraduate course, University of Colorado. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Spring 2019.
- Guest Lecturer for Animals and Society undergraduate course, University of Colorado. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Fall 2017.
- Guest Lecturer for Introduction to Anthrozoology graduate course, Canisius College. Topic: Veterinary ethics. Spring 2013.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Champeau, Heather, **Jessica Austin**, and Lori Peek. July 2023. *The Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network at Five: An Overview*. Poster presentation, 48th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Broomfield, CO.
- **Austin, Jessica**, Heather Champeau, and Lori Peek. July 2022. *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network: 2018-2020 Census Reports*. Poster presentation, 47th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Virtual.

- Austin, Jessica. August 2021. *Patching You Up, As Usual: Women and Gendered Labor in an Online Shooting Game*. Oral presentation, American Sociological Association conference, Communication, Information Technologies, and Media Sociology section roundtables. Virtual.
- Champeau, Heather, **Jessica Austin**, and Lori Peek. July 2021. *What Disasters Do Social Scientists Study? Social Science Extreme Events Research Network*. Poster presentation, 46th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Virtual.
- Peek, Lori, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. July 2021. *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network Annual Census*. Poster presentation, 46th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Virtual.
- Peek, Lori, **Jessica Austin**, and Heather Champeau. July 2020. *Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) Network and Web Map*. Poster presentation, 45th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop. Virtual.
- Austin, Jessica. November 2019. *On Cats' Photographs*. Oral presentation, Animals in Ethnography: Methods and Ethical Positionings conference. Paris, France.
- Austin, Jessica. July 2019. *'A Very Photogenic Cat': Sociological Aspects of Sharing Cat Photos Online*. Oral presentation, International Society for Anthrozoology annual conference. Orlando, FL.
- Austin, Jessica. March 2015. *Moral Stress, Meaning-making, and Mourning: How Shelter Employees Process Euthanasia*. Oral presentation, Living with Animals bi-annual conference. Richmond, KY.
- Austin, Jessica. July 2013. *Companion Animal Welfare in Disasters: An Assessment of Nine State Emergency Plans*. Poster presentation, International Society for Anthrozoology annual conference. Chicago, IL.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Scholar-in-Residence, Animal Studies Summer Institute. Summer 2023. Funded by the Brooks Institute and the Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- Summer Dissertation Grant. Summer 2023. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$1,350.
- National Science Foundation Non-Academic Research Internships for Graduate Students (INTERN) Supplemental Grant. Spring 2023. Professor Lori Peek, PI. \$38,238.
- Summer Dissertation Grant. Summer 2022. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$1,350.
- Summer Research Grant. Summer 2021. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$1,313.
- Graduate Research Assistant, Indirect Cost Recovery Seed Grant. Spring 2021. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. Professor Lori Peek, PI. \$4,668.
- Collaborative Research Award. Fall 2020. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$2,000.
- Summer Research Grant. Summer 2020. Funded by the Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado Boulder. \$750.
- Graduate Research Assistant, Indirect Cost Recovery Seed Grant. Spring 2020. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. Professor Lori Peek, PI. \$4,900.
- Third Year Paper Grant. Summer 2019. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$750.
- Conference Travel Grant. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. Fall 2019. \$500.
- Conference Travel Grant. Graduate School, University of Colorado Boulder. Fall 2019. \$300.
- Conference Travel Grant. United Government of Graduate Students, University of Colorado Boulder. Summer 2019. \$300.
- Summer Research Grant. Summer 2018. Funded by the Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. \$750.

- Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration, lifetime member

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Part-Time Instructor
 - Social Inequalities in Health - Summer 2021
 - Social Inequalities in Health - Summer 2020
- Graduate Teaching Assistant
 - Animals and Society - Spring 2019
 - Social Problems - Fall 2018
 - Introduction to Sociology - Spring 2018, Fall 2017

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Industry Fellow, Esri
 - January 2023-August 2023
- Data Manager, National Science Foundation CONVERGE Social Science Extreme Events Research network, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder
 - January 2020-present
- Graduate Research Assistant, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder
 - August 2018-present
- Program and Communications Coordinator, Safe States Alliance, Atlanta, GA
 - January 2017-September 2017
- Public Health Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA
 - September 2012-January 2017
- Health Policy Analyst, Michigan Department of Community Health, Lansing, MI
 - December 2008-July 2012

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Mentor, National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates program, June 2021-August 2021.
- Peer Mentor, Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. 2018-2019, 2020-2021.

DEPARTMENTAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Graduate Student Representative, Institute of Behavioral Science, Environment and Society Program Director Hiring Committee. 2022.
- Faculty Meeting Liaison, Department of Sociology, University of Colorado. 2020-2021.
- Social Media Volunteer, Animals and Society Section, American Sociological Association. 2020-2021.
- Student Representative, Animals and Society Section, American Sociological Association. 2019-2021.
- Climate Survey Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Colorado. 2019-2020.
- Professionalization Seminar Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Colorado. 2019-2019.
- Graduate School Blog Liaison, Department of Anthrozoology, Canisius College. 2015-2016.
- Grant Reviewer, American Veterinary Medical Foundation, Unsolicited Grants Committee. 2013-2015.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Sociological Association - Student Member
 - Animals and Society Section

- Social Psychology Section
- Communication, Information Technologies, and Media Sociology
- Animals and Society Institute - Scholar Member

REFERENCES

- Leslie Irvine, PhD. Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Colorado Boulder. leslie.irvine@colorado.edu
- Lori Peek, PhD. Professor, Department of Sociology; Director, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. lori.peek@colorado.edu
- Margo DeMello, PhD. Assistant Professor, Anthrozoology Department, Carroll College. margo@rabbit.org