Signature Topic Selection

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I choose the topic depression, divorce rates among college educated adults, to answer the question does having a college degree and being divorced affect the level of depression in adult females?

Why I’m interested in doing this topic is I’ve taken keen interest to the increasing divorce rate in the USA and even more alarming statistics show a correlation between those attaining a degree and levels of divorce

A 2012 study cited by Pew Research center found that an estimated 78% of women with bachelor's degrees, and 65% of men with bachelor's degrees who married between the years 2006 to 2010 can expect their marriages to last at least two decades. Women with a high school degree or less, on the other hand, face a meager 40% probability of their marriages surviving the same period.

What I hope to discover is the psychology behind divorce and why education leads to more volatile family relationships, the emphasis of education and achievement of career, time spent into realization of career goals, and creation of career women, then is a career woman capable of maintaining a steady marriage, what are the effects of successful careers versus weak family ties, hence increased level of depression in career oriented women.