

# Ariel Richer

Curriculum Vitae, June 2020

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## RESEARCH PROFILE

NIH T32 Pre-Doctoral Fellow at the Social Intervention Group (SIG) at Columbia University School of Social Work. Focused on cultural adaptation and testing of interventions that address intimate partner violence, drug (opioid) and alcohol use, and sexual reproductive health among American Indian/Alaska Native and Indigenous communities. Focus on intervention/implementation science using mixed methods, qualitative, and quantitative methods.

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## EDUCATION

### Columbia University School of Social Work

Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work

In process

Topic Areas: Intervention and implementation science in IPV, HIV, and substance (opioid), mixed methods research

### Columbia University School of Social Work

Master of Science in Social Work, Social Enterprise Administration  
Management Fellow; GPA 3.85

May 2015

Relevant Coursework: Program Evaluation, Advanced Research Methods and Statistics, Financial Management

### Washington State University

Bachelor of Arts, Public Affairs, Cum Laude

May 2009

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION

### Columbia University School of Social Work

2019 Innovative Teaching Summer Institute

June 2019

Institute on Technical Skills for Online Events

October 2017

Institute on Pedagogy and Technology for Online Courses

December 2017

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## PUBLICATIONS

### PEER-REVIEWED

2. Stringer, K., Marotta L., P, **Richer, A.**, Goddard-Eckrich, D., El-Bassel, N., Gilbert, L. (2019). Mental Health Consequences of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Personnel among Black Drug-Involved Women in Community Corrections: *Journal of Urban Health*.

1. Jethwani, M., Memon, N., Seo, W., **Richer, A.** (2016). I Can Actually Be a Super Sleuth. *Journal of Educational Computing Research*. 55(1), 3-25 doi: 10.1177/0735633116651971

### BOOK CHAPTERS

Stoicescu, C., **Richer, A.** Gilbert, L. (In press). Nexus of risk: The co-occurring problems of gender-based violence, HIV and drug use among women and adolescent girls. In *The Impact of Global Drug Policy on Women: Shifting the Needle*. England, UK: Emerald Publisher.

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## SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

2019	V & L Marx Foundation Scholarship	\$6,700
2019	National Institute on Drug Abuse American Indian and Alaska Native Drug Abuse Etiology and Prevention Research Early Career Travel Award	\$1500
2018	James A. Jones Fellowship	\$5,000
2018	Provost Diversity Fellowship	\$6,000
2015	Lowenstein Fellowship Award	\$10,000

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2019 National Institute of Health T32 HIV, Substance Abuse, and Criminal Justice Pre-Doctoral Fellow \$24,272

## PRESENTATIONS

### *Conference Presentations (Oral)*

1. **Richer, A.**, Goddard-Eckrich, D., Gilbert, L., El-Bassel., Nabila. (2019). Women's Mental Health Conference. Yale University School of Medicine. New Haven, CT

### *Conference Presentations (Poster)*

2. **Richer, A.**, (2020). *Unpacking Barriers to Accessing Services Among Black Women in Community Corrections who use Drugs*. Society for Social Work and Research. Society for Social Work and Research 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Washington, DC

1. Goddard-Eckrich, D., Sardana, S., Hunt, T., Shaw, S., Rossel, A., Vicente, L., Chang, M., Gilbert, L., **Richer, A.** (2019). *My Partner's Violence Cannot Deter Me from Getting Better: Evidence of Self-Efficacy, Help-Seeking Behaviors and Mental Health Correlates Among Black Women Under Community Supervision in New York City*. Society for Social Work and Research. Society for Social Work and Research 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2020 **Teaching Assistant**  
Social Work Research Methods  
MSW Program, Columbia University School of Social Work

Summer 2019 **Peer Facilitator**  
Professional Development and Self Awareness  
MSW Program, Columbia University School of Social Work

## RESEARCH AND EVALUATION EXPERIENCES

**Columbia University** **New York, NY**  
*Social Intervention Group (SIG), Louisa Gilbert, PhD* **August 2018 - Present**

- T32- HIV, Substance Abuse, and Criminal Justice Pre-Doctoral Fellow
- Conduct literature reviews, qualitative interviews, quantitative statistical analyses, qualitative thematic analysis for interventions related to opioid use, substance use, HIV/AIDs, and intimate partner violence.
- Supervise Master Level Social Work students in qualitative interviewing, thematic coding and thematic analysis regarding intervention for criminal justice involved black women who use drugs.

**Tribal Tech, LLC, supporting the Administration for Native Americans** **Washington, DC**  
*Evaluation Lead* **March 2016-August 2018**

- Provide evaluation guidance and oversight and provide technical support and guidance to grantees on topics such: as logic models, monitoring, evaluation, developing and/or adapting surveys and assessments.
- Conduct qualitative and quantitative analysis with administrative, financial, and program data for all grants.

**Columbia University** **New York, NY**  
*Research Assistant to Monique Jethwani, PhD* **October 2013-October 2016**

- Conducted qualitative and quantitative analysis on focus group (N=59) transcripts, identified emerging themes using Atlas.ti software, and performed statistical analysis using SPSS. Conducted the literature review for the manuscript.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Urban Indigenous Collective** **New York, NY**  
*Co-Founder, Director of Research and Advocacy* **August 2019-Present**

- Plan and implement research and advocacy strategy, design and lead city-wide community health needs assessment, analysis, and dissemination plan, manage learning and development for research intern,

**Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration***Federal Grant Peer Reviewer*

Funding Announcements: First Responders Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act Grants (FR-CARA) TI-19-004

**Washington, DC****July 2019****Administration for Native Americans***Federal Grant Peer Reviewer*

Funding Announcements: Native Language Preservation and Maintenance, Esther Martinez Initiative, and Social and Economic Development,

**Washington, DC****March 2016-Present****Tribal Tech, LLC, Supporting the Administration for Native Americans****Washington, DC***Program Analyst/Evaluator***March 2016 - August 2018**

- Managed a 7 person team to analyze and interpret 5 years of quantitative and qualitative data from a variety of sources, including financial reports and programmatic data, culminating in a high quality graphic and written report, developed with Microsoft Publisher and Tableau.
- Developed tools and provide technical assistance on: monitoring/evaluation, Community-Based Participatory Evaluation, digital storytelling, logic models, assessment design, and onsite data collection in Native communities.
- Prepared briefing materials, including project papers and/or reports to convey findings of analysis to a diverse group of stakeholders, including inter and intra-agency, congressional, and beneficiary audiences.

**Rising Hearts Coalition***Founder and Community Organizer/Advocate***Washington, DC****August 2016 - Present**

- Organize rallies, marches, and community events by partnering with communities, coalitions, organizing groups, non-profits, to achieve community and national change surrounding social justice, environmental concerns, and issues affection Native, indigenous, and other communities of color.

**Sanctuary for Families New York***Economic Empowerment Specialist***New York, NY****September 2014 - May 2015**

- Conducted continuous process improvement on agency processes, improved assessment tools, and conducted a financial analysis and provided recommendations, analysis, and graphic and written representations of results.
- Managed a scholarship program including outreach, interviewing candidates, developing client career plans, monitoring the \$40k budget, and distributing monthly reports.
- Conducted clinical counseling and co-led psycho-social education and development group classes with clients.

**Project Renewal***Case Manager***New York, NY****October 2013 - May 2014**

- Designed and facilitated focus groups, analyzed results, and synthesized information into a final report pertaining to employee perceptions of recognition efforts.
- Designed an intervention for change addressing low staff attendance at trainings using theories and models of management to analyze and develop three recommendations and an action plan.
- Effectively provided case management to clients with co-occurring mental illness and addiction, frequently employing the use of motivational interviewing, using a harm reduction model.

**Cupcake Girls***Director, Women's Resources***Portland, OR****June 2012 - May 2013**

- Established and maintained relationships with organizations, agencies and professionals to provide resources to women in the adult entertainment industry.
- Prepared and maintained detailed records of available resources through developing an electronic database.

**Clark County Restorative Community Services***Probation Counselor Intern/Mentor***Vancouver, WA****February 2009 - May 2013**

- Mentored and reintegrated at-risk youth back into community by performing community service alongside them and providing a positive role model.
- Facilitated Aggression Replacement Training, an evidence-based curriculum, developing anger control, pro-social, and moral reasoning skills with 15 group participants.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & LICENSURE**

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Licensed Master Social Worker in New York State, License #096867

Member of National Association of Social Workers

Member of Society of Social Work and Research, 2018-Present