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Education

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (US)

MA in Demography, May 2002
Joint PhD in Demography and Sociology, May 2006.
Areas of concentration: health and mortality, family sociology, medical sociology
Dissertation title: *HIV/AIDS surveillance and behavioral change in populations affected by the AIDS epidemic*. Committee: S. Watkins, E. van de Walle, D. Ewbank, and H.P. Kohler. *Distinction*.

Catholic University of Brabant (Netherlands), Loughborough University of Technology (United Kingdom), Brussels Free University (Belgium), and Duesto University (Spain)

Masters' Degree in European Leisure and Culture Studies. *Cum laude*, 1992.

Brussels Free University, Brussels (Belgium)

Licentiate in Sociology. *Magna cum laude*, 1991.

Appointments

Princeton University, Princeton NJ, 2009 – ...

Assistant Professor in Sociology and Public Affairs, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and the Department of Sociology
Faculty Research Associate, Office of Population Research
Faculty Research Associate, Center for Health and Wellbeing
Faculty Associate, Program in Global Health and Health Policy

University of Colorado, Boulder CO, USA, 2006 – ...

Research Associate, Institute of Behavioral Science

University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2006 – ...

Honorary senior researcher, School of Public Health, 2011- ...
Honorary researcher, School of Public Health, 2009 - 2010
Visiting researcher/Visiting lecturer in the School of Social Sciences and the School of Public Health, 2006 - 2008

United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 1998-2001

Associate Expert in Population and Sustainable Development in the Food Security and Sustainable Development Division

University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium, 1993-1998

Researcher and Teaching Assistant at the Department of Population Studies and Social Science Research Methodology

Teaching

Princeton University, NJ

- Research Methods in Demography (graduate, POP502/ECO572/SOC532), 2009-2011
- Applied Social Statistics (graduate, SOC500), Fall 2009

University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

- Introduction to Demographic Methods (graduate), co-taught with Prof. C. Odimegwu, Spring 2007
- Masters' Research Seminar (graduate), Spring 2007 & Spring 2008
- Intermediate Demographic Methods (graduate), Spring 2007 & Spring 2008
- Basic Demographic Methods (graduate), Fall 2007 & Fall 2008

University of Colorado at Boulder, CO

- Longitudinal Data Management and Analysis (graduate), co-taught with J Little, J Williams, J Menken and N Khan, Summer 2007 & Summer 2008

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

- Sociology of Media and Popular Culture (undergraduate), TA for Prof. D. Grazian, Fall 2003

University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium

- Descriptive Statistics (undergraduate), TA for Prof H. Page, 1994-1997
- Research Methods for the Social Sciences (undergraduate), TA for Prof H. Page, 1994-1997

Awards

2005-2006: Dean's Scholar, School of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania.

2005-2006: Dissertation Fellowship, School of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania.

2005: Laureate of the Student Paper Competition. Federation of Canadian Demographers Conference.

2001-2005: William Penn Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania.

1992: Centerparcs Prize for the best thesis. Programme in European Leisure and Culture Studies.

Grants

2007-2012: Partnership for Social Science AIDS Research in South Africa's Era of ART Rollout, NIH-1R24AG032112-01, PI: Menken J, Role: Co-Investigator, \$US 1,604,306

2007-2008: *Partner Selection in Times of HIV/AIDS in Rural South Africa*, University of Colorado Population Center Developmental Grant, Role: PI, \$US 8,405.

2007-2009: *Population-Level Impact of ART on Adult Mortality in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*, WHO SANTE/2004/089-735, Role: PI, \$US 73,000.

2006: *Addis Ababa Mortality Surveillance Project (AAMSP)*, CDC-Ethiopia, PI: Berhane Y, Role: Co-PI, \$US 100,000. Renewed in 2007.

2004: *Verbal autopsies for AIDS mortality measurement in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*, Mellon Pilot Project Grant, Role PI, \$US 13,500.

Peer-reviewed articles

Reniers G and Tfaily R (forthcoming) Polygyny, partnership concurrency and HIV transmission in sub-Saharan Africa, *Demography*. Working paper available from <http://papers.ccpr.ucla.edu/>

Reniers G, and Helleringer S (2011) Serosorting and the evaluation of HIV testing and counseling for HIV prevention in generalized epidemics, *AIDS and Behavior*, 15(1): 1-8.

Reniers G and Watkins S (2010) Polygyny and the spread of HIV in sub-Saharan Africa: a case of benign concurrency, *AIDS*, 24(2): 299-307.

Tensou B, Araya T, Telake DS, Byass P, Berhane Y, Kebebew T, Sanders J, and **Reniers G** (2010) Evaluating the InterVA model for determining AIDS mortality from verbal autopsies in the adult population of Addis Ababa, *Tropical Medicine and International Health*, 15(5): 547-553.

Serwaa-Bonsu A, Herbst K, **Reniers G**, Ijaa W, Clark B, Kabudula C, Sankoh O (2010) First experiences in the implementation of biometric technology to link data from health and demographic surveillance systems with health facility data, *Global Health Action*, 3: 2120.

Reniers G and Eaton J (2009) Refusal bias in HIV prevalence estimates from nationally representative seroprevalence surveys, *AIDS*, 23(5): 621-629.

Reniers G, Araya T, Davey G, Nagelkerke N, Berhane Y, Coutinho R and Sanders EJ (2009) Steep declines in AIDS mortality following the introduction of antiretroviral therapy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, *AIDS*, 23(4): 511-518.

Reniers G, Araya T, Berhane Y, Davey G, and Sanders EJ (2009) Implications of the HIV testing protocol for non-response bias in seroprevalence surveys, *BMC Public Health*, 9:163.

Reniers G and Tesfai R (2009) Health services utilization in terminal illness in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, *Health Policy and Planning*, 24(4): 312-319.

Boileau C, Clark S, Poulin M, **Reniers G**, Watkins S, Heyman J (2009) Sexual and marital trajectories and HIV infection among ever-married women in rural Malawi, *Sexually Transmitted Infections*, 85 (Suppl 1): i27-i33.

Reniers G and Tfaily R (2008) Polygyny and HIV in Malawi. *Demographic Research*, 19(53): 1811-1830.

Also published in Dutch as: **Reniers G** en Tfaily R (2010) Het bijzondere verband tussen polygynie en HIV in Malawi, In Eeckhaut M, Van de Putte B, Van Rossem R, and De Bruycker T (eds.) *Het sociaal-demografisch perspectief: Liber amicorum ter ere van het emiraat van Prof. Dr. Hilary Page*, Gent: Academia Press, pp. 313-331.

Reniers G (2008) Marital strategies for regulating exposure to HIV. *Demography*, 45(2): 417-438.

Tekola F, **Reniers G**, Araya T, Damen HM, and Davey G (2008) The economic impact of AIDS morbidity and mortality on households in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, *AIDS Care*, 20(8): 995-1001.

Reniers G, Araya T, and Sanders EJ (2006); Life table estimates of adult HIV/AIDS mortality in Addis Ababa. *Ethiopian Journal of Health Development*, 20(1): 3-9.

Reniers G, Araya T, Schaap A, Kumie A, Kebede D, Nagelkerke N, Coutinho R, and Sanders EJ (2005) Monitoring cause-specific adult mortality in developing countries. A comparison of different data sources for Addis Ababa and its implications for policy and research, *Social Science and Medicine* 61(9): 1952-1957.

Araya T, **Reniers G**, Schaap A, Kebede D, Kumie A, Nagelkerke N, Coutinho R, and Sanders EJ (2004) Lay diagnosis of causes of death for monitoring AIDS mortality in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. *Tropical Medicine and International Health*, 19(1): 178-186.

Reniers G (2003) Divorce and remarriage in rural Malawi, *Demographic Research*, S1(6): 175-206.

Bignami S, **Reniers G**, and Weinreb A (2003) An assessment of the KDICP and MDICP data quality: interviewer effects, question reliability and sample attrition. *Demographic Research*, S1(2): 31-76.

Reniers G (2001) The post-migration survival of traditional marriage patterns: consanguineous marriage among Turkish and Moroccan immigrants in Belgium. *Journal of Comparative Family Studies* 32(1): 21-44.

Reniers G (1999) On the history and selectivity of Turkish and Moroccan migration to Belgium. *International Migration*, 37(4): 679-713.

Reprinted in Lesthaeghe R ed. (2000) *Communities and generations: Turkish and Moroccan populations in Belgium*, The Hague-Brussels, NIDI-CBGS Publications, pp. 59-93.

Reniers G and Lievens J (1999) Stéréotypes en perspective. L'évolution de quelques aspects du mariage chez les minorités turques et marocaines en Belgique. *Revue Européenne des Migrations Internationales* 15(3): 125-149.

Also published in Dutch as **Reniers G** and Lievens J (1999) Stereotypen in perspectief. De evolutie van enkele aspecten van het huwelijk bij Turken en Marokkanen in België, *Migrantenstudies*, 15(1): 28-44.

Book Chapters

Reniers G, Masquelier B, and Gerland P (2011) Adult mortality in Africa, In: Rogers R and Crimmins E (eds.); *International handbook on adult mortality*, Dordrecht-Heidelberg-London-New York: Springer, pp.151-170.

Lutz W, Scherbov S, Makinwa-Adebusoye PK, and **Reniers G** (2004) Population-environment-development-agriculture interactions in Africa: a case study on Ethiopia, In Lutz W, Sanderson W and Scherbov S (eds.), *The End of World Population Growth in the 21st Century*, London: Earthscan, pp. 187-225.

Surkyn J and **Reniers G** (1997) Selecte gezelschappen: over de migratiegeschiedenis en interne dynamiek van migratieprocessen. In Lesthaeghe R (ed.) *Diversiteit in sociale verandering: Turkse en Marokkaanse vrouwen in België*, Brussel, VUB-Press, pp. 41-72.

Correspondence & book reviews

Helleringer S and **Reniers G** (2011) Study designs fail to represent the intricate effects of HIV testing and counseling on condom use and HIV transmission in sub-Saharan Africa, *International Journal of Epidemiology*, 40 (1): 255-256. [correspondence]

Reniers G, Watkins S, and Tfamily R (2010) Benign concurrency in context and practice: a response to Epstein and Stanton, *AIDS*, 24(11): 1792-1795. [correspondence]

Epstein H, Swidler A, Gray R, **Reniers G**, Parker W, Parkhurst J, Short R, Halperin D (2010); Measuring concurrent partnerships, *The Lancet*, 375(9729): 1869. [correspondence]

Reniers G (1995) Sexualiteit en beschermingsgedrag bij Turkse en Marokkaanse mannen : kritische bespreking van twee Nederlandse onderzoeken, *Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*, 1(6): 93-95. [book review]

Working papers (not published elsewhere)

Reniers G and Armbruster B (2011) Elevated partnership dissolution rates in serodiscordant couples limit the spread of HIV, Princeton University, Office of Population Research Working Paper OPR-2011-02. Available from <http://papers.ccpr.ucla.edu/>

Bigname-Van Assche S, Smith K, **Reniers G**, Anglewicz P, Thornton R, Chao LW, Weinreb A, Watkins S, Hoffman I, and the MDICP STI Team (2004) Protocol for biomarker testing in the 2004 Malawi Diffusion and Ideational Change Project (MDICP), Social Networks Project Working Papers No. 6, Available from <http://www.malawi.pop.upenn.edu/>.

Anglewicz, P., Bigname S, Chao LW, Chilongozi D, Hoffman I, Kohler HP, Francis M, Onyango F, **Reniers G**, and Smith K (2005) HIV/STI testing in the 2004 Malawi Diffusion and Ideational Change Project: Lessons learned, Available from <http://www.malawi.pop.upenn.edu/>.

Selected contributions to conferences

Reniers G. and Tfaily R. Polygyny and HIV Transmission in SSA: Explanations for the Benign Concurrency Effect, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, March 31 – April 2, 2011. [oral presentation]

Sully E and Reniers G; HIV and Marriage-Related Migration: A Longitudinal Analysis of Differential Risk of Migration by Sero-Status in Rural Uganda, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, March 31 – April 2, 2011. [poster presentation]

Anglewicz P and Reniers G; Remarriage and Migration in Rural Malawi, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Dallas, April 15-17, 2010. [oral presentation]

Adult Mortality, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Dallas, April 15-17, 2010. [discussant]

Reniers G and Tfaily R; Polygyny, concurrency and HIV risk, UNAIDS & Alpha Network meeting, Mwanza, Tanzania, December 7-9, 2009. [oral presentation]

Helleringer S and Reniers G; Selective mixing based on HIV status in sub-Saharan African populations? Some indirect evidence from Demographic and Health Surveys and implications for HIV prevention, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Detroit, 30 April - 2 May 2009. [oral presentation]

Cross-national patterns of fertility, Population Association of America Annual Conference, Detroit, 30 April - 2 May 2009. [session chair]

Reniers G and Tfaily R; Polygyny and the spread of HIV in sub-Saharan Africa, Population Association of America Annual Conference, New Orleans 17-19 April 2008. [oral presentation]

Gender, neighbors, family and school, Population Association of America Annual Conference, New Orleans 17-19 April 2008. [session chair]

Reniers G, and Eaton J; Bias in HIV prevalence estimates from refusals to be tested in seroprevalence surveys, 5th UAPS conference, Tanzania, 10-14 December 2007. [oral presentation]

Reniers G, Araya T, Nagelkerke N, Berhane Y, and Sanders EJ; AIDS mortality trends following the introduction of antiretroviral therapy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 5th UAPS conference, Tanzania, 10-14 December 2007. [oral presentation]

Creighton M, Reniers G, Ferguson B; Inequitable health outcomes following the introduction of antiretroviral therapy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Population Association of America Annual Conference, 29-31 March 2007. [poster presentation]

Reniers G and Tffaily R; Polygyny and HIV, Malawi Diffusion and Ideational Change Project Conference, Philadelphia, 14 October 2006. [oral presentation]

Reniers G; Marital strategies for regulating exposure to HIV in rural Malawi. American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Montreal, 11-14 August 2006. Earlier versions also presented at the Annual Population Association of America Meeting, Philadelphia, March 31 - April 2, 2005 and at the Federation of Canadian Demographers Conference, Montreal, November 2005. [oral presentation]

Reniers G, Araya T, Berhane Y, Davey G, and Sanders EJ; Refusal to be tested for HIV and the likelihood of infection: a potential, but unlikely source of bias in community-based studies of HIV prevalence. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, March 30 – April 1, 2006. [oral presentation]

Reniers G, Araya T, Berhane Y, Davey G, and Sanders EJ; Gender differences in AIDS mortality following the introduction of antiretroviral therapy in Ethiopia. Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles, March 30 – April 1, 2006. [oral presentation]

Anglewicz P, Bignami-Van Assche S, Chao LW, Chilongozi D, Hoffman I, Kohler HP, Onyango F, Reniers G, and Smith K; HIV/STI testing in the 2004 Malawi diffusion and ideational change project: what did we learn? XXVth IUSSP International Population Conference Tours, France, July 2005. [poster]

Ferguson B, Reniers G, Araya T, Holland Jones J, and Sanders EJ; Empirical bayes estimation of small area adult mortality risk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Annual Population Association of America Meeting, Boston, April 2004. [oral presentation]

Reniers G, Araya T, and Sanders EJ; Using burial surveillance data to monitor adult HIV/AIDS mortality in developing countries. An example from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Annual Population Association of America Meeting, Minneapolis, May 2003. [poster]

Makinwa-Adebusoye PK, and Reniers G; Gender and rural-urban migration in Africa, XXIV IUSSP General Conference, Salvador, Brazil, August 2001. [oral presentation]

Professional membership and service

Editorial board member:

- African Population Studies, 2008 - ...
- Tijdschrift voor Sociologie, 2010 - ...

Member, Institutional Review Board for Human Subjects, Princeton University, 2010 - ...

Manuscript referee: African Population Studies, AIDS, AIDS Research and Therapy, American Journal of Public Health, Demographic Research, Demography, JAMA, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journal of Marriage and Family, Population and Development Review, Population Studies, Sexually Transmitted Infections, Sociological Focus, Social Science and Medicine, Southern African Journal of Demography, Tijdschrift voor Sociologie, WHO Bulletin.

Grant application referee: ESRC/DFID Joint Scheme for Research on International Development, Wellcome Trust

Graduate student representative, University of Pennsylvania, Graduate Group in Demography (2004-2006)

Professional membership:

- American Sociological Association (ASA)
- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)
- Population Association of America (PAA)
- Union for African Population Studies (UAPS)
- Population Association of Southern Africa (PASA)

Languages

Dutch/Flemish: native speaker.

English and French: fluent (United Nations proficiency certificate).

Arabic, Amharic and German: basic knowledge.