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LETTER FROM ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR DOCTORAL EDUCATION

October 2023

Dear Colleagues:

With great pride I introduce to you the recent and upcoming Ph.D. graduates of the Columbia School of Social Work.

Since its inception in 1950, the doctoral program at Columbia School of Social Work has provided a rigorous platform of education and research in a stimulating and rewarding learning environment. As you will see from their bios, this year's graduates are highly accomplished and exemplify the Columbia standards of excellence.

You will find contact information for each graduate on their CV. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at qin.gao@columbia.edu or at (212) 851-2227.

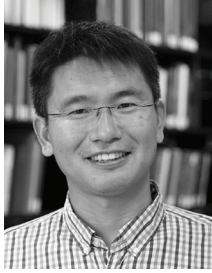
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Qin Gao', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Qin Gao, Ph.D., Professor
Associate Dean for Doctoral Education

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EDUCATION

PhD
9/2019–5/2024

Columbia University, Ph.D., School of Social Work. New York, NY
Dissertation title: Continuous Traumatic Stress, Gun Violence and Family Systems

Dissertation Committee:

Dr. Desmond U Patton, University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Communications (Dissertation Sponsor)
Dr. Samantha C. Winter, Columbia School of Social Work (Committee Chair)
Dr. Robert D. Eschmann, Columbia School of Social Work
Dr. Kathryn Bocanegra, University of Illinois Chicago School of Social Work
Dr. Joseph B Richardson, University of Maryland College Park School of African American Studies and Anthropology

MSW
9/2011–6/2013

Washington University in St. Louis, M.S.W., School of Social Work. St. Louis, MO
Program: *Social and Economic Development*
Specialization: *Research*

BS
1/2008–9/2010

University of Colorado Denver
Business Administration. Denver, CO

AA
9/2005–12/2007

Community College of Denver
Business Management. Denver, CO

AWARDS

9/2019–Present

Provost Diversity Fellowship New York, NY
Columbia University School of Social Work [*Awarded to less than 1% of Doctoral Students*]

9/2011–9/2013

Washington University Scholarship St. Louis, MO
Washington University in St. Louis School of Social Work

GRANTS

2023	The Center for Science and Society at Columbia University Seed Grant <i>Grant was awarded to support dissertation research project and provide funding for: Transcription services, Dedoose qualitative software and to pay members of the projects advisory board.</i>	\$2740
2023	Columbia University Provost Diversity Fellows Small Grants Program <i>Grant was awarded to support dissertation research project and provide funding to pay research participants.</i>	\$2000
2022	Columbia School of Social Work Doctoral Research Grant <i>Grant was awarded to support dissertation research project and provide funding to pay research participants.</i>	\$375
2021	Columbia University COVID-19 Micro Grants <i>Grant was awarded to support a community based participatory research class project and pay study participants.</i>	\$2000

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed Journals

Aguilar, N., Wical, W., Orozco, J., Bullock, C., Richardson J., B. (2023). Silent Suffering: Understanding the Experiences of Black Caregivers of Violently Injured Young Black Men. *Journal of the Society for Social Work & Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1086/725432>. "Just Accepted" preprint version.

Aguilar, N., Landau, A., Mathiyazhagan, S., Auyeng, A., Dillard, S., Patton, D. (2023). Applying Reflexivity to Artificial Intelligence for Researching Marginalized Communities and Real-World Problems. *In Proceedings of the 56th Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences*

Patton, D. U., **Aguilar, N.,** Landau, A. Y., Thomas, C., Kagan, R., Ren, T., Stoneberg, E., Wang, T., Halmos, D., Saha, A., Ananthram, A., & McKeown, K. (2022). Community implications for gun violence prevention during co-occurring pandemics; a qualitative and computational analysis study. *Preventive Medicine*, 107263. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpmed.2022.107263>

Wical, W., Harfouche, M., Lovelady, N., **Aguilar, N.,** Ross, D., & Richardson, J. B. (2022). Exploring emergent barriers to hospital-based violence intervention programming during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Preventive medicine*, 107232. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpmed.2022.107232>

Winter, S. C., Obara, L. M., **Aguilar, N. J.,** & Johnson, L. (2021). Breaking the Cycle: Women's Perceptions of the Causes of Violence and Crime in Informal Settlements in Nairobi, Kenya, and Their Strategies for Response and Prevention. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/08862605211028013>

Winter, S. C., **Aguilar, N. J.,** Obara, L. M., & Johnson, L. (2021). "Next, it will be you": Women's Fear of Victimization and Precautionary Safety Behaviors in Informal Settlement Communities in Nairobi, Kenya. *Violence Against Women*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10778012211045718>

Sodhi, A., **Aguilar, N.,** Choma, D. E., Steve, J. M., Patton, D., & Crandall, M. (2020). Social Media Representations of Law Enforcement within Four Diverse Chicago Neighborhoods. *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, 089124162094329. doi:10.1177/0891241620943291

Bellamy, C., Kimmel, J., Costa, M., Tsai, J., Nulton, L., Nulton, E., Kimmel, A., **Aguilar, N.,** Clayton, A. and O'Connell, M. (2019), Peer support on the "inside and outside": building lives and reducing recidivism for people with mental illness returning from jail, *Journal of Public Mental Health*, Vol. 18 No. 3, pp. 188-198. <https://doi.org/10.1108/JPMH-02-2019-0028>.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Aguilar, N., Landau, A., Taylor, K., Kleiner, S., Patton, D. (2023). Exploring the Online Grieving Practices of Black Youth Through Image-Focused Content. *New Media and Society*.

Bocanegra, K., **Aguilar, N.** (2023). We're Not Miracle Workers": An Examination of the Relationship Between Community Violence Intervention Workers and Their Participants. *Families in Society*.

Aspholm, R., **Aguilar, N.,** St. Vil, C. (2023). Deaths of Despair in Black and White: Gun Violence, Political Economy, and the Case for Macro Intervention. *Advances in Social Work*

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Aguilar, N., Landau, A., Ren, T., Cole, A., Kagan, R., & Patton, D. U. (2023). Abandonment Across Ecological Systems: A Study of NYCHA Residents' Experiences.

Aguilar, N., Wical, W., & Richardson J., B. (2023). Rebuilding Lives: The Role of Peer Support in the Recovery of Male Gunshot Survivors.

St. Vil, C., Njus, M., **Aguilar, N.,** & Hall, E. (2023). HBVIPs (Hospital Based Violence Intervention Programs): Views from the Worker Perspective.

BOOK CHAPTER

Aguilar, N., Patton, D. (2022) Kids and their Crews. In A Marsh & L. Cox (Eds.) Not Just Bad Kids: The Adversity and Disruptive Behavior. Cambridge, MA: Academic Press.

PEER-REVIEW BOOK REVIEW

Aguilar, N. (2020) "Review of *Digital Punishment: Stigma, and the Harms of Data-Driven Criminal Justice* by Sarah Esther Lageson," *The Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*: Vol. 47: Iss. 4, Article 9.

ORAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

St. Vil, C., Njus, M., **Aguilar, N.,** & Hall, E. (2022). HBVIP (Hospital Based Violence Intervention Programs): Views from the Worker Perspective. Presentation conducted at the National Research Conference for Firearm Injury Prevention, Washington D.C.

Bocanegra, K., **Aguilar, N.**, Lee, J., Cheon, E., Carroll, K. (2022). Between a Bullet and Its Target: Street Intervention, Trauma Exposure, Professional Consequences. Presentation conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington D.C.

Aguilar, N., Landau, A., Taylor, K., Kleiner, S., Patton, D. (2022). Being Black and Grieving Online: Exploring the Digital Image-Based Grieving Practices of Black Youth. Presentation conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington D.C.

Aguilar, N. (2022). Using Photovoice to Assist Community-Based Social Workers Reflect on Community Resilience during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Presentation conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington D.C.

Bocanegra, K., **Aguilar, N.**, Lee, J., Cheon, E., Carroll, K. (2022) Between a Bullet and Its Target: Street Intervention, Trauma Exposure, Professional Consequences. Presentation conducted at the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.

Aguilar, N., Deverteuil, S. (2020). Community Organizing Workshop: Working with gang involved youth and gunshot victims in a community setting. Presentation conducted at the Columbia University Medical Center Gun Violence Action Week, New York, NY.

Aguilar, N. (2019). Community Organizing Workshop: Working with gang involved youth in a community setting. Presentation conducted at the Columbia University Medical Center Gun Violence Action Week, New York, NY.

Demateo, M., Roque, J., **Aguilar, N.** (2016). Working with Youth in the Justice System: A Community-Based Alternative to Detention. Presentation conducted at the Los Angeles Gang Violence Prevention and Intervention Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Aguilar, N., Frey, W., Landau, A., Altman, R., Brower, S., Taylor, K., Weiss, A., & Patton, D. (2020, April). Domain Expertise, Contextual Analysis, & Data Protection: Threefold Approach to Ethical Use of Visual Social Media Data in Research. Visual Research for Social Change Conference, Columbia University, New York, NY. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

9/2022–Present

Juvenile Justice and Legal Decision-Making (PI: Dr. Craig Scwalbe) – New York, NY
Columbia University School of Social Work
Doctoral Candidate Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Create and maintain quality assurance database for intervention based research project; recruit and collect qualitative data from study participants and parents; Provide supervision to MSW research assistants.*

1/2021–Present

Between a Bullet and its Target (PI: Dr. Kathryn Bocanegra) – Chicago, IL
University of Illinois at Chicago School of Social Work
Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Recruit and interview Chicago based community violence intervention workers; analyze qualitative data, co-authored papers utilizing research study data; presented research at academic conferences.*

1/2021–Present

Transformative Research and Applied Violence Intervention Lab (PI: Dr. Joseph B. Richardson) – College Park, MD
University of Maryland Department of African American Studies and Anthropology
Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Analyze qualitative data, co-authored papers utilizing research study data; presented research at academic conferences.*

1/2020–Present

Sauti Mashinani Lab (PI: Dr. Samantha Winter) – New York, NY
Columbia University School of Social Work
Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Analyze qualitative and quantitative data; Co-authored papers; Lead recruitment efforts of study participants, conduct qualitative interviews; Lead analysis of qualitative data to understand the impact of gunshot survivorship on female identifying individuals; Provide supervision to MSW research assistants.*

9/2019–Present **SAFElab** (PI: Dr. Desmond U. Patton) – New York, NY
Columbia University School of Social Work
University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Communications – Philadelphia, PA
Doctoral Student Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Recruit, interview and facilitate focus groups with NYCHA residents; analyze qualitative data, qualitatively analyze social media posts, co-authored papers; Present research at academic conferences; Provide supervision to MSW research assistants.*

09/2014–01/2015 **Views From the Streets** (PI: Roberto Aspholm Ph.D. Candidate) – Chicago, IL
University of Illinois at Chicago School of Social Work
Research Assistant
Responsibilities: *Transcribe 32 qualitative interviews with Chicago gang members.*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1/2021–Present **The Center for Teaching and Learning:** Teaching Development Program New York, NY
Columbia University
Advanced Track

1/2020–12/2020 **The Center for Teaching and Learning:** Teaching Development Program New York, NY
Columbia University
Foundation Track

MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

9/2023–Present **Dissertation: Continuous Traumatic Stress, Gun Violence and Family Systems**
Responsibilities: *Supervise two MSW students research assistants in efforts to analyze qualitative interview.*

9/2023–Present **Sauti Mashinani Lab Independent Research Study: Resilience Amidst Chaos: Exploring the Experiences of Female Survivors of Community Based Gun Violence**
Responsibilities: *Supervise two MSW students research assistants in efforts to analyze qualitative interview.*

9/2020–5/2022 **SAFElab Research Study: Social Media Analysis for SMART Tool Development**
Responsibilities: *Supervise three MSW students research assistants in efforts to analyze qualitative interviews, recruit participants, facilitate focus group, administer qualitative interviews and manuscript writing.*

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

11/2021–Present **Kings Against Violence Initiative** – Brooklyn, NY
Social Work Program Coordinator

- Provide clinical supervision for four staff members working with 30+ survivors of community violence
- Provide trauma informed psychoeducation at bedside to patients who have been admitted to the hospital after sustaining a traumatic injury.
- Facilitate weekly support groups for survivors of community violence (e.g. stab wound, gunshot wound, assault) focusing on the domains of Safety, Emotion Loss and Future.

9/2014–8/2019 **New Life Centers of Chicagoland** – Chicago, IL
Mentor/Juvenile Justice Program Director

- Supervise three staff members and a yearly intern working with 25+ youth on juvenile probation.
- Supervise staff and coordinate the implementation of a \$400,000 restorative justice program within the St. Charles Illinois Youth Center.
- Provide individual and group case consultations to assess well-being and progress towards client's goals.
- Provide weekly group and individual clinical therapy sessions to youth on probation.

9/2016–8/2019 **Healing Hurt People – Chicago** – Chicago, IL
Intern/Trauma Intervention Specialist

- Provide trauma informed psychoeducation, crisis intervention, mental health assessments, outreach, safety planning and intensive case management to youth who have been violently injured.
- Promote client's trauma recovery by increasing their connection to school, mental health services, jobs and social services.
- License Clinical Social Worker: 149024061 – Illinois

GENERALIST PRACTICE

9/2016 **Kingian Non-Violence Training of Trainers** – Chicago, IL
The Institute for the Study & Practice of Nonviolence

5/2015 **Restorative Justice Peace Circle Keeper Training** – Chicago, IL
Community Justice for Youth Institute

MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Social Work and Research

Scholars Network on Masculinity and the Well-Being of African American Men

American Society of Criminology

Latina/o/x Criminology

Columbia Scientific Union for the Reduction of Gun Violence (SURGE)

Columbia Population Research Center

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EDUCATION

Columbia University

School of Social Work • *Whiteness & Technology*

Dissertation Committee: Courtney D. Cogburn (sponsor), Rob Eschmann, Nkemka Anyiwo, Jessie Daniels, & J. Nathan Matias

University of Michigan

School of Social Work • *Community Organization*

University of Michigan

Psychology

AWARDS

2019 Abstract of Distinction for Artificial Intelligence and Inclusion
Society for Prevention Research's (SPR) 27th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA
(*awarded to 5% of 400+ abstracts*)

2019 Participant, Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICCS)
Russell Sage Foundation & The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, Princeton, NJ (*10% acceptance rate*)

2019 Participant, Doctoral Consortium & Travel Award (€800)
3rd European Symposium on Societal Challenges in Computational Social Science
GESIS Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Zurich, Switzerland

2019 Early Career Preventionists Network (ECPN) Travel Award (\$250)
Society for Prevention Research's (SPR) 27th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA

2019–2020 Willma and Albert Musher Scholarship
School of Social Work, Columbia University, New York, NY

2018–2020 Sheila B. Kamerman Scholarship
School of Social Work, Columbia University, New York, NY

2018–2019 Alfred J. Kahn Doctoral Fellowship
School of Social Work, Columbia University, New York, NY

2017 TED Resident • Delivered [TED Talk](#) (November 2017)
TED Conferences, New York, NY
(*10% acceptance rate*)

2013–2014 Dean's Scholarship (\$24,000)
School of Social Work, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2011 Patricia Gurin Certificate of Merit in Intergroup Relations Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2011 Social Justice Cord for Voluntary Service & Activism
Edward Ginsberg Center, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

GRANTS

2022–2023 Principal Investigator • CSSW Doctoral Research Grant (Precandidate)
Longitudinal Study of White Participation in a Digital Black Community
School of Social Work, Columbia University), \$375

2020–2021

Co-Principal Investigator • Anti-Racism Seed Grant (PI: Dr. Susan S. Witte)
Evaluation and Training to Expand the Space for Uprooting Whiteness
Office of the Vice Provost for Faculty Advancement, Columbia University, \$10,000

2017–2018

Collaborator • Magic Grant (PIs: Drs. Desmond Patton & Kathleen McKeown)
The Brown Institute for Media Innovation, Columbia University, \$20,000

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Cogburn, C. D., Allen, C. A., **Frey, W. R.**, Filippone, P., Brown, B. R., & Witte, S. (2022). The Racial Projects of White Social Work Students. *Advances in Social Work*, 22(2), 574-604. DOI: [10.18060/25023](https://doi.org/10.18060/25023)

Frey, W. R., Ward., L. M., Weiss, A., & Cogburn, C. D. (2022). Digital White Racial Socialization: Social Media and the Case of Whiteness. *Journal of Research on Adolescence, Special Issue: "Oppression is as American as Apple Pie": Learning About and Confronting Whiteness, Privilege, and Oppression*, 32(3), 919-937. DOI: [10.1111/jora.12775](https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.12775) (98th percentile altmetric score)

Frey, W. R., Mann, N., Boling, A., Jordan, P., Lowe, K. N., & Witte, S. S. (2021). Uprooting (our) whiteness. *Advances in Social Work*, 21(2/3), 954–977. DOI: [10.18060/24140](https://doi.org/10.18060/24140)

Hwang, A., **Frey, W. R.**, & McKeown, K. (2020, December). Towards Augmenting Lexical Resources for Slang and African American English. In *Proceedings of the 7th Workshop on NLP for Similar Languages, Varieties and Dialects* (pp. 160-172). PDF: [here](#)

Patton, D. U., Stevens, R., Smith Lee, J. R., Eya, G.-C., & **Frey, W.** (2020). You Set Me Up: Gendered Perceptions of Twitter Communication Among Black Chicago Youth. *Social Media + Society*. DOI: [10.1177/2056305120913877](https://doi.org/10.1177/2056305120913877)

Patton, D. U., **Frey, W. R.**, McGregor, K. A., Lee, F. T., McKeown, K., & Moss, E. (2020, February). Contextual Analysis of Social Media: The Promise and Challenge of Eliciting Context in Social Media Posts with Natural Language Processing. In *Proceedings of the AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society* (pp. 337-342). DOI: [10.1145/3375627.3375841](https://doi.org/10.1145/3375627.3375841)

Patton, D. U., Blandfort, P., **Frey, W. R.**, Schifanella, R., McGregor, K., & Chang, S. F. U. (2020). VATAS: An Open-Source Web Platform for Visual and Textual Analysis of Social Media. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*, 11(1). DOI: [10.1086/707667](https://doi.org/10.1086/707667)

Patton, D. U., **Frey, W. R.**, & Gaskell, M. (2019). Guns on social media: Complex interpretations of gun images posted by Chicago youth. *Palgrave Communications*. DOI: [10.1057/s41599-019-0330-x](https://doi.org/10.1057/s41599-019-0330-x)

Patton, D. U., Pyrooz, D., Decker, S., **Frey, W. R.**, & Leonard, P. (2019). When Twitter Fingers Turn to Trigger Fingers: a Qualitative Study of Social Media-Related Gang Violence. *International Journal of Bullying Prevention*, 1-13. DOI: [10.1007/s42380-019-00014-w](https://doi.org/10.1007/s42380-019-00014-w)

Blandfort, P., Patton, D. U., **Frey, W. R.**, Karaman, S., Bhargava, S., Lee, F.-T., Varia, S., Kedzie, C., Gaskell, M. B., Schifanella, R., McKeown, K., & Chang, S.-F. (2019). Multimodal Social Media Analysis for Gang Violence Prevention. *Proceedings of the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media*, 13(01), 114-124. Retrieved from [here](#)

Patton, D., Blandfort, P., **Frey, W.**, Gaskell, M., & Karaman, S. (2019, January). Annotating social media data from vulnerable populations: Evaluating disagreement between domain experts and graduate student annotators. In *Proceedings of the 52nd Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences*. DOI: [10.24251/HICSS.2019.260](https://doi.org/10.24251/HICSS.2019.260)

Chang, S., Zhong, R., Adams, E., Lee, F.-T., Varia, S., Patton, D., **Frey, W.**, Kedzie, C., & McKeown, K. (2018). Detecting Gang-Involved Escalation on Social Media Using Context. In *Proceedings of the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing* (pp. 46-56). DOI: [10.18653/v1/D18-1005](https://doi.org/10.18653/v1/D18-1005) (10% acceptance rate)

Frey, W. R. (2018). Humanizing Digital Mental Health through Social Media: Centering Experiences of Gang-Involved Youth Exposed to High Rates of Violence. *Biomedical Informatics Insights*. DOI: [10.1177/1178222618797076](https://doi.org/10.1177/1178222618797076)

Frey, W. R., Patton, D. U., Gaskell, M. B., & McGregor, K. A. (2020). Artificial Intelligence and Inclusion: Formerly Gang-Involved Youth as Domain Experts for Analyzing Unstructured Twitter Data. *Social Science Computer Review*, 38(1), 42–56. DOI: [10.1177/0894439318788314](https://doi.org/10.1177/0894439318788314) (97th percentile altmetric score)

Patton, D. U., Rambow, O., Auerbach, J., Li, K., & **Frey, W.** (2018). Expressions of loss predict aggressive comments on Twitter among gang-involved youth in Chicago. *npj Digital Medicine*, 1(1). DOI: [10.1038/s41746-018-0020-x](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41746-018-0020-x)

WORKING PAPERS

Cogburn, C. D., Chavous, T. M., & **Frey, W. R.** Intersections of Black Adolescent Racial Identity and Critical Consciousness: A Profile Approach. Revise & Resubmit, *Journal of Educational Psychology*

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Frey, W. R. Position Evasion: A Qualitative Study of Evasive Racism Among White Social Work Graduate Students.

Frey, W. R. Savior Swarming.

Frey, W. R. White Racial Socialization as Oriented Doings.

Frey, W. R. The Psychological Wage of Social Work: W.E.B. Du Bois and the Profession of Social Work.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Frey, W. R. (In Press). Everyday Whiteness and the Failure of the Private Life. In *Social Work, White Supremacy, and Racial Justice: Reckoning with our History, Interrogating our Past, Re-imagining our Future*. Oxford University Press.

BOOK REVIEWS

Frey, W. R. (2022). Edited by Sonia Tascón & Jim Ife, Disrupting Whiteness in Social Work. *Journal of Social Work*. DOI: [10.1177/14680173221140455](https://doi.org/10.1177/14680173221140455)

Frey, W. R. (2020). Robin DiAngelo, White fragility: Why it's so hard for white people to talk about racism. *Journal of Social Work*, 20(1), 123-125. DOI: [10.1177/1468017319868330](https://doi.org/10.1177/1468017319868330)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Frey, W. R. (2023, April). *Digital Discourses of White Allyhood: A Community Collaboration on Reddit*. Senior Common Room Lunch, Adams House, Harvard University. Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Frey, W. R. (2023, March). *Digital White Racial Socialization*. Developmental Psychology (Professor: Dr. Jamie Abaied), University of Vermont. Virtual Q&A. Burlington, VT.

Frey, W. R. (2022, October). Whiteness in Digital Spaces: *A Community Collaboration with r/BlackPeopleTwitter*, Big Tent Meeting, Citizens and Technology Lab, Cornell University. Virtual Presentation. Ithaca, New York.

Allen, C. A. & **Frey, W. R.** (2022, September). *Race, Tech, & Mental Health*. HBSE (Professor: Dr. Courtney D. Cogburn), Columbia University. Virtual Q&A. New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2021, April). *Calling All the White Men*. Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ). Virtual Panel. Des Moines, Iowa, USA.

Frey, W. R. & Witte, S. (2021, February). *Space for Uprooting Whiteness*. Anti-Racism Curriculum Summit, Columbia University's Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons. Virtual Poster Presentation. New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2020, December). *Artificial Intelligence, Community Experts, and Ex/Inclusion*. Public Sphere Research Summit, hosted by CAT Lab at Cornell University, Center for Information, Technology and Public Life at UNC—Chapel Hill, and Civic Signals. Lightning Talk (Online).

Frey, W. R. (2020, October). *Practices of Positioning while Researching*. Research Methods (Professor: Dr. Doris Chang), New York University. Lecture (Online), New York, NY, USA.

Washington, D. & **Frey, W. R.** (2020, July). *How To Be An Anti-Racist!* Touro Law School. Online Panel & Discussion, New York, NY, USA.

Daniels, J., **Frey, W. R.**, Nkonde, M., Stovall, N., & Sloane, M. (2020, February). *Co-Opting AI: Whiteness*.

Institute for Public Knowledge Event Series, New York University. Discussant, New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2020, February). *Whiteness, Intimacy, and Everyday Antiracism*. Diversity, Race, Oppression, and Privilege (Professor: Dr. Ifrah Mahamud Magan), New York University. Lecture, New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2019, October). *Digital Footprints: Artificial Intelligence, Surveillance, and Social Media Interpretation*. Justice Ambassadors Youth Council, Columbia University's Center for Justice. Oral Presentation, New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2019, June). *Participatory research and involving non-traditional domain experts in computational social science research*. Summer Institute in Computational Social Science at Princeton University. Oral Presentation, Princeton, NJ, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2019, April). *Contextual analysis of social media informing artificial intelligence*. Global Language Justice in the Digital Sphere: Theory and Practice (Professor: Dr. Isabelle Zaugg), Columbia University's Institute for Comparative Literature and Society. Lecture. New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2019, February). *13th on the 13th - Film screening and panel discussion*. New York University Silver School of Social Work/Evolving Justice. Panel Presentation (Convened by Dr. Kirk A. James; Co-panelists: Greene, C. & Morgan-Mullane, A.). New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2018, June). *I Am Not Your Negro - Screening and discussion*. New York University Silver School of Social Work/Evolving Justice. Panel Presentation (Convened by Dr. Kirk A. James; Co panelists: Morgan-Mullane, A., Mualimm-ak, F., & Smyth, J.). New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2018, May). *#BeyondTheBullets: the complexities and challenges of social media*. 8th Meeting of the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative Technical Working Group. Oral Presentation. Frigate Bay, St Kitts & Nevis.

Frey, W. R. (2018, March). *Violence on the digital street*. Global Language Justice in the Digital Sphere: Theory and Practice (Professor: Dr. Isabelle Zaugg), Columbia University's Institute for Comparative Literature and Society. Lecture. New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2018, January). *Voices and silences: critical digestion of whiteness, donald trump, and the state of the union*. Advocacy in Social Work Practice: Changing Organizations and Communities, Influencing Social Policies and Political Processes (Professor: Dr. Desmond U. Patton), Columbia University School of Social Work. Lecture. New York, NY, USA.

Frey, W. R. (2017, August). *Beyond the bullets: complexities and ethical challenges of interpreting social media posts*. Innovation & Strategies for Digital Interventions in Mental Health Conference. Workshop. Westminster, London, England.

Frey, W. R. (2017, June). *How do you use social media in prevention research?* Society for Prevention Research 25th Annual Meeting. Oral Presentation. Washington, D.C., USA.

Frey, W. R. (2017, March). *Practical communication tools in educational advocacy*. Social Work Practice: Changing Organizations and Communities, Influencing Social Policies and Political Processes (Professor: Dr. Desmond U. Patton). Lecture. Columbia University School of Social Work. New York, NY, USA.

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Brock-Petroshius, K., Diebold, J., & **Frey, W. R.** (2022, November). *Strategies to Eliminate Racism at the Source: A Collective Brainstorming Workshop*. Council on Social Work Education. Workshop, Anaheim, CA.

Frey, W. R., Ward, L. M., Weiss, A., & Cogburn, C. D. (2022, June). *Digital White Racial Socialization: Social Media and Whiteness*. Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI). Poster Presentation, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Frey, W. R., Ward, L. M., Weiss, A., & Cogburn, C. D. (2022, February). *Digital White Racial Socialization: Social Media and the Case of Whiteness*. Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP). Poster Presentation, San Francisco, CA.

Cogburn, C. D., Allen, C. A., **Frey, W. R.**, Filippone, P. L., Brown, Brittany, & Witte, S. (2022, January). *Neoliberalism and the Everyday Racial Projects of White Identifying Social Work Students*. Society for Social Work and Research. Oral Presentation, Washington, DC.

[Withdrawn: COVID – In-person Meeting] Brock-Petroshius, K., Diebold, J., & **Frey, W. R.** (2021, November). *Strategies to Eliminate Racism at the Source: A Collective Brainstorming Workshop*. Council on Social Work Education. Workshop, Orlando, FL.

Frey, W. R., Lowe, K., Boling A., Mann, N., & Jordan, P. (2021, April). *The Space for Uprooting Whiteness*. Society for Social Work and Research. Workshop, Virtual.

Frey, W. R. (2021, January). *Everyday Whiteness and the Failure of the Private Life*. Social Work, White Supremacy, and Racial Justice Symposium and Collection: Part II: Addressing Racism from within the Social Work Profession: Reflections on our Past and Present. Virtual Paper Presentation.

Frey, W. R., Witte, S., Lowe, K., Boling, A., & Mann, N. (2020, November). *The Space for Uprooting Whiteness*. Council on Social Work Education. Workshop, Virtual Conference.

Frey, W. R. (2020, January). *Confronting Whiteness in Schools of Social Work*. Society for Social Work and Research. Brief and Brilliant Talk, Washington, DC. (<8% acceptance rate)

Frey, W. R., Rasmussen, C., Kim, P., & James, K. A. (2020, January). *Race in a Digital Age: Exploring the Ways Digital Technology Inform Our Understandings of Race*. Society for Social Work and Research. Workshop, Washington, DC.

Rasmussen, C., James, K. A., & **Frey, W. R.** (2020, January). *Reparations and/in Schools of Social Work*. Society for Social Work and Research. Workshop, Washington, DC.

Frey, W. R., Patton, D. U., & Washington, D. (2020, January). *WYSA*. Society for Social Work and Research. Oral Presentation, Washington, DC.

Frey, W. R., Patton, D. U., Gaskell, M. B., & McGregor, K.A. (2019, May). **(ABSTRACT OF DISTINCTION)** *Artificial Intelligence and Inclusion: Formerly Gang-Involved Youth as Domain Experts for Analyzing Unstructured Twitter Data*. Society for Prevention Research 27th Annual Meeting. Oral Presentation, San Francisco, CA.

Frey, W. R., Patton, D. U., Gaskell, M. B., & McGregor, K.A. (2019, January). *Artificial Intelligence and Inclusion: Formerly Gang-Involved Youth as Domain Experts for Analyzing Unstructured Twitter Data*. Society for Social Work and Research. Oral Presentation, San Francisco, CA.

Frey, W. R., Patton, D. U., Gaskell, M. B., & McGregor, K.A. (2019, January). *Natural Language Processing & Image Recognition Systems for Gang Violence Prevention*. Society for Social Work and Research. Poster Presentation, San Francisco, CA.

Frey, W. R., Rasmussen, C., James, K. A., & Brady, S. (2019, January). *Exploring Root Causes and Intersectional Responses to Addressing Toxic Masculinity, Patriarchy, and Gender-Based Violence*. Society for Social Work and Research. Roundtable, San Francisco, CA.

Patton, D. U., **Frey, W. R.**, Gaskell, M. B., Lee, F. T., Varia, S., McKeown, K., Blandfort, P., Bhargava, S., Karaman, S., & Chang, S.-F. (2018). *NLP and Image Recognition Systems for Gang Violence Prevention*. Columbia Data Science Institute, Data Science Day. Poster Presentation, New York, NY.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

Columbia Daily Spectator (December, 2018). [Letter to the editor: confronting whiteness](#)

TED Talk (November, 2017). [Can a tweet lead to violence?](#)

Elephant Journal (November, 2016). [It is time for men to look at donald j. trump & find ourselves](#)

SELECT MEDIA COVERAGE

Tech Policy Press (July, 2022). [The Sunday Show: Social Media and White Racial Socialization](#)

Bustle (September, 2019). [Facebook is Changing its Mental Health Search Policies to Prevent Self-Harm and Suicide](#)

A&E (May 2019). [Secret life of a chicago gang girl: the untold story](#)

PublicSecurity.Today (January, 2019). [These companies are scouring social media for the next school shooter: How does tech decide who is a threat and who is just blowing off steam?](#)

NATURE (September, 2018). [A murdered teen, two million tweets and an experiment to fight gun violence](#)

The Week (August, 2018). [Human-like AI is dangerous for society](#)

RESEARCH

- 2022–Present** **Research Collaborator** • Citizens and Technology (CAT) Lab
Department of Communication, Cornell University (PI: Dr. J. Nathan Matias)
- 2017–Present** Cogburn Research Group (CRG) School of Social Work, Columbia University (PI: Dr. Courtney Cogburn)
2018 – Present **Doctoral Student**
2017 – Present **Researcher**
- 2015–2020** SAFElab School of Social Work, Columbia University (PI: Dr. Desmond U. Patton)
2018 – 2020 **Doctoral Student**
2015 – 2020 **Researcher**
2015 – 2019 **Lab Coordinator**
- 2017–2020** Simulation Education (SIM | ED) School of Social Work, Columbia University (PI: Dr. Desmond U. Patton)
2019 – 2020 **Project Manager**
2017 – 2020 **Researcher**
- 2017–2019** **Associate Director** • Digital Scholars Lab School of Social Work, Columbia University (Director: Dr. Desmond U. Patton)
- 2011–2016** IGR Research (PIs: Drs. Mark Chesler & Kelly Maxwell) Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan
2015 – 2016 **Research Associate**
2011 – 2012 **Data Manager**
- 2011–2013** **Research Technician** • Van Anders' Social Neuroendocrinology Lab
Department of Psychology, University of Michigan (PI: Dr. Sari van Anders)
- 2011–2013** **Research Assistant** • Traditional Sex Practices in Malawi—Mixed Methods Social Work & Economics, University of Michigan (PIs: Sallie Foley & Dr. Rebecca Thornton)
- 2010–2011** **Research Assistant** • Gender Dynamics in Engineering Psychology & Engineering, University of Michigan (PIs: Drs. Meadows & Sekaquaptewa)
- 2010–2011** **Research Assistant** • Stereotype Threat Study Department of Psychology, University of Michigan (PI: Jill Iman, PhD Candidate)
- ## TEACHING
- 2019–Present** **Organizer & Co-Facilitator** • [Space for Uprooting Whiteness](#)
No longer affiliated with Columbia University
- Summer 2021** **Teaching Assistant** • Advanced Integrative Seminar School of Social Work, Columbia University (Instructor: Monica A. Joseph) Forty advanced-standing MSW graduate students
- 2020–2020** **Organizer & Co-Facilitator** • Space for Uprooting Whiteness (Faculty/Staff/Admin)
School of Social Work, Columbia University (Co-Facilitator: Dr. Susan S. Witte) Ten Faculty, Staff, and Administrators
- 2019–2020** **Special Interest Group Mentor** • AI4ALL
Ethical and Societal Implications of AI
Ten High School students from across the United States
- Summer 2019** **Social Work Instructor** • AI4ALL Summer Program
School of Social Work & Data Science Institute, Columbia University
Twenty 9th – 11th grade students
- Spring 2017** **Co-Instructor** • Digital Storytelling III: Immersive Production
School of the Arts, Columbia University (Instructor: Lance Weiler)
Fifteen undergraduate and master's students
- 2011–2017** **Consultant** • Anti-Racism, Justice, & Equity
Workshops and trainings with 15+ organizations and universities
Examples: University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee & Cranbrook Schools in Michigan

- 2013–2015 **Advisor** • Students Educating Each other about Diversity (SEED)
The Neutral Zone, Ann Arbor, Michigan
Twenty 9th – 12th grade students per year
- 2011–2013 **Facilitator** • M-STEM Engineering Academy
Engineering & Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan
Fifteen incoming undergraduate engineering students per year
- 2010–2011 **Facilitator** • Gender Intergroup Dialogue
Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan
Fifteen undergraduate students per semester
- Fall 2010 **Facilitator** • White Racial Identity Intragroup Dialogue
Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan
Eighteen white undergraduate students

SERVICE

- 2022–Present **Resident Tutor** • Fellowships, Race Relations, Wellness, & Writing
Adams House, Harvard University
- 2018–Present **Digital Resource Curator** • [Uprooting Whiteness \[Supremacy and Domination\]](#)
300+ Resources on Whiteness, Racism, & Race
- Spring 2022 **Writing Consultant** • The Writing Center
School of Social Work, Columbia University

ADVANCED TRAINING

- 2019–Present Teaching Developing Program – Advanced Track
Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University
- 2020–2021 Lead Teaching Fellowship
Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University
- 2019–2020 Teaching Observation Fellowship
Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University
- Summer 2019 Innovating Teaching Summer Institute
Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University
- 2014–2015 Youth-Driven Spaces Trainer
The Neutral Zone Teen Center, Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 2009–2011 Inter/Intragroup Relations Facilitation
Program on Intergroup Relations, University of Michigan

AFFILIATIONS

Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race (CSER), Columbia University
 Citizens and Technology (CAT) Lab, Cornell University
 Cogburn Research Group (CRG), Columbia University
 Digital Storytelling Lab (DSL), Columbia University
 Justice, Equity, and Technology (JET) Studio, Columbia University
 SAFElab, University of Pennsylvania
 Social Intervention Group (SIG), Columbia University

EXTERNAL REVIEWER

Advances in Social Work
 Humanities and Social Sciences Communications
 Journal of Social Issues
 Scientific Reports
 Social Media and Society
 Sociology Compass

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EDUCATION

PhD
Sep 2020–May 2024

Columbia University, School of Social Work. New York, NY
Ph.D. in Social Policy and Policy Analysis. Expected graduation: May, 2024.

MPH
Sep 2001–May 2003

Columbia University, New York, NY
Master of Public Health (MPH).

BS
Mar 1991–Jul 1997

Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Lima, Peru). Awarded: July 1997.
Bachelor of Social Sciences, in Sociology (six-year program leading to the Licensure in Sociology)

EMPLOYMENT

Aug 2013–Present

Research Scientist, New York State Center of Excellence for Cultural Competence, New York State Psychiatric Institute (New York City, New York)

Sep 2020–Present

Departmental/Doctoral Research Assistant, School of Social Work, Columbia University

May 2016–2020

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Counseling Professions, Rutgers University

Apr 2012–Jul 2013

Director of Quality Management, New York State ARC – Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

Aug 2009–Jan 2012

Director, Community and Economic Development Division, New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS) (Albany, New York)

Jul 2008–Aug 2009

Program Development and Evaluation Specialist, New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS) (Albany, New York)

Nov 2006–Jul 2008

Training Coordinator for Residential Services, New York State ARC – Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

Aug 2005–Nov 2006

Medicaid Service Coordinator, Department of Service Coordination, New York State ARC – Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

Aug 2003–Feb 2004

HIV/AIDS Research Consultant, Latin American Division, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Aug 2003–Jul 2004

Staff Associate/Officer of Research, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University (New York City, New York)

Sep 2001–May 2003

Latino Research Fellow, Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University (New York City, New York)

Jul 2000–Aug 2001

Training Coordinator for Day Treatment Services, New York State ARC – Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

Jul 1999–Jul 2000

Day Habilitation Program Manager, New York State ARC – Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

Oct 1998–Apr 1999

Research Coordinator, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) (Doctors without Borders) Belgium (Lima, Peru)

Jan 1997–Apr 1999

Research Associate, Center for Sociological, Anthropological, Political and Economic Research, Department of Social Sciences, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Lima, Peru)

Feb 1995–Apr 1997

Research Assistant & Project Coordinator, Population Studies Institute, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia (Lima, Peru)

- Aug 1994–Dec 1996 Research Assistant, Center for Sociological, Anthropological, and Economic Research, Department of Social Sciences, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Lima, Peru)
- ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**
- Sep 2020–Present Departmental/Doctoral Research Assistant, School of Social Work, Columbia University
- Nov 2015–Aug 2020 Senior Staff Associate/ Officer of Research (in Psychiatry), Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University (New York, New York)
- May 2016–2020 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Counseling Professions, Rutgers University
- Aug 2003–Jul 2004 Staff Associate/Officer of Research, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University (New York City, New York)
- Jan 1997–Apr 1999 Research Associate, Center for Sociological, Anthropological, Political and Economic Research, Department of Social Sciences, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Lima, Peru)

TRAINING AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Jan 2022–Present Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow, US Collaborative of Poverty Centers. Funding provided by the Institute for Research on Poverty at University of Wisconsin at Madison.
- Sep 2001–May 2003 Latino Research Fellow, Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University (New York City, New York)
- Sep 1994–Jul 1996 Ford Foundation Sexual and Reproductive Health Fellow, Center for Sociological, Anthropological, and Economic Research, Department of Social Sciences, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru

MEMBERSHIP, OFFICES, AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

- 2015–2018 World Association for Cultural Psychiatry, 5th World Congress of Cultural Psychiatry, Local Organizing Committee Chair
- 2014–2019 American Society for Hispanic Psychiatry, New York City Chapter Co-Chair
- 2015–2017 Inter-American Society of Psychology, Poverty and Psychology Committee, Co-Chair
- 2015–Present World Association for Cultural Psychiatry
- 2015–Present International Sociological Association (ISA)
- 2015–Present American Psychological Association (APA)
- 2003–Present American Public Health Association (APHA)

BOARDS OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES POSITIONS

- 2017–Present National Disability Institute, Board of Directors
- 2019–Present New York State Suicide Prevention Council, Council Member
- 2018–Present EmpoweredNYC, a project of the New York City Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities & Office of Financial Empowerment, Advisory Board
- 2016–Present Academy of Peer Services, Advisory Council Member
- 2016–Present OnTrackNY, New York State Psychiatric Institute, Executive Committee, Member
- 2016–2019 American Society for Hispanic Psychiatry, Treasurer
- 2014–2019 American Society for Hispanic Psychiatry, Board Member
- Sep 2013–Present New York State Office of Mental Health (NYS OMH), Multicultural Advisory Committee (Consultant to the NYS OMH Commissioner), Member
- Jul 2012–2014 Two Together, Inc., Board Member

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2018–2020 Instructor, Course “Introduction to Peer Support Principles and Practices,” requirement of the undergraduate Certificate in Peer Support, Department of Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Counseling Professions, Rutgers University
- 2016–2017 Instructor, Course “Social and Cultural Diversity Issues,” requirement of program leading to Master’s in Rehabilitation, Department of Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Counseling Professions, Rutgers University
- 2015 Guest Lecturer, Course “Diagnosis and Eco-systemic Intervention,” Master’s in Child and Youth Mental Health, Catholic University of Maule (Chile), Assistant Prof. Dr. Pablo Méndez-Bustos. Topic: “Promoting Financial Wellness through Peer-Supported Economic Empowerment”
- 2015 Guest Lecturer, Course “Diagnosis and Eco-systemic Intervention,” Master’s in Child and Youth Mental Health, Catholic University of Maule (Chile), Assistant Prof. Dr. Pablo Méndez-Bustos. Topic: “DSM-5 Cultural Formulation Interview”
- 2010 Guest lecturer, SUNY Albany, Master’s in Rehabilitation Counseling Program, State University of New York at Albany. Topic: “Person-Centered and Recovery-Oriented Employment Services.”
- 2002–2003 Teaching Assistant, Latino Health Course, Master of Public Health Program, Maliman School of Public Health, Columbia University, Professor Dr. Marilyn Aguirre-Molina
- 1997–1998 Guest Lecturer, Qualitative Methods Analysis, Research Methods Course, Master of Public Health Program, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia, Professor Humberto Castillo, MD
- 1994–1995 1994-1995 Teaching Assistant, Social Network Research Course, Sociology Program, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru, Associate Professor, Dr. Adolfo Panficcì

CLINICIAN AND MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER TRAINING EXPERIENCE

- 2010–2012 Lead Trainer, We Can Work and We Can Save Peer Facilitator Training, two-day training program conducted for Peer Specialists conducted in several regions across New York State, New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS)
- 2008–2012 Employment and Economic Self-sufficiency Trainer for Personalized Recovery-Oriented Services, New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS)
- 2009–2011 Trainer on Recovery-Oriented Employment Practices, Real JOBSNY, a joint program of the Syracuse University Burton Blatt Institute and the Workforce Development Institute (Troy, NY)
- 2006–2008 Trainer on Residential Service Management, New York State ARC - Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)
- 2000–2001 Trainer on Habilitation Programming, Day Treatment Services, New York State ARC - Ulster-Greene Chapters (Kingston, New York)

GRANT SUPPORT

- Active**
2021–2024 [From Hardship to Hope: A Peer-led Intervention to Reduce Financial Hardship and Suicide Risk .](#)
Two-year intervention development grant to examine the feasibility, acceptability and initial efficacy of a peer-led intervention.
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
Role: Principal Investigator
Total Direct Support: \$100,000
- Past**
2019–2020 [Developing an Online Training Module on Working with Interpreters in Mental Health Settings](#)
Competence Centre for Transcultural Psychiatry (Denmark)
Role: Principal Investigator
Total Direct Support: \$10,000
- 2018 [Developing a Training Toolkit on Navigating Cultural Dilemmas in Early Psychosis Care.](#)
Award by the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) with Funds from the United States Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
Role: Principal Investigator
Total Direct Support: \$15,000

- 2015–2016** Empowering Mental Health Consumers and Families to Access and Actively Participate in Cultural and Linguistically Competent Services
Award by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) with funds from the United States Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
Role: Principal Investigator
Total Direct Support: \$66,000
- 2011–2012** Ticket to Work Program in Personalized Recovery-Oriented Services (PROS) Programs: Development, Implementation and Evaluation of a Technical Assistance Program
Award by the New York State Office of Mental Health with funds from the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) Comprehensive Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG).
Role: Project Director (PIs: John Allen, Michael Morris)
Total Direct Support: \$100,000
- 2010–2011** Peer Support for Workplace Success: Piloting a Peer-led Intervention to Foster the Integration of Peer Specialists into Human Service Agencies
One-year grant awarded by the Nathan Kline Institute Center for the Study of Recovery in Social Contexts
Role: Co-Investigator/ NYAPRS Project Director. (PIs: Drs. Lauren Gates & James Mandiberg)
Total Direct Support: \$20,000
- 2009–2013** Real JOBS NY: Developing and Evaluating a Community-Based Employment Program
Five-year award by the Syracuse University Burton Blatt Institute with funds from the United States Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), United States Department of Education
Role: Co-Investigator/NYAPRS Project Director (PI: Steve W. Traver)
Total Direct Support: \$105,000
- 2009–2010** Assessing Asset Development Programs in New York State
Award by the New York State Office of Mental Health with funds from the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) Comprehensive Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG).
Role: Project Director (PIs: John Allen, Michael Morris)
Total Direct Support: \$15,000
- 2009–2010** Examining the Systemic Barriers to Employment among People with Psychiatric Disabilities in New York State to Develop Policy and Program Recommendations
Award by the New York State Office of Mental Health with funds from the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) Comprehensive Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG).
Role: Project Director (PIs: John Allen, Michael Morris)
Total Direct Support: \$20,000
- 2009–2010** Developing a Cross-Disability Peer Support Model for Employment and Economic Integration in New York State
Award by the New York State Office of Mental Health with funds from the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) Comprehensive Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG).
Role: Project Director (PIs: John Allen, Michael Morris)
Total Direct Support: \$15,000
- 2008–2011** We Can Work/We Can Save: A Peer-Led Campaign to Empower Mental Health Consumers to Achieve Employment and Economic Self-Sufficiency
Four-year award by the New York State Office of Mental Health with funding from the Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law
Role: Project Director
Total Direct Support: \$80,000
- 2004** Community-Based Palliative Care Program for People Living with AIDS in the Dominican Republic
Role: Project Coordinator (PI: Dr. Marilyn Aguirre-Molina)
Total Direct Support: \$50,000
- 2004** Addressing the Linkages between HIV/AIDS, Poverty, Gender and Social Inequalities in Latin America and the Caribbean
Developed and negotiated grant awarded by United Nations Population Fund
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Dr. Marilyn Aguirre-Molina)
Total Direct Support: \$250,000

2002 Factors that Limit the Access of Young Men and Women to Reproductive Health Services in Santo Domingo (Dominican Republic)
Global public health research travel grant to conduct master's research project
Role: Latino Research Fellow (Faculty Mentor: Dr. Marilyn Aguirre-Molina)
Total Direct Support: \$6,000

2001–2003 Latino Research Fellowship
Two-year fellowship awarded by the Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.
Role: Latino Research Fellow (Faculty Mentor: Dr. Marilyn Aguirre-Molina)
Total Direct Support: \$60,000

1998 Maternal Death Cases in Five Rural Areas of Peru.
Grant awarded by Peruvian Ministry of Health and United States Agency for International Development
Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Dr. Jeanine Anderson)
Total Direct Support: \$145,000

1997 Sexual Health Preventive Practices and Gender Representations among Youth of two Impoverished Communities in Lima (Peru)
Grant awarded by Great Britain Department for International Development
Role: Co-Principal Investigator
Total Direct Support: \$30,000

1996 Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices towards Malaria in Piura (Peru)
Grant awarded by Ministry of Health and United States Agency for International Development
Role: Project Coordinator (PI: Dr. Sandra Vallasas)
Total Direct Support: \$45,000

1994–1996 Sexual Practices, HIV/AIDS Prevention and Social Networks among Young Men in Impoverished Community of Lima (Peru). Two-year Sexual and Reproductive Health Fellowship awarded by the Ford Foundation to conduct thesis research project
Role: Sexual and Reproductive Health Fellow (Faculty Mentor: Dr. Sandra Vallasas)
Total Direct Support: \$9,000

RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

Present
2022–2027 Optimizing Disability Benefit Decisions and Outcomes in First Episode Psychosis (R01MH125868) Five-year award from the National Institutes of Mental Health
Role: Consultant (PI: Dr. Lisa Dixon)

2021–2023 MentalMaule: Real-Time Mental Health Evaluation and Follow-Up of Patients in the Primary Care System of the Maule Region
Three-year grant from the Regional Government of Maule, Chile.
Role: Consultant (PI: Dr. Pablo Mendez-Bustos)

Past
2015–2017 Online Technical Assistance for Organizations Providing Employment and Vocational Recovery Services in the U.S.
Five-year Rehabilitation Research Training Center on Improved Outcomes of Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities, with funding by the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) to the Boston University Center of Psychiatric Rehabilitation.
Role: Consultant (PI: Dr. Marianne Farkas)

2010–2012 The Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) Project
(H235L100004) Five year award of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education to University of Massachusetts Institute on Community Inclusion (ICI) and Mathematica Policy Research, Inc.
Role: Consultant/Delphi Panelist (PI: Steve Marrone)

PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

***Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, Garfinkel, I., Wimer, C. & Wall, M. (under review). When Money and Mental Health Problems Pile Up: The Longitudinal Relationship between Income and Psychological Distress.

Galsner, B., **Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, Collier, S., Garfinkel, I., Wimer, C. No evidence that the Child Tax Credit Had an Effect on the Wellbeing and Mental Health of Parents. Health Affairs, <https://doi.org/10.1377/hlthaff.2022.00730>

***Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, Primrose, R., Moon, I., Cruz, A., Swarbrick, M., Vite, L., Laing, T., Kelly, M., Jennings, E., & Lewis-Fernández, R. (2022). Financial Hardship, Hope and Life Satisfaction: A Mediation Analysis. *Frontiers in Psychiatry*,

<https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsy.2022.867421>

Méndez-Bustos, P., Fuster-Villaseca, J., Lopez-Castroman, J., **Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, Olivari Medina, C., & Baca-García, E. (2022). Longitudinal trajectories of suicidal ideation and attempts in adolescents with psychiatric disorders in Chile: Study protocol. *BMJ Open*,

<https://doi.org/10.1136/bmjopen-2021-051749>

Lund Skammeritz, L., Sari, N., **Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, & Carlsson-Lohmann, J.(2019). “Interpreters in Transcultural Psychiatry.” *Psychiatric Services*, doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.201800107

Aggarwal, N. K., Lam, P., **Jiménez-Solomon, O.**, Desilva, R., Margolies, P. J., Cleary, K., ... & Lewis-Fernández, R. (2018). An Online Training Module on the Cultural Formulation Interview: The Case of New York State. *Psychiatric Services*, doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.201800119.

***Jimenez-Solomon, O.**, Mathai, C., Liu, N. & Paddilla, E. (2018). Unleashing the Promise: Using Short Films to Empower Young People to Express their Cultural Formulations and Identities. *World Cultural Psychiatry Research Review* 13(1), 73-74. Retrieved from

https://usercontent.one/wp/www.worldculturalpsychiatry.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/2018-issue-1.def_.pdf

Bello, I., Ngo, H., Piscatelli, S., & **Jimenez-Solomon, O.** (2018). Best Practices for Delivering Culturally Competent Coordinated Specialty Care Treatment for First-Episode Psychosis [abstract]. *World Cultural Psychiatry Research Review*, 13(1), 36-37. https://usercontent.one/wp/www.worldculturalpsychiatry.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/2018-issue-1.def_.pdf

Primrose, R., **Jimenez-Solomon, O.**, Ngo, H., & Lewis-Fernandez, R. (2018) Navigating Cultural Dilemmas in Early Psychosis Care: Illustrating the Value of An Intersubjective Approach to Providing Culturally Competent Care [abstract]. *World Cultural Psychiatry Research Review*, 13(2), 37-38. https://usercontent.one/wp/www.worldculturalpsychiatry.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/2018.no2_.pdf

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***Jimenez, O. & Dowse, P.** Employment and Economic Development Summit: Creating Pathways to Employment and Entrepreneurial Development for New Yorkers with Disabilities. Guest Respondent to State Scorecard. New York Makes Work Pay Summit (Albany, NY, July 2010). Guest lecture.

2009 ***Jimenez, O.** Building Social Capital to Break the Cycle of Poverty and Psychiatric Disability: An Agenda for Asset Development Programming (2009). Asset Development Strategies to Achieve Economic Self-Sufficiency Roundtable. 5th Annual Executive Seminar. New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS). (Albany, NY, April 2009). Research report presentation.

***Jimenez, O.** Peer Support Model to Build Social Capital and Improve Employment Outcomes among People With Psychiatric Disabilities. Innovative Programs to Improve Employment Outcomes Roundtable. 5th Annual Executive Seminar. New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS). (Albany, NY, April 2009). Research report presentation.

2002 ***Jimenez, O.** "Sexual Partners, Personal Networks and Constructions of Masculinity among Young Men in the Dominican Republic." Gender and Sexuality Research Symposium. Mailman School of Public Health Sociomedical Sciences Department (New York, NY, 2002). Research project presentation.

1998 ***Jimenez, O.** Sexual Partners and Personal Networks among Young Men in Impoverished Neighborhood of Lima, Peru. Qualitative Health Research Conference. Annual meeting of the University of Alberta International Institute for Qualitative Methodology (Vancouver, Canada, 1998). Paper presentation.

Yon, C., **Jimenez, O.** & Valverde, R. Representations of Sexual and Preventive Practices in Relation to STD's and HIV/AIDS among Adolescents in Two Poor Neighborhoods in Lima, Peru: Relationship between Sexual Partners and Gender Representations. Seminar on Men, Family Formation and Reproduction. Research Seminar organized by the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (ISSP) Committee on gender and Population in collaboration with the Centro de Estudios de Población (CENEP). (Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1998). Paper presentation.

***Jimenez, O.** [Entre patas y paltas: parejas sexuales, riesgos sexuales y redes personales entre jóvenes varones de Barrios Altos](#). Symposium about Male Participation in Sexual and Reproductive Health: New Paradigms (Simposion sobre Participación Masculina en la Salud Sexual y Reproductiva: Nuevos Padigmas. FLACSO (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences) Masculinity Network. Oaxaca Mexico (October, 1998). Abstract Presentation.

1996 *** Jimenez, O.** 'Pals', their sexual partners, and sexual hang-ups: personal networks and research on sexuality". First South-American Social Networks Research Conference (Lima, Peru, 1996). Paper presentation.

***Jimenez, O., Valverde, R., Yon, C.** Beyond Intimacy: Five Studies Sexual and Reproductive Health Seminar, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru. (Lima, Peru, 1996). Book chapter presentation.

***Jimenez, O.** Sexual Partners and Personal Networks among Young Men in Impoverished Neighborhood of Lima, Peru. South-American Congress of Sociology Students. (Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1996). Paper presentation.

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RESEARCH PROGRAM

My research aims to advance creative, collaborative approaches to promoting adolescent and young adult health in the interconnected areas of HIV/STIs, mental health, and substance use. I am especially passionate about citizen science and using innovative participatory methods to engage youth in the co-creation of equitable health solutions.

EDUCATION

PhD
Expected
May 2024

Columbia School of Social Work

Concentration: Advanced Practice
Dissertation Title: Centering youth voices in adolescent and young adult digital health research
Committee: Alissa Davis (sponsor), Elwin Wu (chair), Susan Witte, Gaukhar Mergenova, Joseph Tucker

MSW
May 2017

University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice

Concentration: Clinical Practice
Specialization: Child Well-Being and Child Welfare

BS
May 2013

Haverford College

Major in Psychology, Minor in Child and Family Studies
Senior Thesis: An investigation of the effects of mindfulness on creative problem solving

FUNDING & AWARDS

- 2022** Doctoral Research Grant (Candidate), Columbia School of Social Work (\$1,500)
Experiences of youth research collaborators on a digital crowdsourcing intervention study to address HIV in Kazakhstan
- 2021** COVID-19 Micro-Grant, Columbia School of Social Work (\$3,000)
Examining beliefs and attitudes about the COVID-19 vaccine among harm reduction peer outreach workers in New York City
- 2021** Doctoral Research Grant (Precandidate), Columbia School of Social Work (\$1,125)
Capturing the experiences of harm reduction outreach workers in New York City during the COVID-19 pandemic using photovoice
- 2020** NIH TL1 award through the Columbia University Irving Institute's Summer Predoctoral Clinical Research Training Program (\$6,204)
Ecological momentary assessment of adolescent stress and social context during the COVID-19 pandemic
- 2013** Stephen G. Cary Award, Haverford College: Presented to the senior who best exemplifies the qualities of honesty, integrity, a healthy combination of scholarly and extracurricular activities, and a deep concern for Haverford and neighboring communities
- 2012** Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2019–Present

Graduate Research Assistant. Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY.
Assist in the design and implementation of NIH R21 and K01-funded studies that address sexual/reproductive health, mental health, and substance use with a focus on adolescents and young adults.

2017–2019

Research Coordinator. Department of Pediatrics, Columbia University Irving Medical Center, New York, NY.
Managed NIH R01-funded study on adolescent participation in biomedical sexual health trials and other studies focused on sexual and reproductive health. Provided support to faculty in the Department of Pediatrics on adolescent health, global health, and faculty development projects.

- 2016–2017** Student Fellow. Ortner Center on Violence & Abuse in Relationships at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
Designed and implemented research studies focused on the intersection of technology and violence prevention.
- 2013–2015** Clinical Research Assistant. Division of Adolescent Medicine, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), Philadelphia, PA.
Implemented NIH R01 and R21-funded studies focused on youth involvement in chronic illness management.
- 2012** Research Assistant. Gender, Health, & Justice Research Unit, University of Cape Town (UCT), Cape Town, South Africa.
Collected data on the psychosocial effects of gender-based street harassment in South Africa.
- 2011–2012** Visiting Scholar in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Zucker Hillside Hospital, Queens, NY.
Administered symptom, temperament, and lifestyle questionnaires to hospitalized and outpatient adolescents as part of an NIH P30-funded study seeking to characterize the bipolar and psychotic prodromes.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2021** Teaching Assistant, Columbia School of Social Work
Course: Social Work Research
- 2017** Teaching Assistant (Porter Family Fellow), University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice
Course: The Top 10 Social Issues for the First 100 Days (Social issue - Youth aging out of foster care)

TEACHING TRAININGS

- 2021** Foundational Teaching Development Program, Columbia Center for Teaching and Learning

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- 2016–2017** Clinical Social Work Intern. Hall Mercer Community Mental Health Clinic at Penn Medicine, Philadelphia, PA.
Engaged in psychotherapy with children, adults, and families using evidence-based treatment interventions.
- 2015–2016** Clinical Social Work Intern. Jane Addams Place, Philadelphia, PA.
Provided comprehensive case management services to mothers and their children experiencing homelessness.
- 2011–2013** Student Assistant. Rape and Sexual Assault Crisis Hotline, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Trained to manage the college’s sexual assault crisis hotline; offered counseling to students in crisis.
- 2010–2013** Staff Member. Women’s Center, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Provided support, resources, and information to the college community about issues of gender, sexuality, and sexual and reproductive health and rights.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Davis, A., Crawley, A., Ashmore, A., **Landers, S.E.**, Pathela, P. (2023). Social and behavioral predictors of recurrent bacterial vaginosis among women attending sexual health clinics in New York City from 2014-2018. *Sexually Transmitted Diseases*, 50(10), 645-651.
- Davis, A., Mergenova, G., **Landers S.E.**, Sun, Y., Rozental, E., Gulyaev, V., Gulyaev, P., Terlikbayeva, A., Primbetova, S., Altice, F., Remien, R. (2022). Implementation of a dyad-based intervention to improve antiretroviral therapy adherence among HIV-positive people who inject drugs in Kazakhstan. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 33(3), 313–324.
- Guzman, A., **Landers, S.E.**, Nechitilo, M., Catalozzi, M., Gold, M.A., Bell, D.L., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2020). Acceptability of a phone app-based motivational interviewing intervention for young men’s sexual health. *Journal of Technology in Behavioral Science*, 5(3), 258-265.
- Landers, S.E.**, Francis, J.K.R., Morris, M. C., Mauro, M., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2020). Adolescent and parent perceptions about participation in biomedical sexual health trials. *Ethics & Human Research*, 42(3), 2-11.

Rosenthal, S.L., **Landers, S.E.**, Gamble, C., Grigsby, R.K. (2019). Leadership training and its impact on leaders' risk of burnout. *Physician Leadership Journal*, 6(6), 43-49.

Bornstein, L.M.D., **Landers, S.E.**, Rosenthal, S.L., & McCann, T. (2019). Physician perceptions of stakeholder influences on timing of hospital discharge in a children's hospital. *Global Pediatric Health*, 6, 1-6.

Cardoso, L., Sorenson, S., Webb, O., & **Landers, S.E.** (2019). Recent and emerging technologies: Implications for women's safety. *Technology in Society*, 58, 101108.

Francis, J.K.R., **Landers, S.E.**, Chang, C., Catalozzi, M., Radecki Breitkopf, C., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2019). Research participation provides parents and adolescents a launching pad for conversations. *Sexual Health*, 16(2), 198-199.

Rosenthal, S.L., Gamble, C., **Landers, S.E.**, & Stanberry, L.R. (2019). Faculty development programming within pediatric departments: Is it really happening? What their webpages tell us. *Journal of Pediatrics*, 206, 4-5.

Francis, J.K.R., de Roche, A.M., Mauro, C., **Landers, S.E.**, Chang, J., Catalozzi, M., Radecki Breitkopf, C., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2018). Adolescent-parent dyadic retention in an interview study and changes in willingness to participate in a hypothetical microbicide safety study. *Journal of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology*, 31(6), 592-596.

Tsevat, R.K., Radecki Breitkopf, C., **Landers, S.E.**, de Roche, A.M., Mauro, C., Ipp, L., Catalozzi, M., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2018). Adolescents' and parents' attitudes toward adolescent clinical trial participation: Changes over one year. *Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics*, 13(4), 383-390.

Landers, S.E., Friedrich, E., Jawad, A.F., & Miller, V.A. (2016). Examining the interaction of parental involvement and parenting style in predicting adherence in youth with type 1 diabetes. *Families, Systems, & Health*, 34(1), 41-50.

Gerstenberg, M., Hauser, M., Al-Jadiri, A., Sheridan, E.M., Kishimoto, T., Borenstein, Y., **Landers, S.E.**... Correll, C.U. (2015). Frequency and correlates of DSM-5 attenuated psychosis syndrome in a sample of adolescent inpatients with nonpsychotic psychiatric disorders. *Journal of Clinical Psychiatry*, 76(11), e1449-e1458.

UNDER REVIEW

Landers, S.E., Norcini-Pala, A., Bolger, N., Lewis, R., Mageau, D.J., Rosenthal, S.L., & Davis, A. (2023). *Real-time comparisons of adolescents' self-reported stress and physiological stress using digital smartwatches and a mobile app* [Manuscript submitted for publication].

Davis, A., Kpokiri, E., Li, C., Day, S., Yan, X., Marley, G., **Landers, S.E.**, & Tucker, J.D. (2023). *Using crowdsourcing at an academic conference to develop STI testing messaging for public dissemination* [Manuscript submitted for publication].

Davis A., **Landers S.E.**, Sun Y., Lewis R., Rosenthal S.L., Bolger N. (2023). *Feasibility, acceptability and efficacy of an mHealth app in reducing depression and anxiety among adolescents* [Manuscript submitted for publication].

IN PREPARATION

Landers, S.E., Sun, Y., Tolgenova, A., McNabb, K., Zhao, Y., Nyblade, L., Tucker, J.T., Mergenova, G., & Davis, A. (2023). *Using digital crowdsourcing to address HIV stigma and testing among youth in Kazakhstan: A content analysis* [Manuscript in preparation].

Landers, S.E., Sun, Y., Mergenova, G., & Davis, A. (2023). *Experiences of youth research collaborators on a digital crowdsourcing intervention study to address HIV in Kazakhstan* [Manuscript in preparation].

Medley, B., **Landers, S.E.**, Yang, L.S., Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J. (2023). *Labor of love: Elevating the expertise & needs of peer harm reduction workers in New York City during COVID-19 using photovoices* [Manuscript in preparation].

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Landers, S.E., Norcini-Pala, A., Bolger, N., Lewis, R., Rosenthal, S.L., & Davis, A. (2024, January). *Real-time comparisons of adolescents' self-reported stress and physiological stress using digital smartwatches and ecological momentary assessments* [Oral presentation]. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Nguyen, V.O., Sun, Y., **Landers, S.E.**, & Davis, A. (2024, January). *Perceptions of mHealth interventions for the prevention of mental disorders in adolescents: A qualitative study* [Oral presentation]. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Davis, A., Sun, Y., Gryazev, G., Tucker, J., Nyblade, L., Lunze, K., Terlikbayeva, A., Primbetova, S., Rosenthal, S., Tang, W., Kuskulov, A., **Landers, S.E.**, Gulyayev, V., Gulyayev, P., Mergenova, G., JasSpark Study Research Group. (2024, January). *Engaging adolescents and young adults in Kazakhstan to develop a digital HIV stigma reduction intervention through crowdsourcing: A method for partnerships between youth and healthcare systems* [Oral presentation]. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Davis, A., Crawley, A., Ashmore, M., **Landers, S.E.**, & Pathela, P. (2023, July). *Social and behavioral predictors of recurrent bacterial vaginosis among women attending sexual health clinics in New York City from 2014-2018* [Poster presentation]. STI & HIV 2023 World Congress, Chicago, IL.

Mergenova, G., Gryazev, D., Kuskulov, A., Sun, Y., **Landers, S.E.**, Tolegenova, A., Gulyayev, V., Davis, A., JasSpark Study Research Group. (2022, November). *Crowdsourcing to reduce stigma around HIV testing among adolescents and young adults in Kazakhstan* [Poster presentation]. 15th European Public Health Conference, Berlin, Germany.

Davis, A., Mergenova, G., Rozental, E., Gulyaev, V., Gulyaev, P., Nurkatova, M., Terlikbayeva, A., Primbetova, S., **Landers, S.E.**, Sun, Y., & El-Bassel, N. (2022, July). *COVID-19 disruptions and the adaptation and implementation of a dyad-based intervention to improve antiretroviral therapy adherence among HIV-positive people who inject drugs in Kazakhstan: Strategies and lessons learned* [Poster presentation]. AIDS 2022 Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Landers, S.E., Sielski-Elizalde, A., Hernandez, V., Andresen, J., Falodun, F., Park, E., Fingerhut, S., Lewis, R., Bolger, N., Rosenthal, S.L., & Davis, A. (2022, January). *Social connectedness and mental health among cisgender heterosexual and LGBTQ+ adolescents in New York City during the COVID-19 pandemic* [Poster presentation]. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Medley, B., **Landers, S.E.**, Yang, L.S., Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J. (2022, January). *Peers in the pandemic: Examining the experiences of harm reduction peer outreach workers in New York City during COVID-19 using photovoice* [Accepted oral presentation, presented poster virtually due to COVID-19]. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Landers, S.E., Nussinov, T., Mergenova, G., Sarsembayeva, L., Gulyaev, V., Primbetova, S., Terlikbayeva, A., & Davis, A. (2020, July). *Perceptions of opioid substitution therapy among people with HIV who inject drugs and their intimate partners in Kazakhstan* [Poster presentation]. AIDS 2020 Conference: Virtual.

Rosenthal, S.L., **Landers, S.E.**, & Gamble, C. (2020, July). *Supporting faculty at all levels in saying yes, saying no, and letting go* [Poster presentation]. Accepted for presentation to the AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, Portland, OR. [Meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19].

Guzman, A., **Landers, S.E.**, Nechitilo, M., Catallozzi, M., Gold, M.A., Bell, D.L., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2019, July). *Acceptability of a phone app-based motivational interviewing intervention for young men's sexual health* [Poster presentation]. STI & HIV World Congress, Vancouver, Canada.

Rosenthal, S.L., **Landers, S.E.**, Gamble, C., Mauro, C., & Grigsby, R.K. (2019, July). *The effect of leadership training on burnout* [Poster presentation]. AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Rosenthal, S.L., **Landers, S.E.**, Gamble, C., & Saiman, L. (2019, July). *Division chiefs' documentation of conversations regarding scholarly products during the annual faculty review* [Poster presentation]. AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Francis, J.K.R., **Landers, S.E.**, Chang, C., Catallozzi, M., Radecki Breitkopf, C., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2019, March). *Research participation provides parents and adolescents a launching pad for conversations*

[Poster presentation]. Presented nationally at the Society of Adolescent Health and Medicine Annual Meeting, Washington, DC and locally at the Women in Science and Medicine Conference at UT Southwestern, Dallas, Texas.

Rosenthal, S.L., Gamble, C., **Landers, S.E.**, & Stanberry, L.R. (2018, July). *Faculty development within Pediatrics: What do webpages tell us?* [Poster presentation]. AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Professional Development Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.

Landers, S.E., Radecki Breitkopf, C., Mauro, C., Francis, JKR, Catalozzi, M., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2018, June). *Adolescent and parent dyads' memory of a microbicide safety study* [Poster presentation]. International Union Against Sexually Transmitted Infections World & European Congress, Dublin, Ireland.

Francis, J.K.R., **Landers, S.E.**, Chang, J., Catalozzi, M., Radecki Breitkopf, C., & Rosenthal, S.L. (2018, March). *Adolescent-parent dyads' decision-making about adolescent participation in a reproductive health clinical trial* [Poster presentation]. Presented nationally at the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington and locally at the Women in Science and Medicine Conference at UT Southwestern, Dallas, Texas.

Tsevat, R.K., Radecki Breitkopf, C., de Roche, A.M., **Landers, S.E.**, Ipp, L.S., Catalozzi, M., & Rosenthal S.L. (2018, March). *Parents' attitudes toward adolescent participation in a hypothetical clinical trial: Changes over one year* [Poster presentation]. Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.

Landers, S.E., Friedrich, E., & Miller, V.A. (2015, March). *Self-efficacy mediates the associations of parental coercion and autonomy support to adherence in adolescents with Type 1 Diabetes* [Poster presentation]. Presented at the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine's Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California.

Landers, S.E., Jawad, A.F., & Miller, V.A. (2014, March). *Child satisfaction with parent-child illness management discussions in children with either Type 1 Diabetes or Cystic Fibrosis* [Poster presentation]. Society for Pediatric Psychology's Annual Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH EVENTS

Medley, B., **Landers, S.E.**, Yang, L.S., Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J., Russo, M., & Downey, D. (2023). *Labor of love: Elevating the experiences of harm reduction workers using photovoice* [Film screening, panel discussion, and photo exhibit].

Film: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sz_2nfRln18

VENUES

- International Drug Policy Reform Conference, Phoenix, AZ (2023, October)
- Liberating Methadone Conference at New York University, New York, NY (2023, September)
- Peer Network of New York Conference, New York, NY (2023, August)
- Columbia School of Social Work, New York, NY (2023, May)
- National Harm Reduction Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico (2022, October)

AD-HOC REVIEWER

AIDS Care

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & LICENSURE

National Association of Social Workers
Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine
Society for Social Work and Research

AFFILIATIONS

LICENSURE

Licensed Master Social Worker, State of New York License No: 101425

SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

2021-Present

Doctoral Student Mentor, Peer-to-Peer Doctoral Student Mentoring Program - Columbia School of Social Work

2021-2022

Co-Leader, Peer-to-Peer Doctoral Student Mentoring Program - Columbia School of Social Work

2021-2022

Social Policy & Practice Graduate Student Mentor, Mentor Collective - University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice

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EDUCATION

PhD
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Columbia University, School of Social Work.
Concentration: Advanced Practice
Dissertation Title: No research about us, without us: Elevating the expertise and needs of harm reduction peer workers
Committee: Louisa Gilbert, Susan Witte, Brooke West, Samuel Roberts, Michelle Fine

MSW
May 2017

Columbia School of Social Work
Concentration: Social Policy
Specialization: International Social Welfare

BSW
May 2016

University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Major: Social Work , Minor: Sociology

GRANTS & FUNDING

2023

Grand Challenges for Social Work Doctoral Award: Reduce Extreme Economic Inequality, The New York Community Trust (\$3,000)
Community serving community: A photovoice project with harm reduction outreach workers

2021

COVID-19 Micro-Grant, Columbia School of Social Work (\$3,000)
Examining beliefs and attitudes about the COVID-19 vaccine among harm reduction peer outreach workers in New York City

2021

Doctoral Research Grant, Columbia School of Social Work (\$1,125)
Capturing the experiences of harm reduction outreach workers in New York City during the COVID-19 pandemic using photovoice

2020

COVID-19 Micro-Grant, Columbia School of Social Work (\$1,500)
Rapid response project for people who use drugs in New York City

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020–Present

Graduate Research Assistant. Columbia School of Social Work, New York, NY

2019–2020

Assistant Research Scientist. New York University, School of Global Public Health, New York, NY

Assistant Project Director. National Development & Research Institutes, Inc., New York, NY

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Spring 2023

Instructor, Columbia School of Social Work
Harm Reduction with People who use Drugs: Global and Domestic Issues

Summer 2021

Instructor, Columbia School of Social Work
Social Determinants of Substance Use

Spring 2020

Instructor, Columbia School of Social Work
Harm Reduction with People who use Drugs: Global and Domestic Issues

2019–2020

Instructor, Columbia School of Social Work
Harm Reduction Programming, Policy, and Practice to Tackling the Opioid Epidemic

Guest Lecturer

- Spring 2023 Guest Lecturer, Columbia School of Social Work
Qualitative Research Methods
- Spring 2022 Guest Lecturer, Columbia School of Social Work
Harm Reduction with People who use Drugs: Global and Domestic Issues
- 2019–2022 Guest Lecturer, Columbia School of Social Work
Practice in Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency
- 2018–2019 Guest Lecturer, Columbia School of Social Work
Harm Reduction Programming, Policy and Practice to Tackling the Opioid Epidemic
- Spring 2018 Guest Lecturer, Brooklyn College
Drug Policy

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2020–2022 Consultant. Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center (Remote)
Provided harm reduction expertise to the Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative, Mother and Baby Substance Exposure Initiative
- 2017–2018 Consultant. Open Society Foundations, Global Drug Policy Program, New York, NY
Researched and co-authored a report to improve the health and rights of pregnant people who use drugs
- 2017–2018 Opioid Program Manager. Harm Reduction Coalition, New York, NY
Provided technical assistance for opioid overdose prevention programs across New York State
- 2015–2016 Writing Fellow. Universities at Shady Grove, Center for Academic Success, Rockville, MD
Mentored social work students on social policy assignments

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

Bosak, J., Drainoni, M., Christopher, M., **Medley, B.**, Rodriguez, S., Bell, S., Kim, E., Stotz, C., Battaglia, T., L., Chassler, D., Hamilton, G., Bigsby, C.J., Gillen, F., Lang, S., McClay, C., Sprague-Martin, Walt, G., & Lunze, K. (in press). Community advisory board members' perspectives on their contributions to a large multistate cluster randomized control trial: A mixed methods study. *Journal of Clinical and Translational Science*.

Medley, B. (2022). Book Review for OD: Naloxone and the Politics of Overdose by Nancy D. Campbell. *Health & Social Work, 47*(1), 76-78.

Under Review

Chatterjee, A., Baker, T., Rudolf, M., Walt, G., Stotz, C., Bigsby, C., Martin, A., Bullard, M., Kinnard, E., McAlearney, A., Bosak, J., **Medley, B.**, Samet, J., & Lunze, K. Mobile units improve access to medications for opioid use disorder: A qualitative implementation study [Manuscript under review]. *Journal of Substance Use and Addiction Treatment*.

In Preparation

Hamilton, G., Sprague Martinez, L., Barocas, J., Chassler, D., Murphy, S., Ryan, D., Brenda Amuchi, C., Bullard, M., McSwiggan-Hong, J., Briden, C., Alonzo, J., Bowman, P., Lisanti-Park, A., Wheeler, M., Laudate, A., **Medley, B.**, Gutnick, D., Salsberry, P., Hunt, T., D'Onfro, M., Samet, J., & Battaglia, T. *The process and cost of launching a community advisory board for the HEALing Communities Study in Massachusetts* [Manuscript in preparation].

Medley, B., Landers, S.E, Yang, L.S, Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J. Labor of love: *Elevating the expertise & needs of peer harm reduction workers in New York City during COVID-19 using photovoice* [Manuscript in preparation].

Medley, B., Landers, S.E, Russo, M., Downey, D. Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J. Leveraging research into action: *Evaluating the effect of a photovoice exhibit with peer harm reduction workers* [Manuscript in preparation].

Stoicescu, C., Richer, A., **Medley, B.**, Jiang, D., Wu, C., & Gilbert, L. *A global systematic review of interventions*

co-targeting HIV and psychosocial syndemics of gender-based violence, substance misuse, and psychological distress and promoting health-seeking behaviours among women who use drugs: Evidence for policy and practice [Manuscript in preparation].

Stoicescu, C., **Medley, B.**, Tanjung, P., Wu, E., El-Bassel, N., & Gilbert, L. *Amplifying effects of polyvictimization with multiple types of violence on non-fatal overdose among women who inject drugs in Indonesia* [Manuscript in preparation].

Book Chapters

Medley, B. (2020). Chapter 22: Overdose risks and prevention strategies for pregnant women in New York City. In Buxton, J., Margo, G., & Burger, L. (Eds.), *The impact of global drug policy on women: Shifting the needle* (pp. 195-200). Emerald Publishing Group

Stancliff, S., **Medley, B.** & Matthews, W. (2019). Chapter 13: Harm Reduction: Caring for people who misuse opioids. In Compton, M.T. & Manseau, M.W. (Eds.), *The American opioid epidemic: From patient care to public health* (pp. 337-359). American Psychiatric Publishing

Reports & Op-eds

Medley, B. & Thumath, M. (2018, October 16). *Expecting better: Improving health and rights for pregnant women who use drugs*. Report for the International Harm Reduction Program at Open Society Foundations.

Malinowska, K. & **Medley, B.** (2018, March 8). *The other silence breakers: Women in the war on drugs*. Op-ed featured in Open Democracy.

Malinowska, K. & **Medley, B.** (2017, April 3). *Female drug users face harsh stigmatization*. Op-ed featured in Pass Blue.

Malinowska, K. & **Medley, B.** (2017, January 9). *Want to reduce drug related harms? Listen to women drug users*. Op-ed featured in Aeon.

Malinowska, K. & **Medley, B.** (2017, March 7). *Women bear the brunt of illicit drug policies*. Op-ed featured in BMJ.

PRESENTATIONS

Professional Conferences

Medley, B., Reyes, M., Garnett, I., Jordan, A., Meyerson, B., & Robinson, B. (2023, September 22) *Conducting community-engaged research on substance use*. [Panelist]. Liberating Methadone Conference: Building a roadmap & community for change, New York, NY

Medley, B., West, B., Craddock, J., Mauro, P., Philbin, M., & Nadel, T. *"Fear gets in the way": Multiple stigmas and discrimination in health settings as a driver of overdose among postpartum women*. [Accepted as oral presentation, canceled due to COVID-19]. Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Washington, D.C.

Medley, B., Landers, S.E., Yang, L.S., Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J. (2022, January). *Peers in the pandemic: Examining the experiences of harm reduction peer outreach workers in New York City during COVID-19 using photovoice*. [Accepted as oral presentation, presented virtual poster due to COVID-19]. Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Washington, D.C.

Medley, B., King, D., Kerrison, E., Salazar Ramirez, J. (2019, Nov. 8). *Civil commitment and forced treatment: The 'compassionate' evolution of the drug war*. [Panelist]. International Drug Policy Reform Conference, St. Louis, MO

Medley, B., Robertson, W., Croy, R., Jones, A., Lewin, A., Brown, K. (2018, Aug. 21). *Harm reduction and medication-assisted treatment*. [Panelist]. NYS Recovery Conference, Albany, NY

Medley, B., Oyola-Santiago, T., Roy, N. (2018, May 31). *National, local, and university collaborations to eradicate the opioid overdose crisis*. [Oral presentation]. American College Health Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Medley, B. (2018, March 15). *Drug testing pregnant people: Ethical, medical, and legal considerations*. [Oral presentation]. National Perinatal Association's 2018 Conference, Loma Linda, CA

Invited Presentations

Medley, B. (2019, Dec. 11). *Stigma and opioid use disorder in pregnancy*. [Oral presentation]. New York State Opioid Use Disorder in Pregnancy & Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Project, New York, NY

Medley, B., Gilbert, L., Keyes, K., Levin, L., Muresan, S. (2019, Nov. 18). *HEALing communities: Columbia scientists tackle opioid crisis in NY State*. [Panelist]. Columbia University, New York, NY

Medley, B. (2019, Sept. 26). *Stigma toward substance use in the healthcare setting*. [Oral presentation]. Opioid Summit: Innovative Collaboration for Change at Healthcare Association of New York, Saratoga Springs, NY

Medley, B., Hamilton, M., & Sangoi, L. (2019, Aug. 8). *Supporting the rights, dignity and humanity of drug using pregnant people and their families*. [Oral presentation]. NYS AIDS Institute Office of Drug User Health Women Who Use Drugs Workgroup, New York, NY

Medley, B. (2018, Nov. 22). *Supporting the health and rights of pregnant women who use drugs*. [Remote oral presentation]. Understanding the Gendered Impacts of Drug Policy Workshop, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Medley, B. & Gilbert, L. (2018, March 29). *Tackling the social roots of the opioid crisis: A call to action*. [Oral presentation]. Columbia School of Social Work, New York, NY

Medley, B. (2017, September 12). *Women and drug policy*. [Oral presentation]. Understanding the Gendered Impacts of Drugs, Drug Policy, and Drug Policy Enforcement Workshop, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Participatory Action Research Events

Medley, B., Landers, S.E., Yang, L.S., Collins, H., Reyes, M., Robertson, W., Matthews, A., Arana, R., & Mathews, J., Russo, M., & Downey, D. (2023). *Labor of love: Elevating the experiences of harm reduction workers using photovoice* [Film screening, panel discussion, and photo exhibit].

Film: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sz_2nfRln18

Venues:

- International Drug Policy Reform Conference, Phoenix, AZ (2023, October)
- Liberating Methadone Conference at New York University, New York, NY (2023, September)
- Peer Network of New York Conference, New York, NY (2023, August)
- Columbia School of Social Work, New York, NY (2023, May)
- National Harm Reduction Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico (2022, October)

ADVOCACY & POLICY TESTIMONIES

Joint Senate Task Force on Opioids, Addiction & Overdose Prevention: Senate roundtable addressing substance use, birth and parenting (2020, Jan. 31).

NY Cures Hep C: Personal Stories of Hepatitis C Testing, Treatment, and Cure (2019, May 8)

NY State Assembly Public Hearing on Availability of and Access to Naloxone (2018, May 18)

United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2017, Sept. 28)

HONORS & AWARDS

2023 Community Advocacy Award at the Peer Network of New York Conference

2022 Film Festival Award at the National Harm Reduction Coalition Conference

2017–2019 Women’s International Leadership Program at International House New York

2015–2016 Phi Alpha Honor Society for Social Work Students

2014–2016 University of Maryland, Baltimore County President’s List

INTERNSHIPS & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

- 2020–2021** Volunteer Operator
Never Use Alone (overdose prevention hotline)
- 2019–2020** Community Advisory Board Member for the HEALing Communities Study
Columbia School of Social Work, New York, NY
- 2016–2017** Graduate Student Intern
Open Society Foundations, Global Drug Policy Program, New York, NY
- 2015–2016** Clinical Case Manager Intern
Torture Abolition & Survivor Support Coalition International, Washington, D.C.
- Summer 2015** Social Work Intern
Montgomery County Department of Health & Human Services, Rockville, MD

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EDUCATION

PhD
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Graduation
July 2023

Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY
Ph.D. Candidate, Sep 2018—Present
Research Areas: health equity, structural stigma, medicalized racism, and global social work
Methods: intervention research, ethnographic research, and participatory action research
Dissertation: Forbidden Love and Sex: Structural Stigma against Leprosy as Represented by Marriage Law of China (Dissertation Committee: Professors Qin Gao, Barbara Simon, Alissa Davis, Myron Cohen, Tony Saich)

MPA
May 2020

Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA
Master in Public Administration (**MPA**)
Certificates and Fellowship: Edward S. Mason Program in Public Policy and Management Certificate (Mid-career), Management, Leadership, and Decision Science Certificate, Full scholarship by China and Globalization Fellowship

MSW
May 2009

Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY
Master of Science in Social Work (**MSW**)
Concentration: Health/Mental Health/Disabilities **Method:** Advanced Generalist Practice and Programming
Full scholarship by the Ford Foundation International Fellowship Program

LLB
July 2002

Yunnan University School of Law, Kunming, China
Bachelor of Laws (**LLB**), **Major:** Economic Law
Thesis: Legal Assistance to the Least Developed Countries under the Dispute Settlement Body of the WTO
The Dean's Special Award

HONORS & AWARDS

Mar 2019

Mason Fellow, China and Globalization Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School **\$110,000**

Jan 2016

Inaugural Fellow, Equity Initiative Fellowship, China Medical Board (Cambridge)
Atlantic Fellow, The Atlantic Philanthropies (New York, NY) **\$40,000**

Jan 2013

Norada Foundation Ginkgo Fellowship (Beijing), **\$46,000**

Sep 2011

Excellent Teaching Award, Kunming Medical College

Jan 2009

Capstone Cup, Columbia University School of Social Work

Sep 2007

Ford Foundation International Fellowship **\$125,000**

FUNDING AND GRANTS

May 2023

Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (SYLFF) PhD Academic Year Fellowship, **\$33,000**

May 2023

SYLFF Summer Grant, Columbia Weatherhead East Asian Institute, **\$1,500, PI**

Oct 2022

Equity Community Building Fund, China Medical Board, PI,
Proposal submitted for **\$100,000** for a participatory action research project titled
Community-Based Oral History for Healing, Empowerment, and Advocacy

Aug 2022

Ford Foundation International Fellowship Alumni Award, **\$1,000, PI**

Aug 2022

China Anthropological Dissertation Field Research Scholarship, **\$1,000, PI**, Institute
For Advanced Studies in Social Sciences, Southern University of Science and Technology, 2022-2023.

May 2022 **SYLFF Summer Grant, Columbia Weatherhead East Asian Institute, \$1,500, PI**

Sep 2019 **National Social Science Fund of China, \$ 32,000, Co-PI**, Ethnic Mutual Trust:
From the Perspective of the Rule of Law, duration: 2019-2024.

May 2019 **SYLFF Summer Grant, Columbia Weatherhead East Asian Institute, \$1,000**

2016–2017 **China Medical Board (Cambridge, MA), \$5,000, PI**,
Health Equity Leadership Program in Yunnan,

Sep 2013 **Royal Society for Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (UK), Travel Scholarship, £1,000**

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Sep 2020–Present **Poverty Alleviation in China, Columbia China Center for Social Policy**
Work with Professor Qin Gao on the investigation of poverty alleviation in China on the Rural Safe Drinking Water Project, responsible for literature review, data collection and analysis, and manuscript writing

Sep 2020–Present **China Philanthropy and Public Policy Program, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Harvard Kennedy School**
As an Asia Fellow in residence, study the role of NGOs in emergency responses with Drs. Arnold Howitt and Edward Cunningham and conducts empirical research on social policy making and implementation with Professor Tony Saich

Sep 2018–May 2019 **UNI Project, NIH Funded Intervention Research on HIV/AIDS in Kazakhstan, Social Intervention Group, Columbia School of Social Work**
Assisted Professor Elwin Wu in data collection and analysis, contributed to weekly international team meetings and training material development

Sep 2016–Aug 2017 **Sense of a Place: Leprosy Villages in Yunnan China**
Conducted anthropological study of the leprosy villages in Yuannan, as part of the global study of leprosy colonies in collaboration with Professor Patrick Devlieger from the University of Leuven (Belgium)

Mar–Sep 2016 **Best Practice of Community Based Rehabilitation Projects in China**
Selected, interviewed, wrote up, and commentated on effective Community Based Rehabilitation Projects for people with disabilities across China for the purpose of promoting disability services and studies.

May–Oct 2016 **History of Community Based Rehabilitation Programs for People affected by Leprosy in China**
Funded by China Science and Technology Association, examined the history of Community Based Services developed and implemented to the population affected by leprosy as part of the research project on the History of Leprology in China.

Jan–Jun 2012 **Study of the Needs of and Service Framework for People with Disability in China**
Co-PI, National Social Science Fund funded project, one of the first of its kind in China provided a solid foundation for future studies in this area. PI: Professor Gong Chen

Sep–Dec 2011 **Policy Research on a Potential National Benefit and Assistance Scheme to People with Disabilities**
Co-PI, the policy recommendations of this research were adopted by the central government. These policy changes have benefited over 10,000,000 people with severe disability and 10,000,000 people with disability in poverty across China. It was the first national welfare scheme for people with disability in China in history and a milestone in disability policy development work.

Sep 2001–Jul 2003 **EU-China Human Rights Program on the Protection of Minorities**
Yunnan University and Oslo University
Research Assistant, conducted literature review and translation, curriculum development for trainings and conferences

Mar 2001–Jul 2002 **China's Entry to the WTO and the Strategy for Responses of the Tabaco Industry**
Political Science and Law Research Institute of Yunnan Province
Research Assistant, conducted literature review, translation of WTO cases and other legal documents

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Columbia School of Social Work

Sep 2023

Preceptor for Social Welfare Policy Course (In-person)

- Design course curriculum
- Teach the course with a combination of lectures, discussions, and activities
- Grade assignments and give feedbacks
- Hold office hours

Jun-Jul 2023

Preceptor for Topics in Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Mental Health Stigma Course (In-person)

- Rated 4.45/5 on average based on student evaluations
- Design course curriculum
- Teach the course in seminar format
- Grade assignments
- Hold office hours

Sep 2022–Present

Teaching Assistant for Social Welfare Policy Course (In-person)

- Work with Dr. Mashura Akilova in class preparation, conduction, and reflection
- Teach subsections of the class and a whole session on immigration policy
- Grad participation and assignments
- Hold office hours for the students

Aug 2022–Present

GEC Academy, Beijing, China

Course Coach on Social Work Research (Online)

- work with Professor Edward Mullen, teaching social work research to Chinese students, undergraduate and graduate
- Hold coaching sessions for the students, deliver teaching and mentoring on research design process
- Grade assignments and papers

Kunming Medical University School of Rehabilitation Sciences

Kuming, China

Dec 2010–Jul 2016

Adjunct Professor with Distinctions

- Taught Community Based Rehabilitation for students majored in Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, and Speech Therapy, developed the curriculum, and developed and supervise field education.
- Taught Psychosocial Occupational Therapy, developed the curriculum and developed and supervise field education.
- Rated by students and evaluated by the teaching affairs office as the top 1 popular professor and was given Excellent Teaching Award in Sep 2011.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER PREPARATION

Si, Z., China's Policy on Leprosy Community Education and Stigma Reduction 1978-2018

Gao, Q., **Si, Z.** Delivering Clean Water to Every Rural Household: How Did China Make It?

Si, Z., Community Leadership in Natural Disaster Emergency Response: The Case of Xiangfu Flood of 1841

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTERS

Handicap International (2018) (member of the editing and commentating team), *Making It Work: Good practice of community based rehabilitation in China*, Beijing: Huaxia Publishing House

China Leprosy Association (2018) (on the writing team) *A history of leprology in China*, Beijing: China Science and Technology Press

World Health Organization (2010) (co-translator of the Chinese Version) *Community based rehabilitation: CBR Guidelines*, Geneva, WHO Press

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLE

Si, Z. The Power of Narratives against Exclusion and Oppression: Images of storytellers in Strings of Life and other narratives, *Review of Disability Studies* (under review)

Ballan, M., & Si, Z. Leprosy and the Social model of Disability: A Case for Integration in China (work in progress)

Zhang, L., Si, Z., Liang, B., Cheng, Z., Sun, H., Mo, Y., Chen, G., (2012) An analysis of the current situation of benefits to people with disabilities in China and suggestions for a more systematic design, *Social Security Studies*, (6):96-103

CONFERENCES

Aug 2023

The 8th China Development and Governance Workshop

Presented Organic Collaboration in Emergency Responses : A Policy Recommendation on Responding to the Needs of People with Disabilities in Emergency Management

Feb 2023

The 7th China Development and Governance Workshop

Presented Community Leadership in Natural Disaster Emergency Response: The Case of Xiangfu Flood of 1841

Dec 2022

Ash Center Asia Fellow Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School

Presented Forbidden Love and Sex: Structural Stigma against Leprosy

Jun 2022

Seminar on Governance of China, Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center

Commentator of presentation's on NPO leadership

Jan 2022

Seminar on Governance of China, Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center

Presented China's Policy on Leprosy Community Education and Stigma Reduction

Jan 2021

Seminar on Governance of China, Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center

Presented: China's Poverty Alleviation in Rural Drinking Water Safety Project

Dec 2021

Speaker, Vision Conference, Bridges International

Nov 2020

Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center Seminar Series

Presented The Chinese Way of advocacy: An NGO's Experience with People Affected by Leprosy

Jan 2019

Equity Initiative Annual Conference, Bangkok, Thailand

Address to the 2018 cohort on behalf of the inaugural cohort

Dec 2014

Speaker, Vision Conference 2014, Bridges International, Baltimore, MD

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Aizhen China

Kunming, China

Jan 2015–Present

Founder and General Director

- Establish and maintain a national network of agencies and volunteers working with people affected by leprosy and similar NGOs.
- Advocate at different levels to bring the needs of people affected by leprosy to the attention to the communities, local and central government.
- Facilitate capacity building and leadership development for the members.
- Raise funding for partner agencies, over \$1million, through networking, organizing, and public education.
- Facilitate team building programs
- Provide leadership and management consulting services to business partners.

Yunnan Aizhen Community Based Rehabilitation Development

Kunming, China

Jan 2011–Dec 2014

Founding Director

- Developed and led an indigenous NGO working with people affected by leprosy and people with disabilities.
- Formed a national movement to mobilized Chinese faith-based communities' involvement in leprosy work and social commitment.

- Advocated for the rights and dignity of people affected by leprosy through community organizing activities.
- Established arguably China's first Artistic Performance Team made up of people affected by leprosy that tour around leprosy villages and communities to entertain and to advocate.
- Raise funding for the operation costs of \$100,000 annually

BCI Yunnan Program Office

Kunming, China

Jul 2009–Dec 2010

Director of Community Based Rehabilitation Department

Consultant, Program Development and Evaluation Department,

- Developed Community Based Rehabilitation model with a team of 6 and around 1,000 people affected by leprosy and other disabilities in Yunnan province, tapping into potentials of the communities, empowering people.
- Developed team members in transitioning from a medical oriented direct service model to a social medical community organizing model. Found creative ways, such as arts, literature, videos and media, for people affected by leprosy and who are neglected and forgotten to voice their experiences.
- Provided consultancy to over 30 projects within the organization.

F E G S Health and Human Service System

New York, NY

Jun 2008–May 2009

Social Work Intern

- Three days a week, under strict professional supervision worked with adults with developmental disabilities with diverse racial backgrounds in direct generalist social work practice in client recruitment, socialization groups, individual counseling, and interdisciplinary meetings.
- From Jan 2009, one day a week in the head quarter office of F E G S Behavioral Health Division assisted the Associate Vice President of the largest health and human service agency in the US in managing, monitoring and evaluating its 200 community mental health clinics, preparing for reports to federal and local authorities.

Chinese-American Planning Council Brooklyn Branch

New York, NY

Jan–May 2008

Social Work Intern

- Co-facilitated group activities such as English class, singing classes, and Tea-Talks for the senior.
- Responsible for the implementation of Take Care New York project, a series of workshops on health management for the marginalized immigrants.
- Managed relationship with the media.

BCI Yunnan Program Office

Kunming, China

Mar 2004–Jul 2007

Director of Community Based Rehabilitation Department

- Led a multi-cultural team of nine and implemented Community Base Rehabilitation projects in Kunming and other prefectures of Yunnan Province in southwest China, serving around 1,000 people disadvantaged by leprosy and other disabilities.
- Supported similar projects or teams in Northeast and Southwest China

Professional Resources Group International

Shilin, Kunming, China

Jul 2002–Dec 2003

Project Assistant

- As the only Chinese co-worker on the team of seven, assisted the Director comprehensively in the projects of education, public health, and micro-enterprise.
- Liaised with the governmental and other project partners.
- Conducted need assessment for educational assistance project.

LEADERSHIP CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

Apr–Aug 2017

Leadership Consultant, Mission Alliance, Norway

Apr 2015–Aug 2018

Consultant, Handicap International

Mar 2015–Aug 2018

Advisory Board Member of China Programs, First Fruit Inc.

Jul 2011–May 2012

Consultant, UNICEF China Child Protection Project

Jul 2011–Present

Field Representative of China, The Leprosy Mission International

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Sep 2020–May 2021	Co-chair, China Society, Harvard Kennedy School
Sep 2019–May 2020	Vice President, Families, Harvard Kennedy School Student Government
Jul 2012–Present	President, Friendship Association of Returnees, Yunnan Chapter
Mar 2008–May 2009	Vice- President, Columbia Chinese Fellowship
Jun 2008–May 2009	Establishing the Chinese Social Work Students and Scholars Association in the US

CERTIFICATES

Jan 2016–Aug 2018	Equity Initiative Fellowship Program, China Medical Board <i>One year leadership enhancement program with a focus on equity, which involves 6 weeks of field trips to regional and international fields in Thailand, Vietnam, USA, South Africa, Cambodia, and meeting with faculty members from Harvard, MIT, University of Cape Town, Chulalongkorn, etc., plus ongoing online learning.</i>
Sep 2016	The 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing <i>Member of the Organizing Committee, co-chaired the Empowerment Session</i>
Jul–Aug 2016	Younger Leaders Gathering 2016, Lausanne Movement, Jakarta
May 2016–Present	Peer Advisor Group Facilitation Skills Training, Ginkgo Foundation, Shanghai, Beijing
Jan 2014–Present	Ginkgo Fellowship Program, Ginkgo Foundation <i>A three-year NPO leadership development program that select about 15 fellows each year and offers opportunities for peer learning in its twice a year gatherings, mentoring, and field visits to overseas, visited civil society organizations in Germany and Japan</i>
Sep 2013	The 18th International Leprosy Congress, Brussels
May–Jun 2013	Visiting Scholar of Civil Society Studies, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Aug 2011–Jun 2012	Visiting Research Fellow of Disability Studies, Peking University Institute of Population Research
Jun 2012	China-India Young Leadership Forum, Hong Kong, First Fruit Inc.
Dec 2011/Jul 2010	Advanced Workshop on NPO Development, Peking University/Harvard, Beijing
Nov/Jun 2011	Skills for Social Entrepreneurs Training Program, British Council, Beijing, Kunming
May–Jun 2011	International Assembly of the Leprosy Mission International, Chiang Mai, Thailand
Mar 2009	Study Visit ALERT Hospital & Medhen Social Service Center, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Dec 2008	InterVarsity 2008, for graduate students, faculty, and professionals, Chicago
Oct 2008	Annual Conference, Council on Social Work Education, Philadelphia
Jun 2008	Foreign Policy Colloquium, National Committee on United States-China Relations, Washington D.C.
Apr 2008	Global Public Health and Development Conference, Yale University, New Haven
Nov–Dec 2005	Study Visit The Leprosy Mission India and Other CBR & development agencies across India
Nov 2005	TLMI-ALM Joint Workshop on Development and Livelihood, Cebu, the Philippines
Jun–Aug 2004	Village Doctor Training Program, China Primary Healthcare Foundation, Mengzi

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIP

Member, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
Member, Society for Social Work and Research
Member, Association for Asian Studies
Member, China Leprosy Association
Licensed Psychological Counselor in China

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RESEARCH PROGRAM

An international development practitioner with ten years of policy analysis and research experience. My research focuses on economic, social and gender inequality and livelihoods in the context of poverty, forced migration, conflict, humanitarian affairs and climate change. Topics include racial and gendered inequities of health, sexual and reproductive health, gender-based violence, military violence, early marriage, social norms and economic empowerment.

EDUCATION

PhD
Oct 2023

Columbia University School of Social Work
Concentration: Social Policy Analysis and Economics
Dissertation Title: Three papers on gendered inequities of health
Dissertation Committee Members: Nabila El-Bassel (Sponsor),
Qin Gao, Louisa Gilbert, Victoria Frye, and Anindita Dasgupta,

MPA
May 2016

Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs
Concentration: Economic and Political Development

BBA
May 2011

Kathmandu College of Management
Concentration: Finance and Economics

HONORS & AWARDS

2019–2023

Columbia University Doctoral Scholarship

2014–2016

Columbia University Dean's Leadership Scholarship

2010–2011

Kathmandu University College Ambassador

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2023–2025

Postdoctoral Researcher, Center for Guaranteed Income Research (CGIR), University of Pennsylvania
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Allison Thompson

2019–2023

Department Research Assistant, Social Intervention Group (SIG), Columbia University
Project Title: Advancing Solutions in Policy, Implementation, Research, and Engagement for Refugees (ASPIRE)
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Nabila El-Bassel

2021

Research Assistant, Center for Sustainable Development (CSD), The Earth Institute, Columbia University.
Topic: Global Happiness and Well-being Policy Report: Vulnerable Populations
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Jeffery Sachs and Dr. Ozge Caman

2020

Research Fellow, United Nations Human Development Report Office (UN HDRO)
Chapters: Climate change sections of the Human Development Report 2020
Supervisor: Pedro Conceicao and Heriberto Tapia

2016–2019

Research Assistant, Center on Global Economic Governance, Columbia University
Topic: Billionaires and Growth, Impacts of Wealth Inequality on Economic Performance
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Jan Svejnar and Dr. Sutirtha Bagchi

2015–2016

Research Consultant, International Organization for Migration (IOM), New York
Project Title: A Crowdfunding Platform for the Moldovan Diaspora
Supervisor: Daniel M. Naujoks

- 2013–2014 Research Consultant, Saferworld, United Kingdom
Topic: Justice Mechanisms and Conflict Dynamics in Nepal
Supervisor: Chiran Thapa
- 2011–2012 Research Analyst, Three H Management, Kathmandu, Nepal
Duty: Service clients on operations and strategy through data collection and research

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Expected Fall 2023 Teaching Assistant, Large Scale Data Analysis, Columbia Mailman School of Public Health
- 2012–2014 Instructor, Gender Economics and Entrepreneurship, London Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI), International Qualifications, Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2011–2012 Instructor, Economics, Statistics I and II, and Economic Development, Kathmandu University

PRACTICE

- 2017–2019 Programme Analyst, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), New York
Managed a \$5 billion climate fund and provided intergovernmental policy guidance for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement on climate change
- 2016–2017 Policy Analyst, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, United Nations, New York
Authored speeches, talking points, op-eds, video messages, background notes, policy briefs, and strategy papers for the United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon and Special Advisor on 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Dr. David Nabarro
- 2015–2016 Advisor to the Ambassador, The Permanent Mission of Afghanistan to the United Nations, New York
Provided strategic advice on high-level intergovernmental, bilateral, and multilateral negotiations to Ambassador Zahir Tanin

SERVICE

- 2021–2023 Peer mentor Doctoral Program, Columbia School of Social Work
- 2020–2021 Subcommittee member, Black PhD Student Recruitment, Enrollment, and Retention
- 2020–2021 Columbia University Committee for the Doctoral Program Student Representative
- 2014–2016 Communications Chair, Columbia University South Asia Association
- 2009–2011 Class Representative, Kathmandu University
- 2007–2008 Class Representative, Kathmandu University

GRANTS AND FUNDING

- 2022 Summer Funding, Columbia School of Social Work (\$9000)
- 2022–2023 Doctoral Student Funding, Columbia School of Social Work (\$33,990/year)
- 2019–2022 Doctoral Student Funding, Columbia School of Social Work (\$22,000/year)
- 2014–2016 Dean's Scholarship, Columbia School of International and Public Affairs (\$45,000)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Singh, A., El-Bassel, N., Kaushal, N., Meinhart, M., Hartmann, J. K., Mukherjee, T., ... & Dasgupta, A. (2022). Financial dependence and intimate partner violence (IPV) among married Syrian refugee women living in non-camp settings in Jordan. *Journal of Global Health Reports*, 6, e2022011.

Book Chapter in Progress

Singh, A. & John, N. (2023). Social Determinants of Sexual and Reproductive Health. *Oxford Encyclopedia of Sexual and Reproductive Health*.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles in Progress

Singh, A. (In progress). Intimate partner violence and multilevel factors associated with IPV among Afghan, Somalian, and other women refugees and asylum seekers in Malaysia.

Singh, A. (In progress). Prevalence of contraceptive use and multilevel factors associated with types of modern spacing methods (MSM) of contraceptive use among clinic attending Syrian refugee women living in noncamp settings in Jordan.

Singh, A. (In progress). Syrian refugee women's labor force participation (LFP) and its associated factors among clinic attending Syrian refugee women living in non-camp settings in Jordan.

Mukherjee, T., El-Bassel, N., Kaushal, N., Meinhart, M., Brooks, M.A., Hartmann, J., **Singh, A.**, Khadra, M., Dasgupta, A. (In progress). Associations between intimate partner and family violence, mental health status and suicidal ideation among Syrian refugee women in Jordan.

Dasgupta, A., Mukherjee, T., Al-Salman, Y., Brooks, M.A., El-Bassel, N., Meinhart, M., **Singh, A.**, Jaber, R., Al-Qotob, R., Khadra, M. (In progress). Barriers to care: factors associated with unmet need for mental health care among Syrian refugee women in Jordan.

Dasgupta, A., Meinhart, M., El-Bassel, N., Mukherjee, T., **Singh, A.**, Jaber, R., Al-Qotob, R., Khadra, M. (In progress). Implications for economic empowerment interventions among Syrian refugee women living in non-camp settings in Jordan.

Dasgupta, A., Mukherjee, T., El-Bassel, N., Meinhart, M., **Singh, A.**, Jaber, R., Al-Qotob, R., Khadra, M. (In progress). Examining prevalence and correlates of early marriage and women's desires for age at marriage for daughters and sons.

Mukherjee, T., El-Bassel, N., **Singh, A.**, Meinhart, M., Hartmann, J., Al-Salman, Y., Al-Qotob, R., Khadra, M., Dasgupta, A. (In progress). Prevalence and correlates of gender-based violence among Syrian refugee women in Jordan.

Policy Publications

Karadag, O., **Singh, A.**, & Sachs, J. (2022). Protecting mental health and well-being against increasing vulnerabilities and inequalities. Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University, New York. https://s3.amazonaws.com/happinesscouncil.org/GHC_2022.pdf

Singh, Ajita. et al. (2017). Climate Partnerships for a Sustainable Future: An initial overview of South-South cooperation on climate change in the context of sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty. The United Nations. <https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Report-on-Climate-Partnerships-for-a-Sustainable-Future.pdf>

Singh, Ajita. et al. (2017). Catalyzing the Implementation of Nationally Determined Contributions in the Context of the 2030 Agenda through South-South Cooperation. The United Nations. <https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Download-Report.pdf>

Non-Referral Journal Publications (<https://ajitasingh.wordpress.com/publication/>)

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Singh A. (June 2018). Science, technology, policy for ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all (SDG 7). Presented at the Science, Technology, and Policy Forum, United Nations Secretariat, New York, United States

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