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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2022- Associate Professor, MSW Program Director (2022-2023), BSW Program Director (2023-2025), Department of Social Work, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- 2024-25 BSW Program Director
- 2022-24 MSW Program Director
- 2018- Faculty Affiliate, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- 2017- Co-PI, Human Sexualities Laboratory, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- 2016- 22 Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- 2014-16 Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, North Carolina State University

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. in Social Welfare
The University of Chicago
The School of Social Service Administration, Chicago IL
- 2007 M.S.W.
Indiana University Northwest, Gary, IN
Concentration: Leadership
- 1999 B.S. in Psychology (Biology minor)
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
Graduated with Honors, Highest Distinction

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2025 *Career Champion*
Binghamton University
Nominated by student for mentorship

- 2024 *Career Champion*
Binghamton University
Nominated by student for mentorship
- 2022 *Career Champion*
Binghamton University
Nominated by student for mentorship
- 2016 *Frank R. Breul Memorial Prize*
Best Article in *Social Service Review*
Epistemological Binds and Ethical Dilemmas in Frontline Child Welfare Practice
- 2014 *Exemplary Diversity Scholar*
National Center for Institutional Diversity (NCID)
The University of Michigan

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Massey, Sean G., Richard E. Mattson, Mei-Hsiu Chen, **Melissa Hardesty**, Ann Merriweather, Sarah R. Young, & Maggie Parker. (2021). Brief Report: Trending Queer: Emerging Adults and the Growing Resistance to Compulsory Heterosexuality. In Elizabeth M. Morgan and Manfred H.M. van Dulmen (Eds). *Sexuality in Emerging Adulthood*. Oxford University Press: Oxford.
Media: <https://theconversation.com/feminisms-legacy-sees-college-women-embracing-more-diverse-sexuality-159023>

Hardesty, Melissa. (2019). Commodification Anxiety and the Making of American Family in Child Welfare. In Mary Thompson and Modhumita Roy (Eds). *The Politics of Reproduction: Adoption, Abortion, and Surrogacy in the Age of Neoliberalism*. Ohio State University Press: Columbus. (peer-reviewed)

Hardesty, Melissa. (2017). Scientific Rationality and Techniques of Objectification in Child Welfare. In Stephen M. Webb (Ed). *Matters of Professional Identity and Social Work*. Abingdon: Routledge. (invited)

Journal Articles

Hardesty, Melissa. (*in press*). Evidence Cannot Fill the God-Shaped Hole: Why Social Workers Must Balance “Liberal Science” and Spirituality in the Quest for Social Justice. *Advances in Social Work*

Hardesty, Melissa, Sayre Wilson, Leora Wasserman, Sarah Young, Sean Massey, Ann Merriwether (2024, online). What Are College Students Talking About When They Say They're Just Talking? *Emerging Adulthood*.

Media: <https://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/love-sex/relationships/a60296873/talking-stage-dating/>
<https://www.psypost.org/what-does-were-just-talking-mean-new-psychology-research-unpacks-the-meaning-behind-contemporary-dating-slang/>
<https://studyfinds.org/just-talking-hooking-up/>
<https://www.sexandpsychology.com/blog/2024/5/1/what-does-it-mean-when-people-are-just-talking/>

Mattson, Richard E., Maggie M. Parker, Allison M. McKinnon, Sean G. Massey, Ann Merriweather, **Melissa Hardesty**, & Sarah Young. (2022). Just Say Yes? A Cluster Analytic Approach to Indicators of Sexual Consent. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 51(6), 3197-3209.

Hardesty, Melissa, Sarah Young, Allison McKinnon, Ann Merriweather, Richard Mattson, & Sean M. Massey. (2022). Indiscrete: How Typical College Student Sexual Behavior Troubles Affirmative Consent's Demand for Clear Communication. *Sexuality Research & Social Policy*, 19: 1114-1129.

Mathias, John, John Doering-White, Yvonne Smith, and **Melissa Hardesty** (2021). Situated Causality: Results of Three Ethnographic Studies of Social Work Practice. *Social Work Research*.

Gunn, Alana, **Melissa Hardesty**, Nicole Overstreet, & Scyatta Wallace. (2021). "Every Time I Tell My Story, I Learn Something New": Voice and Inclusion in Research with Black Women with Histories of Substance Use and Incarceration. *Criminology & Criminal Justice*, online first. DOI: 10.1177/17488958211005820

Hardesty, Melissa, Caterina Gironda, and Erin Belleau. (2019). This is What a #FEMINIST, #ANTIFEMINIST Looks Like? The Paradox of Giving Voice to Virtual Bodies. *Feminist Formations*, 31(2), 229-261.

Media: <https://www.binghamton.edu/news/story/2341/a-fleet-footed-scholar>

Hardesty, Melissa & Alana Gunn (2019). Survival Sex and Trafficked Women: The Politics of Re-presenting and Speaking about Others in Anti-Oppressive Qualitative Research. *Qualitative Social Work*. Online first. DOI: 10.1177/1473325017746481

Nguyen, Huong, **Melissa Hardesty**, Trang Nguyen, and Chengshi Shiu. (2019). Mental Health Professionals in Vietnam and the Move to Incorporate Social Work: A Mixed Methods Study of Staff Knowledge, Perceptions, & Expectations. *Social Work in Mental Health*, 17(1), 23-47.

Hardesty, Melissa. (2018). It's Not a Job! Foster Care Board Payments and the Logic of the Profiteering Parent. *Social Service Review*, 92(1), 93-133.

Nguyen, Huong Ngoc, Cheng-Sui Shiu, and **Melissa Hardesty**. (2016). Extramarital Sex among Vietnamese Married Men: Results of a Survey in Urban and Rural Areas of Northern and Southern Vietnam. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 53(9), 1065-1081.

Shiu, Cheng-Sui, Dexter R. Voisin, Wet-Ti Chen, Yi-An Lo, **Melissa Hardesty**, and Huong Nguyen. (2016). A Synthesis of 20 Years of Research on Sexual Risk Taking Among Asian/Pacific Islander Men Who Have Sex with Men in Western Countries. *American Journal of Men's Health*, 10(3), 170-180.

Hardesty, Melissa. (2015). Epistemological Binds and Ethical Dilemmas in Frontline Child Welfare Practice. *Social Service Review*. 89(3), 455-498. *winner of the Frank R. Breul Memorial Prize for best paper

Media: https://crownschool.uchicago.edu/ssa_magazine/limits-objective-knowledge-social-work.html

Nguyen, Huong Ngoc, **Melissa Hardesty**, and Khuat Thu Hong. (2013). I Am Tired but If I Don't Try to Have Sex, My Wife Will Think I've Been Fooling around in the City: Work, Migration, and Sex Among Vietnamese Migrant Laborers. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 50(6), 548-559.

Hardesty, Melissa, Dingcai Cao, Hee-Choon Shin, Christina M. Andrews, and Jeanne Marsh. (2012). Social and Health Service Use and Treatment Outcomes for Sexual Minorities in a National Sample of Substance Abuse Treatment Programs. *Journal of Gay & Lesbian Social Services*, 24(2), 97-118.

Nguyen, Huong Ngoc, **Melissa Hardesty**, and Khuat Thu Hong. (2011). In Full Swing: How Do Pendulum Migrant Laborers Adjust Their Sexual Perspectives to Their Rural-Urban Lives? *Journal of Culture, Health, & Sexuality*, 13(10), 1193-1206.

Voisin, Dexter R., Jason Daniel Patrick Bird, **Melissa Hardesty**, and Cheng-Sui Shiu. (2011). African American Youth Living and Coping with Exposure to Community Violence on Chicago's Southside. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 26(12), 2483-2496.

Articles Under Review and in Preparation

Hardesty, Melissa. (*revise & resubmit*). What is Gender? Conceptual Ambiguity, Ethical Conflict, and the Politics of Professional Categories.

Hardesty, Melissa, Leora Wasserman, & Emily Chambers. (*under review*). Is "Just Talking" All Talk? The Persistence of Incidental Monogamy in a World of Deconstructed Courtship

Sean G. Massey, Ann M. Merriwether, **Melissa Hardesty**, & Sarah R. Young Navigating a Queer Path Forward: How Emerging Adults Understand Their Increasingly Non-Exclusively Heterosexual Orientations (*in preparation*)

Mattson, Richard E., Allison M. McKinnon, Christina M. Balderrama-Durbin, Sarah R. Young, **Melissa Hardesty**, Ann Merriwether, Sean Massey, & Christopher S. David. (*revise & resubmit*). An Item Response Theory Analysis of the Attitudes Towards Feminism Scale in a National Sample of Emerging Adults.

Gaughan, Jonathan, Marissa Cimmino, Alicia Clum, Sean G. Massey, Ann Merriwether, **Melissa Hardesty**, & Sarah Young (*in preparation*). Intimacy in Isolation: Sexual Behavior of Emerging Adults During the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Young, Sarah R., **Melissa Hardesty**, Sean M. Massey, Ann Merriweather, Richard Mattson, & Maggie Parker. (*in preparation*). What about your friends? Narrative relationship arcs and social bonding in college hookup relationships.

Invited Book Reviews

Hardesty, Melissa. (2018). Raising Government Children: A History of Foster Care and the American Welfare State. By Catherine E. Rymph. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017. *Social Service Review*, 92(3), p. 252.

FUNDING

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| 2025 | Research Excellence Award
Binghamton University, College of Community and Public Affairs & Division of Research
Project: The Impact of Gendered Political Polarization on Romantic Partner Choice
(requested: \$14,999.06)
Status: funded |
| 2020 | The Wenner-Gren Foundation
Post PhD Grants Program
Project: Adoption Photolistings in the Digital Age
(requested: \$20,000)
Status: not funded |
| 2020 | Institute for Justice and Wellbeing, Binghamton University
Small Grants Program
Project: Best-Laid Plans: A Prospective Study of Going Out and Hooking Up in College Drinking Culture, conducted by Binghamton University Sexualities Laboratory. Co PIs, Melissa Hardesty & Sarah Young
(requested: \$5,000)
Status: funded |
| 2020 | United University Professions, Binghamton University
Individual Development Award
Funds requested to present at the International Association for Relationship |

Research conference in London, 2020. (requested: \$1,000)
Status: not funded

- 2019 QSR-IIQM Research Grant for Early Career Researchers
Project: Profiling Children: How Child Welfare Workers Convert Real-Life Children into Digital Artifacts to Attract Adoptive Parents (requested: \$25,000, NVivo software)
Status: Top 10 Finalist, won NVivo software, no financial support
- 2015 North Carolina State University
Scholarship and Research Award
Humanities and Social Sciences (requested: \$4,000)
Status: funded
- 2012 The University Chicago
Co-Teaching Fellowship
The Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality (requested: \$5,000)
Status: funded
- 2012-13 The University Chicago
Residential Fellowship
The Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality (requested: \$1000)
Status: funded
- 2010-11 The University of Chicago
Lesbian and Gay Studies Project Hormel Fellowship
Center for Gender Studies (requested: \$12,000)
Status: funded
- 2009-10 The University of Chicago
Doctoral Workshop on Theory in Social Research
School of Social Service Administration (requested: \$5,000)
Status: funded

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

Hardesty, M. & Ponomarev, C. (2025). *Navigating Dual Roles: Ethical and Professional Boundaries in Social Work Field Education*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Conference, Denver, CO.

Hardesty, M. (2025). *"Just Talking": The Making and Unmaking of Emotionally Intimate Relationships through Verbal Contract*. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, Seattle, WA.

Hardesty, M., Wilson, S., Young, S., Massey, S. & Merriwether, A. (2024) *What are College Students Talking About When They Say They're "Just Talking?"* Annual Meeting of the International Association of Relationship Research, Boston, MA.

Tavarez, I. C., Merriwether, A. M., Hardesty, M., Massey, S. G., & Young, S. R., McKinnon, A. M., & Mattson, R. E. (2024). *Performative Understandings of Sexual Consent Relate to Rape Myths and Sexual Regrets*. Poster. Eastern Psychological Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Hardesty, Melissa, S. Wilson, L. Wasserman. (2023). *"Oh, We're Just Talking": Understanding a Contemporary Relationship Phenomenon*. Presentation. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Clum, A., Gaughan, J., Goldberg, P., Ciminno, M., Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Hardesty, M., & Young, S. (2021). *The Impact of Gender and Sexual Orientation on Undergraduate Student's Adherence to University COVID-19 Policies*. Poster. Association for Psychological Science Annual Virtual Convention and Poster Showcase.

Mendelson, E., Lancia, E., Massey, S. G., Merriwether, A. M., Young, S., & Hardesty, M. (2021). *The more you know: Relationship comfortability and applications of consent*. Poster. Annual Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Virtual Annual Convention.

Gaughan, J., Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Hardesty, M., & Young, S. (2021). *Longitudinal shifts in casual sex at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic*. Poster. The American Physician Scientists Association Northeast Regional Conference.

McKinnon, A., Parker, M., Mattson, R., Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Hardesty, M., & Young, S. (2021). *Language in her eye, her cheek, her lip - or not? A Cluster Analysis of Verbal and Nonverbal Strategies for Communicating and Inferring Sexual Consent*. Paper. "Contexts, Complications, and Consequences of Consent Communication" symposium. Annual Meeting of the International Association of Relationship Research. London, England. Conference Postponed to Summer 2021.

Young, S., Hardesty, M., Lilly, A., Cannone, M., Mattson, R., Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Parker, M., & McKinnon, M. (2021). *Exploring peer role in consent process*. Paper. "Contexts, Complications, and Consequences of Consent Communication" symposium. Annual Meeting of the International Association of Relationship Research. London, England. Conference Postponed to Summer 2021.

Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Young, S., Hardesty, M., Parker, M., & Mattson, R. (2021). *Hookups and Intoxication: Consent Communication in the Context of College Drinking Culture*. Paper. "Contexts, Complications, and Consequences of Consent Communication" symposium. Annual Meeting of the International Association of Relationship Research. London, England. Conference Postponed to Summer 2021.

Massey S. G., Mattson, R. E., Chen, M-H., Hardesty, M., Merriwether, A. M., Young, S. R., & Parker, M. M. (2020). *Growing Resistance to Compulsory Heterosexuality*. Paper. "Challenging Heteronormativity" symposium. Annual Meeting of the Association for Women in Psychology, Austin, TX.

Hardesty, M. (2020). *From Grassroots Activism to Political Catfishing: The Promise and Perils of Giving Voice to Virtual Bodies*. Paper. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.

Massey, S. G., Merriwether, A. M., Parker, M. M., Young, S. R., Hardesty, M. (2019). *We're Not All Looking for the Same Thing: Gender, Sexual Orientation, and Motivations to Hookup*. Paper presented as part of the "Navigating Casual Interactions, Dating, and Hookups: Consent, Communication and Misperceptions" symposium. Mini IARR Conference on Applied Relationships in Brighton, United Kingdom.

Parker, M. M., Massey, S. G., Hardesty, M., Young, S. R., Merriwether, A. M., & Mattson, R. E., (2019). *Just Say Yes? A Cluster Analytic Approach to Indicators of Sexual Consent*. Paper. "Navigating Casual Interactions, Dating, and Hookups: Consent, Communication and Misperceptions" symposium. Mini IARR Conference on Applied Relationships in Brighton, United Kingdom.

Young, S.R., Hardesty, M., Massey, S., Merriwether, A., Mattson, R., Parker, M. (2019). *What about your friends? Narrative relationship arcs and social bonding in college hookup relationships*. Paper. "Navigating Casual Interactions, Dating, and Hookups: Consent, Communication and Misperceptions" symposium. Mini IARR Conference on Applied Relationships in Brighton, United Kingdom.

Hardesty, M. & Young, S.R., Massey, S., Merriweather, A., Parker, M., Cannone, M., Ludwinski, A., Lilly, A., and Mattson, R. (2019). *Not No is Not Yes: Ambiguity, Temporality, and Agency as Concepts Confounding Consent in College Student Hookup Relationships*. Presentation. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Hardesty, M. & Gunn, A. (2019). *Voice and Inclusion in Research with Women with Histories of Substance Use and Incarceration*. Presentation. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Hardesty, M. & Young S.R. (2018). *Kicking the Can Down the Road: Social Work Programs and Equivocation on the DACA Repeal*. Presentation. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Hardesty, M. & Gunn, A. (2018). *Survival Sex and Trafficked Women: The Politics of Re-presenting and Speaking about Others in Anti-Oppressive Qualitative Research*. Invited Presentation. The Institute for Justice and Wellbeing & The Poverty and Inequality Transdisciplinary Working Group, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY.

Hardesty, M. (2018). *Making a Case for Permanency Recommendations: Bringing Scientific and Embodied Knowledge to Bear on Frontline Foster Care Casework*. Presented alongside John Mathias (symposium organizer), Yvonne Smith, John Doering-White, and Jerry Longhofer (discussant) as part of the session, *Ethnographic Approaches to Causal Explanation in Social Work*. Paper. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.

Hardesty, M., Gironda, C., & Belleau E. (2017). *This is What a #FEMINIST, #ANTIFEMINIST Looks Like: Political Selfies and Social Media Activism*. Poster. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work Research, New Orleans, LA.

Hardesty, M. (2016). *Ethical Labor in Frontline Child Welfare Work: An Ethnographic Study of Social Work Skills and Expertise*. Paper. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.

Nguyen, H., Shiu, Cheng Shi, & Melissa Hardesty (2015). *Prevalence and Factors Associated with Extramarital Sex Among Vietnamese Men*. Poster. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.

Hardesty, M. (2015). *"It's not a job!" Policing the Work/Parenting Distinction through Foster Care Board Payments*. Presentation. Regulating Intimacy. Research Symposium at Indiana University. Bloomington, IN.

(2014). *Roundtable on Qualitative Dissertation Research: Learning from Doctoral Student Peers*. Roundtable Discussion. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX.

Hardesty, M. (2013). *The Morality of Money in a Concurrent Planning Adoption Program*. Paper. Engendering Change 3rd Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Hardesty, M. (2012). *Social Work Labor and the Mother Functions: Money, Biology, and Work in a Concurrent Planning Adoption Program*. Presentation. Center for the Study of Gender and Sexualities Workshop, Chicago, IL.

Shiu, C.S., Nguyen, H., Chen, W., Hardesty, M. (2011). *Gaysian Invasion: A synthesis of 20 Years of Research on Sexual Risk among Asian/Pacific Islander Men Who Have Sex with Men*. Paper. American Psychological Association 119th Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.

Hardesty, M. (2011). *Nuclear Fusion: Family-making in an Agency-based Adoption Program*. Paper. Center for the Study of Gender and Sexualities Workshop, Chicago, IL.

Hardesty, M. (2010). *The Impact of Comprehensive Services for Sexual Minorities*. Paper. Annual Conference of The Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, CA.

Voisin, D., Bird, J., & Hardesty, M. (2008, July). *Everyday Victims: Adolescents Living and Coping with the Effects of Community Violence Exposure*. Presentation. 20th Annual Statewide Conference on Mental Health & Justice, Chicago, IL.

SUPERVISED STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

Leora Wasserman, Liat Radetsky, Jillian Holen, Adrianna Agnello, Aiden/Estelle Garrett, Claudia Smith. (Spring 2023) Poster. *The Purpose of “Just Talking”: The Role of Sex and Emotions*. Student Research Days at Binghamton University.

Ilana Plotkin, Emily Presutti, Jada Charter, KT Fitzgerald, Briana Ibanez, Adam Tartasky, Lucy Temerian. (Spring, 2023). Poster. *Digital Indecency: Exposing the Dark Side of Online Communication*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Emily Prescutti, Ilana Plotkin, Jada Charter, KT Fitzgerald, Briana Ibanez, Adam Tartasky, Lucy Temerin. (Spring, 2023). Poster. *My Body, Your Choice? Attitudes About Abortion in College Students*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Leora Wasserman, Gianna Deni, Emma Immediato, Jennifer Ranaldo, Samantha Tomasi. (Spring, 2022). Poster. *“Oh, We’re Just Talking”: Operationalizing a Contemporary Dating Phenomenon*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Juan Riestra, Danielle Kinches, Coral Nizen-Jacobellis, Emily Presutti, Ilana Plotkin. (Spring 2022). Poster. *Not a One Night Review... How Sexual Hookups Have Changed Over the Past 10 Years: A Literature Review*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Casey Adrian, Sarah Morea. (Spring, 2022). Poster. *A New Educational Paradigm: Identifying the Foundations of GMHC’s Sex-Affirming HIV Prevention Education*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Maya Kovic, Emily Jebens, Madison Mark, Anta Noor, Vlad Rosenberg, Crystal Zhu. (Spring, 2022) Poster. *Anxious Emotions Lead to Anxious Solutions? An Analysis of Consent Through Alcohol Consumption Levels*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Dan Pergel, Claire Goldstein. (Spring, 2022). Poster. *Gay Men’s Health Crisis (GMHC) Struggle to Respond to Changing Epidemiological Trends in the First 15-Years of the AIDS Epidemic (1981-1996)*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Eden Lowinger, Briana Lopez-Patino. (Spring, 2022). Poster. *Sociocultural Impact of AIDS Understanding on Accessibility to Vital Resources*. Student Research Days at Binghamton University.

Sarah Morea (Spring, 2022). Poster. *The New Homophobia: Quality of LGBTQ Representation in TV*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Zeqi Chen (Spring, 2022). Poster. *Mismatched Name: Exploring the Meaning When Chinese Parents Give Their Daughters A Masculine Name*. Student Research Days at Binghamton University.

Phoebe Goldberg, Aubrey Doyen, Skyler Powers, Justin Chen, Brianna Manginelli, Moyosola Adeyemi, Rebecca Appel, Maya Kovic, Cassandra Puglisi, (Spring 2021). Poster. *Consent During the Growing Age of Virtual Sexuality*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Abbegail Herkel, Juan Riestra, Diana Riestra, Anta Noor, Julia Schildwachter. (Spring 2021). Poster. *Be Still My Racing Heart: An Analysis of Worry Content and Stress Responses in Hookups*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Leora Wasserman, Angela Win, Sherrina Abdool, Jennifer Ranaldo, Gianna Deni, Madison Tierney, Samantha Tomasi. (Spring 2021). Poster. *An Investigation of "Just Talking": Assigning an Operational Definition to a Contemporary Dating Phenomenon*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Sherrina Abdool, Moyosola Adeyemi, Aquil Alexander, Matt Heider, Jordyn Plair, Leora Wasserman. (Spring 2020). Poster. *No, We're Just Talking": Exploring the "Just Talking" Phase as an Emergent Dating Phenomenon*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Marissa Cimmino, Jasper Otvertchenko. (Spring 2020). Poster. *Let's Talk About Sex...and Gender: The Varying Ways in Which Sex and Gender are Operationally Defined in Current Medical Research*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Alicia Clum, Hannah Bronson, Justin Chen, Phoebe Goldberg, Anastasia Guerra, Emily Mendelson. (Spring 2020). Poster. *Sexual Consent: Do You Get It? How College Students' Definitions of Consent Differ From Their Region's Consent Policy*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Jonathan Gaughan. (Spring 2020). Poster. *It's not a phase mom": How Parental Acceptance Influences Long Term Well Being for Sexual and Gender Minorities*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Renate Gerstenberger, Kimberly Cola, Skyler Powers, Diana Riestra, Juan Riestra, Jordana Weissman, Jason Zheng. (Spring 2020). Poster. *It Doesn't Hurt to Smile" ...Or Does It? Tend and Befriend Reactions to Stress During Hookups*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Matt Heider. (Spring 2020). Poster. *Sharing Isn't Always Caring: STI Concerns*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Emily Lancia, Emily Mendelson. (Spring 2020). Poster. *Can Practice Make Perfect: Sexual experience and consensual behaviors in hookups*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Emily Mendelson, Emily Lancia. (Spring 2020). Poster. *The More You Know: Relationship Comfortability and Applications of Consent*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Candice O'Connor, Natali Avshalomov, Shermont Bradwell, Hannah Bronson, Shannon Moore, Katie Ralph, Jasper Otvertchenko. (Spring 2020). Poster. *Gay Men's Health Crisis: An Ecological Approach*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Alicia Clum and Evan Connolly (April, 2019). Poster. *Do Girls Still Want to Have Fun? A Comparison of College Student Hookups Over Eight Years at a Midsized Northeastern University*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University; and at the SUNY SURC Conference at SUNY Adirondack.

Emily Mendelson. (Spring 2019). Poster. *Policy v Reality: Consent Policy Discrepancies in University Policy and Actual Hookup Encounters*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Hannah Bronson, Candice O'Connor, Kelly Huang, and Brandon Wolfson. (Spring 2019). Poster. *Let's Talk About Sex Baby: Do Changing Messages in the Media Affect College Students Views on Casual Sex*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Lillian Harrington. (Spring 2019). Poster. *Expectation, Desire and Pleasure: The Varied Orgasmic Experiences of Men and Women*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Jonathan Gaughan, Morgan Iskowitz, Mauricio Montes, and Sarah Wood. (Spring 2019). Poster. *The Flexibility of Heterosexuality: The Out of the Box Continuum of College Students*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Lillian Fok, Emily Mendelson, Emily Lancia, and Kimberly Lenchner. (Spring 2019). Poster. *Reading the Signs: Conflicting Perceptions of Sexual Consent Among College Students*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

Brandon Wolfson. (Spring 2019). Poster. *Gurl, Yes Just Like That: Sexual Orientation and Pleasure During College Student Hookups*. Student Research Days and Psi Chi Research Fair at Binghamton University.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Advanced Qualitative Research Methods (CCPA 680A), Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Binghamton University

Child Welfare (SW 380a), Spring 2021, Binghamton University

Child Welfare Policy (SW 580), Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Binghamton University

Generalist Practice with Organizations and Communities (SW 512), Spring 2019, Binghamton University

Advanced Social Work Practice with Communities (SW 525), Spring 2018, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2025, Binghamton University

Human Behavior in the Social Environment (SW 505), Spring 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Binghamton University

Foundations of Scientific Inquiry with Social Systems (SW 504), Spring 2016, Fall 2022 (online), Fall 2023 (online), Fall 2024 (online asynchronous), Binghamton University

Social Work Practice III: Introduction to Generalist Practice with Organizations and Communities (SW 480), Spring 2016, Fall, 2015, North Carolina State University

Social Welfare Policy: Analysis and Advocacy (SW 307), Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, North Carolina State University

Social Work Practice I (SW 320), Spring 2015, North Carolina State University

Organizational Theory & Analysis for Human Services (SSA 467), Spring 2013, Teaching Assistant, Instructor: Jennifer Mosley, The University of Chicago
Data for Policy Analysis and Management (SSA 485), Winter 2013, Fall 2011, Teaching Assistant, Instructor: Heather Hill and Melissa Roderick, The University of Chicago

Problems in the Study of Sexuality (GNSE 10200), Co-Instructor with Kristen Schilt, The University of Chicago

Statistical Research Methods II (SSA 541), Winter 2010, Teaching Assistant, Instructor: Yoonsun Choi, Ph.D., The University of Chicago

Statistical Research Methods I (SSA 540), Fall 2009, Teaching Assistant, Instructor:
Yoonsun Choi, Ph.D., The University of Chicago

DOCTORAL STUDENT COMMITTEES

Committee Chair, Heather Mauro, Community Research and Action, Binghamton University. 2020-present. Graduated May 2024.

Outside Reader, Allison McKinnon, Psychology, Binghamton University. *Aggressive Responses to Romantic Versus Sexual Rejection: The Confluence Model Expanded*. Graduated May 2024.

Committee Chair, Anna Jantz, Community Research and Action, Binghamton University, 2024-present. ABD.

Committee Member, Ladan Khoshbin, Community Research and Action, Binghamton University, 2025-present.

Committee Member, Thaar Alanazi, Department of Teaching, Learning, and Educational Leadership. 2024-present.

Outside Reader, Maggie Parker, Psychology, Binghamton University. *Consent in Context: A Novel Experimental Paradigm to Assess College Students' Perceptions of Sexual Consent*. Graduated May 2023.

Outside Reader, Malak Al Hindi. *Prosocial Behavior Among Young Children in Saudi Arabia*. Graduated December 2022.

Committee Member, Rebekah Kukowski, Community Research and Action, Binghamton University. *An Intersectional Feminist Analysis of the Critical Reflection, (Dis)Empowerment, and Praxis of Master of Social Work Students*. Graduated December 2020.

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2024- BSW Program Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton, University
- 2025 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Classified Service Selection Committee, Binghamton University
- 2024- Faculty Senate, Binghamton University
- 2024- Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Binghamton University
- 2023- Graduate Council, Budget & Grievance Committee, Graduate School, Binghamton University

2021- University Scholars Professional Mentor, Binghamton University
 2021-23 Research Excellence Awards Committee, College of Community and Public Affairs, Binghamton University
 2020-24 Faculty Search Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2021-22 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2020-22 Grievance Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2019-21 Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2019-20 BSW Program Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2018-19 Department Chair Search Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2017 MSW Admissions, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2016-19 Grievance Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2016-17 Continuing Education Committee, Department of Social Work, Binghamton University
 2015-16 MSW Admissions Committee, Department of Social Work, North Carolina State University
 2014-16 Faculty Fellow, Center for Family and Community Engagement, North Carolina State University
 2014-16 BSW Program Committee, Department of Social Work, North Carolina State University
 2014-16 Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, North Carolina State University
 2015-16 BSW Student Association, Faculty Liaison, North Carolina State University
 2014 Diversity, Recruitment, and Retention Committee, Faculty Liaison, Race and Ethnicity Caucus, Department of Social Work, North Carolina State University
 2014 Wolfpack Gives Back Campaign, Department Representative, North Carolina State University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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OTHER SERVICE

2025 Break the Cycle Now, Brooklyn NY, Grant Writing Support
 2019-23 Hillside Family of Agencies, Community Advisory Board, Member

2018-18 Hillside Family of Agencies, Institutional Review Board, Member
2016-19 Stillwater Children's Center, Hillside Family of Agencies Board of Directors, Greene, NY

Reviewer for Qualitative Social Work
Reviewer for Social Service Review
Reviewer for Marriage & Family Review
Reviewer for International Sociology
Reviewer for Children & Youth Service Review
Reviewer for Gender & Society
Reviewer for Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry
Reviewer for Rural Sociology

NON-ACADEMIC SOCIAL WELFARE WORK EXPERIENCES

2009-13 *Resident Head*, The University of Chicago, Office of Undergraduate Student Housing, Chicago, IL
2005-07 *Aftercare Case Manager*, Tri-City Comprehensive Community Mental Health, Center, East Chicago, IN
2005 *Social Service Director*, Beverly Southlake Nursing and Rehabilitation, Merrillville, IN
2002-05 *Behavioral Health Advisor*, St. Margaret Mercy Healthcare Centers, Inpatient Adult Mental Health and Substance Abuse Detoxification, St. John, IN
2007 *MSW Intern*, Christ College, Center for Social Action, Bangalore INDIA
2006 *MSW Intern*, Brothers Uplifting Brothers, Inc., Gary, IN