

# SHAYLA R. BATTY

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## EDUCATION

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**Master of Arts Degree – Sociology**

**September 2021 – Present**

University of Saskatchewan – Saskatoon, SK

The focus of my education has been on family demography, the gendered division of labor, and urban/rural studies with a strong emphasis on social theory, social statistics, and research methodology.

**Bachelor of Arts Honours Degree – Sociology**

**September 2016 – June 2021**

University of Saskatchewan – Saskatoon, SK

The focus of my education has been on criminal sociology with a strong emphasis on social theory, social statistics, research methodology, and surveillance and justice studies.

## SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Curriculum Renewal Assistant**

**March 2023 – Present**

University of Saskatchewan – Department of Sociology

My role in this process is to gather information on other sociology programs run by other research-intensive universities in Canada and connect with undergraduate coordinators to discuss program delivery. I will present my findings and recommend possible pathways forward.

**Analyst – Centre for Labor Market Information**

**September 2022 – December 2023**

Statistics Canada – Remote Internship

I built an inventory of social indicators to be the foundation of a cross-departmental conceptual framework. I worked with my colleagues to create a final report that outlined the priorities of the framework, which were recorded and organized from consultations involving department heads and other stakeholders.

## RESEARCH & ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Graduate Research Assistant – Sociology Department**

**September 2021 – Present**

University of Saskatchewan

**Supervisor:** Dr. Laura Wright

My key duties pertain to effectively synthesizing and concisely summarizing relevant literature, as well as conducting quantitative data analysis in Stata for the publication of a peer-reviewed article. I occasionally organize undergraduate course material and help to conceptualize course outlines.

**Teaching Assistant – Sociology Department**

**September 2021 – April 2022**

University of Saskatchewan

**Instructor:** Dr. Laura Wright

*An Introduction to Survey Research and Data Analysis in Sociology – SOC 225.3 (Fall Term)*  
*Families Social Structure and Social Change – SOC 210.3 (Winter Term)*

My key duties pertain to answering student inquiries regarding course materials and requirements, as well as assisting in the grading of assignments and exams.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant – Sociology Department**                      **January 2021 – August 2021**  
University of Saskatchewan  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Laura Wright

My key duties pertain to effectively synthesizing and concisely summarizing relevant literature related to family formation pathways and the interplay of parental education and social class for the publication of a peer-reviewed article.

**Tutorial Leader – Sociology Department**    **January 2021 – April 2021**  
Indigenous Student Achievement Pathways/University of Saskatchewan  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Sandy Bonny & Dr. Meredith Burles  
*Foundations in Sociology Social Construction of Everyday Life – SOC 112.3*

My key duties include preparing and delivering lectures that explain topics covered in class, providing student consultation and support, holding office hours, arranging guest speakers, and developing course materials that facilitate an inclusive and culturally sensitive learning environment.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant – Sociology Department**                      **May 2020 – August 2020**  
University of Saskatchewan  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Scott Thompson

My key duties pertain to conducting literature searches and reviews, developing, programming, and distributing surveys, analyzing quantitative data, and completing applications and requirements for ethics boards.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant – Sociology Department**                      **May 2020 – August 2020**  
University of Saskatchewan  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Harley Dickinson

My key duties pertain to conducting literature searches and reviews and organizing on-line course resources. I am acquiring the knowledge and skills required to design, execute, and log effective searches of uniquely structured on-line databases, categorize, and summarize retrieved resources in annotated bibliographies, prepare course material, and exercise project management using Microsoft Teams and OneDrive.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant – Sociology Department**                      **June 2019 – September 2019**  
Office of the Research Chair in One Health & Wellness/University of Saskatchewan  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Colleen Dell

The One Health & Wellness Office conducts various studies across a wide variety of institutional settings. My key duties pertain to data collection in a hospital emergency room and an emergency mental health patient centre. I gathered patient consent and conducted interviews and surveys to subjects under inquiry regarding their feelings of pain and anxiety about being in an emergency room before and after interacting with therapy dogs.

## SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

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### **Twitter Account Manager**

**January 2022 – Present**

Canadian Population Society (CPS)

My key duties include keeping the CPS Twitter account up to date with population science content such as job, article, and conference announcements, as well as other demography relevant content found on the CPS Twitter feed. In addition, I create original content for the page like graphical posters on CANVA.

### **Undergraduate Sociology Student Open House Recruitment Ambassador**

**October 2021**

College of Arts and Science/Sociology Department – University of Saskatchewan

My key duties in this position are two-fold: I first planned and filmed a short video introducing protective sociology students to the nature of the discipline, as well as described the sociology program and job prospects following completion. I then lead a live question and answer period, giving me the opportunity to interact with students and answer any remaining questions regarding the program and admissions, as well as university student life

This is the video that I planned and filmed: <https://youtu.be/DPpJ5oCmgs8>

### **Vice-President of Student Affairs**

**September 2021 – April 2022**

Sociology Graduate Student Association (SGSA), University of Saskatchewan

My key duties include emailing students, faculty, and other relevant parties about SGSA events and opportunities. I act as a liaison for current and prospective sociology graduate students who wish to apply to our program or have questions about their current program. More generally, I participate in weekly executive meetings and help to conceptualize and organize SGSA virtual events and conferences.

### **President**

**September 2020 – April 2021**

Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA), University of Saskatchewan

My main duties include communicating with the Sociology Department, University of Saskatchewan representatives, and any other partners or businesses on behalf of SUSA, calling meetings, delegating tasks, organizing events and activities, signing off on financial transactions, and overseeing the executive and their duties.

SUSA co-hosted a webinar with the Sociology Graduate Student Association in November 2020 that focused on sociology graduate school processes, allowing me to exercise my leadership and teamwork skills through coordinating various speakers and organizing the event with my peers.

### **Treasurer**

**September 2019 – April 2020**

Sociology Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA), University of Saskatchewan

I manage and report finances, funds, and accounts of SUSA. I also help to plan events, promote the group, and put on events. I attend monthly meetings with other executive members to organize, coordinate, and to ensure that future events will run smoothly.

## **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Financial Services Representative** 2017 – 2018  
Conexus Credit Union – Assiniboia, SK

My key duties include managing cash, providing various financial tasks within member accounts via a computer operating system, maintaining member relationships, and doing clerical work.

**Program Assistant – M.E.N.D. Program (Mind, Exercise, Nutrition... Do It!)** 2015  
University of Saskatchewan – Assiniboia, SK

M.E.N.D. aims to improve family nutritional and physical health by providing avenues for parents and their children to interact and learn about healthy eating and active activities to jointly transform the family into a health positive unit.

My key duties include preparing and leading snack time and aiding the activities portion of the program by motivating the parents and children.

## **HONORS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

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**Don Atkinson Scholarship** 2022 – 2023  
University of Saskatchewan - \$2,000.00

**Consortium on Analytics for Data-Driven Decision-Making Fellowship (CAnD3)** 2022 – 2023  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council/McGill University - \$5,000.00

**Dean's Scholarship** 2021 - 2023  
University of Saskatchewan - \$36,000.00

**Outstanding Graduating Sociology Student Award** 2021  
Canadian Sociological Association – Honour

**Tri-Council Canada Graduate Scholarship – Masters** 2020 – 2021  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council - \$17,500.00

**Golden Key International Honour Society** 2019  
University of Saskatchewan Chapter – Honour

**College of Arts and Science Dean's Honour List** 2018  
University of Saskatchewan – Honour

**Best and Brightest Entrance Scholarship** 2016  
University of Saskatchewan - \$2,000.00

## **PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS**

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**Peer-Reviewed Articles:**

**Batty, S.** (2021). A Positive Side of Violent Video Game Play: The Negative Correlation Between Violent Video Game Play and Violent Crime. *University of Saskatchewan Undergraduate Research Journal* 6(3) <https://doi.org/10.32396/usurj.v7i1.473>

***Non-Refereed Contributions:***

**Batty, S.** The Sex-Typing of Unpaid Household Labor in Rural Canada. Paper presented at: 2023 Young Demographers Conference; February 8–10, 2023; Prague, Czech Republic.

**Batty, S.** Gendered Division of Household Labor in Rural and Urban Canada. Paper presented at: 2022 Population Society of Canada Annual Meeting; May 10-13; Remotely.

Wright, L, **Batty, S.** & Kang, T. Family Formation Pathways: Parental Education Differences Across Four Cohorts of Canadian Women. Paper presented at: 2022 University of Saskatchewan Sociology Graduate Student's Society Annual Conference; March 14, 2022; Remotely.

Wright, L, **Batty, S.** & Kang, T. Pathways to Adulthood: Social Class Differences across Three Cohorts of Canadian Women. Paper presented at: 2021 Population Society of Canada Annual Meeting; May 18-21, 2021; Remotely.

**Batty, S.** The Development of Abortion Policy in Canada and the Issue of Access: An Analysis from a Sociological Perspective. Paper presented at: 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Thompson Rivers University Philosophy, History, and Politics Undergraduate Conference; January 16-18, 2020; Kamloops, B.C.

***Other Published Works:***

*Police wearing body cameras not a simple fix*  
Opposite the editorial page  
Regina Leader-Post – Regina, Saskatchewan

**June 2020**

**MANUSCRIPTS (IN PROGRESS OR UNDER REVIEW/REVISION)**

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Wright, L., **Batty, S.** and Kang, T. (Forthcoming). Pathways to Adulthood: Social Class Differences across Four Birth Decades of Canadian Women.

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

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**Grad Help Peer Mentor**  
University of Saskatchewan Library Services

**May 2022 – Present**

My key roles include developing and delivering interactive and time-constrained workshops to graduate students that follow participatory-learning guidelines and arranging one-on-one mentoring with graduate students

**Promotional Volunteer & Virtual Pet Therapy Partner**                      **October 2019 – December 2021**  
One Health & Wellness/Peer Health/St. John Ambulance, University of Saskatchewan

The PAWS Your Stress Program offers program participants feelings of comfort/love and support. Participants include university students, faculty, and staff.

My key roles include assisting in promotional activities on campus. My pet bearded dragon and I visited with participants via video-call during the pandemic shut-down.

**Therapy Dog Program Evaluator Assistant**  
St. John Ambulance, Saskatchewan Region

**October 2019 – March 2022**

The St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program provides therapy dog services across a wide range of community settings, such as hospitals, care homes, and schools. Therapy dogs offer comfort and companionship to those in need of stress relief, a distraction from pain, social engagement, and self-confidence and esteem.

My key roles include assessing dogs for temperate behavior and helping assist qualified volunteers with their duties on job sites. I assisted therapy dogs, and their handlers visit patients at vaccination clinics during the pandemic.

**Summer Success Reading Volunteer**  
United Way of Saskatoon and Area

**July 2019**

Summer Success camps focus on targeted literacy strategies to help students maintain or improve their grade level reading during the summer months.

My key duties in this role include guiding and helping students read books by sounding out words and providing encouragement, as well as assisting the students in arts and crafts activities.

**Access and Equality Services Notetaker**  
University of Saskatchewan

**September 2016 – April 2019**

I provide and upload my lecture notes for students who have difficulty physically taking notes, have difficulty hearing the lecture, or may be easily distracted and registered for Access and Equality Services. The content I provide includes lecture notes and video/presentation/discussion summaries.

**Peer Health Mentor**

**September – March 2017**

Healthy Lifestyles: A Student Led Initiative – University of Saskatchewan

Contributor to a student run organization that has a focus on healthy eating and exercising habits. This group mainly creates and presents displays on campus and in student residencies and hosted cooking and healthy eating tutorials.

My main duties include attending weekly meetings, aiding in the presentation of displays on campus and in residencies, as well as pitching ideas for new displays.

**Tele-Recruiter**

**October 2016 – February 2017**

Heart & Stroke Foundation – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

My main duties include calling residential areas within Saskatoon to recruit volunteers to walk door-to-door in their area asking for Heart & Stroke Foundation donations).

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## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS**

**Canadian Population Society**

**2021 – Present**

General Committee Member

**Canadian Sociological Association**  
General Membership

**2020 – 2022**

**Student Undergraduate Research Experience (S.U.R.E.)**

**2020**

General Membership  
Co-curricular training program to learn and develop research skills

**Golden Key International Honour Society**

General Committee Member, University of Saskatchewan Chapter

**2019 – Present**

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**ADDITIONAL SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS**

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**Software:** Experience with Microsoft OS (Windows), Statistical Applications (SPSS and Stata), Survey Programming (Voxco), CANVA and Adobe Acrobat. Familiarity with R and Python.

**Ethics:** Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans Course on Research Ethics, Anti-Racism Response Training