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Biography

Sarah Hayford is Professor of Sociology and Director of the Institute for Population Research at The Ohio State University. She studies childbearing, family formation, and reproductive health, primarily in the United States and sub-Saharan Africa. She is interested in how people make plans about these behaviors and who is able to carry out their plans. Recent and current research topics include the determinants of fertility intentions and desires in the United States, policy impacts on reproductive health access and outcomes in Ohio, the transition to adulthood in low- and middle-income countries, and how reproductive trajectories shape women's long-term health and well-being in rural Mozambique. Hayford's research has been funded by the U.S. National Institutes of Health and by private foundations.