

Megan Hayes Piel, PhD

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Education

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)** **2015**
Arizona State University
School of Social Work
Dissertation Title: Uncharted Territory: Experiences of Foster Youth Navigating the Mental Health System as They Age Out of Care
- Master of Social Work (MSW)** **2011**
Arizona State University
School of Social Work
- Bachelor of Science (BS), Biopsychology** **2005**
Nebraska Wesleyan University

Academic and Administrative Appointments

- Assistant Professor** **August 2015-Present**
Wayne State University
School of Social Work
- Associate Director** **August 2015-May 2016**
Wayne State University
Transition to Independence Program (college access and retention for foster alumni)

Funding and Fellowships

- 2016-2019** **Foster Youth Community College Access and Retention Program**
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (\$87,177)
- 2016-2017** **Wayne State University Research Grant** (\$9,998)
- 2013-2015** **Doris Duke Fellowship for the Promotion of Child Well-Being:**
Seeking Innovations to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect. Chapin Hall,
University of Chicago & Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (\$55,000)
- 2015** **Arizona State University Graduate Completion Fellowship**
(\$9,500)
- 2012-2013** **Arizona State University Graduate Fellowship** (\$10,000)

Research Interests

Child welfare and well-being, youth aging out of foster care, mental health in emerging adulthood, child maltreatment prevention, foster family resilience

Peer-Reviewed Publications

*Note name change of Hayes, M. J. to Piel, M. H.

Piel, M. H. (in press). Challenges and opportunities in the transition to higher education for foster care youth. *New Directions for Community Colleges*

Piel, M. H. & Lacasse, J. R. (in press). Responsive engagement in mental health services for foster youth transitioning to adulthood. *Journal of Family Social Work*

Geiger, J. M., **Piel, M. H.**, & Julien-Chinn, F. J. (2016). Improving relationships in child welfare practice: Perspectives of foster care providers. *Child and Adolescent Social Work*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10560-016-0471-3>

Piel, M. H., Geiger, J. M., Julien-Chinn, F. J., & Lietz, C. A. (2016). An ecological systems approach to understanding social support in foster family resilience. *Child and Family Social Work*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/cfs.12323>

Geiger, J. M., **Piel, M. H.**, Lietz, C. A., & Julien-Chinn, F. J. (2016). Empathy as an essential foundation to successful foster parenting. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 25(12), 3771-3779. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10826-016-0529-z>

Lietz, C. A., Julien-Chinn, F. J., Geiger, J. M., & **Piel, M. H.** (2016). Cultivating resilience in foster families: Understanding how families cope and adapt over time. *Family Process*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/famp.12239>

Lacasse, J. R., **Piel, M. H.**, Lietz, C. A., Rider, A., & Hess, J. Z. (2016). The client experience of psychiatric medication: A qualitative study. *Social Work in Mental Health*, 14(1), 61-81. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/15332985.2015.1058312>

Hayes, M. J., Geiger, J. M., & Lietz, C. A. (2015). Navigating a complicated system of care: Foster parent satisfaction with behavioral and medical health services. *Child and Adolescent Social Work*, 32(6), 493-505. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10560-015-0388-2>

Geiger, J. M., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Lietz, C. A. (2014). Foster parents' perspectives on providing foster care for adolescents: Barriers and opportunities. *Child & Youth Services*, 35(4), 237-254. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/0145935X.2014.938736>

Lietz, C. A., **Hayes, M. J.**, Cronin, T. W., & Julien-Chinn, F. (2014). Supporting family-centered practice through supervision: An evaluation of strengths-based supervision. *Families in Society*, 95(4), 1044-3894. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1606/1044-3894.2014.95.29>

Lietz, C. A., Lacasse, J. R., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Cheung, J. (2014). The role of services in mental health recovery: A qualitative examination of service experiences among individuals diagnosed with serious mental illness. *Journal for the Society of Social Work and Research*, 5(2), 161-188. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1086/675850>

Geiger, J. M., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Lietz, C. A. (2013). Should I stay or should I go? A mixed methods study examining the factors influencing foster parents' decisions to continue or discontinue providing foster care. *Children and Youth Services Review*. 35(9), 1356–1365. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.chilyouth.2013.05.003>

Manuscripts under Review

Julien-Chinn, F. J., & **Piel, M. H.** (revise and resubmit) Understanding how foster families use humor within the resiliency process.

Julien-Chinn, F. J., Cotter, K., **Piel, M. H.**, Geiger, J. M., & Lietz, C. A. (revise and resubmit) Examining predictors of healthy functioning for foster families: Implications for strengths-based practice

Works in Preparation

Piel, M. H., Panlilio, C., Mienko, J., Feely, M., & Miyamoto, S. Defining child maltreatment and its impact on maltreatment rates.

Piel, M. H., Lietz, C. A., & Lacasse, J. R. Development of the mental health service experience inventory for youth aging out of foster care.

Mienko, J. A., & **Piel, M. H.** Homelessness in early adulthood for former foster youth: An examination of the national youth in transition database.

Book Chapter

Geiger, J. M., Schelbe, L. A., **Hayes, M. J.**, Katz, C. C., Kawam-Martinez, E., & Klika, B. (2015). Intergenerational transmission of maltreatment: Ending a family tradition. In D. Daro, A. C. Donnelly, L. A. Huang, & B. J. Powell (Eds.), *Advances in child abuse prevention knowledge: The perspective of new leadership*. New York: Springer. http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-16327-7_4

Other Publications and Reports

Piel, M. H., & Waters, C. (2015) *FamilySpeak 2015: Executive Report*. School of Social Work, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.

Piel, M. H., Day, A., & Quist, L. (2015). *KidSpeak 2015: Transition to Independence Program Special Event Report*. School of Social Work, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.

Piel, M. H. (2015). *Foster Youth Experiences of Mental Health Services During the Transition to Adulthood*. School of Social Work, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Hayes, M. J. (2014). "Cognitive and behavioral strategies in a group home setting," in C. Langer & C. Lietz, *Applying Theory to Generalist Practice*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

Hayes, M. J., Geiger, J. M., & Lietz, C. A. (2014). *Arizona Foster Parent Follow-Up Study: Behavioral and Medical Health Services*. School of Social Work, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Geiger, J. M., **Hayes, M. J.,** & Lietz, C. A. (2012). *Arizona Foster Parent Study 2012: Executive Report*. School of Social Work, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Geiger, J. M., **Hayes, M. J.,** & Lietz, C. A. (2012). *Fostering Teenagers in Arizona*. School of Social Work, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Geiger, J. M., Lindsey, M., **Hayes, M. J.,** & Lietz, C. A. (2012). *Arizona Foster Parents, Technology and Social Media*. School of Social Work, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Lietz, C. A. & **Hayes, M. J.** (2012). *Assistant Program Manager Training Needs Assessment*. Arizona Child Welfare Advanced Training Academy. Center for Applied Behavioral Health Programs, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Lietz, C. A. & **Hayes, M. J.** (2012). *Supervisor Core Evaluation*. Arizona Child Welfare Advanced Training Academy. Center for Applied Behavioral Health Programs, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ.

Peer-Reviewed Presentations

Piel, M. H. (2017). *Developing a Mental Health Service Experience Inventory for Transition Age Foster Youth*. Paper presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 11-15, 2017, New Orleans, LA.

Julien-Chinn, F. J., **Piel, M. H.,** Geiger, J. M., Lietz, C. A., & Cotter, K. (2017). *Examining Predictors of Healthy Functioning for Foster Families: Implications for Strengths-Based Practice*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 11-15, 2017, New Orleans, LA.

Jaffee, K. D., Dessel, A., Woodford, M. R., & **Piel, M. H.** (2017). *An Assessment of Child Protective Services (CPS) Workers LGBT Attitudes, Knowledge, and Skills for Affirming the Safety of LGBT Youth and Families*. Paper presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 11-15, 2017, New Orleans, LA.

Piel, M. H. & Day, A. (2016). *Implementing a University-Based Campus Coach Support Program for Former Foster Youth*. Paper presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, November 3-6, 2016, Atlanta, GA.

Piel, M. H. (2015). *Ecological Considerations to Mental Health Services for Youth Aging out of Foster Care*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Former Foster Youth: Transitions to Health and Home," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Mienko, J. A., & **Piel, M. H.** (2015). *Homelessness in Early Adulthood for Former Foster Youth: An Examination of Wave I of the National Youth in Transition Database*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Former Foster Youth: Transitions to Health and Home," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Lacasse, J. M., **Piel, M. H.**, & Lietz, C. A. (2015). *The Experiences of Clients Prescribed Psychiatric Medication: A Need for Deeper Clinical Engagement*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Piel, M. H. Julien-Chinn, F. J., Geiger, J.M., & Lietz, C. A. (2015). *An Ecological Systems Approach to Supporting Foster Parents and Families*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Setting a Research Agenda to Promote Resilience in Foster Families," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Julien-Chinn, F. J., **Piel, M. H.**, Lietz, C. A., & Geiger, J. M. (2015). *Understanding the Strengths Foster Parents Use to Cope with the Challenges of Fostering*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Setting a Research Agenda to Promote Resilience in Foster Families," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Geiger, J. M., Lietz, C. A., **Piel, M. H.**, Julien-Chinn, F. J. (2015). *Empathy as an Essential Tool in Successful Foster Parenting*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Setting a Research Agenda to Promote Resilience in Foster Families," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Lietz, C. A., Geiger, J. M., **Piel, M. H.**, & Julien-Chinn, F. J. (2015). *Examining the Process of Resilience for Foster Families*. Paper presentation as part of the symposium, "Setting a Research Agenda to Promote Resilience in Foster Families," at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC.

Schelbe, L., **Piel, M. H.**, Wagaman, M. A., & Lietz, C. A. (2015). *Comparing and Contrasting Methodological Approaches to Qualitative Research*. Panel presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 15-18, 2015, Denver, CO.

Piel, M. H., (2015). *Responsive Engagement for Foster Youth Transitioning to Adulthood*. Poster presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 15-18, 2015, Denver, CO.

Geiger, J. M., **Piel, M. H.**, Julien-Chinn, F. J. (2015). *Improving Relationships in Child Welfare Practice: Perspectives of Foster Care Providers*. Poster presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 15-18, 2015, Denver, CO

Hayes, M. J., Mienko, J., Feely, M., Panlilio, C., & Miyamoto, S. (2015). *The Diffusion of Federal Social Policy Mandates: The Case of CAPTA, 1974*. Paper presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 14-18, 2015, New Orleans, LA.

Julien-Chinn, F., Lietz, C. A., & **Hayes, M. J.** (2015). *Do the Components of Strengths-Based Supervision (SBS) Increase Supervision Satisfaction? A Cross-Sectional Study*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 14-18, 2015, New Orleans, LA.

Lindsey, M., Geiger, J. M., & **Hayes, M. J.** (2015). *Foster Families, the Internet, and Social Media: Parents' Approaches to Supervision and Safety*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 14-18, 2015, New Orleans, LA.

Hayes, M. J. (2014). *Using the Behavior Analytic Model to Explore Services for Former Foster Youth*. Paper presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 23–26, 2014, Tampa, FL.

Lietz, C. A., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Geiger, J. M. (2014). *Foster Parent Satisfaction With Behavioral and Medical Health Services*. Paper presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 23–26, 2014, Tampa, FL.

Gallagher, J. M., Fike, D. C., & **Hayes, M. J.** (2014). *Attention to Social Determinants in State and Local HIV Epidemiological Profiles*. Poster presentation at the 2014 National STD Prevention Conference, June 9-12, 2014, Atlanta, GA.

Schelbe, L. A., Geiger, J. M., & **Hayes, M. J.** (2014). *Connecting the Dots: Theory, Practice, and Research for Understanding the Intergenerational Transmission of Child Maltreatment among Youth Aging Out*. Paper presentation at the National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, April 30–May 2, 2014, New Orleans, LA.

Geiger, J. M., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Lietz, C. A. (2014). *Providing Foster Care for Adolescents: Barriers and Opportunities*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 15-19, 2014, San Antonio, TX.

Hayes, M. J., Lietz, C. A. & Lacasse, J. R. (2013). *How Services Facilitate the Process of Mental Health Recovery: A Qualitative Examination*. Paper presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 31- November 3, 2013, Dallas, TX.

Lietz, C. A., **Hayes, M. J.**, & Cronin, T. W. (2013). *Strengths-Based Clinical Supervision: Supporting Family-Centered Practice through Strengths-Based Supervisory Processes*. Paper presentation at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, October 31- November 3, 2013, Dallas, TX.

Geiger, J. M., Schelbe, L. A., & **Hayes, M. J.**, (2013). *Relationships Matter: Examining Social Capital and Parenting Attitudes among Youth Aging Out of Foster Care*. Paper presentation at the Conference on Emerging Adulthood, October 9-11, 2013, Chicago, IL.

Chadwick, D. & Hayes, M. J., (2011). "Project Mashchamtham": *Voices of Native Students in their Journey to Become Certified Early Childhood Teachers* as part of a symposium. Paper presentation at the Southwest Consortium of Indian Head Start Programs 30th Native American Child and Family Conference. March 6-10, 2011, Chandler, AZ.

Teaching Experience

Wayne State University, School of Social Work Assistant Professor

Fall 2016	Introduction to Child Welfare (Graduate)
Winter 2016	Child Welfare and Social Systems: Context for Case Management Practice (Graduate)
Fall 2015	Introduction to Child Welfare (Graduate)

Lead Instructor	Child Welfare BSW/MSW Courses
Fall 2016-Present	Introduction to Child Welfare Child Welfare and Social Systems: Context for Case Management Practice Trauma-Informed Child Welfare Practice Youth, Delinquency, Juvenile Justice and Social Functioning

Arizona State University, School of Social Work Faculty Associate

Spring 2014	Advanced Social Work Practice with Children and Adolescents (Graduate – 2 Sections)
Fall 2013	Human Behavior and the Social Environment (Graduate)
Summer 2013	Bridge Field Seminar (Graduate)

Co-Instructor and Graduate Teaching Assistant

Spring 2012	Micro Human Behavior and the Social Environment (Undergraduate, Online)
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Nebraska Wesleyan University, Chemistry Department Teaching Assistant

2003-2005	General Chemistry Lab, Organic Chemistry Labs I and II (Undergraduate)
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Students Supervised

Master's Thesis Chair

Waters, C. (2016). *Mental Health Services and Medications of Youth in Foster Care: Perspectives of Caregivers and Foster Alumni*. Detroit, MI: Wayne State University, School of Social Work.

Field Education Liaison

2014 **School of Social Work, Arizona State University**
Agencies: Aid to Adoption of Special Kids, Arizona's Children Association, Catholic Charities, Crisis Nursery, Labor's Community Service Agency, Maricopa Integrated Health System, Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services, Teen Lifeline, The Family School

Practice Experience

2013 High School Social Worker
 Glendale Unified High School District, Phoenix, AZ

2011-2013 Crisis Response Volunteer
 Glendale Fire Department, Glendale, AZ

2010-2011 High School Social Worker Intern
 Glendale Unified High School District, Phoenix, AZ

2009-2010 Crisis Response Intern
 Glendale Fire Department, Glendale AZ

2006-2010 Assistant Program Manager; House Manager
 Sunshine Residential & Group Homes, Inc., Glendale, AZ

2002-2006 Program Supervisor; Habilitation Specialist; Youth Care Specialist
 Developmental Services of Nebraska, Inc., Lincoln, NE

2003 Youth Transition Mentor
 Lincoln Regional Center, Adolescent Treatment, Lincoln, NE

Research Experience

2014-2016 **Co-Principal Investigator**
 Project: Examining Foster Family Resilience
Funded by AZ Department of Child Safety (DCS)
 (PI: C. Lietz, PhD; Co-PI: J. Geiger, PhD; Co-PI: F. Julien-Chinn, MSW)

2011-2015 **Research Assistant – Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy**
 Project: Behavioral Health Services for Vulnerable Adolescents and Young Adults
 (PI: M. Shafer, PhD)

Project: Former Foster Family Assessment of Voluntary Closure
Funded by AZ Department of Child Safety (DCS)
 (PI: J. Krysik, PhD)

Project: Child Welfare Supervision Training: Legal and Policy

Funded by AZ Division of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF)
(PI: C. Lietz, PhD)

Project: Child Welfare Middle Manager Training Needs Assessment:
Developing Training for Arizona Division of Children, Youth, and
Family Assistant Program Managers

Funded by AZ Department of Child Safety (DCS)
(PI: M. Shafer, PhD; Co-PI: J. Krysik, PhD, Co-PI: C. Lietz)

2011-2014

Co-Principal Investigator

Project: Foster Parent Needs Assessment: Exploring the Needs of
Arizona Foster Parents

(PI: C. Lietz, PhD; Co-PI: J. Geiger, MSW)

2012-2013

Research Assistant

Project: Online Social Work Degree Programs

(PI: L. Stromwall, PhD)

Project: Mental Illness and Social Work Education

(PI: L. Stromwall, PhD; Co-PI: L. Holley, PhD)

2011-2013

Research Assistant

Project: Mental Health Recovery: A Mixed Methods Examination of the
Perspectives of Consumers Diagnosed with Serious Mental Illness

(PI: C. Lietz, PhD; Co-PI: J. Lacasse, PhD)

2010-2011

Research Assistant

Project: Mashchamtham: Native Teacher Preparation Program

Funded by National Office of Indian Education

(PI: B. Brayboy, PhD; Co-PI: Deborah Chadwick, EdD)

Invited Presentations

“Foster Youth Transitions to Adulthood and Higher Education.” Campus Champions Leadership Training for the Scholars Motivated to Advocate and Realize Their Talents (SMART) Program. Wayne County Community College District, August 19th, 2016, Detroit, MI.

“Developing the Mental Health Service Experiences Inventory for Foster Youth Transitioning to Adulthood.” Doris Duke Mid-Year Conference. University of North Carolina, April 7th, 2016, Chapel Hill, NC.

“Fostering Health: Addressing Healthcare Needs of Former Foster Youth.” Campus Health Center. Wayne State University, December 16th, 2015, Detroit, MI.

“KidSpeak 2015.” Fostering Success Michigan Wayne County Regional Network Meeting. Wayne State University, September 23, 2015, Detroit, MI.

“Best Practices with Youth Transitioning from Foster Care and Mental Health Systems.” Center for Fostering Success Webinar. Western Michigan University, September 15, 2015, Kalamazoo, MI.

“Youth Aging out of Foster Care and Navigating the Mental Health System.” Doris Duke Fellowship Quarterly Webinar. Chapin Hall, November 20th, 2014, Chicago, IL.

“Recovery-Oriented Approach to Qualitative Research.” Council on Social Work Education Recovery-Social Work Learning Network, October 24th, 2014, Tampa, FL.

“A New Stance in Meeting the Needs of Arizona’s Vulnerable Adolescents and Young Adults.” Behavioral Health Town Hall. Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy’s 15th Annual Summer Institute, July 17th, 2014, Prescott, AZ.

“Arizona Foster Parent Needs Assessment: Results and Recommendations.” Children’s Action Alliance, Child Welfare Committee Meeting, August 30th, 2012, Phoenix, AZ.

Honors & Competitive Awards

2016-2017	Wayne State University School of Social Work Graduate Research Assistant Award
2016	Wayne State University Research Mentor Grant
2013, 2014	Arizona State University Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Award
2013, 2014	Arizona State University School of Social Work Travel Award
2013	Arizona State University Graduate and Professional Student Association JumpStart Research Award for Dissertation Pilot Study
2013	Arizona State University School of Social Work Scholarship
2011, 2012	Arizona State University Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Award

Phi Alpha National Honor Society (2009-2011), Cardinal Key National Honor Society (2004-2005), Order of Omega National Honor Society (2003-2005), Psi Chi National Honor Society (2002-2005)

Community Service

2016-2018	<i>Board Member, Michigan Professional Society on the Abuse of Children</i>
2016-2017	<i>Secretary, Michigan Professional Society on the Abuse of Children</i>

- 2016** *Planning Committee Member, Michigan Young Leader Advocacy Summit, Fostering Success Michigan Policy Action Network*
- 2016** *Summer Youth Employment Program Supervisor, Growing Detroit Youth Talent (GYDT) Summer Youth Employment Program*
- 2015** *Community Partner/Outreach Liaison, Southeastern High School of Technology and Law*
- 2013-2015** *Planning Team Member, Arizona Youth Opportunities Initiative for Youth Transitioning from Foster Care, Children's Action Alliance*
- 2010-2014** *Community Member, Arizona Citizen Review Panel
Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy*
- 2010-11; 2013** *Community Member Proxy, Comprehensive Medical and Dental Program, Quality Management Committee
Arizona Department of Economic Security*

Professional Service

- 2016-2018** Co-Chair, Research and Program Evaluation Track, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting
- 2016-Present** Co-Chair, Doris Duke Fellowship Sustainability Organizational Task Group, Doris Duke Fellowship for the Promotion of Child Well-Being: Seeking Innovations to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect
- 2016-Present** Committee Member, Fostering Success Michigan Policy Action Network
- 2016-Present** Abstract Reviewer, Child Welfare Track, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting
- 2016-Present** Ad hoc Reviewer, *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*
- 2016-Present** Ad hoc Reviewer, *Child and Family Social Work Journal*
- 2015-Present** Ad hoc Reviewer, *Children and Youth Services Review*
- 2015-Present** Ad hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Family Social Work*
- 2013** Ad hoc Reviewer, *Research on Social Work Practice* [Special Issue, "A Critical Appraisal of the DSM-5: Social Work Perspectives"].
- 2012-2013** Graduate Research Grant Reviewer, Arizona State University Graduate and Professional Student Association. Jumpstart and Travel Grants.

- 2012; 2013;
2014** Volunteer, Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference.
- 2011** Volunteer, International Society for Ethical Psychology and Psychiatry Annual Conference.

University Service

- 2017** Teaching Award Committee
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2017-Present** Continuing Education Committee
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2016-2018** Faculty Hearing Panel Member
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2016-Present** Ph.D. Admissions Ad Hoc Reviewer
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2015-Present** Ph.D. Faculty Committee
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2015-Present** Wayne Together Collaborative Steering Committee,
School of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2012-2015** Undergraduate Admissions Ad Hoc Committee Member
School of Social Work, Arizona State University
- 2012-2015** Online Curriculum Committee Member
School of Social Work, Arizona State University
- 2014** Preparing Future Faculty Recruitment Speaker
Graduate and Professional Student Association, Arizona State University
- 2013-2014** PhD Committee Student Representative
School of Social Work, Arizona State University
- 2012-2013** Graduate Teaching Excellence Award Reviewer
Graduate and Professional Student Association, Arizona State University
- 2013** Bachelor's of Social Work (BSW) Curriculum Committee Member
School of Social Work, Arizona State University
- 2011-2012** Graduate Student Assembly Proxy
Graduate and Professional Student Association, Arizona State University

2010-2011 Advanced Generalist Concentration MSW Committee Member
School of Social Work, Arizona State University

Professional Development (selected)

- 2017** Role of Data to Support College and Career Readiness and Success for Students in Foster Care, *American Youth Policy Forum*,
- 2016** Elements of Effective Practice for Children and Youth Served by Therapeutic Residential Care, *Doris Duke Fellowship for the Promotion of Child Well-Being and Casey Family Programs, University of Washington*
- 2016** Becoming a Trauma-Informed Child Welfare System, *National Child Welfare Workforce Institute, University of Albany*
- 2016** Making Extended Care Work for Foster Youth in Transition: The State of the Evidence, *Silver School of Social Work, New York University*
- 2015** Charting the Course: Using Data to Support Foster Youth College Success, *California College Pathways, John Burton Foundation*
- 2014** Bridging Service Gaps: System Integration Strategies for Service Providers Working with Young Adults with Mental Health Issues, *Pathways Research and Training Center, Portland State University*
- 2014** Structural Equation Modeling: Foundations and Extended Applications, *Summer Institute in Statistics, Texas Tech University*
- 2013** Child Maltreatment 2011: Key Findings, Expanded Discussion *Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, Washington, DC*
- 2013** Emerging Issues in Adolescent Health: Implications for Clinical Social Work Practice, *National Association of Social Workers, Washington, DC*
- 2012** Using Nvivo to Improve Research Team Collaboration
QSR International, Cambridge, MA

Professional Memberships

- Society for Social Work Research (SSWR)
- Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
- Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood (SSEA)
- American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC)
- National Research Collaborative for Foster Alumni and Higher Education