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Curriculum Vitae – March 2025

Department of Sociology
2008 JFSB
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EDUCATION

2015	PhD. Sociology Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA Graduate Minor in Disaster Science and Management Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA Graduate Minor in Women's and Gender Studies Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
2011	M.A., Sociology Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
2009	M.S., Sociology Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
2002	B.A., Anthropology University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
2000	A.S., Science Utah Valley State College, Orem, UT

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Current Positions

2021-Present	Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
2021-Present	Executive Director and Treasurer, Rural Sociological Society
2016-present	Director, Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
2016-present	Faculty Affiliate, Global Women's Studies, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
2016-present	Faculty Affiliate, Gerontology Program, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

Past Positions

2015-2021	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
2010-2015	Research Associate, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
2014-2015	Instructor, Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
2009-2010	Adjunct Professor, Department of Behavioral Science, Utah Valley University, Orem, UT
2008-2009	Instructor, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

MAJOR AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Community
Disasters & Disruptions
Health & Healthcare

Research Methods
Social Change
Rurality

Social Stratification
Social Vulnerability
Social Theory

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

2025	Mindful Inclusion, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
2024	Psychology of Emotions, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
2023	Equitable Community Change, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
2023	Conflict Resolution, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
2023	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
2023	Leadership Essentials, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

PUBLICATIONS (¹student co-author)

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles Accepted for Publication

Harris¹, Elizabeth Finlayson, Erin Feinauer Whiting, and **Michael R. Cope**. Forthcoming. "Examining Online University Classrooms Through Emotion Work and Feeling Currencies." *Distance Education*.

June¹, Haylie M., **Michael R. Cope**, Sydney Hawkins¹, Scott R. Sanders, and Aaron Hunter¹. Forthcoming "Residents' Perceptions of a Future Olympic Bid in Heber, Utah." *Rural Sociology*.

Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications Accepted for Publication

Sanders, Scott R., David Diaz¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. Forthcoming. "Healthcare." In *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*. Edited by Danan Gu and Matthew E. Dupre. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

2024: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Alexander¹, Alyssa, Mikaela J. Dufur, Michael R. Cope, Jonathan A. Jarvis, and Amy Read¹. 2024 "Family Structure and Youth Gender Ideologies in Germany and South Korea." *SAGE Open* 14(3): 1-15.

Cope, Michael R., Jaimi Mueller¹, Carol Ward, Scott R. Sanders, and Elizabeth A. Long-Meek¹. 2024. "Sense of Community and the Bears Ears National Monument." *Land*. 13(1976):1-15.

June¹, Haylie M., Ashley R. Kernan¹, Rachel M. Sumsion¹, **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R. Sanders and Carol Ward. "The Relationship between Mega-Events, Social Legacies, and Community Experience: A Longitudinal Analysis Following the 2002 Winter Olympics." *Sustainability* 16(8993):1-15.

Muir, Jonathan A., Scott R. Sanders, Hannah Hendricks¹, **Michael R. Cope**. 2024. "Rural Residence, Motorcycle Access, and Contraception Use in South and Southeast Asia." *Rural Sociology* 89(1):40-62.

2024: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R. 2024. "Review: The Lies of the Land: Seeing Rural America for What It Is – And Isn't, by Steven Conn. Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press, 2023. 320 pp. \$29.00 cloth. ISBN: 978-0-226-82690-5." *Rural Sociology* 89(4): 996-998.

Cope, Michael R. 2024. "Review: Groundwater Citizenship: Well Owners, Environmentalism, and the Depletion of the High Plains Aquifer, by Brock Ternes, New York, NY: Lexington Books, 2022. 224 pp. Hardback \$100, e-book \$45. ISBN (Hardback): 978-1-66690-346-1; ISBN (eBook): 978-1-66690-347-8." *Rural Sociology* 89(1): 180-182.

Cope, Michael R. 2024. "Review: The Rural Primitive in American Popular Culture, by Karen E. Hayden, New York: NY: Lexington Books, 2022. Paperback \$39.99. ISBN: 978-1-4985-4762-8." *Rural Sociology* 89(2):183-358.

Cope, Michael R. and Tim Slack. 2024. "The BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill (USA)." Pp. 53-59 in *Encyclopedia of Technological Hazards and Disasters in the Social Sciences.*, edited by Duane A. Gill, Liesel A. Ritchie, and Nnenia Campbell. London, UK: Edward Elgar.

2023: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Cope, Michael R., Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, Paige N. Park¹, Scott R. Sanders, Carol Ward, and Rachel M. Sumsion¹. 2023. "Understanding Environmentalism: The Interplay between Politics and Religion on Environmental Attitudes from Rural Utah." *Society & Natural Resources* 36(4): 405-424.

Cope, Michael R., Haylie M. June¹, Scott R. Sanders, Greta L. Asay¹, Hannah Z. Hendricks¹, Elizabeth Long-Meek¹, and Carol Ward. 2023. "It's Home: Perceptions, Community, and Narratives About Change." *Social Sciences* 12(2):1-19.

June^{1*}, Haylie M., Ashley R. Kernan^{1*}, Rachel M. Sumsion¹, **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. 2023. "When Even Social Sustainability is Tarnished by Scandal: Long-term Community Perceptions of the 2002 Winter Olympics Bid Scandal and Legacy." *Sustainability* 15(3):1-18 *Equal Authorship.

Ly, Anh M.¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2023. "New Conceptual Model of Social Sustainability: Review From Past Concepts and Ideas." *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 20(1):1-20.

Muirbrook¹, Kayci M., **Michael R. Cope**, and Scott R. Sanders. 2023. "The Link Between Internet Activity and Community Experience in Rural Utah." *Rural Sociology* 88(1): 3-31.

Sumsion¹, Rachel M., Haylie M. June¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2023. "Measuring Food Insecurity: The Problem with Semantics." *Foods* 12(9):1-21.

Sumsion¹, Rachel M., Haylie M. June¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2023. "The Impact of COVID-19 on Food Security: A Review." *SN Social Sciences* 3(2023):176.

Um¹, Samnang, **Michael R. Cope**, and Jonathan A. Muir. 2023. "Child Anemia in Cambodia: A Descriptive Analysis of Temporal and Geospatial Trends and Logistic Regression-Based Examination of Factors Associated with Anemia in Children." *PLOS Global Public Health* 3(9): e0002082. doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0002082.

2023: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R. 2023. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints: 2023*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. December. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Cope, Michael R. 2023. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints 2007-2021: Change in Resident's Perception of Neighborhood Safety*. Report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. January. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2022: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Andre¹, Nick, Scott R. Sanders, **Michael R. Cope**, and Benjamin G. Gibbs. 2022. "Does Disassociation with a Majority Religion Influence Community Desirability?: Evidence from Rural Utah." *Sociological Perspectives* 65(2): 398-412.

Asay^{1†}, Greta L., Hannah Z. Hendricks^{1†}, Elizabeth Long-Meek^{1†}, **Michael R Cope**. 2022. "Charting Sustainable Land Management Futures by Looking to The Past: The Case of Bears Ears National Monument." *Land*. 12(56): 1-10. †Equal Authorship.

Cope, Michael R., Ashley R. Kernan¹, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. 2022 "Social Sustainability?: Exploring the relationship between community experience and perceptions of the Environment" *Sustainability* 14: 1-11.

Ly, Anh M.¹, Hayley Pierce and **Michael R Cope**. 2022. "Revisiting the Impact of Clean Water and Improved Sanitation on Child Mortality: Implications for Sustainable Development Goals." *Sustainability* 14: 1-12.

Article featured in the September 2022 issue of the *What's On Tap: WASH Research Newsletter*, The Water Institute, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599.

2022: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R. 2022. "Review: The Cambridge Handbook of Environmental Sociology by Katharine Legun, Julie C. Keller, Michael Carolan and Michael M. Bell (Eds). Cambridge University Press, New York, NY, 2021, 1200 pp. \$360 (2 volume hardback set). ISBN: 978-1-108-42930-6." *Rural Sociology* 84(4): 1439-1440.

Cope, Michael R. 2022. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints 2007-2021: Change in Resident's Priorities for Improving the City*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. December. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Cope, Michael R. 2022. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints 2007-2021: Change in Residents' Feeling About Springville as a Place to Live*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. December. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2021: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- Cope, Michael R.**, Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Paige N. Park¹, Carol Ward, Curtis Child, and Jonathan A. Jarvis. 2021 "Experiences with General Education: How Sense of Community Shapes Students' Perceptions." *SAGE Open* 2021(1): 1-15.
- Cope, Michael R.**, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, Carol Ward, Paige N. Park¹, and Genevieve M. Smith¹. 2021. "Sense of Community on Collegiate Campus and Graduation Expectations: An Exploratory Study." *SN Social Sciences* 1(57): 1-19.
- Cope, Michael R.**, Scott R. Sanders, Carol Ward, Kirk D. Young and Haylie M. June¹. 2021 "In the Shadow of the Mountain: A Socio-Historical Case Study on Rapid Population Growth in Two Neighboring Population Centers in the Western United States." *Societies* 11(1):1-15.
- Jackson¹, Jorden E., **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R. Sanders, and Hayley Pierce. 2021. "Privilege and Place: An Exploratory Study about Healthcare Bypass Behavior." *Rural and Remote Health* 21(1): 1-13.
- Park¹, Paige N., Scott R. Sanders, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, and Carol Ward. 2021. "New Perspectives on the Community Impact of Rural Education Deserts." *Sustainability* 13: 1-11.
- Rasmussen¹, Kirsten, Mikaela J. Dufur, **Michael R. Cope**, and Hayley Pierce. "Gender Marginalization in Sports Participation Through Advertising: The Case of Nike." *International Journal of Environmental Research Public Health* 18(7759): 1-22.
- Valencia¹, Janie Demetropoulos, **Michael R. Cope**, Carol J. Ward, Melissa S. Jones, and Kayci A. Muirbrook¹. 2021. "Hopelessness and Youth Violent Behavior: A Longitudinal Study." *Deviant Behavior* 42(9): 1130-1144.
- Ward, Carol, Curtis Child, Bret L. Hicken, S. Matthew Stearmer, **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R. Sanders, Jorden E. Jackson.¹ 2021. "'We Got an Invite into the Fortress': VA-Community Partnerships for Meeting Veterans' Healthcare Needs." *International Journal of Environmental Research Public Health* 18(8334): 1-16.

2021: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

- Cope, Michael R.** *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints: 2021*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. December. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2020: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- Cope, Michael R.**, Carol Ward, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, and Alex Nicholas Andre¹. 2020. "Taking another Look at the Sense of Community Index: Six Confirmatory Factor Analyses." *The Journal of Community Psychology* 48(5):1410-1423.
- Cope, Michael R.**, Tim Slack, Jorden E. Jackson¹, and Vanessa A. Parks¹. 2020. "Community sentiment following the Deepwater Horizon oil spill disaster: A test of time, systemic community, and corrosive community models." *Journal of Rural Studies* 30(2020):105390
- Cope, Michael R.**, Tim Slack, Troy C. Blanchard, Matthew R. Lee, and Jorden E. Jackson¹. 2020. "The Louisiana Community Oil Spill Survey (COSS) Dataset." *Data in Brief* 30 (February):124-132.
- Cope, Michael R.**, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Scott R. Sanders, Lance D. Erickson, Tippe Morlan, and Ralph B. Brown. 2020. "The Manifestation of Neighborhood Effects: A Pattern for Community Growth?" *Societies* 10(16):1-17.
- Muir¹, Jonathan A., **Michael R. Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, and Jorden E. Jackson¹. 2020. "To Move Home or Move On? Investigating the Impact of Recovery Aid on Migration Status after Volcanic Eruptions in Merapi, Indonesia." *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction* 46(101478):1-17.
- Muir¹, Jonathan A., **Michael R. Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, and Ralph B. Brown. 2020. "Community Recovery after a Natural Disaster: Core Data from a Survey of Communities Affected by the 2010 Mt. Merapi Eruptions in Central Java, Indonesia." *Data in Brief* 32(2020) 106040
- Sanders, Scott R., **Michael R. Cope**, Paige N. Park¹, Wesley R. Jeffery¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹. 2020. "Infants without Health Insurance: Racial/Ethnic and Rural/Urban Disparities in Infant Households' Insurance Coverage." *PLOS ONE* 15(1)e0222387: 1-13.
- Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, and Jorden E. Jackson¹. 2020 "Healthcare Access among Older Rural Women Veterans in Utah." *Rural Sociology* 85(4): 966-990.

Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, David Wilson, Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, Jared M. Poff¹. 2020. "Powerless in a Western US Energy Town: Exploring Challenges to Socially Sustainable Rural Development" *Sustainability* 12: 1-22.

2020: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R., Paige N. Park¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Kayci A Muirbrook¹, Scott S. Sanders, Carol Ward, and Ralph B. Brown. 2020. "Theoretical Discussion on Community as Story and the Dynamic Nature of Community: Perceptions, Place, and Narratives about Change." Pp. 66-83 in *New Horizons in Education and Social Studies*, Vol.2, edited by Vlasta Hus, London UK: Book Publisher International.

Cope, Michael R. 2020. *2019 SPRINGVILLE CITIZEN'S VIEWPOINTS: Neighborhoods*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. February. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Cope, Michael R. 2020. *2019 SPRINGVILLE CITIZEN'S VIEWPOINTS: Household Income*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. March. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci Muirbrook¹, Nick Andre¹, Jacob H. Wixom¹, and David Wilson. 2020. *Colstrip Community Survey Report 3: Colstrip Residents' Employment and Assessment of Local Services and Economic Plans*. January. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2019: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Cope, Michael R., Paige N. Park¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹, Kayci A Muirbrook¹, Carol Ward, Scott S. Sanders, and Ralph B. Brown. 2019. "Community as Story and the Dynamic Nature of community: Perceptions, Place, and Narratives About Change." *Social Sciences* 8(70):1-16.

McKnight, Matthew ¹, Benjamin Gibbs, Scott S. Sanders, **Michael R. Cope**, Jorden E. Jackson¹ and Paige N. Park¹. 2019. "Small Towns and Urban Centers: The Relationship of Distance and Population Size to Community Satisfaction." *Community Development* 50(4):389-405.

Muir¹, Jonathan A., **Michael R. Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, Jorden E. Jackson¹, and Ralph B. Brown. 2019. "Migration and Mental Health in the Aftermath of Disaster: Evidence from Mt. Merapi, Indonesia." *International journal of environmental Research Public Health*. 16(2726):1-16.

2019: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R. and Vaughn R. Call. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints: 2019*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. December. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci Muirbrook¹, Nick Andre¹, Jacob H. Wixom¹, and David Wilson. 2019. *Colstrip Community Survey Report 1: Community Life, Perspectives, and Outlook for the Future*. July. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci Muirbrook¹, Nick Andre¹, Jacob H. Wixom¹, and David Wilson. 2019. *Colstrip Community Survey Report 2: Colstrip Residents' Education and Assessment of Local Services and Educational Opportunities*. October. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2018: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Cope, Michael R., Lee, Matthew R., Tim Slack, Troy C. Blanchard, Jeff Carney, Forbes Lipschitz, and Lydia Gikas ¹. 2018. "Geographically Distant Social Networks Elevate Perceived Preparedness for Coastal Environmental Threats." *Population and Environment* 39(3):277-296.

Erickson, Lance D., Scott R. Sanders, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2018. "Lifetime Stayers in Urban, Rural, and Highly Rural Communities in Montana." *Population, Space & Place* 7(6):e2133.

Parks¹, Vanessa A., Leah Drakeford ¹, **Michael R. Cope**, and Tim Slack. 2018. "Disruption of Routine Behaviors Following the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill" *Society & Natural Resources* 31(3):277-290.

Sanders, Scott R., **Michael R. Cope**, and Elizabeth R. Pulsipher¹. 2018. "Do Factory Audits Improve International Labor Standards? An examination of voluntary corporate labor regulations in global production networks." *Social Sciences* 7(6):84.

2018: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Call, Vaughn R. and **Michael R. Cope**. 2018. *Springville Citizen's Viewpoints: 2017*. Research report prepared for the city of Springville, Utah. January. Provo, UT: Community Studies Lab, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University.

2017: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Colling, Matthew R., Josh Stovall, Jeremy Flaherty, **Michael R. Cope**, and Ralph B. Brown. 2017. "From Mass Consumer Society to a Society of Consumers: Consumption and the Experience of Community in Late Modernity." *Community Development* 48(4):460-482.

Cope, Michael R. and Mark J. Schafer. 2017. "Creole: A Contested, Polysemous Term." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 40(15):2653-2671.

Cope, Michael R. and Tim Slack. 2017. "Emplaced Social Vulnerability to Technological Disasters: Southeast Louisiana and the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." *Population and Environment* 38(3):217-241.

Slack, Tim, **Michael R. Cope**, Leif Jensen, Ann R. Tickamyer. 2017. "Social Embeddedness, Formal Labor Supply, and Informal Work." *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* 37(3/4):248-264.

Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, and Lindsey Elmont¹. 2017. "Native American Vietnam-era Veterans' Access to VA Healthcare: Vulnerability and Resilience in Two Montana Reservation Communities." *Journal of Community Health* 42(5):887-893.

Ward, Carol J., Matthew Stearmer, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2017. "Intersecting Contexts: Understanding Rural Utah Veterans' Experiences with Accessing VA Health Care." *Rural Sociology* 82(4):664-687.

2016: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Becker, Sarah, Danielle Thomas¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2016. "Post-Feminism for Children: Feminism 'Repackaged' in the *Bratz* videos." *Media, Culture & Society* 38(8):1218-1235.

Cope, Michael R., Tim Slack, Troy C. Blanchard, and Matthew R. Lee. 2016. "It's Not Whether You Win or Lose, It's How You Place the Blame: Assessing Perceptions of Blame for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." *Rural Sociology* 81(3):295-315

Cope, Michael R.[†], Alex Currit^{1†}, Jeremy Flaherty[†], and Ralph B. Brown. 2016. "Making Sense of Community Action and Voluntary Participation—A Multilevel Test of Multilevel Hypotheses: Do Communities Act?" *Rural Sociology* 81(1): 3-34. [†]Equal Authorship.

Flaherty, Jeremy, and **Michael R. Cope**. 2016. "A Reply to Theodori, Luloff, Brennan, and Bridger." *Rural Sociology* 81(1): 46-65.

2015: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Cope, Michael R., Jeremy Flaherty, Kirk D. Young, and Ralph B. Brown. 2015. "Olympic Boomtown: The Social Impacts of a One-Time Mega-Event in Utah's Heber Valley." *Sociological Spectrum* 35(2):136-160.

2014: Book chapters, Reports, and Other Academic Publications

Cope, Michael R. 2014. "Review: Come Hell or High Water: The Battle for Turkey Creek (DVD) by Leah Mahan. Bullfrog Films, Oley, PA, 2013, 56 minutes, \$250 purchase/\$85 Rent, SDH captions in English. ISBN: 0-615-89259-0." *Rural Sociology* 79(4):538-540.

Cope, Michael, Nile Patterson, Mark Schafer, Dari Green, and Troy Blanchard. 2014. *Ethnic Groups in the Gulf of Mexico Region: Creoles*. LSU Ag-Center Research Report #122. Louisiana State University Agricultural Center.

2013: Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Cope, Michael R., Tim Slack, Troy C. Blanchard, and Matthew R. Lee. 2013. "Does Time Heal All Wounds? Community Attachment, Natural Resource Employment, and Health Impacts in the Wake of the BP Deepwater Horizon Disaster." *Social Science Research* 42(3):872-881.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS (¹student co-author)

Manuscripts under Review

- Everett¹, Hannah Dixon, Carol Ward, Erin Feinauer Whiting, and **Michael R. Cope**. “‘Chilled Classrooms’: Teacher Responses to ‘Divisive Concepts’ Legislation–Related Challenges to Professionalism.” Under review at *Teachers and Teaching*.
- Flaherty, Jeremy, and **Michael R. Cope**. “The Effect of the Local Community on the Experience of Community: Does Context Matter?” Under review at *Rural Sociology*. Status: revise and resubmit.
- Galbraith¹, Ciera M., **Michael R. Cope**, Carol J. Ward, Erin F. Whiting, Sydney Hawkins¹, Anna L. Jacob¹, and Elizabeth Long-Meek¹. “School and Beyond: The Relationship Between Local Schools and Community Experience.” Under review at *Community Development*. Status: Revise and resubmit; resubmitted
- Kernan¹, Ashley R., Michael R. Cope, Jonathan A. Jarvis, and Mikaela J. Dufur. “Quality of Life Outcomes Among Female Student-Athletes: Exploring the Role of Coach-Athlete Relationships.” Under review at *Journal of Intercollegiate Sport*. Status: revise and resubmit
- Sanders, Scott R., Michael R. Cope, and Taryn J. Frerichs¹. “Confronting Colonial Narratives: How Destination Museum Exhibits Can Engage with Social Justices Issues.” Under review at *Tourism and Hospitality*. Status: revise and resubmit; resubmitted.
- Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci Muirbrook¹, Taylor Topham¹, Gary Ramsey, Dianna Hooker, Jim Bertin, and Anna L. Jacob¹. “The Effectiveness of a Culturally Responsive Math Program in a Rural Tribal College.” Under review at *Innovative Higher Education*. Status: Revise and resubmit. Status: Resubmitted; resubmitted.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Cope, Michael R.** 2023. “Mental Health Outcomes Among Female Student-Athletes: Exploring the role of the Coach-Athlete Relationships,” Women's Research Initiative Grant, Brigham Young University (\$5,000).
- Cope, Michael R.** 2022. “Facing New Challenges in a Modern Boomtown: Returning to Delta, Utah,” College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences Grant, Brigham Young University (\$6,500).
- Redelfs, Alisha H., Jane Lilly López, Stacey A. Shaw, **Michael R. Cope**, Hayley Pierce. 2020-2021. “Immigrant, Refugee, and Community Health and Integration in Utah.” Brigham Young University Interdisciplinary Research (IDR) Origination (\$40,000).
- Cope, Michael R.** 2019. “Senior Health Care Selection Amid Declining Rural Services.” Brigham Young University Gerontology Program (\$5,200).
- Cope, Michael R.** 2019. “Community Studies Lab Undergraduate Development and Mentoring Through Applied Research.” Graduate Studies, Brigham Young University (\$4,200).
- Cope, Michael R.** 2018. “Spatial Analysis on the Effects of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) On the Selection of Rural Primary Health Care Providers.” Brigham Young University Mentoring Environment Grant (\$20,000).
- Cope, Michael R.** 2018. “Heber Valley Community Survey,” College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences Grant, Brigham Young University (\$6,500).
- Jarvis, Jonathan A., Curtis Child, **Michael R. Cope**, and Carol Ward. 2017. “General Education Study.” Office of General Education and Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University (\$8,000).
- Cope, Michael R.**, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. 2016. “Rural Utah Community Study.” Annalee Naegle Redd Assistantship from the Charles Redd Center for Western Studies, Brigham Young University (\$7,800)
- Sanders, Scott R. and **Michael R. Cope**. 2016. “Understanding the Effect of the Affordable Care Act (Obama Care) on Rural Health Care”. Brigham Young University Mentoring Environment Grant (\$20,000).
- Sanders, Scott R., **Michael R. Cope**, and Carol Ward. 2016. “Understanding Senior Health Care Selection Amid Declining Rural Services.” Brigham Young University Gerontology Program (\$9,413)
- Cope, Michael R.** 2015. Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School, Louisiana State University (\$12,000)

PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND AWARDS

Mary Lou Fulton Early Career Scholar Award. College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University, Provo UT, 2021-2023.

Exceptional Reviewer, July 2020-June 2021, *The Journal of Rural Health*.

Department of Sociology Teaching Award, Brigham Young University, Provo UT, 2020.

Honorary member of the Women's Studies Honor Society, Brigham Young University, Provo UT, 2020.

Highly Commended Paper, 2018 Emerald Literati Awards for Excellence, for: Tim Slack, **Michael R. Cope**, Leif Jensen, Ann R. Tickamyer. 2017. "Social Embeddedness, Formal Labor Supply, and Informal Work." *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* 37: 248-264.

Outstanding Graduate Student Award, 2011-2012. Department of Sociology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

Member

- American Sociological Association
- Community Development Society
- Rural Sociological Society
- Pacific Sociological Association
- Southern Sociological Society

Service to the Profession

2021-present	Executive Co-Director/Treasurer Rural Sociological Society
2022-present	Member Editorial Board, <i>SN Social Sciences</i>
2021-present	Member Reviewer panel, <i>Rural and Remote Health</i>
2022-2024	Chair Distinguished Scholarship Award Subcommittee, Awards Committee, Pacific Sociological Association
2023-2024	Co-Chair Awards Committee, Pacific Sociological Association
2021-2024	Member Awards Committee, Pacific Sociological Association
2019-2021	Member Publications Committee, Rural Sociological Society
2018-2021	Co-Chair Community, Health and Family Research and Interest Groups, Rural Sociological Society
2020-2021	Associate Editor <i>Rural Sociology</i>
2017-2021	Book Review Editor <i>Rural Sociology</i>
2018-2019	Chair Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society
2017-2018	Chair Elect Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society
2015-2019	Member Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society

2013-2014 Member
Awards Committee, Rural Sociological Society

Ad Hoc Peer-Reviewer:

Total number of manuscripts reviewed (through March 2025): 286

- *Administration & Society*
- *Agriculture*
- *BMC Public Health*
- *City & Community*
- *Crime & Delinquency*
- *Deviant Behavior*
- *Energy Research & Social Science*
- *Foods*
- *Horticulturae*
- *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*
- *International Journal of Geoheritage and Parks*
- *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology*
- *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*
- *Journal of Rural Social Sciences*
- *Medicina*
- *PLOS ONE*
- *Population and Environment*
- *Rural and Remote Health*
- *SAGE Open*
- *Scientific Reports*
- *SN Social Sciences*
- *Sociology Compass*
- *Social Problems*
- *Social Sciences*
- *Sociological Inquiry*
- *Sports*
- *Systems*
- *Ageing & Society*
- *American Journal of Health Promotion*
- *Children*
- *Community Development*
- *Data & Knowledge Engineering*
- *Disasters*
- *Frontiers in Psychology*
- *Healthcare*
- *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*
- *Journal of Community Psychology*
- *Journal of Environmental Management*
- *The Journal of Rural Health*
- *Land*
- *National Science Foundation*
- *Nutrients*
- *Rural Sociology*
- *Rural Studies Book Series*
- *Sage Publishing*
- *Smart Cities*
- *Societies*
- *Social Forces*
- *Social Science Research*
- *Society & Natural Resources*
- *Sociological Perspectives*
- *Sustainability*
- *University of Nebraska Press*

Service at the University-Level

2022-Present	Member Institutional Review Board for Human Subjects, Brigham Young University
2019-Present	Member Space Committee, College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University
2019-2021	Member Graduate Recruitment Council, Brigham Young University
2018-2019	Member College Awards Committee, College of Family, Home & Social Sciences, Brigham Young University
2016-present	Faculty Affiliate Global Women's Studies, Brigham Young University
2016-present	Faculty Affiliate Gerontology Program, Brigham Young University

Service at the Department-Level

2023-present Member

	Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2023-present	Honors Coordinator Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2022-2022	Graduate Coordinator Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2021-2022	Member Rank and Status Committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2019-2021	Member Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2018-2022	Honors Coordinator Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2017-present	Director Community Studies Lab, Brigham Young University Sociology Department
2018-2019	Chair Faculty Development committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2015-2018	Member Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2012-2015	Graduate Student Mentor Sociology Graduate Student Association, Louisiana State University
2013-2015	Chair Community Research Interest Group, Sociology Graduate Student Association, Louisiana State University
2013-2014	President Sociology Graduate Student Association, Louisiana State University
2008-2009	Graduate Student Counsel Representative Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Total number of students completed as instructor of record (through January 2025): 2,125

Courses taught:

- Data Analysis and Presentation
- Introduction to Global Women's Studies
- Methods of Research in Sociology
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Social Problems
- Graduate Research Methods
- Introduction to Sociology
- Multicultural America
- Social Interaction
- Survey Research Design

Graduate Student Advisement

Committee Chair

2024-present	Greta Asay Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2024-present	Elizabeth A. Long Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2023- 2024	Ashley R. Kernan Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

2022- 2024	Haylie M. June Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2021-2023	Minh Anh Ly Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2020-2022	Ciera M. Galbraith Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2019-2021	Kayci A. Muirbrook Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2018-2020	Jorden E. Jackson Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2015-2017	Janie Demetropoulos Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

Committee Member

2022-2024	Hannah Dixon Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2022-2023	Morgan C. Duffy Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2020-2022	Hannah Shoaf Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2020- 2022	Elizabeth S. Finlayson Teacher Education, MA, David O. McKay School of Education, Brigham Young University
2019-2022	Taylor W. Topham Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2020-2021	Paige N. Park Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2019-2021	Kirsten Rasmussen Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2018-2020	Nicholas A. Andre Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2017-2019	Mandy Pershing Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2016-2018	Wesley Jeffrey Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2015-2017	Meagan Rainock Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2015-2017	Alyssa Alexander Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2015-2017	Diana Brown Sociology, MS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

Other Graduate Advisement

2025	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Alexa K. Merrill, Lauryn Wilde
2024	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Torrey E. Linton, Elizabeth

A. Long-Meek, Elise Mackley, Hannah Vaughn, Hannah Hendricks, Anna L. Jacob, Hannah M. Bickerstaff.

- 2023 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Peter S Polhil.
- 2022 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Minh Anh Ly and Haylie M. June.
- 2021 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Ciera M. Galbraith
- 2020 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Kayci Murbrook.
- 2019 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Jorden Jackson
- 2018 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University. Students: Mandy Pershing

Undergraduate Student Thesis and Capstone Advisement

- 2024-Present Honors Thesis Committee Chair
Anna L. Jaccob, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2025-Present Women's Studies Capstone Mentor
Sarah Vorkink, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2024-Present Women's Studies Capstone Mentor
Hannah Z. Hendricks, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-Present Honors Thesis Committee Chair
Hannah Z. Hendricks, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2024-2025 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Olivia Osguthorpe, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2024-2024 Women's Studies Capstone Mentor
Anna L. Jaccob, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2024-2024 Women's Studies Capstone Mentor
Allie Smith, Psychology, BS, Department of Psychology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-2024 Honors Thesis Committee Chair
Elizabeth A. Long, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2023-2024 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Emily Rodriguez, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2023-2024 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Becca Goldrup, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2023-2024 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Josie Zenger, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-2023 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Naomi Julian, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-2023 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Kayli Fox Soug, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-2023 Honors Thesis Committee Member
Madsyn Selph, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2022-2023 Women's Studies Capstone Mentor
Anna Salvania, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
- 2021-2022 Honors Thesis Committee Chair
Jaimi Mueller, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

2021-2022	Honors Thesis Committee Member Hannah Dixon, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2021-2022	Honors Thesis Committee Member Holly Harris, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2021-2021	Women's Studies Capstone Mentor Aliza Carns, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2021-2021	Women's Studies Capstone Mentor Rose Taylor, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2019-2021	Honors Thesis Committee Member Kayla B. Bach, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2018-2020	Honors Thesis Committee Chair Bayleigh B. Cragun, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2019-2020	Honors Thesis Committee Member Maren Monson, Neuroscience, BS, Neuroscience Center, Brigham Young University
2018-2019	Honors Thesis Committee Member John A. Garbero, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
2017-2018	Women's Studies Capstone Mentor Jorden E. Jackson, Sociology, BS, Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University

Other Undergraduate Advisement

2024-Present	First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University Students: Christian Lundal, Hazel Green, Rebecca Chavez.
2024-Present	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University Students: Hannah Hendricks, Torrey E. Linton, Elizabeth A Long-Meek, C. Elise Mackley, Hannah J. Vaughan.
2023-2024	First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University Students: Marjorie Dardon, Madison Hubert, Jose Vasquez, Matthew Crubaugh, Faith Murri.
2023	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University Students: Greta L. Asay, Hannah Z. Hendricks, Elizabeth A. Long, Ashley R. Kernan, Haylie M. June
2022-2023	First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University Students: Jaqueline Cantu; Jinook Kim; Deborah Sawyer
2022	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University Students: Greta L. Asay, Hannah Z. Hendricks, Elizabeth A. Long, Ashley R. Kernan, Haylie M. June
2022	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Global Women's Studies, Brigham Young University. Students: Kathryn M. Howe
2021-2022	First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University Students: Rebecca Anderson, Angelina Fusano, Jerson Jaramillo, and Abigail Lloyd
2021	Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University Students: Nicole Issac, Ashley R. Kernan, Jaimi C. Mueller, Sabrina M. Racca, and Catalina V. Valdez.

- 2020-2021 First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University
Students: Nancy Gonzalez, Andrea Benson, Mason Maxfield, Sadie Stanciffe, and Marlene Uscanga
- 2020 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
Students: Kathryn E. Foster, Abbey E. Hutchins, Tiauna M. Lomax, Franchesca E. Lopez, Genevieve M. Smith
- 2019-2020 First Generation Faculty Ally, Office of First-Year Experience, Brigham Young University
Students: Grady Call, Daniel Ekpo, Kallie Farra, Andy Garcia, and Rob Spencer
- 2019 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
Student: Bayleigh B. Cragun
- 2018 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
Students: Heidi A. Comish, Julius Johnson, Kayci A. Muirbrook, Paige Park, J. Alex Reider, and McKenna L. Wright
- 2017 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
Students: Courtney Bangeter, Bria N. Davis, Jorden E. Jackson, Nicole Guilott, Trevor A. Mendel, and Jacob H. Wixom
- 2017 Scholarship Sponsor
Office of Research & Creative Activities, Brigham Young University
Undergraduate Students: Jorden E. Jackson, Kayci A. Muirbrook, Paige Park
- 2016 Scholarship Sponsor
Office of Research & Creative Activities, Brigham Young University
Undergraduate Students: Liberty A. Tatham, Kimberly M. Webb, and Jacob H. Wixom
- 2016 Individual Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Directed Reading and/or Research
Department of Sociology, Brigham Young University
Students: Liberty A. Tatham, Kimberly M. Webb, and Jacob H. Wixom

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS (¹student co-author)

Invited Presentations

- Michael R. Cope.** Invited panelist for a webinar titled “Publishing on Gender and Sexuality in *Rural Sociology*: A Conversation,” Rural Sociological Society Gender and Sexuality Research Interest Group, March 2022
- Michael R. Cope.** Invited panelist for session titled “How to Build a Research and Evaluation Center, sponsored by the Committee on Practicing, Applied, and Clinical Sociology” at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Virtual Conference, March 2021.
- Cope, Michael R.** Invited panelist for session titled “Multiple Models of Mentoring” at the FHSS Spring Teaching Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, May 20, 2020.
- Cope, Michael R.** “Who am I? Why am I Talking with Y’all?” Invited keynote presentation Prepared the 2020 Semester Women’s Studies Honor Society New Member Induction, Brigham Young University, Provo UT, 2020.
- Cope, Michael R.** “Rural Sociology: PSA Dessert Forum, with Journalist James Pogue ‘Inside the Malheur Occupation: Understanding Rural Rebellion in the West.’” Panelist invitation extended by the President of the Pacific Sociological Association for the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Eugene, OR,

2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual conference was unable to meet as scheduled and, instead, was convened more informally via an online format.

Cope, Michael R. "Evaluation Research: Preparing Students for Applied Research and the Non-Profit Sector." Invited presentation for the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Eugene, OR, 2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual conference was unable to meet as scheduled and, instead, was convened more informally via an online format.

Slack, Tim, **Michael R. Cope**, Leif Jensen, and Ann R. Tickamyer. "Social Embeddedness, Formal Labor Supply, and Participation in Informal Work." Invited presentation at the Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course, Yale University, 2016.

Cope, Michael R. Invited panelist for session titled "Windows to the World: A Panel on Ralph Brown's Contributions to the Sociology of Community," at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, 2015

Slack, Tim, **Michael R. Cope**, Troy C. Blanchard, and Matthew R. Lee. "Vulnerability to Negative Health Impacts Following the BP Deepwater Horizon Disaster: Examining the Influence of Time, Community Attachment, and Natural Resource Employment." Paper invited by the President of the Rural Sociological Society for a joint session at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association and the Rural Sociological Society, New York, NY, 2013.

Conference Papers and Related Activities

Jacob¹, Anna and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "'Do I really need to go to school?' How Education Affects Rural Utah Women & Their Community Satisfaction." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 5, 2024.

Jacob¹, Anna, Lance Erickson (advisor), and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "'Do I really need to go to school?' How Education Affects Rural Utah Women & Their Community Satisfaction." Paper prepared for the Fall 2021 Global Women's Studies Capstone Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 4, 2024.

Asay¹, Greta, Hannah Hendricks¹, Elizabeth Long-Meek¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. "'Do You Care About Land or The Land?': Perceptions and Interactions with Placed Rhetoric Surrounding Bears Ears National Monument." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, July 25, 2024.

June¹, Haylie, **Michael R. Cope**, Sydney Hawkins¹, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. "Resident's Perceptions of a Future Olympic Bid in Heber, Utah." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, July 27, 2024.

Jacob¹, Anna, Jensen Wells¹, **Michael R. Cope** (advisor) and Carol Ward (advisor). "What is happening in Wasatch County?" Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2024.

Hendricks¹, Hannah, Elizabeth Long¹, **Michael R. Cope** (advisor) and Carol Ward (advisor). "Powering Community: The Intermountain Power Plant in Delta, Utah." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2024.

June¹, Haylie, **Michael R. Cope** (advisor), and Jocelyn Wikle (advisor) "Increasing Access to Education for Student Mothers at BYU." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2024.

NOTE: Winner of the best poster for graduate student, sociology

June¹, Haylie, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor) "Aging in a Changing Community: An Investigation into Perceptions of Community in Heber Valley among Older Adults." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2024.

NOTE: Winner of the best poster for gerontology

- Asay¹, Greta L., J. Harrison Nevels¹, Kehaulani Langi-Leger¹, **Michael R. Cope** (advisor) and Carol Ward (advisor). "Adapting to Economic Disruption: The Case of Colstrip, MT." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2024.
- Hendricks¹, Hannah and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "Investigating the Relationship Between Environmental Attitudes and Support for the Creation of National Monuments: The Case of Bears Ears National Monument." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 7, 2023.
- Ly¹, Anh and **Michael R. Cope**. "Can Community Resilience Be Achieved? An Investigation of Subjective Household Resilience, Place Meanings, and Individual Perceived Preparedness to Response to Environmental Threats." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Burlington, VT, 2023.
- Hendricks¹, Hannah, Greta Asay¹, Elizabeth Long-Meek¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Exploring Monumental Perspectives About Land Designation: The Case of the Bears Ears National Monument." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Burlington, VT, 2023.
- June¹, Haylie, Sydney Hawkins¹, **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R Sanders, and Carol Ward. "Resident Support for Future Olympic Bid in Heber Valley, Utah." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Burlington, VT, 2023.
- June¹, Haylie M., Ashley R. Kernan¹, Rachel M. Sumsion¹, Michael R. Cope, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. "The Social Legacy of the Winter Olympics on Utah's Heber Valley." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Seattle, WA, 2023.
- June¹, Haylie, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor) "Perceptions, Community, and Narratives about Change in Heber Valley." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2023.
- Ly¹, Anh M. and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "New Conceptual Model of Social Sustainability: Review from Past Concepts and Ideas." Paper presented at the 9th Annual Rural Studies Conference, The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, October 13, 2022.
- Mueller¹, Jaimi, **Michael R. Cope**, Scott R. Sanders, and Carol Ward. "Psychological Sense of Community in Gateway Communities." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Westminister, CO, 2022.
- Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, Kayci Muirbrook, and Taylor Topham. "The Effectiveness of a Culturally Responsive Math Program in a Rural Tribal College." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Westminister, CO, 2022.
- Galbraith, Ciera, **Michael R. Cope**, Carol Ward, and Erin Feinauer Whiting. "The Impacts of Local Schools on Experience of Community." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Westminister, CO, 2022.
- Ward, Carol, **Michael R. Cope**, and Kayci Muirbrook. "Developing a Culturally Responsive Math Program for Tribal College Students." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Sacramento, CA, 2022.
- Kernan¹, Ashley and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "Social Sustainability?: Exploring the Relationship between Community Experience and Perceptions of the Environment." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 7, 2022.
- Dixon¹, Hannah, Carol Ward(advisor), Erin Feinauer Whiting(advisor), and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "'School is the Battlefield': The CRT Controversy and Educators' Discussions about Equity." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 7, 2022.

- Mueller¹, Jaimi, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "Psychological Sense of Community in Gateway Communities." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 7, 2022.
- Taylor¹, Rose, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "#Bodyimage: An Analysis of the Messages about the Female Body in TikTok Videos." Paper prepared for the Fall 2021 Global Women's Studies Capstone Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 9, 2021.
- Carns¹, Aliza, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "Rhetoric and Abortion: Patterns of Paternalism, Infantilization, and Villainization in State Abortion Law and the Lawmaking Process." Paper prepared for the Fall 2021 Global Women's Studies Capstone Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 9, 2021.
- Mueller¹, Jaimi, and **Michael R. Cope** (advisor). "Community Experience and Bears Ears National Monument." Poster presented at the BYU Sociology Department's Undergraduate Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, December 9, 2021.
- Ward, Carol; Scott R. Sanders, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Evaluation Research: Preparing Students for Applied Research and the Non-Profit Sector." Panel presentation prepared for the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Virtual Conference, March 2021.
- Jones, Melissa S., Kayci A. Muirbrook¹, John P. Hoffmann, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Strain, Hopelessness, and Youth Delinquency: A General Strain Theory Approach." Paper prepared for the annual meetings of the American Society of Criminology, Washington, D.C., 2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual conference was unable to meet as scheduled.
- Cragun¹, Bayleigh B., Michael R. Cope, Carol Ward, and Jane L. Lopez. "Contradictory Selves and Symbolic Healing: Investigation of Identity Performance in a Dance Leisure Space." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 9, 2020.
- Jackson¹, Jorden E., Michael R. Cope, Scott R. Sanders, and Hayley Pierce. "Privilege and Place: An Exploratory Study about Healthcare Bypass Behavior." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 9, 2020.
- Muirbrook¹, Kayci A., **Michael R. Cope**, and Carol Ward. "Racial Self-Evaluations and Inter-Group Attitudes in the United States." Paper prepared for the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Eugene, OR, 2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual conference was unable to meet as scheduled and, instead, was convened more informally via an online format
- Muirbrook¹, Kayci A., Scott R. Sanders, **Michael R. Cope**, Paige N. Park¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹, and Carol Ward. "The Link Between Online Activity and Rural Community Satisfaction." Paper presented at the Utah Demography Summit, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, October 18, 2019.
- Muir¹, Jonathan, **Michael R Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, and Jorden Jackson¹. "To Move Home or Move On? Investigating the Impact of Recovery Aid on Migration Status After Volcanic Eruptions in Merapi, Indonesia." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, 2019.
- Jackson¹, Jorden E., **Michael R. Cope**, Scott Sanders, Paige Park¹, and Kayci Muirbrook¹. "The Effect of Distance to Labor and Delivery Services on Women's Healthcare Experience in Rural Utah." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, 2019.
- Ward, Carol, Jacob Wixom¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Experiences with Boom and Bust in a Modern Energy Town: A Case Study of Colstrip, Montana." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, 2019.
- Muir¹, Jonathan, **Michael R Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, and Jorden Jackson¹. "To Move Home or Move On? Investigating the Impact of Recovery Aid on Migration Status After Volcanic Eruptions in Merapi, Indonesia." Poster presented at the annual meetings of the Population Association of America, Austin, TX, 2019.

- Garbero¹, John, Carol Ward, **Michael Cope**, and Jacob Rugh. "Familiarity with Homosexuality 'Changes Hearts:' What Lay and Former Member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Think about LGBP Issues." Poster presented at the Mary Lou Fulton Mentored Research Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, April 11, 2019.
- Jackson¹, Jorden, Scott Sanders, **Michael R Cope**, Carol Ward, Paige Park¹, and Kayci Muirbrook¹. "The Effect of Distance to Women's Health Services on Women's Healthcare Experience in Rural Utah." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, 2019
- Park¹, Paige, **Michael R Cope**, Scott Sanders, Jorden Jackson¹, Kayci Muirbrook¹, and Carol Ward. "Psychological Sense of Community in Rural Utah: The Religious Divide." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, 2019
- Muirbrook¹, Kayci, **Michael R Cope**, Paige N Park¹, Scott Sanders, Jorden Jackson¹, and Carol Ward. "The Link Between Online Activity and Rural Community Satisfaction" Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, 2019.
- Cope, Michael R.** "Community Vulnerability, and Disaster: Important Considerations." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR, 2018.
- Sanders, Scott R., **Michael R. Cope**, Elizabeth Pulsipher¹, Jorden E. Jackson¹, and Julius Johnson¹. "Understanding the Effect of the Affordable Care Act (Obama Care) on Rural Primary Health Care Selection." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR, 2018.
- Ward, Carol., **Michael R. Cope**, Paige Park¹, and Scott Sanders. "Education Deserts in Utah: Access to Higher Education in 25 Rural Communities." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, OR, 2018.
- Muir¹, Jonathan, **Michael R. Cope**, Leslie Angeningsih, and Ralph B. Brown. "Indicators of Return Migration in the Aftermath of a Natural Disaster: Evidence from Merapi, Indonesia." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, OH, 2017.
- McKnight¹, Matthew, Benjamin Gibbs, Scott S. Sanders, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Distance and Place: The Relationship of Distance and Community Population Size to Community Satisfaction." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, OH, 2017.
- Cope, Michael R.** and Scott Sanders. "My Ears are Burning: Community Narratives of Place and Change." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, OR, 2017
- Webb¹, Kimberly, Liberty A. Tatham¹, **Michael R. Cope**, and Carol Ward. "It's My Village: Perceptions, Community, and Narratives About Change." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, OR, 2017
- Cope, Michael R.**, Tim Slack, Troy C. Blanchard, and Matthew R. Lee. "Social Vulnerability and Intended Migration in the Wake of the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Southeast Louisiana." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, Greenville, SC, 2017.
- Cope, Michael R.** Matthew Colling, Josh Stovall, and Jeremy Flaherty. "From Mass Consumer society to a Society of Consumers: Consumption and the Experience of Community in Late Modernity." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, Canada, 2016.
- Ward, Carol J. and **Michael R. Cope**. "Access to Health Care among Older Rural Women Veterans in Utah." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Toronto, Canada, 2016.
- Parks¹, Vanessa and **Michael R. Cope**. "Resource Networks and Community Satisfaction Among Coastal Louisiana Residents." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, 2016.

- Ward, Carol J., Elmont Lindsey¹, and **Michael R. Cope**. "Native American Vietnam Veterans: Access to Healthcare in Rural Montana." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland, CA, 2016.
- Cope, Michael R.**, Matthew R. Lee Tim Slack, and Troy C. Blanchard. "Geographically Differentiated Support Resources on Perceived Household Preparedness in Disaster Prone Coastal Communities." Paper presented at the annual meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Madison, WI, 2015.
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