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James D. Bachmeier

Appointments & Affiliations

2019-present	Associate Professor of Sociology, Temple University
2013 – 2019	Assistant Professor of Sociology, Temple University
2021 - present	External Associate, Population Research Institute, The Pennsylvania State University
2015 – present	Non-Resident Research Fellow, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC
2011 – 2013	Post-Doctoral Research Associate Population Research Institute, The Pennsylvania State University
2010 – 2011	Research Associate Center for Research on Immigration, University of California, Irvine

Education

2010	Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Irvine
2007	MA, Sociology, University of California, Irvine
1998	BA, Philosophy and Literature, St. Mary's University, Texas

Books

Van Hook, Jennifer, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2024. *Texas-Style Exclusion: Mexican Americans and the Legacy of Limited Opportunity*. New York, NY: Russell Sage Foundation.

<https://www.russellsage.org/publications/texas-style-exclusion>

Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2015. *Parents without Papers: The Progress and Pitfalls of Mexican-American Integration*. New York, NY: Russell Sage.

- Winner of the 2016 Otis Dudley Duncan Book Award, American Sociological Association, Sociology of Population Section
- Honorable Mention, 2016 Thomas and Znaniecki Book Award, American Sociological Association, International Migration Section

Recent Awards

- Winner of the 2025-2026 Edward Buthusiem Faculty Research Award in the College of Liberal Arts at Temple University.
- August 2021- July 2022 Visiting Scholars Program, Russell Sage Foundation, New York, NY

- 2023-2027. Legal Status Exposure, Health, and Kinship Networks among Latino Immigrants. Award from the National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Aging (1R01AG081306-01A1), \$333,463.

Articles Published

- Spence, Cody, James D. Bachmeier, Claire Altman, Jennifer Van Hook, Kendal Lowrey. 2026. "Migration Status Gradients in Immigrant Poverty: A Comparison of Imputation Methods." In press, *Sociological Methods and Research*. Available online:
- Altman, Claire E., Christal Hamilton, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Cody Spence. 2023. "Medicaid Health Insurance Coverage among the Foreign-Born Following ACA Implementation: Disparities by Migration Status." *Population Research and Policy Review* 42(4): 68-100.
- Altman, Claire E., **James D. Bachmeier**, Cody Spence, and Christal Hamilton. 2023. "Sick Days: Logical versus Survey Identification of the Foreign-Born Population in the United States." *International Migration Review* 57(1).
- Hamilton, Christal, Claire E. Altman, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Cody Spence. 2022. "Legal Status and Health Disparities: An Examination of Health Insurance Coverage among the Foreign-Born." *Demographic Research* 47: 453. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.2307/48708286>
- Lowrey, Kendal, Jennifer Van Hook, **James D. Bachmeier** and Thomas B. Foster. 2021. "Leapfrogging the Melting Pot? European Immigrants' Intergenerational Mobility across the Twentieth Century." *Sociological Science* 8: 480-552.
- Altman, Claire E., and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2021 "The Weight of Being Unauthorized? Legal Status Variation in the Association between US Exposure and Obesity among Hispanic Immigrants." *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*.
- Altman, Claire E., Cody Spence, Christal Hamilton, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2021. "Health Insurance Coverage: Logical Versus Survey Identification of the Foreign-Born." *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health* 23(3): 606-614.
- Altman, Claire E., Colleen M. Heflin, Chaegyung Jun, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2021. "Material Hardship among Immigrants in the United States: Variation by Citizenship, Legal Status, and Origin in the 1996-2008 SIPP." *Population Research and Policy Review* 40: 363-399.
- Spence, Cody, **James D. Bachmeier**, Claire E. Altman, and Christal Hamilton. 2020. "The Association between Legal Status and Poverty among Immigrants: A Methodological Caution." *Demography* 57(6): 2327-2335.
- Ballinas, Jorge, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2020 " 'Whiteness' in Context: Racial Identification among Mexican-Origin Adults in California and Texas." *DuBois Review* 17(2): 311-336.
- Adelman, Robert M., Yulin Yang, Lesley Williams Reid, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Mike Maciag. 2020. "Using Estimates of Undocumented Immigrants to Study the Immigration -Crime Relationship." *Journal of Crime and Justice* (forthcoming) DOI: [10.1080/0735648X.2020.1819375](https://doi.org/10.1080/0735648X.2020.1819375).
- Capps, Randy, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Jennifer Van Hook. 2018. "Estimating the Characteristics of Unauthorized Immigrants Using U.S. Census Data: Combined Sample Multiple Imputation." *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 677(1): 165-179.

- Van Hook, Jennifer, **James D. Bachmeier**, Ofer Harel, and Donna L. Coffman. 2015. "Can We Spin Straw into Gold? An Evaluation of Immigrant Legal Status Imputation Approaches." *Demography* 52(1): 329-354.
- Bachmeier, James D.**, Jennifer Van Hook, and Frank D. Bean. 2014. "Can We Measure Immigrants' Legal Status? Lessons from Two U.S. Surveys." *International Migration Review* 48(2): 538-566.
- Van Hook, Jennifer, Frank D. Bean, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Catherine Tucker. 2014. "Recent Trends in Coverage of the Mexican-Born Population of the United States: Results from Applying Multiple Methods across Time." *Demography* 51(2): 699-726.
- Leerkes, Arjen, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Mark A. Leach. 2013. "When the Border is 'Everywhere': State-Level Variation in Migration Control and Changing Settlement Patterns of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population in the United States." *International Migration Review* 47(4): 910-943.
- Bachmeier, James D.** 2013. "Cumulative Causation, Co-Ethnic Settlement Maturity, and Mexican Migration to U.S. Metropolitan Areas, 1995-2000." *Social Forces* 91(4): 1293-1317.
- Van Hook, Jennifer, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2013. "How Well Does the American Community Survey Count Naturalized Citizens?" *Demographic Research* 29(1): 1-32.
- Bean, Frank D., Jennifer Lee, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2013. "Immigration and the Color-Line at the Beginning of the 21st Century." *Daedalus* 142(3): 123-140.
- Sullivan, Daniel Monroe, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2012. "Racial Differences in Perceived Disorder in Three Gentrifying Neighborhoods." *Advances in Applied Sociology* 2:229-236.
- Fokkema, Tineke, Laurence Lessard-Phillips, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Susan K. Brown. 2012. "The Link between Transnational Behaviour and Integration of the Second Generation in European and American Cities." *Nordic Journal of Migration Research* 2(2): 111-123.
- Leerkes, Arjen, Mark A. Leach, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2012. "Borders behind the Border: An Exploration of State-Level Differences in Migration Control and Their Effects on U.S. Migration Patterns." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 38(1): 111-129.
- Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, **James D. Bachmeier**, Zoya Gubernskaya, and Christopher D. Smith. 2012. "Luxury, Necessity and Anachronistic Workers: Does the United States Need Unskilled Workers?" *American Behavioral Scientist* 56: 1008-1048.
- Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, **James D. Bachmeier**, Tineke Fokkema, and Laurence Lessard-Phillips. 2012. "The Dimensions and Degree of Second-Generation Incorporation in US and European Cities: A Comparative Study of Inclusion and Exclusion." *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 53(3): 181-209.
- Bachmeier, James D.**, and Frank D. Bean. 2011. "Ethnoracial Patterns of Schooling and Work among Adolescents: Implications for Mexican Immigrant Incorporation." *Social Science Research* 40(6): 1579-1595.
- Bean, Frank D., Mark A. Leach, Susan K. Brown, **James D. Bachmeier**, and John Hipp. 2011. "The Educational Legacy of Unauthorized Migration: Comparisons across U.S.-Immigrant Groups in How Parents' Status Affects Their Offspring." *International Migration Review* 45(2): 348-385.

Brown, Susan K., Frank D. Bean, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2009. "Aging Societies and the Changing Logic of Immigration." *Generations* 32(4): 11-17.

Articles in Progress

Bachmeier, James D., Jennifer Van Hook, Kendal Lowery and Cheyenne Lonobile. "Intergenerational Patterns of Ethnic Attrition among Mexican Americans: Evidence from 80 Years of Linked Census Data." *Article in development*.

Parker, Paul A., Scott H. Holan, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Claire Altman. "The Link Between Health Insurance Coverage and Citizenship among Immigrants: Bayesian Unit-Level Regression Modeling of Categorical Survey Data Observed with Measurement Error." Under revise-and-resubmit review, *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series A*, 2024.

Sheftel, Mara, Ashton Verdery, Jennifer Van Hook, **James D. Bachmeier**, Alexis R. Santos. "Aging into Precarity: Poverty and Health Insurance Coverage among Older Unauthorized Latino Immigrants." Under review, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Book Chapters Published

Brown, Susan K., Frank D. Bean, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2021. "How Does Mexican Migration Affect the U.S. Labor Market?" in R.H. Ojeda and E. Telles, (eds) *The Trump Paradox: Migration, Trade and Racial Politics in U.S.-Mexico Integration*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press. (forthcoming)

Brown, Susan K., Frank D. Bean, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2018. "The Implications of Native-Born Fertility and Other Socio-Demographic Changes for Less-Skilled U.S. Immigration." Pp. 73-92, in D. Poston, S. Lee, and H.G. Kim (eds.) *Low Fertility Regimes and Demographic and Societal Change*. Cham, Switzerland: Springer International AG.

Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2016. "Explaining the Growth of Unauthorized Mexican Migration and Its Effects on the Incorporation of Mexican Americans." In H. Romo and O. Mogollon-Lopez (eds.) *Mexican Migration to the United States*. Austin, TX: University of Texas Press.

Bean, Frank D., **James D. Bachmeier**, Susan K. Brown, Jennifer Van Hook, and Mark A. Leach. 2014. "Unauthorized Migration and the Socioeconomic Integration of Mexican Americans." Pp. 341-374 in John R. Logan (ed.), *Diversity and Disparities: America Enters a New Century*. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

Bachmeier, James D., Laurence Lessard-Phillips, and Tineke Fokkema. 2013. "The Gendered Dynamics of Integration and Transnational Engagement among Second-Generation Adults in Europe." Pp. 246-267 in L. Orso and N. Ribas-Mateos (eds.), *The International Handbook on Gender, Migration, and Transnationalism: Global and Development Perspectives*. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.

Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, Mark A. Leach, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Rosaura Tafoya-Estrada. 2012. "Mexican-American Educational Incorporation: The Size and Meaning of Unauthorized Migration's Legacy Effects." In A. Sawyer and B. Jensen (eds.) *Regarding Educacion: Mexican American Schooling in the 21st Century*. New York, NY: Columbia University (Teacher's College) Press.

Bean, Frank D., **James D. Bachmeier**, Susan K. Brown, and Rosaura Tafoya-Estrada. 2011. "Immigration and Labor Market Dynamics." Pp. 37-60 in E.E. Telles, M.Q. Sawyer, and G. Rivera-Salgado (eds.), *Just Neighbors? Research on African American and Latino Relations in the United States*. New York, NY: Russell Sage.

- Lee, Jennifer, Frank D. Bean, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Zoya Gubernskaya. 2010. "Immigration and the Geography of Ethnoracial Diversity." Chapter 4 in *The Diversity Paradox: Immigration and the Color Line in 21st Century America*, by J. Lee and F.D. Bean. New York, NY: Russell Sage. (winter of the 2011 ASA Section on Population's Otis Dudley Duncan Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Social Demography).
- Lee, Jennifer, Frank D. Bean, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2010. "Ethnoracial Diversity, Minority-Group Threat, and Boundary Dissolution: Clarifying the Diversity Paradox." Chapter 9 in *The Diversity Paradox: Immigration and the Color Line in 21st Century America*, by J. Lee and F.D. Bean. New York, NY: Russell Sage. (winter of the 2011 ASA Section on Population's Otis Dudley Duncan Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Social Demography).
- Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, James D. Bachmeier, and Mark A. Leach. 2010. "Parents' Legalization and Citizenship Trajectories and Children's Economic Wellbeing." Pp. 129-150 in G. Sonnert and G. Holton (eds.), *Helping Young Refugees and Immigrants Succeed: Public Policy, Aid and Education*. New York, NY: Palgrave MacMillan.
- Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, and James D. Bachmeier. 2010. "Comparative Integration Contexts and Mexican Immigrant-Group Incorporation in the United States." Pp. 253-275 in A. Chebel d'Appollonia and S. Reich (eds.), *Managing Ethnic Diversity after 9/11*. Piscataway, NJ: Rutgers University Press.
- Brown, Susan K., **James D. Bachmeier**, and Frank D. Bean. 2009. "Trends in U.S. Immigration." Pp. 42-55 in J. Higley and J. Nieuwenhuysen (eds.), *Nations of Immigrants: Australia and the USA Compared*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar.
- De Anda, Roberto, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2008. "Immigrant Fathers' Labor Market Activity and its Consequences for the Family." In R.P. Moreno and S. Chuang (eds.) *On New Shores: Understanding Immigrant Fathers in North America*. Lanham, MD: Lexington.

Research Reports

- Spence, Cody, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2020. *The Hardest Hit: Post-COVID Unemployment in Immigrant-Dense Industries*. Philadelphia, PA: Public Policy Lab, Temple University.
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- Batalova, Jeanne, Michael Fix, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2016. *Untapped Talent: The Costs of Brain Waste among Highly Skilled Immigrants in the United States*. Washington, DC: Migration Policy Institute.
- Capps, Randy, Heather Koball, **James D. Bachmeier**, Ariel G. Ruiz, Jie Zong, and Julia Gelatt. 2016. *Deferred Action for Unauthorized Immigrant Parents: Analysis of DAPA's Potential Effects on Families and Children*. Washington, DC: Migration Policy Institute and Urban Institute.
- Jensen, Bryant, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2015. *A Portrait of U.S. Children of Central American Origins and their Educational Opportunity*. CANAMID Policy Brief Series, PB02, CIESAS: Guadalajara, Mexico.
- Batalova, Jeanne, Sarah Hooker, Randy Capps, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2014. *DACA at the Two-Year Mark: A National and State Profile of Youth Eligible and Applying for Deferred Action*. Washington, DC: Migration Policy Institute.
- Batalova, Jeanne, Sarah Hooker, Randy Capps, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Erin Cox. 2013. *Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals at the One-Year Mark: A Profile of Currently Eligible Youth and Applicants*. Washington, DC: Migration Policy Institute.

Capps, Randy, **James D. Bachmeier**, Michael Fix, and Jennifer Van Hook. 2013. *A Demographic, Socioeconomic, and Health Coverage Profile of Unauthorized Immigrants in the United States*. Washington, DC: Migration Policy Institute.

Bachmeier, James D., Frank D. Bean, and Jennifer Van Hook. 2012. *Trends in Employers' Usage of E-Verify, 2005-2009*. Report to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Science and Technology Directorate (through BORDERS, University of Arizona), January 2012.

Bean, Frank D., Susan K. Brown, Mark A. Leach, and **James D. Bachmeier**. 2007. *Becoming U.S. Stakeholders: Legalization and Integration among Mexican Immigrants and Their Descendants*. Report to the Merage Foundation for the American Dream (<http://www.mergefoundation.com>).

Bean, Frank D., Jennifer Van Hook, **James D. Bachmeier**, and Mark A. Leach. 2007. *Interanl Migration in the Young Adult Foreign-Born Population of the United States, 1995-2000*. Washington, DC: U.S. Bureau of the Census and Sabre Systems Statistical and Demographic Analyses, Immigration Studies White Papers. (http://www.sabresystems.com/sd_whitepapers_immigration.asp).

Book Reviews

Bachmeier, James D. 2012. Review of *Immigrants Raising Citizens: Undocumented Parents and Their Young Children*. Book review in *Social Forces*. Published on-line, 11/18/2012. DOI: 10.1093/sf/sos162. (<http://sf.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2012/11/07/sf.sos162.extract>).

Research Grants & Contracts

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| 2023 | "Legal Status Exposure, Health, and Kinship Networks among Latino Immigrants." Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Aging. Award Number: 1R01AG081306-01A1. Co-Principal Investigator (\$333,463). |
| 2016 | "Estimates of the U.S. Foreign-Born Population by Legal and Citizenship Status." <i>Migration Policy Institute</i> , Principal Investigator (\$24,495) |
| 2015 | "Estimates of the U.S. Foreign-Born Population by Legal and Citizenship Status and the Economic Utilization of the Foreign-Born Labor Supply". <i>Migration Policy Institute</i> , Principal Investigator (\$75,205). |
| 2013-2014 | "Coverage Estimates of the U.S. Mexican-Born Population and Measures of Unauthorized Migration." <i>Department of Homeland Security</i> (\$23,970). |
| 2009 | "Cumulatively Caused Migration and the Effects of Immigration on the Earnings of Low-Skilled Mexican Immigrants." <i>Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, University of California</i> , Principal Investigator (\$7,500). |
| 2007 | "Intergenerational Patterns of School Enrollment and Labor Force Participation among Mexican-Origin Adolescents." <i>Center for Research on Latinos in a Global Society, University of California, Irvine</i> , Principal Investigator (\$1,000). |

Awards and Honors

- 2016 Otis Dudley Duncan Outstanding Book Award, Population Section of the American Sociological Association for *Parents Without Papers: The Progress and Pitfalls of Mexican American Integration* (with Frank D. Bean and Susan K. Brown)
- 2016 Honorable Mention, Thomas and Znaniecki Book Award, International Migration Section of the American Sociological Association for *Parents Without Papers: The Progress and Pitfalls of Mexican American Integration* (with Frank D. Bean and Susan K. Brown)
- 2009 Graduate Dean's Public Impact Fellowship, University of California, Irvine (\$1,000)
- 2008 Order of Merit Award (A. Kimball Romney Award for Outstanding Graduate Research Paper), School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine ("Explaining Variation in the Size and Composition of Mexican Migration Flows to U.S. Metropolitan Areas").
- 2008 Robin M. Williams Award for Best Graduate Student Paper, Department of Sociology, University of California, Irvine ("Explaining Variation in the Size and Composition of Mexican Migration Flows to U.S. Metropolitan Areas")
- 2008 Graduate Student Summer Fellowship Award, School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine (\$2,750).
- 2007 Graduate Student Summer Fellowship Award, School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine (\$2,500).
- 2006 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper, American Sociological Association, Section on International Migration, ("New Destination Contexts of Reception: Coethnic Concentration and the Earnings of Low-Skilled Mexican Immigrants").
- 2006 Graduate Student Summer Fellowship Award, School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine (\$2,500).

Teaching Experience

Immigration and Social Demography (Graduate Level)
 The Logic of Inquiry (Graduate Level)
 Ethnicity and the Immigrant Experience in the United States (Undergraduate Level)
 Social Research Methods (Undergraduate Level)

Current Service

College of Liberal Arts Tenure Track Faculty Merit Committee, Temple University (2022-present, [Chair, 2025])

Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Temple University (2022-2026)

Graduate Committee [Chair], Department of Sociology, Temple University (2022-present)

Executive Committee, Department of Sociology, Temple University (2023-present)

Advisory Board, Public Policy Lab, Temple University (2022-present)

Peer-reviewer for: *American Sociological Review*, *Demography*, *Social Forces*, *Social Science Research*, *International Migration Review*, *Political Geography*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Sociological Perspectives*, *Sociological Inquiry*, *Prevention Science*, *Sociological Quarterly*.