



# Demography Seminar

Tuesday, February 7th

12:15pm-1:30pm

8417 Sewell Building

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## Adolescent Social Networks & Life Course Mental Health

Dr. Copeland's research joins social network analysis and medical sociology to examine how social relationships can benefit or introduce risks to health across the life course. Most of her work examines how patterns of connections with others relate to mental health in ways that vary by gender, by network context, and for at-risk groups, such as isolated youth. Current research projects examine how adolescent peer networks relate to depression, self-harm, physical health, and substance use in adolescence, with persistent effects on adult health.



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