

## Ewa Batyra, PhD

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS & AFFILIATIONS

**Center for Demographic Studies, 2021-**  
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow

**Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, 2021-**  
Guest Researcher in the Laboratory of Fertility and Well-Being

**University of Pennsylvania, 2019-2020**  
Postdoctoral Fellow in Population Studies Center

**London School of Economics and Political Science, 2018**  
Guest Lecturer in the Department of International Development

### EDUCATION

**London School of Economics and Political Science**  
PhD, Demography/Population Studies, 2018

- Thesis: *Fertility and Contraceptive Use in Latin America* under supervision of Tiziana Leone and Mikko Myrskylä. Examiners: Albert Esteve and Andrew Hinde

MSc, Social Research Methods, 2014 (*Distinction*)

MSc, Population and Development, 2013 (*Distinction*)

**Warsaw School of Economics**  
BA, Quantitative Methods in Economics, 2011

### RESEARCH INTEREST

Fertility, Family Formation, Child Health & Well-Being, Education, Public & Social Policy, Inequality, International Development, Quantitative Research Methods

### PUBLICATIONS

**Batyra, E.** & Pesando, L.M. (forthcoming) “Increases in Child Marriage Among the Poorest in Mali: “Reverse Policies” or Data Quality Issues?” *Population Studies*.

**Batyra, E.**, Leone, T. & Myrskylä, M. (2022) “Forecasting of Cohort Fertility by Education Level in Countries with Limited Data Availability: The Case of Brazil” *Population Studies*.

**Batyra, E.** & Kohler, H.P. (2022) “Unequal Transitions to Adulthood: Widening Disparities in Age at First Union, Sex and Birth in Many Low- and Middle Income Countries” *Studies in Family Planning* 53(3): 549-565.

Castro, A.F., **Batyra, E.** & Myrskylä, M. (2022) “Income Inequality and Increasing Dispersion of the Transition to First Birth in the Global South” *Population and Development Review* 48(1): 189-215.

Väisänen, H. & **Batyra, E.** (2022) “Unintended Pregnancy Resolution among Parous Women in Low- and Middle-Income Countries” *Journal of Biosocial Science* 54(4): 698-724.

**Batyra, E.**, Kohler, H.P. & Furstenberg, F.F. (2021) “Changing Gender Gaps in the Timing of First Union Formation and Sexual Initiation in sub-Saharan Africa” *Population and Development Review* 47(2): 289-322.

**Batyra, E.** & Pesando, L.M. (2021) “Trends in Child Marriage and New Evidence on the Selective Impact of Changes in Age-at-Marriage Laws on Early Marriage” *Social Science and Medicine - Population Health* 14.

**Batyra, E.**, Coast, E., Wilson, B. & Cetorelli, V. (2020) ”The Socioeconomic Dynamics of Trends in Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting across Africa” *BMJ Global Health* 5:1-9.

Cetorelli, V., Wilson, B., **Batyra, E.** & Coast, E. (2020) “Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting in Mali and Mauritania: Understanding Trends and Evaluating Policies” *Studies in Family Planning* 51(1): 51-69.

**Batyra, E.** (2020) “Contraceptive Use Behavior Change after an Unintended Birth in Colombia and Peru” *International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health* 46: 9-19.

**Batyra, E.** (2020) “Increasing Educational Disparities in the Timing of Motherhood in the Andean region: A Cohort Perspective” *Population Research and Policy Review* 39: 283–309.

**Batyra, E.** (2016) “Fertility and the Changing Pattern of the Timing of Childbearing in Colombia” *Demographic Research* 35(46): 1343-1372.

UNDER REVIEW

“Education is Not Uniformly Associated with the Timing of Family Formation: Evidence from 52 Countries”.

“Union Formation, Within-Couple Dynamics, and Child Well-Being in Global Comparative Perspective” (with Pesando, L.M., Castro, A.F., Furstenberg, F.F. & Kohler, H.P.)

“The Effect of Birth Intention Status on Infant Mortality: A Fixed Effects Analysis of 60 Countries” (with Väisänen, H.)

“Human Fertility After a Disaster: A Systematic Literature Review” (with Lee, S., Castro, A.F. & Wilde, J.)

“Research Note on the Importance of a Holistic Approach for Population Studies” (with Castro, A.F. & Furstenberg, F.F.)

“Gender Asymmetries in Cross-National Couples” (with Esteve, A.& Elwert, A.).

“Non-family Living Arrangements Among Young Adults in the United States” (with Jeffers, K. & Esteve, A.).

“A Gender Story of Institutional Disengagement of Young Adults in Latin America” (with Liu, C. & Castro, A.F.)

WORKING PAPERS

**Batyra, E.**, Pesando, L.M., Castro, A.F., Furstenberg, F.F. & Kohler, H.P. “Union Formation, Within-Couple Dynamics, and Child Well-Being in Global Comparative Perspective”. *University of Pennsylvania Population Center Working Paper (PSC/PARC)*, 2022-84.

Väisänen, H. & **Batyra, E.** “The Effect of Birth Intention Status on Infant Mortality: A Fixed Effects Analysis of 60 Countries”. *MPIDR Working Paper WP 2022-032*.

Liu, C., Castro, A.F. & **Batyra, E.** “A Gender Story of Social Disengagement of Young Adults in Latin America“. *MPIDR Working Paper WP 2022-004*.

**TEACHING AND SUPERVISION**

**Graduate Student Supervision**, Center for Demographic Studies, 2021-  
 PhD Student Co-Supervisor  
 European Doctoral School of Demography Mentor

**Guest Lecturer**, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2018  
 Course: Population, Health and Development: Evidence and Projections (postgraduate)

**Teaching Assistant**, London School of Economics and Political Science  
 Course: Applied Regression Analysis (postgraduate), 2018  
 Course: Intermediate Quantitative Methods (postgraduate), 2015

**OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

**Research Assistant**, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2015-2017  
 Project: Evaluating the Effect of Policy Changes on Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting in Africa

**Intern**, Central Statistical Office of Poland, Department of Methodology, 2011

**HONORS, AWARDS AND GRANTS**

Marie-Sklodowska Curie Individual Fellowship, European Commission, 2022  
 Juan de la Cierva Fellowship, Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation, 2021  
 Guest Visit Fellowship, Max Planck Society, 2021  
 Doctoral Studentship, Economic and Social Research Council of UK, 2013-2017  
 Quantitative Methods Training Grant, Economic and Social Research Council of UK, 2013-2017  
 Travel Grant, British Society for Population Studies, 2017  
 Overseas Institutional Visit Scholarship, Economic and Social Research Council of UK, 2017  
 Best Poster Prize, British Society of Population Studies Annual Conference, 2015  
 Best Overall Performance Prize in MSc Social Research Methods, LSE, 2014  
 Titmuss Prize for the best dissertation in MSc Population and Development, LSE, 2013  
 Titmuss Prize for the outstanding performance in MSc Population and Development, LSE, 2013  
 Jeremi Króliczewski Educational Scholarship for MSc Population and Development, LSE, 2012-2013  
 Grant for MSc Population and Development, Ruby Will George Trust, 2012  
 Scholarship for Academic Achievements, Warsaw School of Economics, 2008-2009

**TRAINING IN RESEARCH METHODS**

Digital Demography, MPIDR, Rostock, 2022  
 Causal Inference, MPIDR, Rostock, 2021  
 Data Visualization, MPIDR, Rostock, 2021  
 Longitudinal Data Analysis, University of Southampton, 2017  
 Demographic Applications of Bayesian Models, MPIDR, Rostock, 2016  
 Sequence Analysis, University of Manchester, 2016  
 Bayesian Methods, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2015  
 Modelling Time: Duration and Survival, University of Essex Summer School, 2015  
 Applied Multilevel Modelling, University of Southampton, 2015  
 Probabilistic Population Projections: Theory and Practice, MPIDR, Rostock, 2014  
 Statistical Methods for Causal Inference, Non-parametric Regression Modelling in R, 2013-2014  
 Latent Variable and Structural Equation Models (as part of MSc Social Research Methods)

- CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
- "Education is Not Uniformly Associated with the Timing of Family Formation: Evidence from 52 Countries"
    - Session, Population Association of America, New Orleans, US, forthcoming in 2023
  - "Unequal Transitions to Adulthood: Widening Disparities in Age at First Union, Sex and Birth in Many Low- and Middle Income Countries"
    - Session, Portuguese Demography Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, 2022
    - Session, British Society for Population Studies, Winchester, UK, 2022
    - Academic Seminar (invited), London School of Economics Demography Seminar, UK, 2022
    - Online Session, Population Association of America, 2021
  - "Gender Asymmetries in Cross-National Couples"
    - Session, European Population Conference, Groningen, 2022
    - Inequality and Stratification Seminar, CED Barcelona, 2022
    - Online Session, Population Association of America, 2022
  - "Increases in Child Marriage Among the Poorest in Mali: "Reverse Policies" or Data Quality Issues?"
    - Online Session, Population Association of America, 2022
    - Center for Demographic Studies Colloquium, CED Barcelona, 2021
    - Online Session, International Population Conference, 2021
  - "Union Formation, Within-Couple Dynamics, and Child Well-Being in Global Comparative Perspective"
    - Online Session, International Population Conference, 2021
    - Online Session, Population Association of America, 2021
  - "The Selective Impact of Changes in Age-at-Marriage Laws on Early Marriage"
    - Online Session, International Seminar on Family Demography and Family Law, 2020
  - "Changing Gender Gaps in the Timing of Partnership Formation in Sub-Saharan Africa"
    - Session, Global Family Change, Perry World House, Philadelphia, US, 2019
  - "Educational differences in fertility and timing of childbearing in Latin America"
    - Academic Seminar (invited), University of Southampton, UK, 2018
  - "Increasing Educational Disparities in the Timing of Motherhood in the Andean Region"
    - Session, Population Association of America, Denver, US, 2018
    - Poster, International Population Conference, Cape Town, South Africa, 2017
    - Session, British Society for Population Studies, Liverpool, UK, 2017
    - Session, Conference on Education in Latin America, UCL, UK, 2017
  - "Fertility and the Changing Pattern of the Timing of Childbearing in Colombia"
    - Academic Seminar (invited), Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, CEDEPLAR, Brazil, 2017
    - Poster, British Society for Population Studies, Winchester, UK, 2015
    - Poster, Education and reproduction in low-fertility settings, Vienna, Austria, 2015
    - Poster, Population Association of America, San Diego, US, 2015
  - "Contraceptive Use Behavior Change after an Unintended Birth in Colombia and Peru"
    - Session, Latin American Population Conference, Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil, 2016
    - Session, British Society for Population Studies, Leeds, Liverpool, UK, 2016
    - Session, European Population Conference, Mainz, Germany, 2016
    - Academic Seminar (invited), National University of Colombia, Colombia, 2016
    - Poster, Population Association of America, Washington, DC, US, 2015

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE

**Reviewer** *\*multiple reviews*

Demographic Research\*, Population Studies\*, Population Review, Global Health Research and Policy, Population Research and Policy Review, Asia Pacific Journal of Public Health, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management

**Conference and Seminar Series Organizer**

Inequality and Stratification Seminar Co-Organizer, Center for Demographic Studies, 2023

Session Co-Organizer, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, 2022

Global Family Change Conference Organizer, Perry World House University of Pennsylvania, 2019

Poster Session Organizer at the British Society for Population Studies Annual Meeting, 2017

Organizer of the Population Brown Bag Seminar Series, London School of Economics, 2014-2015

**Professional Memberships**

European Population Association, 2016-

Latin American Population Association, 2016-

Population Association of America, 2015-

International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, 2015-

British Society for Population Studies, 2015-

TECHNICAL  
EXPERTISE

Computer Skills: STATA, R, SPSS, MLwiN, Spectrum

Languages: English (fluent), Polish (native), Spanish (intermediate), German (basic)

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