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Justin S. Gardner currently works in the Department of Business Operations at the College of Southern Nevada and is a PhD Candidate in the School of Environmental and Public Affairs at the University of Nevada - Las Vegas. He has 7 years of public sector program management and process development experience including three years at the US Army Engineer Research & Development Center. While at ERDC, Justin was integral to the conceptual development and implementation of the Retrospective Evaluation of Corps Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Projects database. He co-authored two recently published project Technical Notes that detailed this development process and assisted with the design of the project website. Currently, he is conducting an evaluative investigation on high school-to-college transitional programs with special attention to social policy issues. He is interested in the relationship between socio-economic status, educational opportunities and success rates as well as the impact of dual and concurrent enrollment programs on educational achievements of underrepresented students. Justin attends statistical workshops at an annual summer series offered by the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research to further develop his methodological “tool-box” as he prepares for his upcoming dissertation.

Justin lives with his wife in Las Vegas, Nevada. They enjoy exploring the natural wonders of the desert southwest all within a day’s drive of the bright lights of the Las Vegas strip.

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