Sociology 520a
Contemporary Perspectives on the Changing American Family:
Trends, Causes and Consequences

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Required Books (Purchase at Princeton University Store)


Week 1 (September 21st) Origins of the Modern Western Family


Week 2 (September 28th)  The Second Demographic Transition


Week 3 (October 5th)  The Forces behind the Changes in the Family


Week 4 (October 12th) Empirical Tests of the Economic Perspectives


Report on Non-Marital Childbearing (selected readings).

Week 5 (October 19th) Consequences of Family Change for Parents, Children, and Society


Week 6 (October 26th) The Welfare State and the Family

