

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 2013 **Ph.D. Maternal and Child Health**
University of North Carolina Gillings School of Global Public Health (Chapel Hill, NC)
Dissertation: The public and private sector family planning supply environment and its influence on contraceptive use in urban Nigeria
Minor: Population Studies
- 2006 **M.P.H. Maternal and Child Health**
University of North Carolina Gillings School of Global Public Health (Chapel Hill, NC)
Master's Paper: Reaching the goals of Cairo: Male-involvement in family planning
- 2000 **B.A. Psychology and Neuroscience**
Smith College (Northampton, MA)
Study-abroad year: Universidad de Sevilla (Seville, Spain)

EDUCATION CERTIFICATES

- 2008 **Certificate in Global Health**, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health
- 2006 **Certificate in International Development**, UNC Center for Global Initiatives
- 2006 **Certificate in Health Disparities**, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health

PROFESSIONAL ROLES

- 2025 – present **Professor of Practice**
School of Public Health
Washington University in St. Louis (St. Louis, Mo)
- 2019 – 2025 **Associate Professor of Practice**
- 2017 – present **Chair of Global Health Curriculum**
- 2016 – 2019 **Senior Lecturer**
- 2015 – 2016 **Visiting Scholar**
Brown School
Washington University in St. Louis (St. Louis, MO)
- 2014 – present **Senior Associate**
Iris Group (Chapel Hill, NC)
- 2010 – 2013 **Graduate Research Assistant**
MEASURE Evaluation, Carolina Population Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill, NC)
- 2008 – 2009 **North Carolina Regional Field Organizer**
National Campaign for Change (Brunswick County, NC)

- 2007 – 2008 **Project Coordinator**
MEASURE Evaluation, Carolina Population Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill, NC)
- 2005 – 2007 **Graduate Research Assistant**
School of Social Work and
Department of Maternal & Child Health, Gillings School of Global Public Health
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill, NC)
- 2003 – 2005 **Study Coordinator**
Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina (Durham, NC)
- 2001 – 2002 **Women’s Health Medical Assistant/Interim Office Manager**
Community Check-Up Center (Harrisburg, PA)
- 2000 – 2001 **Research Assistant**
Department of Psychiatry, Washington University Medical School (St. Louis, MO)

KEY PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE PROJECTS/CONSULTANCIES

- 2020 – present **Chroma Collective | BMGF**
Co-established and co-facilitated the “Chroma Collective,” a global network of leading donor and funding organizations committed to advancing gender equality in global health and development.
- 2024 – 2025 **Ecodit and Gender LEAD | USAID**
Managed gender analysis desk reviews for approximately twenty countries; information was collected and analyzed on gender gaps, underlying restrictive gender norms, and trends in gender-based violence across various health and development sectors.
- 2024 – 2025 **BE4D GEEA Research and Analysis of the Care Economy (GRACE) | USAID**
Conducted a systematic analysis of USAID reporting data, complemented by key informant interviews (KIIs), to advance the operationalization, documentation, and measurement of USAID’s efforts to address care work and the care economy.
- 2023 – 2025 **Building Water Infrastructure (BWI) | USAID**
Integrated gender into 5-year, USAID-funded Architect and Engineering services activity to increase water security and improve water resources management within Jordan. This project was being implemented in collaboration with the Government of Jordan’s water strategy 2023-2040.
- 2023 – 2024 **MNCH Home Birth Portfolio | Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)**
Integrated gender into the evaluation plan for BMGF’s “home birth” portfolio. The portfolio is comprised of nine investments in Ethiopia and Nigeria, which seek to make home and community births safer, thereby, reducing maternal and neonatal mortality.
- 2021 – 2023 **Men and Women for Gender Equality Programme | UN Women**
Served as technical lead for Arab World for Research and Development grant to expand the understanding of knowledge, perceptions, and practices of institutional actors on men’s caregiving and paternity leave in the MiddleEast and North Africa region.

- 2020 **Citywide Inclusive Sanitation Program| BMGF**
 Authored a comprehensive literature review and gender strategy to identify how urban, city-wide sanitation services across the global south can be best designed and implemented to be gender intentional and improve health outcomes.
- 2019 **Rural Education Action Program (REAP) | Stanford University**
 Co-designed training modules and conducted a training of trainers on maternal, newborn and child health for the Healthy Futures project in Shaanxi Province, China. The modules were directed to Community Health Workers who conduct monthly home visits with mothers and grandmothers during pregnancy through baby's first 12 months.
- 2018 – 2019 **Monitoring and Evaluation Capacities (MECap) | USAID**
 Developed facilitation guides for an advanced curriculum in evaluation on the topics of “Assessing Contribution” and “Evaluating for Efficiency” for the *Bureau for Policy, Planning and Learning* (PPL) and *Office of Learning, Evaluation and Research* (LER).
- 2017 – 2019 **Lancet Series on Gender Equality and Health | BMGF**
 Conducted a systematic literature review of rigorously evaluated gender-transformative programs aimed at improving health. Paper published as part of a 5-part Lancet Series: Unlocking gender norm change to achieve health and development impact at scale. In: The Next Generation of Gender Equality, Lancet Series.
- 2016 **MECap | USAID**
 Supported MECap's Local Solutions Learning Agenda by reviewing and providing technical feedback on mid-term performance evaluations of select USAID interventions.
- 2016 **PEPFAR | USAID**
 Conducted an HIV-related gender analysis with interagency country teams in the Dominican Republic and Cote d'Ivoire. The analyses reviewed key HIV-related gender issues and gender-based constraints, assessed opportunities for gender integration into each PEPFAR country program, and offered conclusions and recommendations to strengthen PEPFAR's response to the HIV epidemic in-country.
- 2015 – 2019 **Jordan Communication, Advocacy, and Policy (J-CAP) project | Abt Associates Inc.**
 Served as the gender advisor for JCAP, a National Family Planning (FP) Strategic Plan to improve family planning health outcomes in Jordan. Conducted qualitative research on gender attitudes and behaviors related to FP; implemented Group Model Building activities to explore pathways between gender and FP; and trained governmental and non-governmental entities on the importance of systems thinking.
- 2015 **CARE Ethiopia**
 Developed monitoring and evaluation plan for 5 million USD BMGF research proposal to improve adolescent reproductive health, nutrition, and Empowerment in Ethiopia.
- 2015 **Supportive Supervision in Health Sector | Management Sciences for Health**
 Developed theoretical framework for how gender norms influence provider-to-provider interactions within the field of family planning.
- 2015 **Partnership for Growth | Power Africa**
 Collaborated with USAID MECap to develop syllabus and training materials for one-week monitoring and evaluation introductory course for Power Africa Ghana.

- 2014 – 2015 **Women, Girls, and Gender Initiative | BMGF**
 Researched various constructs of women's and girls' empowerment and gender equality and their effect on health and development outcomes in Agriculture; Family Planning; Financial Services for the Poor, Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health; Nutrition; and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene. This work culminated in the launch of the first Gates Foundation Grand Challenge focused on fostering innovation and partnership in addressing gender equality and female empowerment.
- 2014 **Various Projects | United Nations Population Fund - UNFPA**
- Collaborated with public health and demography experts to finalize the content and organization of UNFPA's annual *State of World Population Report* 2014; authored chapter in Report on youth and sustainability in the post-2015 development agenda
 - Researched and developed priority list of Family Planning M&E indicators for UNFPA's "International Conference on Population and Development Beyond 2014" campaign; presented indicators to U.N. expert advisory group.
- 2009 – 2014 **Various Projects | Palladium (then called Futures Group)**
- Developed guidelines and tools for integrating gender into M&E plans, under the Global Health Initiative's Women, Girls, and Gender Equality M&E working group
 - Identified inequities in unmet need for family planning over past 20 years in Central America; presented findings and recommendations in Spanish for Latin American Ministry of Health officials at the USAID | Health Policy Initiative LAC Conference
 - Conducted case studies to explore the demand for and use of data in: preventing maternal-to-child transmission of HIV and AIDS in El Salvador; decreasing contraceptive discontinuation in Honduras; and improving health outcomes of homeless children in Guatemala.
- 2007 – 2008 **Ipas Clinical Updates | Ipas**
- Researched new findings and best clinical practices on specific problem areas of abortion care: disseminated findings as short clinical updates for Ipas affiliates in Eastern Europe and the U.S.A.; designed tools to evaluate effectiveness of updates.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (*indicates student involvement)

Backman-Levy J and Greene M. Gender transformative programs: A framework for demonstrating evidence of social impact. *BMJ Global Health* 2024;9:e014203

Cislaghi B, Abeyasekera A, Bhatia A, **Levy J**. The next generation of gender equality work: Reflective action for health and justice. *Front. Sociol.* 2022; Available at: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2022.1080349>

Levy J and Greene M. Pushing the boundaries of data to ensure gender equality across the life span. *Lancet Global Health.* 2020; Available at: www.thelancet.com/lancetgh

Levy J, Darmstadt G, Ashby C*, Quandt M*, Halsey E*, Nagar A*, Greene M. Characteristics of successful programmes targeting gender inequality and restrictive gender norms for the health and wellbeing of children, adolescents, and young adults: a systematic review. *Lancet Global Health.* 2019; Available at: [https://doi.org/10.1016/S2214-109X\(19\)30528-5](https://doi.org/10.1016/S2214-109X(19)30528-5)

Heymann J, **Levy J**, Bose B, Ríos-Salas V, Mekonen Y Swaminathan H, Omidakhsh N, Gadoth A, Huh K, Greene M, Darmstadt G. Improving health with programmatic, legal, and policy approaches to reduce gender inequality and change restrictive gender norms. Paper 3 of the *Lancet* Series on Gender Norms, Equality, and Health. *The Lancet*. 2019; Available at: [http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(19\)30656-7](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(19)30656-7)

Darmstadt G, Heise L, Rao Gupta G, Henry S, Cislighi B, Greene M, Hawkes S, Hay K, Heymann J, Klugman J, **Levy J**, Raj A, Weber A. Why now for a Series on gender equality, norms, and health? *The Lancet*. 2019; Available at: [doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(19\)30985-7](http://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(19)30985-7)

Taukobong H, Kincaid M, **Levy J**, Bloom S, Platt J, Darmstadt G. Does addressing gender inequalities and empowering women and girls improve health and development programme outcomes? *Health Policy and Planning*. 2016; Available at: [doi: 10.1093/heapol/czw074](http://doi.org/10.1093/heapol/czw074)

Stanback J, Lebetkin E, **Levy J**, et al. Sale and provision of injectable contraceptives in drug shops in developing countries: Conclusions from a technical consultation. *Contraception*. 2015; 91: 93-6.

Levy J, Zimmer C, Curtis S, Speizer I. Assessing gaps and poverty-related inequalities in the public and private sector family planning supply environment of urban Nigeria. *J Urban Health*. 2014; 91(1):186-210

Speizer I, Irani L, Barden-O’Fallon J, and **Levy J**. Inconsistent fertility motivations and contraceptive use behaviors among women in Honduras. *Reproductive Health*. 2009; 6:19

TECHNICAL REPORTS AND WORKING PAPERS (*indicates student involvement)

Levy J, Nagar A*, Eaton J*, Ashby C*, Gyimah M*, Arab World for Research and Development (AWRAD). 2022. The Role of Men in Childcare and Paternity Leave in the MENA Region. UN Women, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida).

Levy J, Nagar A, Iris Group. 2020. Guidance for Mainstreaming Gender in Urban Sanitation Systems. Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Iris Group.

Eaton J,* **Levy J**, Kanak Rjak E*. 2018. Group model building training manual: A condensed guide. Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Iris Group, for USAID JCAP.

Levy J, Eaton J*, Shahrouri T. 2017. Disentangling the gender-family planning link in Jordan: Group model building workshop report. Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Iris Group, for USAID JCAP.

Levy J, Alainawi M*, Bloom S. 2016. JCAP Gender norms and family planning: Findings from a qualitative study. USAID/Jordan Communication, Advocacy and Policy (JCAP) activity.

Levy J, Kincaid M, Horowitz E*, O’Neill E*. 2016. Disentangling the gender-family planning link in Jordan: A community-based system dynamics model. USAID/JCAP.

Levy J. 2016. Gender integration assessment report: JCAP Project, Years 1 and 2. USAID/Jordan Communication, Advocacy and Policy (JCAP) activity.

Kincaid M, Taukobong H, **Levy J**, Bloom S, Lloveras G. 2016. PEPFAR gender analysis report: Dominican Republic. Global Health Program Cycle Improvement Project | GH Pro. USAID/Dominican Republic.

Morrison K, Mbaga Feler MC, Thiam M, Kincaid M, Taukobong H, Bloom S, **Levy J**. 2016. PEPFAR Gender Analysis Report: Côte d'Ivoire. Global Health Program Cycle Improvement Project | GH Pro Contract No. AID-OAA-C-14-00067 USAID/ Côte d'Ivoire

Deshpande A, **Levy J**, Hastings MB, Trasi R. 2015. Gender transformative supportive supervision: A theoretical framework. USAID Leadership, Management & Governance Project: Washington, DC. Available at: <https://www.msh.org>

Levy, J. 2014. The future of sustainable development, with youth at the centre. In: *The power of 1.8 billion: Adolescents, youth and the transformation of the future*. UNFPA State of World Population Report 2014. Available at: <http://www.unfpa.org/swp>

Bloom S, **Levy J**, Karin N, Stefanik L, Kincaid M, Bartel D, Grimes K. 2014. Guidance for Gender Based Violence (GBV) Monitoring and Mitigation within Non-GBV Focused Sectoral Programming. CARE USA. Available at: www.care.org/GBVMonitoringGuidance

Nutley T, **Levy J**. 2011. Strengthening health service delivery by community-based organizations: The role of data. MEASURE Evaluation: Chapel Hill. Available at: www.cpc.unc.edu/measure/publications

BOOK CHAPTER (*indicates student involvement)

Levy J, Goold A*, Houston A*, Rivera D, Munar W. Gender and Family Planning: A Call to Action. In: Schwartz D, ed. *Maternal Health, Pregnancy-Related Morbidity and Death Among Indigenous Women of Mexico & Central America: An Anthropological, Epidemiological and Biomedical Approach*. Springer Text Book.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*indicates student involvement)

Cislaghi B, Darmstadt G, Greene M, Heise L, **Levy J**, Rao Gupta G, Raj A, Weber A. Launch of *The Lancet Series on Gender Equality, Norms, and Health*. Panel presentation at 2019 Women Deliver Conference, Vancouver, Canada

Levy J and Eaton J*. "Disentangling the Gender–Family Planning Link in Jordan". Poster accepted to 2018 Ending Gender Inequalities: Evidence to Impact, Johannesburg, South Africa

Barden-O'Fallon J, **Levy J**, Speizer I, Curtis S. "Evaluation of Family Planning Impact Evaluation: New Contexts and Methodological Considerations." Paper presented at 2013 International Conference on Family Planning, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Levy J. "Supply, demand, and unmet need: Women and family planning in Central America." Paper presented at 2010 Conference on Contraceptive Security in Latin America and the Caribbean, USAID | Health Policy Initiative, Dominican Republic

Levy J. "Male Involvement in Family Planning" Paper presented at 2009 Latin American Studies Association Conference, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Speizer I, Barden-O'Fallon J, Irani L, **Levy J**. "Ambivalent perceptions towards a prospective pregnancy among contraceptive users in Honduras." Paper presented at 2009 Conference of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Marrakech, Morocco

Speizer I, Barden-O’Fallon J, **Levy J**, Cálix J, Rodriguez F. “Motivations to avoid childbearing among contraceptive users in Honduras: Which women are ambivalent?” Poster presented at 2008 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America, New Orleans, LA, and 2008 European Population Conference, Barcelona, Spain

Levy J. “Social Determinants of Adolescent Unintended Pregnancy in the United States” Paper accepted at 2007 International Conference on Urban Health, Baltimore, MD

Friederic K, **Levy J**, Cross J. “Performing Medical Pluralism: Multisectoral Collaboration and Community-Based Healthcare in Rural Northwestern Ecuador” Paper presented at 2007 Society for Applied Anthropology Conference, Tampa, FL

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Building evidence for decision making: Defining and operationalizing the care economy. USAID and Ford Foundation co-sponsored, official side event at the UN General Assembly. New York City, NY

Special considerations for women and children in health research. Continuing education course at Hospital SOLCA Núcleo de Quito, in Quito, Ecuador

Gender Norms and Health. Invited Lecturer. Green Templeton College, University of Oxford, Oxford, England

Launch of *The Lancet Series on Gender Equality, Norms, and Health*. Press conference, Women Deliver Conference, Vancouver, Canada

Exploring Gender Transformative Approaches: Lessons Learned and New Opportunities in Health Programming

- Invited Guest Moderator, IGWG | Interagency Gender Working Group Annual Plenary

Gender gap at WU School of Medicine

- WUSM Senior Mentoring Night. WUSM Office of Faculty Development. Jan 30, 2020

Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment in the Context of Small-Scale NGO Work

- Women empowering women luncheon. Partners in Sustainable Development Int’l. Sept. 14, 2019.

Gender Transformative Interventions: Evidence Review, Landscaping, and Lessons Learned.

- Monthly Gender Focal Point Meeting. Abt Associates. Jun 14, 2019
- Brown bag learning session. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Feb 14, 2019
- Lancet Series: Writing and Analysis Workshop. Stanford University. Apr 23-25, 2018
- Meeting with the Editor. *The Lancet*. London, UK. Dec 30, 2017

Disentangling the Gender- Family Planning Link in Jordan

- International Area Studies Speaker Series. Jan 25, 2019
- United States Embassy in Jordan. Mar 11, 2018
- MSP Seminar Special Guest Presenter. Mar 23, 2018 and Dec 4, 2018

Use of Group Model Building to Explore Gender Norms Related to Family Planning. Gender Focal Points: Technical Skills Session. Abt Associates, Washington DC. Mar 2, 2018.

Transforming Gender Dynamics to Achieve Health and Development Impact at Scale. Stanford University, Lancet Convening. Feb 1-3, 2017.

SRH and Gender in Health and Development. Women in Global Health Chapter. Dec 6, 2018

Gender and Global Health. Phi Lambda Psi Meeting. Washington University in St. Louis. Feb 5, 2018.

Relationships between social norms and adolescent health behaviors. Plenary Session at the Gates Foundation. Feb 6, 2017.

Gender and Human Rights Panel (panel moderator). Global Poverty Conference: Strategies, Solutions, and Networks. Brown School and WUSTL Career Center. Nov 11, 2016.

Sex and Stigma: Impacts of the Zika Virus (panelist). Washington University Foreign Policy Engagement. Mar 9, 2016.

3rd Annual International Social Work and Public Health Forum (panelist). Nov 22, 2015.

IN-COUNTRY PRACTICE

2023 – present	Amman, Jordan: BWI/USAID gender integration
2019	Xi'an, China: Healthy Futures Project training of trainers on MNCH CHW modules
2017 – present	Nancholi, Malawi: Nancholi Youth Organization, Practicum Advisor
2016 – 2019	Amman, Jordan: JCAP Gender and Family Planning Qualitative Study, GMB activities
2015	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Adolescent Girl Empowerment Study, Evaluation consultant
2012 – 2015	Kabudula, Malawi: Girls' Education Project, Co-manager
2012 – 2015	Butakoola, Uganda: Water Project, Co-manager
2003 – 2014	Esmeraldas, Ecuador: Health Access Project, Co-manager
2009 – 2010	San Salvador, El Salvador: Student and health policy consultant
2009	Quetzaltenango, Guatemala: Qualitative Research, Consultant
2007 – 2009	Tegucigalpa, Honduras: Qualitative and Quantitative Research, Consultant
2007	Agogo, Ghana: Health Project, Consultant
2002 – 2003	Esmeraldas, Ecuador: Gender Health Outreach, Coordinator

GRANTS AND FUNDING

2021 – present	Chroma Collective (Community of practice for donor and financing institutions who have a history of gender mainstreaming in their development efforts.) Gates Foundation Role: Co-founder, co-convener
2016 – 2019	Unlocking gender norm change to achieve health and development impact at scale Lancet Series: The Next Generation of Gender Equality Gates Foundation Role: Principal Author of Systematic Review, Third Paper in Series
2008 – 2014	Mobile Data Gathering Project: El Paramo Region, Ecuador NOKIA Corporation Role: Co-Investigator
2009 – 2010	Data Demand and Information Use: Case Studies from Community-Based Organizations in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador USAID Population and Reproductive Health Project Role: Principal Investigator

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Washington University in St. Louis, Brown School

Primary Instructor

Intro to Public and Global Health, Public Health and Society Undergrad Program (new course)

Transdisciplinary Problem Solving (TPS): Global Reproductive Health (modified course)

TPS: Gender, Poverty and Global Health (new course)

TPS: International Family Planning (new course)

Gender, Youth, and Global Health, College of Arts and Sciences (new course)

Program Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation

Public Health Seminar; Section Discussion Leader

TPS: Pregnancy Outcomes: Social, Biological, and Environmental Determinants

MSP short course: Policy and program development from a gender lens

Capstone II

Invited Lecturer

Global Health, Brown School

Guest Moderator, IGWG | Interagency Gender Working Group Annual Plenary

International Child Welfare, Brown School

Politics of Reproduction, Dept. of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, College of Arts and Sciences

Global Public Health, Brown School

Transdisciplinary Problem Solving: Global Hunger and Undernutrition, Brown School

Community-Based System Dynamics, Brown School

Gender in Health Policy for Global Health Residents, Washington University Medical School

Occupational Therapy, Washington University Medical School

International Family Planning, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health

Independent Studies

Residents' and Nurses' Systems Thinking and their Experience with the Barnes Jewish Hospital Journey to Baby Friendly Designation

PhD Committees

Brittany Ferrell, WUSTL School of Nursing, *The Impact of Perinatal Havening on Maternal Stress*

Remin University of China, Beijing, China (In collaboration with Washington University in St. Louis)

Short course: Gender Integrated Program and Policy Work

IE School of Global and Public Affairs (Madrid, Spain)

Invited Course Instructor for three years

Short course: Adaptive Leadership and Community Empowerment

University of North Carolina Gillings School of Global Public Health

Teaching Assistant

Foundations in Maternal and Child Health

Understanding and Addressing Health Inequities in the United States

Invited Lecturer

Foundations in Maternal and Child Health

International Family Planning Perspectives

Duke University, Durham, NC

Teaching Assistant

Gender and Political Theory

Invited Lecturer

Global Medical Brigades

Global Health Ethics

Global Health

SERVICE

Service to the Profession and University

Ongoing	Ad hoc manuscript review for peer-reviewed scientific journals: <i>The Lancet Global Health</i> <i>Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health</i> <i>SSM Population Health</i> <i>Law and Human Behavior</i> <i>Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy</i>
2024	Guest Editor for Equimundo
2023 – present	PHS PhD Admissions Sub-Committee
2023	Lead curriculum developer for new WUSTL Public Health undergraduate major foundations course, <i>Introduction to public and global health</i> . Appointed by Vice Provost of Interdisciplinary Initiatives
2023 – present	Member, Undergraduate Public Health Major/Minor Committee
2022 – present	Member, SPH Education and Accreditation Subcommittee
2022 – present	Member, University-wide Reproductive Working Group
2021 – present	Co-lead, GAC Strategic Plan Subcommittee on Global Curriculum and Instruction
2021 – 2023	Member, Brown School Faculty Policy Review Committee
2021	Guest Moderator, IGWG Interagency Gender Working Group Annual Plenary
2020 – 2022	Topic Editor, Frontiers in Sociology Special Series: The next generation of gender equality work: Reflective action for health and justice.
2018 – present	Coordinator and advisor for Minga Foundation practicum sites in Malawi and Uganda, Brown School
2018 – present	Member, Women in Global Health Midwest Chapter, WUSTL
2018 – 2021	Global Health Work in Progress Advisory Committee, Institute for Public Health, Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL)
2017 – present	Faculty Advisor, Global Health at Brown Student Group
2017 – present	Chair, Global Health Curriculum, Brown School, WUSTL
2016 – present	Faculty Scholar, Institute for Public Health. WUSTL
2016 – present	Member, Global Advisory Committee (GAC). Brown School, WUSTL
2016 – present	Member, MPH Committee. Brown School, WUSTL
2016 – 2021	Member, Beyond Boundaries Faculty, WUSTL
2016 – 2021	Faculty reviewer and Preparatory Course Instructor, CACE Exams. Brown School
2015	Abstract reviewer, Institute for Public Health Annual Conference, WUSTL
2015	Co-coordinator, presentations and panels for Maternal and Child Health Month, Brown School
2013 – 2014	Member, Drug Shops Technical Consultation Group. FHI 360, Durham, NC
2010 – 2011	Member, Advisory Board, Duke Global Medical Brigades. Duke University

- 2006 – 2008 Co-founder, Duke/UNC Global Health Working Group. Duke University and UNC
- 2006 – 2007 Co-creator, Maternal and Child Health On-line Masters Course. UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health
- 2006 – 2007 Student judge, SPH Monthly Research Poster Competition. UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health

Service to the Local Community

- 2024 – present Chair, Planned Parenthood Great Rivers Action Board, St. Louis, MO
- 2019 – 2024 Member, Board of Directors, Planned Parenthood of St. Louis Region. St. Louis, MO
- 2017 – 2018 FOCUS St. Louis, Impact Fellow. St. Louis, MO
- 2017 Member, Board of Directors, Missouri AppleSeed. St. Louis, MO
- 2008 – 2009 Member, Board of Directors, El Centro Hispano (largest grass-roots Latino NGO in North Carolina). Durham, NC
- 2003 – 2008 Community organizer, Durham CAN: Organizing Coalition. Durham, NC
- 2003 – 2004 Member, Durham Community Health Advisory Council. Durham, NC
- 2003 – 2004 Volunteer HIV counselor. Durham County Health Department. Durham, NC

Service to the International Community

- 2003 – present Co-founder & member, Board of Directors, [The Minga Foundation](#) (small NGO that partners with community-based organizations to improve socioeconomic conditions and health equity among vulnerable populations). Brazil, Ecuador, Malawi, and Uganda
- 2009 – 2010 Volunteer family planning policy consultant, Salvadoran Ministry of Health. El Salvador
- 2009 Medical interpreter, United States Navy Ship (USNS), *The Comfort*. El Salvador
- 2009 International election observer, Centro de Intercambio y Solidaridad. El Salvador
- 2002 – 2003 Gender health outreach program coordinator, MeHiPro. Ecuador

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2023 Nominated by the current Ambassador-at-Large, Global Women's Issues at U.S. Department of State and awarded a position in the 2025 cohort of [WomenLift Health](#)
- 2020 Delta Omega, Honorary Public Health Society; UNC Gillings School of Global PH
- 2017 FOCUS St. Louis, Impact Fellow; St. Louis, MO
- 2015 UNICEF Gender and Development Talent Group, P4-Level. United Nations, New York
- 2011 Edem Effiong Travel Award; UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health
- 2006 – 2008 Carolina Population Center Traineeship; UNC
- 2005 – 2006 Maternal and Child Health Leadership Traineeship; UNC
- 2006 Alpha Epsilon Lambda- National Honor Society for Graduate Students; UNC
- 2006 Sigma Xi- National Scientific Research Society; UNC
- 2000 Barbara A. Liskin M.D. Prize; Smith College, Northampton, MA
- 2000 Praxis Award; Smith College, Northampton, MA
- 1998 – 2000 Psi Chi- National Honor Society in Psychology; Smith College, Northampton, MA