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## AREAS OF RESEARCH AND TEACHING

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Sociology of health, health policy, LGBT health, gender and sexualities, global and transnational sociology, sociology of development, social movements, social networks, aging, demographic and survey research, qualitative methods, undergraduate research engagement, gun violence, state firearm laws, COVID-19 effects on social life

Countries of Expertise: US, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Uganda

## EDUCATION

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- 2013            **PhD in Sociology**, University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2008            **M.A. in Sociology**, University of California, Los Angeles.  
Area Concentrations: Social Stratification, Social Demography
- 2005            **B.A. in Psychology**, with Honors, Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA.

## POSITIONS

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- 2015-present    **Assistant Professor**  
Department of Medicine, Health, and Society, Vanderbilt University
- Associate Director**  
LGBT Policy Lab, Vanderbilt University
- Affiliated Faculty**  
Department of Sociology, Vanderbilt University  
Department of Health Policy, Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies, Vanderbilt University  
Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health, Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
Center for AIDS Research, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- 2013-2015        **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research**  
University of California, Berkeley/University of California, San Francisco
- 2006-2012        **Study Coordinator**  
Community Based Research, AIDS Project Los Angeles
- 2005-2006        **Data Analyst**  
Undergraduate Research Center, Occidental College

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## ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### 2017-present Expert Witness

- Provided case review, expert testimony, and written Country Conditions reports in 7 asylum cases for African Nationals from Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, and Senegal
- Completed UC Hastings Center for Gender & Refugee Studies Training on The Role of Expert Witnesses in Asylum Cases

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (23)

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(\* denotes student/trainee co-author)

### Forthcoming

Carpenter, Christopher S., Gilbert Gonzales, **Tara McKay**, and \*Dario Sansone [alpha order]. Accepted. "Effects of the Affordable Care Act Dependent Coverage Mandate on Health Insurance Coverage for Individuals in Same-Sex Couples." Conditionally Accepted, *Demography*.

NBER Working Paper No. 26978. <https://www.nber.org/papers/w26978>

Metzl, Jonathan, \*Jennifer Piemonte, and **Tara McKay**. Accepted. "A Structural Competency Based Agenda for Firearm Research."

2021 Carpenter, Christopher, \*Sam Eppink, Gilbert Gonzales, and **Tara McKay** [alpha order]. In Press. "Effects of Access to Legal Same-Sex Marriage on Marriage and Health: Evidence from BRFSS." *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.

NBER Working Paper No. 24651. <http://www.nber.org/papers/w24651>

2020 Gonzales, Gilbert, \*Emilio Loret de Mola, \*Kyle A. Gavulic, **Tara McKay**, and Christopher Purcell. "Mental Health Needs Among Sexual and Gender Minority Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic." *Journal of Adolescent Health*.

Metzl, Jonathan, \*Jennifer Piemonte, and **Tara McKay**. "Mental Illness, Mass Shootings, and The Future of Psychiatric Research into American Gun Violence." *Harvard Review of Psychiatry*.

2019 Angotti, Nicole, **Tara McKay**, and Rachel Sullivan Robinson [alpha order]. "Lgbt Visibility and Anti-Gay Backlash: Unintended Consequences of Responses to HIV/AIDS in Malawi and Senegal." *Sociology of Development* 5(1):71-90.

Gonzales, Gilbert, **Tara McKay**, and Christopher Carpenter. "Disparities in Health Insurance Coverage and Access to Care for Children by Mother's Sexual Orientation." *Maternal and Child Health* 24:630-639. DOI 10.1007/s10995-019-02857-7.

2017 Currier, Ashley, and **Tara McKay**. "Pursuing Social Justice through Public Health: Gender and Sexual Diversity Activism in Malawi." *Critical African Studies* 9(1):71-90. DOI: 10.1080/21681392.2017.1283637.

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- Gonzales, Gilbert, and **Tara McKay**. "What an Emerging Trump Administration Means for LGBT Health." *Health Equity* 1(1):83-86. DOI: 10.1089/heq.2017.0002.
- McKay, Tara**, and Stefan Timmermans. "Beyond Health Effects? Examining the Social Consequences of Community Levels of Uninsurance Pre-ACA." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 58(1):4-22. DOI: 10.1177/0022146516684537.
- 2016 **McKay, Tara**. "From Marginal to Marginalised: The Inclusion of Men Who Have Sex with Men in Global and National AIDS Programmes and Policy." *Global Public Health* 11(7-8): 902-922.
- McKay, Tara**, and Nicole Angotti. "Ready Rhetorics: Political Homophobia and Activist Discourses in Malawi, Nigeria, and Uganda." *Qualitative Sociology* 39(4): 397-420.
- 2013 Mutchler, Matt G., **Tara McKay**, Bryce McDavitt, and \*Kristie K. Gordon. "Using Peer Ethnography to Address Health Disparities in Hard-to-Reach Populations of Young Men." *American Journal of Public Health* 103(5): 849-852.
- 2012 Bogart, Laura M., Glenn J. Wagner, Matt G. Mutchler, Brian Risley, Bryce McDavitt, **Tara McKay**, and David J. Klein. "Community HIV Treatment Advocacy Programs May Support HIV Treatment Adherence." *AIDS Education and Prevention* 24(1): 1-14.
- McKay, Tara**, Bryce McDavitt, Sheba George, and Matt G. Mutchler. "'Their Type of Drugs': Substance Use, Sex, and Social Boundaries among Young African American and Latino Gay and Bisexual Men." *Culture, Health & Sexuality* 14(10): 1183-1196.
- 2011 Craney, Chris, **Tara McKay**, April Mazzeo, Janet Morris, Cheryl Prigodich, and Robert deGroot. "Cross Discipline Perceptions of the Undergraduate Research Experience." *Journal of Higher Education* 82(1): 92-113.
- McKay, Tara**, and Matt G. Mutchler. "The Effect of Partner Sex: Nondisclosure of HIV Status to Male and Female Partners among Men who Have Sex with Men and Women (MSMW)." *AIDS & Behavior* 15(6): 1140-1152.
- Mutchler, Matt G., **Tara McKay**, Honghu Liu, Norman Candelario, Bill Stackhouse, Trista Bingham, and George Ayala. "Sex Drugs, Peer Connections, and HIV: Use and Risk among African American, Latino, and Multiracial Young Men who have Sex with Men (YMSM) in Los Angeles and New York." *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Social Services* 23(2): 271-295.
- Mutchler, Matt G., Glenn Wagner, Burt Cowgill, **Tara McKay**, Brian Risley, and Laura Bogart. "Improving HIV/AIDS Care through Treatment Advocacy: Going beyond Client Education to Empowerment by Facilitating Client-Provider Relationships." *AIDS Care* 23(1): 79-90.
- 2010 Hatfield, Laura A., Margherita E. Ghiselli, Scott M. Jacoby, Anne Cain-Nielson, Gunna Killian, **Tara McKay**, and B.R. Simon Rosser. "Methods for Recruiting Men of Color Who Have Sex with Men in Prevention-for-Positives Interventions." *Prevention Science* 11(1): 56-66.
- 2009 Timmermans, Stefan and **Tara McKay**. "Clinical Trials as Treatment Option: Bioethics and Health Inequities in Substance Dependency." *Social Science & Medicine* 69(12):1784-1790.

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- 2008 Mutchler, Matt G., Laura M. Bogart, Marc N. Elliot, **Tara McKay**, Marika J. Suttorp, and Mark A. Schuster. "Psychosocial Correlates of Unprotected Sex without Disclosure of HIV-positivity among African-American, Latino, and White Men who Have Sex with Men and Women." *Archives of Sexual Behavior* 37(5):736-748.
- 2006 Gorman, Andrea H., David Schwartz, Jonathan Nakamoto, and **Tara McKay**. "Popularity, Social Acceptance, and Aggression in Adolescent Peer Groups: Links with Academic Performance and School Attendance." *Developmental Psychology* 42(6):1116-1127.

### UNPUBLISHED WORKING PAPERS (2)

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(\* denotes student/trainee co-author)

- 2020 **McKay, Tara**, Jeff Henne, Gilbert Gonzales, Rebecca Quarles, \*Kyle A. Gavulic and Sergio Garcia Gallegos. "The COVID-19 Pandemic and Sexual Behavior among Men Who Have Sex with Men (MSM) in the United States." SSRN Working Paper No. 3614113 [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3614113](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3614113)
- McKay, Tara**, Jonathan Metzl, and \*Jennifer Piemonte. "Effects of Statewide Coronavirus Public Health Measures and State Gun Laws on American Gun Violence." SSRN Working Paper No. 3680050. [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3680050](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3680050)

### BOOK CHAPTERS (2)

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- 2021 **McKay, Tara**. "Struggles for Inclusion: Incorporating Same-Sex Practicing Men into National HIV Prevention and Surveillance in African Countries." In Sandfort, T. (ed). Contracted. *HIV and Sex between Men in Africa: National and International Responses*. Springer.
- 2018 **McKay, Tara**. "From Marginal to Marginalised: The Inclusion of Men Who Have Sex with Men in Global and National AIDS Programmes and Policy." In Perez-Brumer, Amaya, Richard Parker, and Peter Aggleton (eds.) *Rethinking MSM, Trans\* and other Categories in HIV Prevention*. Routledge.

### COMMENTARIES/BOOK REVIEWS (5)

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- 2019 **McKay, Tara**. "Achieving Access: Professional Movements and the Politics of Health Universalism. By Joseph Harris. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2017. Pp vii-268." *American Journal of Sociology*.
- 2017 **McKay, Tara**. "The Social Costs of Repealing the ACA." *Health Affairs Blog*. <http://healthaffairs.org/blog/2017/03/07/the-social-costs-of-repealing-the-aca-2/>
- McKay, Tara**. "Communities plagued by uninsurance also suffer from breakdowns in trust, social connection." *The Conversation*. \*Republished through Creative Commons License by AP, NY Magazine, SF Gate, and several other online publications. <https://theconversation.com/communities-plagued-by-uninsurance-also-suffer-from-breakdowns-in-trust-social-connection-71602>
- McKay, Tara**, and Gilbert Gonzales. "Two Things Health Researchers and Allies Can Do Right Now to Advance LGBT Research." *Health Affairs Blog*.

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- 2009 **McKay, Tara**, and Stefan Timmermans. "The Bioethical Misconception: A Reply to Lidz." *Social Science & Medicine* 69(12):1793-1796.

### **POLICY BRIEFS & WHITE PAPERS (6)**

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(\* denotes student/trainee co-author)

- 2020 **McKay, Tara**, Jeff Henne, Gilbert Gonzales, Rebecca Quarles, Sergio Garcia Gallegos. "The Impact of COVID-19 on LGBTQ Americans." Research Brief. Prepared for the Nashville Mayor's Office.
- McKay, Tara**, Jeff Henne, Gilbert Gonzales, Rebecca Quarles, and Sergio Garcia Gallegos. "Sex, Relationships, and COVID-19: Sexual Behavior Change among Gay and Bisexual Men in the US." Research Brief. Prepared for the Nashville/Davidson County Mayor's Office.
- McKay, Tara**, and \*Bailey Via. "Older LGBTQ Tennesseans and COVID-19." Research Brief. Prepared for the Nashville/Davidson County Mayor's Office.
- 2017 **McKay, Tara**, and Stefan Timmermans. "Policy Brief: Beyond Health Effects? Examining the Social Consequences of Community Levels of Uninsurance Pre-ACA." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. 1. DOI: [10.1177/0022146516688225](https://doi.org/10.1177/0022146516688225).
- Angotti, Nicole, **Tara McKay**, and Rachel Sullivan Robinson [alpha order]. "Political Homophobia, Health, and Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa." Research Brief. Prepared for Center for Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance, USAID, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 **McKay, Tara**, and Miguel Muñoz-Laboy. "Latino Men who have Sex with Men and Women & HIV Prevention." (Broadsheet) Acción Mutua/Shared Action, AIDS Project Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA. [http://www.sharedaction.org/pdf/BISEX\\_FINAL\\_021711.pdf](http://www.sharedaction.org/pdf/BISEX_FINAL_021711.pdf)

### **UNDER REVIEW (5)**

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(\* denotes student/trainee co-author)

- Angotti, Nicole, **Tara McKay**, Rachel Sullivan Robinson [alpha order]. Under review. "Creativity and Resilience in LGBT Organizing in Nigeria after the Same Sex Marriage Prohibition Act."
- Gonzales, Gilbert, \*Emilio Loret de Mola, \*Lena Robertson, \*Kyle A. Gavulic, **Tara McKay**, and Christophe Purcell. Under review. "Health Status, Access to Care, and Vulnerabilities Among Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender College Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic."
- McKay, Tara**. Under review. "Social Networks and Health among Older LGBT Adults in the San Francisco Bay Area."
- McKay, Tara**, Jeff Henne, Gilbert Gonzales, Rebecca Quarles, \*Kyle A. Gavulic and Sergio Garcia Gallegos. Under review. "Effects of State Public Health Measures to Control COVID-19 on Sexual Behavior among Gay and Bisexual Men in the United States."

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**McKay, Tara**, Jonathan Metzl, and \*Jennifer Piedmont. Under review. "Effects of COVID-19 Public Health Measures and State Gun Laws on Gun Violence in the US from March to June 2020."

### MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION (6)

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(\* denotes student/trainee co-author)

\*Barbee, Harry, Laura Carpenter, and **Tara McKay** [alpha order]. In preparation. "Identifying Risky Partners: Queer Sex in a Pandemic."

\*Facciani, Matthew, and **Tara McKay**. In preparation. "Loss of Alters with Different Political Views after the 2016 Election."

**McKay, Tara**, \*Ellesse-Roselee Akré, Gilbert Gonzales, and \*Maya Taylor. In preparation. "LGBTQ Health and COVID-19: State of the Research."

**McKay, Tara**, Nicole Angotti, and Rachel Sullivan Robinson. In preparation. "What's going on with COVID cases in African Countries?"

**McKay, Tara**, José Cossa, and \*Naveen Krishnan. In preparation. "The Limitations of Health Rights Discourse: Advancing LGBT Rights and Health in Mozambique."

**McKay, Tara**, \*Matthew Facciani, and \*Harry Barbee. In preparation. "Alter Loss Following a Major Health Event among Older LGBT Adults in the UCNets LGBT Oversample."

### GRANTS AND SUPPORT

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#### Active (6)

2019-2024	<b>PI</b> "Effects of Social Networks and Policy Context on Health among Older Sexual and Gender Minorities in the US South." (R01) National Institute on Aging
2020-2022	<b>PI</b> "Diversity Supplement: Effects of Social Networks and Policy Context on Health among Older Sexual and Gender Minorities in the US South." (R01) National Institute on Aging Post Doc: Harry Barbee, Vanderbilt University
2020-2022	<b>Co-PI</b> "Vanderbilt Social Networks, Aging, and Policy Study (VUSNAPS) Buccal DNA Collection" Discovery Grant, Vanderbilt University Co-PI: Lauren Gaydosh, Medicine, Health, and Society, Vanderbilt University
2019-2022	<b>Co-I</b> "Expanding Research Examining the Health and Equity Impacts of Population-Focused Public Policies and How They Relate to the LGBT Community." Robert Wood Johnson Foundation PI: Christopher Carpenter, Economics, Vanderbilt University
2020-2021	<b>Co-I</b>

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“Violence, Discrimination, and Political Engagement among Older LGBT Adults in the US South”

LGBT Policy Lab Small Grants, Vanderbilt University

PI: Kristin Michelitch, Political Science, Vanderbilt University

2020

**PI**

“National Study of Effects of COVID-19 on LGBTQ Americans”

Chair’s Research Grant

Vanderbilt University

### Completed (11)

2018-2019

**PI**

“LGBT Rights, Organizing, and Health in Criminalized Contexts”

Research Scholar Grant

Vanderbilt University

2017-2018

**PI**

“LGBT Rights and Health in Mozambique”

Research Scholar Grant

Vanderbilt University

2016-2018

**Co-I**

“Examining the Health Impact of Policies Related to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community to Address Gaps in Health-Equity Research.”

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

P.I.: Christopher Carpenter, Economics, Vanderbilt University

2015-2018

**Co-I**

Administrative Supplement: “Social Networks and Health among Older Lesbian and Gay Men”

Primary Award: “Understanding How Personal Networks Change” (R01)

National Institute on Aging

P.I.: Claude Fischer, Sociology, UC Berkeley

2017

**PI**

“Effects of Uninsurance on American Communities”

Politics of Health in the US South Trans-Institutional Program Faculty Research Grant

Vanderbilt University

2017

**PI**

“Politicized Homophobia and LGBT Organizing in Nigeria”

African Studies Trans-Institutional Program Faculty Research Grant

Vanderbilt University

2016

**PI**

“Recruitment Supplement: LGBT Aging, Social Networks, and Health in the San Francisco Bay Area”

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Research Scholars Alumni Fund

Co-I: Claude Fischer, Sociology, UC Berkeley

2012-2013

**Co-PI**

“Dissertation Research: The Local Implementation of Global AIDS Prevention Policies”

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National Science Foundation  
P.I.: Stefan Timmermans, Sociology, UCLA

- 2012-2013 **Graduate Research Assistant**  
Keeping Gay and Bisexual Men Safe: A Critical History of HIV Prevention  
Canadian Institute of Health Research  
PI: Adam Isaiah Green, Sociology, University of Toronto
- 2011-2013 **Graduate Student Researcher**  
Spillover Effects of Communities without Health Insurance  
National Science Foundation  
P.I.: Stefan Timmermans, Sociology, UCLA
- 2012 **Graduate Research Assistant**  
External Evaluation of the Southern African Regional Social and Behaviour Change  
Communication (SBCC) Programme, as Implemented in Malawi  
UK Department for International Development (DfID)  
P.I.: Paul Hutchinson, Public Health & Tropical Medicine, Tulane University
- 2007, 2010 **Fieldwork and Data Collection Graduate Research Assistant**  
Malawi Longitudinal Study of Families and Health (MLSFH)  
National Institute of Child Health and Development  
P.I.: Hans Peter Kohler, Sociology, University of Pennsylvania
- 2009 **Graduate Investigator**  
“Seed Grant: Clinical Trials as Treatment Options for People Living with HIV and AIDS”  
California Center for Population Research, UCLA  
Faculty Sponsor: Stefan Timmermans, Sociology, UCLA
- 2007-2008 **Research Training Fellow**  
“Disclosure of HIV Status among Latino Men Who Have Sex with Men and Women”  
California HIV Research Program  
Faculty Sponsor: Stefan Timmermans, Sociology, UCLA  
Community-Based Organization Sponsor: Matt G. Mutchler, Community Based  
Research, AIDS Project Los Angeles
- 2007 **Graduate Summer Research Fellow**  
“Perceptions of Voluntary Counseling and Testing for HIV in Rural Malawi”  
Graduate Division, UCLA  
Faculty Sponsor: Susan Cotts Watkins, California Center for Population Research, UCLA
- 2005-2012 **Study Personnel**  
“Sex Drugs and HIV: Perceptions of Young Gay Men of Color” (R03)  
National Institute on Drug Abuse  
PI: Matt Mutchler, Community Based Research, AIDS Project Los Angeles
- “Evaluation of Treatment Advocacy in Improving HIV Care Management” (R01)  
National Institute on Nursing Research  
PI: Laura Bogart, Behavioral Sciences, RAND Corporation
- “Treatment Advocacy Intervention for HIV-Positive African Americans” (R01)  
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities



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PI: Laura Bogart, Behavioral Sciences, RAND Corporation

“Medical Mistrust, Social Networks, and Disparities in HIV Care among Blacks” (R01)  
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

PI: Laura Bogart, Psychology, Children’s Hospital Corporation

“Pilot Intervention for Discrimination and Medical Mistrust among HIV Positive Black Men” (R34)

National Institute on Mental Health

PI: Laura Bogart, Psychology, Children’s Hospital Corporation

“Positive Connections: RCT HIV Prevention Program for Persons with HIV” (R01)  
National Institute on Mental Health

PI: B.R. Simon Rosser, Epidemiology and Community Health, University of Minnesota

2004-2005

## **Project Coordinator**

Social Development Lab

P.I.: Andrea Hopmeyer, Psychology, Occidental College

## **TEACHING**

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2015-

### **Instructor**

Center for Medicine, Health & Society, Vanderbilt University

- *MHS 1920: Politics of Health.*
  - Spring 2016
  - Fall 2016
- *MHS 2610/MHS 3890: Responding to Global Health Crises.*
  - Fall 2015
  - Spring 2016
  - Spring 2017
  - Fall 2017
  - Spring 2018
  - Fall 2020
  - Spring 2021
- *MHS 6500: Quantitative Data Analysis and Data Visualization (Graduate).*
  - Fall 2016
  - Fall 2020
- *University Course (UNIV 3225/UNIV 5225): The Nation’s Health: From Policy to Practice*
  - Spring 2017
  - Spring 2018.

2011-2012

### **Instructor**

Department of Sociology, UCLA

- *Sociology 20: Research Methods.*
  - Summer, 2011
  - Summer 2012

2007-2009

### **Teaching Assistant**

Department of Sociology, UCLA

- *Sociology 1: Introduction to Sociology.*

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- Spring 2008
- *Sociology 20: Research Methods.*
  - Winter 2008
  - Spring 2009
- *Sociology 138: Death, Suicide, and Trauma.*
  - Winter 2009
- *Sociology 157: Social Stratification.*
  - Fall 2008
- *Sociology 170: Medical Sociology.*
  - Fall 2007

## **Continuing Education for Teaching**

Online Course Design Institute, two-week course, Vanderbilt Center for Teaching. 2020.

Course Design Institute, one-week course, Vanderbilt Center for Teaching. 2016.

## **SERVICE**

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### **MENTORSHIP & RESEARCH SUPERVISION**

#### **Postdoctoral Advisor**

Ellesse-Rosalee Akre, 2020-present

Harry Barbee, 2020-present

Matthew Facciani, 2020-present

#### **Graduate Student Mentoring**

##### **Master's Committee Chair and Co-Chair, VU**

Juliana Buccino, 2015-2016, Dental student, Arizona College of Dental Medicine

Peter Kent-Stoll, 2016-2018, Doctoral student, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Alexandra Blair, 2017-2018, Senior Consultant, Ernst & Young, New York, NY

Lauren Williams, 2017-2019, Clinical Trial Specialist at Sarah Cannon Research Institute, Nashville, TN

Ryan Hale, 2020-present

Katie Phillips, 2020-present

##### **MD/MPH Mentorship Committee, VUMC**

Cooper March, 2020-present, Medical Student

##### **MPH Mentorship Committee, VUMC**

Nicole Quinones, 2017-2019, Patient Services Coordinator & Data Analyst at Choices, Memphis Center for Reproductive Health

##### **Health Policy Research Scholars Mentor, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**

James Huynh, 2021-present, University of California, Los Angeles

#### **Undergraduate Student Mentoring**

##### **Undergraduate Honor's Thesis Advisor, VU**

Paige Kelley, Healthcare Associate at Huron, Dallas, TX

Naveen Krishnan, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania

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Lausanne Miller, Peace Corps (Togo); Administrative Coordinator at Clinton Health Access Initiative, Inc., Boston, MA  
Lindsay Mosca  
Zoe Mulraine

## **Undergraduate Research Supervisor**

Linda Cui, Sarah Giordano, Katie Gao, Emily Gonçalves, Sarah Hoffner, Lily Jaremski, Miller Morris, Serena Musungu, Hannah Nesson, Keaton Song, Maya Taylor

**Undergraduate Research Mentor**, Sally Casanova Scholars, California Predoctoral Program

**Professional Mentor**, UCLA College Fellows Program

## **MHS**

Publicity Committee (Chair) and Editor, MHS Annual Report (2015-2021, excluding 2018-2019)  
Graduate Curriculum Committee (2016-2017; 2017-2018)  
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (2015-2016; 2020-2021)  
MHS Colloquium Committee (2015-2016)  
MHS Faculty Search Committee (Co-Chair: 2020 x2; Member: 2017, 2018)

## **VU/VUMC**

Member, Diversity, Equity, and Engagement Committee, College of Arts and Science (2021-present)  
Member, Executive Committee, Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab (2020-present)  
Core Faculty, Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab (2017-2020)  
Faculty Advisor, Partners in Health: Engage (2015-present)

Referee, Application Review Committee, Undergraduate Summer Research Program (2020, 2021)  
Referee, Ad Hoc Member, Doctoral Program Admissions Committee, Department of Health Policy (2020)

Contributor, International Lens Film Series (2017-2020)  
Contributor, Africa at a Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects TIPS (2016-2018)  
Contributor, Politics of Health in the US South TIPS (2015-2017)

## **PROFESSION**

**NIH Referee**, Ad Hoc Member, Social Sciences Population Studies Section B (2021)  
**NIH Referee**, Ad Hoc Member, Mental Health Services Research Committee (SERV), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH; 2020)

## **Editorial Board**

*Journal of Health and Social Behavior* (2018-2021)  
*Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health* (2019-2022)

## **Journal Referee**

*AIDS & Behavior*  
*African Studies Review*  
*American Journal of Sociology*  
*American Sociological Review*  
*Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*  
*British Medical Journal (BMJ)*  
*Crime, Law, & Social Change*  
*Culture, Health & Sexuality*  
*Gender & Society*

*Global Health Action*  
*Global Public Health*  
*Health Affairs*  
*Health Equity*  
*International Journal of Epidemiology*  
*Journal of Affective Disorders*  
*Journal of Health and Social Behavior*  
*Journal of Homosexuality*  
*Journal of Men's Health*

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*PLOS One*  
*Public Health Reports*  
*SAGE Open*  
*SAGE Publications (Books)*  
*Social Problems*

*Social Science & Medicine*  
*Society & Mental Health*  
*Sociological Forum*  
*Socius*  
*Substance Use & Misuse*

## Other

Social Media Content Editor, ASA Sexualities Section (2012-2017)

## COMMUNITY

Expert Witness, Asylum Cases (2017-present; 7 cases)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- 2017      **Allyship of the Year**, Office of LGBTQI Life, Vanderbilt University
- 2012      **Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship**
- 2012      **UCLA Dissertation Completion Fellowship**
- 2012      **Elizabeth Blackwell Graduate Paper Award**, Center for the Study of Women, UCLA
- 2011      **Martin Levine Dissertation Award**, Honorable Mention, Sexualities Section, ASA
- 2010      **Excellence in Teaching Award**, Department of Sociology, UCLA
- 2009, 2006      **Graduate Fellowship**, Sociology, UCLA
- 2008      **Rosenstein Student Scholarship Award**, HIV/AIDS Section, APHA
- 2008      **Excellent Poster Presentation Award**, Student Section, APHA
- 2004, 2003      **Howard Hughes Medical Institute Fellow**, Occidental College

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS, LAST 5 YEARS

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2021      (January) "Effects of Statewide Coronavirus Public Health Measures and State Gun Laws on Nonsuicide Firearm Injuries and Deaths." Vanderbilt University.

2020      (November) "What's going on with COVID-19 Cases in African Countries?" Vanderbilt University.

(November) with \*Christopher Carpenter, Gilbert Gonzales, and \*Dario Sansone. "Effects of the Affordable Care Act Dependent Coverage Mandate on Health Insurance Coverage for Individuals in Same-Sex Couples." American Economic Association Virtual Seminar Series on LGBTQ+ Individuals.

\*\*This paper was also presented by one or more co-authors in 2020 at the US Census Bureau, Bentley University, and Vanderbilt University.

(October) "LGBTQ Health and COVID-19: State of the Research as of October 2020." Health Equity Seminar Series. Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

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- (September) "The COVID-19 Pandemic and Sexual Behavior among Gay and Bisexual Men in the United States." Gender and Sexuality Seminar Series. Vanderbilt University.
- (August) "VUSNAPS Sample and Data." UC Berkeley Social Networks Conference. Berkeley, CA.
- (June) "Taking Pride in Health." Webinar hosted by FiftyForward with Metro Nashville City Council Member Nancy VanReece and community partners.
- (April) with Gilbert Gonzales. "LGBTQ Health in the Age of COVID." Webinar hosted by Nashville Davidson County Mayor's Office, the Metro Nashville LGBTQ Caucus, and the Metro Nashville City Council with Metro Nashville City Council Member Nancy VanReece and community partners.
- 2018 (April) "MSM, HIV, and Rights in Global Health." Guest Lecture, American University, Washington, D.C.
- (March) "LGBT Rights and Health in sub-Saharan Africa." Africa TIPS Lecture Series, Vanderbilt University.
- (March) "Social Networks, Health, and Policy: Considerations for Older LGBT Adults." Southern LGBTQ Health Symposium, Nashville, TN.
- 2017 (December) "International LGBT Issues." Gender Matters Seminar Series, Women's and Gender Studies, Vanderbilt University.
- (November). "Author Meets Critic: AIDS and Masculinity in the African City." African Studies Association, Chicago, IL.
- (September) "The History of Health Reform in the US." Panelist, Vanderbilt Historical Review, Vanderbilt University.
- (September) "Pursuing Social Justice through Global Health Research and Science." Keynote, Global Engagement Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University.
- (August) "The Social Costs of Uninsurance: What Happens When Communities are Systematically Denied Coverage?" New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Center for Community Health Action, New York, NY.
- (May) with Gilbert Gonzales. "Health Policy and Advocacy." Senior Day Faculty Seminar, Vanderbilt University.
- (April) "HIV and Mortality Data." Guest Lecture, Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University
- (January) with Nicole Angotti and Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "LGBT Backlash in African Countries." Center for Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance, USAID, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 (October) with Nicole Angotti and \*Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "HIV Interventions and Homophobic Backlashes in Sub-Saharan Africa." Bill and Melinda Gates Institute for Population and Reproductive Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

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- (August) "Prioritizing Gay Men and Other Men Who Have Sex with Men in Global and National AIDS Policy." Mathematica Policy Research, Oakland, CA.
- (April) "HIV & African Politics." Guest Lecture, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.
- (March) "Global Health Policy & Gay Men" Guest Lecture, Department of Sociology, American University, Washington, D.C.
- 2015 (December) Panelist, World AIDS Day Panel, Lambda Association, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.
- (November) "Explaining Differences in Same-Sex Criminalization Laws in Three African Countries." Guest Lecture, Public Policy Studies, Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University, Vanderbilt University, TN.

### **SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, LAST 5 YEARS**

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(\* denotes presenting co-author; \*\*comments on presentation/venue)

- 2020 (October) "Comparison of a random and nonrandom sample of older sexual and gender minority adults in the San Francisco Bay Area." American Public Health Association, San Francisco, CA.  
\*\*retracted (COVID)
- (August) "Alter Loss Following a Major Health Event among Older LGBT Adults in the UCNets LGBT Oversample." UC Berkeley Social Networks Conference. Berkeley, CA.  
\*\*held virtually (COVID)
- (August) "Aging, Mental Health and Support from Nonkin among Older LGBT Adults." American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.  
\*\*retracted (COVID)
- with José Cossa and Naveen Krishnan. "Advancing LGBT Rights and Health in Mozambique: 'Quiet Activism' and the Challenges of Health Rights Discourse." American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.  
\*\*session canceled (COVID)
- (June) "Alter Loss Following a Major Health Event among Older LGBT Adults in the UCNets LGBT Oversample." International Network for Social Networks Analysis. Paris, France.  
\*\*conference canceled (COVID)
- "In the Family? Kin Presence and Health among Older Sexual and Gender Minorities." International Network for Social Networks Analysis. Paris, France.  
\*\*conference canceled (COVID)
- (April) Session Chair. "Fertility and Reproductive Health of Sexual and Gender Minorities." Population Association of America. Washington, D.C.  
\*\*session canceled (COVID)

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- 2019 (October) "Gays Engage: Mobilizing for Rights and Health across the African Continent." Sociology of Development Conference, South Bend, IN.
- (August) with Nicole Angotti and \*Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "Lgbt Organizing Strategies in Repressive Contexts: Nigeria after the Same Sex Marriage Prohibition Act." American Sociological Association, New York, NY.
- 2018 (August) with Nicole Angotti and \*Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "Creativity and Resilience in LGBT Organizing in Nigeria after the Same-Sex Marriage Prohibition Act." Sexualities Preconference, American Sociological Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- (April) with Christopher Carpenter, Sam Eppink, and Gilbert Gonzales. "Effects of Access to Legal Same-Sex Marriage on Marriage and Health: Evidence from BRFSS." Population Association of America, Denver, CO.
- \*\*This paper was also presented by one or more co-authors in 2018 and 2019 at the following conferences and seminars: 2019 German Health Economics Association conference, 2019 American Economic Association conference, 2018 Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management conference, 2018 American Society of Health Economics conference, 2018 Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behavior, and Economic Outcomes, 2018 Boston University Public Health Sciences Workshop, US Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), American University, Hunter College, Johns Hopkins University, RAND, Inc., Marquette University, Texas A&M University, University of California, San Diego, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, University of Louisville, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, University of South Carolina, Vanderbilt University, West Virginia University.
- 2017 (November) with Nicole Angotti and Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "Creativity and Resilience in LGBT Organizing in Nigeria after the Same-Sex Marriage Prohibition Act." African Studies Association, Chicago, IL.
- (November) Session Chair. "Challenging Institutions through Policy Innovation, Party Strategies, and Activism: Views from Political Science, Sociology, and Education." African Studies Association, Chicago, IL.
- (August) with \*Nicole Angotti and Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "HIV Interventions, LGBT Visibility, and Anti-Gay Backlash in Malawi and Senegal." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.
- (April) "Social Networks and Health among Older LGBT Adults in the San Francisco Bay Area." Population Association of America, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 (December) with Nicole Angotti and \*Rachel Sullivan Robinson. "Health Interventions, Anti-Western Sentiment, and Homophobia in Sub-Saharan Africa." African Studies Association, Washington, D.C.
- (August) "The Effects of Aid on Attitudes toward Homosexuality in Malawi." American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.
- (August) with Ashley Currier. "Pursuing Social Justice through Public Health: Gender and Sexual Diversity Activism in Malawi." American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.

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- (August) with \*Rachel Sullivan Robinson and Nicole Angotti. "Health Interventions, Anti-Western Sentiment, and Homophobia in Sub-Saharan Africa." American Sociological Association Comparative Historical Section Pre-Conference, Seattle, WA.
- (July) "Including Men Who Have Sex with Men in National AIDS Programs, 2001-2014." Poster presented at the International AIDS Conference, Durban, South Africa.
- (April) "Social Networks and Health among Older LGBT Adults in the San Francisco Bay Area." International Network for Social Network Analysis, Newport Beach, CA.
- (March) "Pursing Social Justice through Public Health in Malawi and the US South." Conference on the Politics of Health in the US South, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.
- 2015 (August) with Nicole Angotti. "Ready Rhetorics: International LGBT Activism, Local Contexts, and Political Homophobia in Malawi, Nigeria, and Uganda." American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.
- (June) "Beyond Health Effects? The Social Consequences of Community Levels of Uninsurance pre-ACA." Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Research Scholars Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- (April) with \*Nicole Angotti. "Love Crimes: The Expansion of Criminalization of Same-sex Sex in Three African Countries." Population Association of America, San Diego, CA.

### **MEDIA ENGAGEMENT, LAST 5 YEARS**

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- 2020 4 June 2020. "Data Suggests That COVID-19 Is Especially Affecting LGBTQ Nashvillians." *Nashville Scene*.
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