SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMILY
Comprehensive Examination Reading List
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Foundations


Historical Changes in Family Structure


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**Race, Class, and Families: Cultural, Structural, and Critical Approaches**


**LGBTQ Families**


Powell, Brian, Catherine Bolzendahl, Claudia Geist, and Lala Carr Steelman. 2010. *Counted Out: Same-Sex Relations and Americans’ Definitions of Family*. Ch. 1-3, 5, 6, and 8.


**Gender and Families**


**Gender, Paid Work and Families**


**Gender and Unpaid Family Labor**


**Coupling and Uncoupling: Marriage, Cohabitation, and Divorce**

Marriage and Cohabitation


**Divorce and Remarriage**


**Single-Parent Families, Step-Families, and Blended Families**


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**Parents and Children**


VII. Fertility and Reproduction


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**The Family and the State**


