

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION:

- 2002** Ph.D., Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research.  
Dissertation: *Why don't those people just get a job? Fragile work attachment in a cohort of welfare recipients*
- 1994** MSS, Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research.
- 1980** BA, American University, Washington, DC. Majors: Political science/ print journalism.

### AWARDS:

- Shirley Travis Habit of Excellence Award, spring 2025, annual award given by the College of Public Health, George Mason University.
- 2025 Professional and Scholarly Excellence (PROSE) Award in the category of Applied Psychology and Social Work by the Association of American Publishers.
- 2025 Sojourner Truth Award, annual award given by Women & Gender Studies and the African & African American Studies.
- Senior Faculty Master Teacher in April 2016, annual award given by the College of Health and Human Services at George Mason University.
- Appointed Senior Fellow by the Urban Ethnography Project, Yale University Department of Sociology, August 2013.
- Hathaway Award for Academic Excellence, 1997, Bryn Mawr College.

### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

#### August 2007 - present:

Associate Professor, Department of Social Work, George Mason University, Arlington, Va. Appointment to teach both graduate and undergraduate social work courses.

#### Fall 2003-August 2007:

Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ. Appointment to teach graduate and undergraduate social work courses.

### **September 1996-May 1998**

Instructor, Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research.  
Taught two masters level courses.

### **BOOK:**

Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. *Private Violence: Latin American Women and the Struggle for Asylum*, New York University Press, October 15, 2024.

### **SELECTED REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES:**

Cleaveland, C., Anderson, T., McNally, K., & Roess, A. A. (2024). Vaccine Attitudes and Uptake Among Latino Residents of a Former COVID-19 Hotspot. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 35(1), 316-340.

Hong, Y.A., Shen, K., Han, H.R., Park, V.T., Lu, H.K. & Cleaveland C. (2023). 'It's a lonely journey': caregiving experiences and psychosocial distress among Chinese American dementia family caregivers. *Aging & Mental Health* Epub first. DOI: 10.1080/13607863.2023.2285918

Cleaveland, C.; Lee, M. & Gewa, C. (2023). "I thought I was going to die there:" Social-political contexts and the plight of undocumented Latinx during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Social Science & Medicine: Qualitative*.  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4295447](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4295447)

Cleaveland, C. L., & Frankenfeld, C. L. (2022). Household financial hardship factors are strongly associated with poorer Latino mental health during COVID-19. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*, 1-14. <https://doi-org.mutex.gmu.edu/10.1007/s40615-022-01366-8>

Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2021). COVID-19: Threat and vulnerability among Latina immigrants. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*, 36(3):272-281.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0886109920985232> Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2020).

Cleaveland, C. & Frankenfeld, C. (2019). "They kill people over nothing:" An exploratory study of Latina immigrant trauma. *Journal of Social Service Research*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/01488376.2019.1602100>

- Cleaveland, C. & Kirsch, V. (2019). "They took all my clothes and made me run naked for two days so I couldn't escape:" Latina experiences of human smuggling in Mexico. *Qualitative Social Work*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/1473325018816362>
- Cleaveland, C. & D.L. Shutika. (2018). "Wouldn't You Walk Away?:" Foreclosures and Homeowner Understandings." *Families In Society*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/1044389418809779>
- Cleaveland, C. (2018). How the immigration and deportation systems work: A social worker's guide. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 44 (3), 55-78.
- Matto, H. & Cleaveland, C. (2016). A social-spatial lens to examine poverty, violence and addiction. Manuscript accepted for publication in *Social Work Practice In The Addictions*, Special Issue on Violence.
- Goodman, R. D., Vesely, C., Letiecq, B., & Cleaveland, C. (2016). Trauma and resilience among refugee and undocumented immigrant women. Manuscript accepted for publication in the *Journal of Counseling & Development*, Special Issue on Traumatology.
- Cleaveland, C. (2013). 'I stepped over a dead body...': Latina immigrant narratives of immigration and poverty. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 23(1), p. 1-13.
- Cleaveland, C. (2012). 'Mexico City North': Identity and anti-immigrant sentiment. *Qualitative Social Work*, 12 (4), 270-288.
- Cleaveland, C. & E. Ihara. (2012). "They treat us like pests": Undocumented immigrant experiences obtaining health care in the wake of a "crackdown" ordinance, *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 22, 771-788.
- Cleaveland, C. (2011). Borders, police and jobs: Viewing Latino immigration through a social spatial lens, *Families in Society*, 92 (2), 139-145.
- Cleaveland, C. (2011). "'In this country, you suffer a lot:' Undocumented Mexican experiences, *Qualitative Social Work*, August 9, 2011, 1-21.
- Cleaveland, C. (2010). The Mexicans and 'Us Gringos': A case study of activist work with unauthorized migrants, *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 20(5), 637-657.
- Cleaveland, C. (2010). "We are not criminals": Social work advocacy and undocumented migrants, *Social Work*, 55(1), 74-81.
- Cleaveland, C. & L. Pierson. (2009). Police, convenience stores and 'the bosses': Migrant tactics to find work," *Ethnography*, 10(4), 515-533.

- Cleaveland C. & L. Kelly. (2009). Shared social space and strategies to find work: An exploratory study of Mexican day laborers in Freehold, N.J. *Social Justice: Social Justice: A Journal of Crime, Conflict, and World Order*, 35(4), 51-65.
- Cleaveland, C. (2008). Without wages of benefits: Disconnected TANF recipients' struggles to achieve agency. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*, 22(4), 321-333.
- Cleaveland, C. (2008) 'A black benefit': A qualitative examination of racial prejudice among white welfare recipients in a low-income neighborhood. *Journal of Progressive Human Services*, 19(2), 71-91.
- Youdin, R. & Cleaveland, C. (2006). Religious affiliation/non affiliation: A predictor of social work students' attitudes toward old poor people," *Social Work Forum* 39(3), 5-19.
- Cleaveland, C. (2005), Menial labor: Its meaning and implications for welfare recipients," *Arete*, 28(2), 54-67.
- Cleaveland, C. (2005). A desperate means to dignity: Work refusal amongst Philadelphia welfare recipients. *Ethnography*, 6(1), 35-60.

### **BOOK CHAPTERS:**

- Cleaveland, C. (2020). "The Question of Crime: Immigrants as Perpetrators and Victims," in *The Social Workers' Desk Reference*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Cleaveland, C. (2017). "Journeys Across The Border And Through The Legal System," in Tina Maschi and George Liebowitz's 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, *Psychosocial and Legal Issues Across Diverse Settings*. NY: Springer Publishing Company.
- Cleaveland, C. (2012). "Family-Based Immigration: Counterpoint," book chapter for Gans, Judy and Daniel Tichenor, eds. *Sage Debates on Immigration*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage.
- Cleaveland, C. (2009). "Calling Some 'Illegal:' Practice Considerations in Work with Undocumented Immigrants," book chapter for T. Maschi's, M.L. Killian's, C. Bradley's and K. Ward's ed. *Collaborative Forensic Social Work Practice*. NY: Springer Publishing Company.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- Cleaveland, C. (2024). Invited presentation to the Yale Department of Sociology. Yale University, New Haven, CT., Nov. 4.
- Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2024). Invited presentation, “Fall For The Book,” series at George Mason University. Fairfax, Va., Oct. 17.
- Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2023). “Private violence: Latinx women And the quest for asylum,” Oral paper, Society for Social Work and Research, Annual Conference, Pheonix, Arizona, Jan. 14.
- Cleaveland, C. (2022). “Private violence: Latinx women And the quest for asylum,” invited lecture to the Yale University Department of Sociology’s Workshop in Urban Ethnography, Nov. 28.
- Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2022). “Private violence: Latinx women And the quest for asylum,” Roundtable paper to the American Sociological Association, 2022 Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, Aug. 5-9.
- Frankenfeld, C.L. & Cleaveland, C. (2022). “Among working and not working Latinos in the United States, food insufficiency and difficulty with expenses associated with adverse mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic.” Society for Epidemiologic Research 2022 (poster). Awarded third place in SSPR Poster Competition.
- Frankenfeld C.L. & Cleaveland, C. (2022). “Food insufficiency and difficulty with expenses strongly associated with adverse mental health, regardless of poverty status and location, among Latinos in the United States during the COVID-19 pandemic.” Society for Epidemiologic Research 2022 (poster)
- Cleaveland, C. (2022). “Research by allies,” Invited lecture to the Workshop on Cultural Sensitivity, University of Bath, Bath, United Kingdom, February 24, 2022.
- Cleaveland, C. (2019). “‘They made me run naked through the desert:’ Latina experiences in human smuggling.” Poster presentation, Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC, January 17 2020.
- Cleaveland, C. (2016). “They treat us like animals for a little bit of money:” Human smuggling and a spatial practice of brutality. 12<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champagne-Urbana. Oral presentation, May 19 2016.
- Cleaveland, C. (2015). “Human smuggling: Immigration and Latina exploitation,” invited presentation to the Department of Sociology, Penn State University, Harrisburg, PA. Oral Presentation, October 14, 2015.

- Cleaveland, C. (2014). "“They took all my clothes and made me walk naked so that I couldn’t escape’: Latina experiences of human smuggling in Mexico,” invited presentation for Ethnographic Fieldwork: A Conference and Retreat, Yale University, New Haven, April 12.
- Cleaveland, C. (2012). "“Those immigrants aren’t like my parents; They’re breaking the rules:’ An ethnographic study of community conflict and immigrants,” the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, University of Illinois, Champagne-Urbana, May 18.
- Cleaveland, C. (2012). "Foreclosures, trash and the neighbors: Anti-immigrant sentiment in a suburban community," invited lecture presented April 21, 2012 to the Fordham University Graduate School of Social Work’s colloquium entitled, “Human Rights, Social Justice and Qualitative Methods.”
- Cleaveland, C. (2009). “Americans Think We’re Criminals Who Invade the Streets:” A Qualitative Study of Undocumented Mexican Day Laborers,” presented to the Society for Social Work and Research National Conference, New Orleans, La., Jan. 16,.
- Cleaveland, C. (2008). “Baseball, Snakes and Nativists: An Ethnographic Experience with Undocumented Mexican Day Laborers,” invited lecture for Urban Ethnography: Its Traditions and Its Future” sponsored by the Yale University Department of Sociology. Presented April 25.
- Cleaveland, C. & Kelly, L. (2007) “Shared Social Space and Strategies to Find Work: An Exploratory Study of Mexican Day Laborers in Freehold, N.J.,” presented to the American Sociological Association National Conference’s Roundtable on Immigration/Migration, New York, August 13, 2007.
- Cleaveland, C. (2006). “Racist Sentiments and Competition for Frugal Benefits in an Impoverished Philadelphia Neighborhood,” presented to the Oxford University Round Table on Diversity, March 17.
- Cleaveland, C. (2006). “I’ve Thought about Housekeeping -- Making Beds and Changing Sheets and Stuff”; How Women on Welfare Perceive Opportunity Structure," Society for Social Work and Research National Conference, Jan. 14-17, San Antonio, Tx.
- Cleaveland, C. (2004). “I Felt Like A Slave Doing That Work: Menial Labor’s Meaning to a Cohort of Welfare Recipients,” presented to the Global Social Work Congress, October 4 in Adelaide, Australia.

Cleaveland, C. (2004). “Without Wages of Benefits: Disconnected TANF Recipients’ Struggles to Achieve Agency,” at the Society for the Study of Social Problems’ Annual Program Meeting in San Francisco, Aug. 11.

#### **GRANT ACTIVITY:**

- Awarded \$149,955 by the Jeffress Trust Awards Program in Research Advancing Health as Principal Investigator for “Building Enclave Solidarity to Improve Health Outcomes” with Amira A. Roess, Co-PI. The 2-year award is to build a public health outreach program for Latino immigrants in Manassas. Program is in collaboration with the Gainesville-Haymarket Rotary Club/Family Connections program.
- Awarded \$26,000 in May 2021 by the College of Health and Human Services for a pilot study entitled, “COVID-19 Among Latinos in the Informal/Secondary Economic Sector” with Co-Principal Investigator Janusz Wojtusiak. The study uses a combination of qualitative data and movement tracking to explore why Latinos in certain occupations are suffering COVID-19 at higher rates than the majority white population.
- Funded as Training Coordinator for HRSA’s Behavioral Health Workforce and Training for \$41,411 for the 2021-2024 academic years. This Health Resources and Services Administration grant is designed to enrich training of social work students to provide advanced behavioral health interventions to high needs populations. Was responsible for writing statement of population need for grant, which totaled \$1.9 million.
- Funded as Subject Matter Expert by the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation to develop behavioral health curriculum for public school personnel. Funded for 15% of salary or \$14,222 for 2021-2022 academic year.
- Funded as Training Coordinator for Virginia State Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment Project, \$98,574. State funding to train health care professionals in nursing, psychology, counseling, medicine and social work in use of SBIRT protocols and motivational interviewing to reduce substance abuse. August 2019 to September 2021.
- Funded as Training Instructor for Training to Engage, Assess, and Motivate for Substance Use Prevention (TEAMS-UP) \$31,818, 2016-2018. U.S. Substance Abuse And Mental Health Services Administration to train professionals and students in Screening, Brief Intervention and Referrals to Treatment, September 2015 to May 2017.

- Investigator for 5 percent (\$16,953.35) of \$339,067.00 awarded to Principal Investigator/Director Caroline Sutter for Advanced Nursing Education Grants through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Service Administration, Sept. 2014 to May 2015.
- Awarded \$1,310 from the Provost's competitive seed grant program for research with undocumented Latinas. Received in summer 2013.
- Awarded \$18,500 intramural funding for Virginia's Changing Communities, with Mason Project on Immigration and funding from George Mason University's College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and College of Health and Human Services. Received in 2009.
- Awarded \$2,000 Grant-in-Aid of Creativity by the Monmouth University Travel, Grants and Sabbaticals Committee to support ethnographic research (detailed above) with Mexican migrant workers in Freehold NJ.

#### **GRANT SUBMISSION:**

- "Policy Barriers to Protecting Vulnerable Youth from Deportation: An Exploratory Study" to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Policies for Action: Policy Research to Advance the Inclusion of Immigrant Families and Children. Principal Investigator, for \$250,000 February 2024.
- "Improving health equity for undocumented Latino immigrants through social network mapping" to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Evidence for Action: Innovative Research to Advance Health Equity, Principal Investigator for \$150,000 November 2023.
- "COVID-19 Risk Among Low-Income Latino Workers submitted to the National Institute for Mental Health and Health Disparities," R21 for \$257,366, as Principal Investigator on Oct. 18, 2020 with Dr. Janusz Wojtusiak (Co-PI) and Dr. Cara Frankenfeld (Investigator), Dr. James Witte (Investigator). Proposal to used combined research methods including qualitative interviews, GPS and symptom data to examine potential COVID-19 transmission among low-income Latino workers.
- "Beating Back COVID-19/Luchando Contra COVID-19" for \$483,879 to the TD Bank Ready Challenge as Principal Investigator with Dr. Janusz Wojtusiak (Co-PI) and Dr. James Witte (Investigator). Proposal to create develop a program of community-based outreach to improve access to healthcare, shelter and food to 200 day laborers in Northern Virginia, about half of whom are indigenous Mayans. In addition, using survey data from workers and a community resource data base, machine learning methods would have been used to develop resource



recommendation plans customized for each day laborer. Proposal would have provided a \$266,987 to a community partner, the Centreville Immigration Forum.

- “COVID-19 Risk Among Low-Income Latino Workers submitted to the National Institute for Mental Health and Health Disparities,” NIAID - Emergency Awards: Rapid Investigation of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) and Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as Principal Investigator, submitted June 30, 2020 for \$357,469. Submitted Dr. Janusz Wojtusiak (Co-PI) and Dr. Cara Frankenfeld (Investigator), Dr. James Witte (Investigator). Proposal to used combined research methods including qualitative interviews, GPS and symptom data to examine potential COVID-19 transmission among low-income Latino workers.
- “A Multilevel Approach to Immigration and Crime: Individual, Family, and Neighborhood Experiences of Victimization, Crime, and Trauma,” as Co-Principal Investigator with Dr. JoAnn Lee (PI), Dr. Myeong Lee (Investigator) and Dr. James Witte (Investigator) to the National Institute of Justice, Research into Immigration and Crime NIJ-2020-17310, April 30, 2020. Amount sought: \$586,292
- “Economic and Social Cost of Changing Deportation Priorities Among Unauthorized Residents in the US” with Luis Zayas and Len Nichols, a proposal to the Russell Sage Foundation, June 2018.
- “Are Bad Jobs a Path to Morbidity in a Vulnerable Population?” with Lisa Pawloski, a proposal to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, October 2016.
- “Trauma and Migration,” a proposal to The Lois and Samuel Silberman Fund Faculty Grant Program for \$20,000, April, 2013.
- “Folklore at the 7-11: Virginia’s Day Laborers,” with Debra Lattanzi Shutika, a proposal to the The Parsons Fund Committee for the Gerald E. and Corinne L. Parsons Fund for Ethnography at the Library of Congress, for \$3,000 in December, 2009.
- “Social Work in the 7-11 Parking Lot: Practice with Unauthorized Immigrants,” A proposal to the The Lois and Samuel Silberman Fund Faculty Grant Program for \$40,000 in April 2008.

#### **POPULAR PRESS:**

Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2024). “Women seeking asylum should not be turned away,” *Chicago Sun Times*, November 29.

Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2024). “There can be no debate over asylum,” *Ms. Magazine*, October 3.

Cleaveland, C. & Waslin, M. (2024). “Why women will be hardest hit by Biden’s executive order,” *Ms. Magazine*, June 4.

## **SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS:**

### **Latinx Women Seeking Asylum in the U.S. (November 2019 to July 2023)**

- Developed overall study to understand the lived experiences of women from Central America and Mexico who are seeking asylum in the U.S. because of domestic and/or gang violence.
- Engaged multiple data collection strategies including semi-structured interviews with asylum seekers (n=35) as well as field observation of closed immigration court hearings.

### **Latino Workers in the Informal Sector Workforce and COVID-19 risks (May 2021 to December 2022)**

- Designed overall study to examine factors that may be leading to more COVID-19 transmission and illness among low-income Latino workers who are employed in off-the-books work.
- Effort includes recruit and execution of qualitative interviews as well as coordination of all aspects of grant-funded pilot study.

### **Immigration and Trauma (2013 to 2019)**

- An ethnographic study of Central Americans seeking asylum from gang and domestic violence in the United States (current).
- Mixed methods study using PCL-C and THQ-9 (Spanish language) to assess trauma histories and PTSD indicators among Latina immigrants visiting two Northern Virginia clinics. (2013-2018).
- Qualitative interviews with women who have survived human smuggling. (2013-2018).
- Research questions center on human rights violations, human smuggling/trafficking and trauma symptoms.

### **Large Scale Qualitative Study of Latino Immigration, Prince William County, Va. (2008-2012)**

- Writing findings from in-depth case study of suburban community and conflict over immigration.
- Supervised team of 14 student investigators.

- Data base includes interviews with English speaking Manassas residents (n=103), Spanish speaking residents (n=57) and life histories of Manassas residents (n=20)
- Data includes quantitative measure of sentiments, semi-structured interviews
- Worked collaboratively to develop data collection strategy, preparation of qualitative and quantitative survey instruments, training of students for data collection.

### **Ethnographic Study of Latino Day Laborers, Freehold, NJ (2004-2007)**

- Participant observation with Latino day laborers at hiring sites, worker meetings.
- Prolonged immersion.
- Data gathering included extensive field notes and analysis of semi-structured interviews.

### **Qualitative Study of TANF Recipients, Philadelphia, PA. (Doctoral Dissertation)**

- Longitudinal study of women who were trying to enter the labor force after enactment of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.
- Developed triangulated research design that included both semi-structured interviews

### **BOOK REVIEWS:**

Cleaveland, C. (2011) Review of the book: *Immigrants Raising Citizens: Undocumented Parents And Their Young Children* (Hirokazu Yoshikawa) for Teachers College Record, available online, <http://www.tcrecord.org/Content.asp?ContentId=16484>.

Cleaveland, C. (2004). Review of the book: *Diminishing Welfare: A Cross National Study of Social Provision* (edited by Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg and Marguerite C. Rosenthal). *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work* 19(3).

Cleaveland, C. (2004). Review of the book: *Changing Welfare Services: Case Studies of Local Welfare Reform Programs* (edited by Michael J. Austin). *Social Work Education* (6)2.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:**

Editorial Board Member, *Affilia: Feminist Inquiry in Social Work*. Appointed in March 2024.

Editorial Board Member, *Families in Society*. Appointed in January 2024.

Editorial Board Member, *Qualitative Social Work*. Appointed in October 2023.

Consulting Editor, *Journal of Progressive Human Services*. Appointed in December, 2020.

Reviewer, *Social Science & Medicine*. Since 2023.

Reviewer, *Social Problems*. Since 2023.

Reviewer, *Journal of Family Violence*. Since 2023.

Reviewer, *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*. Since 2023.

Reviewer, *International Migration*. Since 2022.

Reviewer, *Children and Youth Services Review*. Since 2018.

Reviewer, *Families In Society*. Since 2011.

Reviewer, *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*. Since May, 2010.

#### **CURRENT ANDS PAST UNIVERSITY SERVICE:**

**September 2023 to Present:** Co-Chair, University Grievance Committee. Responsible for review of George Mason University faculty grievances.

**August 2022:** Member, College of Health and Human Services Faculty Council, representative for the Department of Social Work.

**May 2021 to Present:** Member, College of Health and Human Services Committee on Promotion, Tenure and Review. Representative for the Department of Social Work.

**September 2023 to Present:** Co-Chair, University Grievance Committee. Responsible for review of George Mason University faculty grievances.

**September 2014 to Present:** Member, University Grievance Committee. Responsible for review of George Mason University faculty grievances.

**September 2013 to Present:** Member, Department Committee on Promotion, Tenure and Review. Department of Social Work.

Served as chair from September 2018 to May 2021.

**August 2013 to May 2021:** Senator, George Mason University Faculty Senate. Currently serving on three subcommittees: Organization and Operations, Grievance, and Student Appeals.

**September 2008 to May 2013:** Curriculum Committee for George Mason University College of Health and Human Services. Serving as Department of Social Work representative to committee charged with reviewing new and revised curricula. Responsible for ensuring timely distribution of agenda items and other materials to colleagues. Facilitating monthly meetings.

Served as chair September 2010 to August 2012.

**September 2010 to March 2012.** Chair, MSW Curriculum Committee. Spear-headed development of curriculum to offer more courses in both the clinical and social change tracks.

Responsible for development of online class in Psychopathology which launched last summer and operated via the university's Blackboard format. Used case vignettes and video clips to support students in developing skills in using the DSM-IV-TR. Course stressed cultural competence and strengths perspective as well as diagnostic skills.

Also responsible for development of new syllabi for Community-Centered Clinical Practice and Advanced Clinical Practice.

**September 2008 to September 2009:** Associate Director of the Mason Project on Immigration, a multi-disciplinary consortium of scholars from various disciplines including folklore, economics, sociology, anthropology, geography and social work. MPI actively engaged research and programming concerning the issue of immigration.

#### **COURSES TAUGHT:**

- Social Policies, Programs and Services I: Masters level seminar exploring history of U.S. social problems and policy development.
- Psychopathology: Specialization year course for MSW clinical students on use of DSM- V, diagnosis, assessment, treatment plans.
- Immigration Policy: Specialization year seminar for MSW students exploring social work's history in service to immigrant populations, as well as issues relevant to service provision for immigrants to the U.S. today.
- Community Clinical Practice: Specialization year seminar for MSW students exploring impact of environmental factors on outcomes for clients adversely affected by inequities in mental health provision, as well as structural factors such as poverty.

## CONSULTING:

### March 2016 – Present:

Conducted diagnostic assessments for Latina women seeking asylum in **U.S. Immigration Court**. Used Spanish language versions of PCL-C and PHQ-9 to assess PTSD and depression. Assessment included in court case to document effects of traumatic exposure for asylum seekers. Retained by Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Washington, DC and Martinelli Immigration Law LLC, Boston.

### June 2007-December 2007:

Provided training in qualitative methodology including coding, memo writing, interpretation, and grounded theory methods to Research and Evaluation Department of **Public Health Management Corporation**, Philadelphia. Organized and facilitated staff's analysis of interviews from NIDA-funded project examining high risk sex practices.

## SOCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE:

- State of Pennsylvania, Licensed Social Worker, 1994 to 2012.
- Introspect of Buxmont, Colmar, Pa. Psychotherapist, 1998 to April 2012
- Belmont Center, Philadelphia, Pa. Psychotherapist 2001- 2003
- House Calls Inc. of Flourtown, Pa., Geriatric Social Worker 2/2001-6/2001
- Child Psychiatry Center, Philadelphia, Pa., Psychotherapist, 1994 to 1997
- Florence Child Guidance Center, Allentown, Pa., Social Work Intern, 1991-1994

## OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

**1987-1992** *The Morning Call*, (circulation 200,000), Allentown, PA.

Newspaper Reporter. Covered a wide range of news stories, including articles investigating problems with enforcement of safety standards at a local steel plant and an award-winning series of articles examining inadequate placement facilities for adjudicated youth. Beat reporter covering the provision of human services, specifically issues related to child welfare and public assistance.

**1980-1987** *The Post-Standard* (circulation 90,000), Syracuse, NY.

Newspaper Reporter. Covered a variety of news stories including in-depth investigations and analysis of airline deregulation and the efforts of a local carrier to survive the

marketplace, the crisis in agriculture and its effect on local farmers; on assignment in Belfast Northern Ireland to examine the effect of war on the lives of children.

#### **OTHER AWARDS:**

- Named Senior Faculty Master Teacher in April 2016, annual award given by the College of Health and Human Services at George Mason University.
- Appointed Senior Fellow by the Urban Ethnography Project, Yale University Department of Sociology, August 2013.
- Hathaway Award for Academic Excellence, 1997, Bryn Mawr College.
- Pennsylvania Bar Association 1991 Awards Competition, award for investigative reporting.
- Philadelphia Society of Professional Journalists, 1990, award for investigative reporting.
- American Bar Association 1989 National Awards Competition, award for investigative reporting.
- New York State Associated Press Awards Competition 1984, award for excellence in features.
- American News Service, 1980 Award, from the American University School of Communication.
- Initiated into Kappa Tau Alpha Honors Society, 1980, American University School of Communication.

#### **REFERENCES:**

Elijah Anderson, Ph.D., William K. Lanman Jr. Professor of Sociology, Yale University, 140 Prospect St., New Haven, Ct. Phone: 203 432-3321.

Sanford Schram, Ph.D., Professor, Hunter College, 695 Park Ave., NY, NY. 212-772-5682

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