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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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2011 - Present      Assistant Professor, School of International Service, American University

2009 - 2011      Postdoctoral Fellow, Duke Global Health Institute, Duke University

## EDUCATION

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2009    Ph.D.      Health Behavior, Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC)  
Dissertation: "Geographic and Social Influences on HIV Risk Behavior among Urban Young Men in Tanzania"  
Committee: Suzanne Maman (chair), Sharon Weir, Irene Doherty, Jo Anne Earp, Susan Ennett, Michael Bowling

2004    MPH      Health Behavior and Health Education, Gillings School of Global Public Health, UNC  
MA project: "A Participatory Assessment of the Latino Community of Carrboro, NC"

1996    B.A.      Psychology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Highest Honors;  
Honors' thesis: "Influence of Surgeons' Attitudes on Patients' Decisions for Breast Cancer Treatment"

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Dean's Summer Research Award, American University School of International Service      2015
- Research Proposal Competition Award, American University Faculty Retreat (\$5,000)      2014
- Health Disparities Scholar, National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Program 2013-2014; 2010-2012
- American University International Travel Award for Faculty      2012-2013
- Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service (dissertation fellowship)      2007-2009
- C.V. Starr International Research Award, University of NC , Chapel Hill (\$7500)      2006-2007
- Glaxo Smith Kline Student Research Award (\$5,000)      2007-2008
- Global Health Fellow, Duke University's Sanford Institute of Public Policy Program on Global Policy and Governance in Geneva, Switzerland      2006
- Intern, World Health Organization, Department of Gender, Women & Health      2006
- Doctoral Research Travel Award, UNC Center for Global Initiatives (\$1000)      2006
- Meritorious Student Paper Award, Society of Behavioral Medicine      2006
- Field Research Travel Award, UNC, Institute for Latin American Studies (\$1013)      2005
- Doctoral Merit Assistantship, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill      2004 – 2005
- Member, Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health      2004
- Lucy S. Morgan Fellowship Award, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, prize for outstanding leadership in Health Behavior and Health Education (\$5000)      2004
- Undergraduate Research Award, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill      1995-1996
- Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Society, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill      1995

**PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

**\*denotes my student, mentee or research assistant**

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17. **Yamanis T**, Nolan E\*, Shepler S (2016). Fears and misperceptions of the Ebola response system during the 2014-2015 outbreak in Sierra Leone. *PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases*, 10(10): e0005077.
16. **Yamanis T**, Dervisevic E\*, Mulawa M, Conserve D, Barrington C, Kajula L, Maman S (2016). Social network influence on HIV testing among urban men in Tanzania. *AIDS and Behavior*. Epub ahead of print 9 August 2016.
15. Mulawa M\*, **Yamanis T**, Balvanz P, Kajula L, Maman S (2016). Comparing perceptions with actual reports of close friend's HIV testing behavior among urban Tanzanian men. *AIDS and Behavior*, 20: 2014-2022
14. Mulawa M\*, **Yamanis T**, Hill L, Balvanz P, Kajula L, Maman S (2016). Evidence of social network influence on multiple HIV risk behaviors and normative beliefs among young Tanzanian men. *Social Science and Medicine*. Mar; 15: 35-43.
13. Kajula L, Balvanz P, Kilonzo M, Mwikoko G, **Yamanis T**, Mulawa M, Kajuna D, Hill L, Conserve D, McNaughton Reyes H, Maman S (2016). Vijana Vijiweni II: A cluster-randomized trial to evaluate the efficacy of a microfinance and peer health leadership intervention for HIV and intimate partner violence prevention among social networks of young men in Dar es Salaam. *BMC Public Health*. epub ahead of print 3 February 2016.
12. Mulawa M\*, Kajula L, **Yamanis T**, Balvanz P, Kilonzo M, Maman S (2016). Perpetration and victimization of intimate partner violence among young men and women in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. Epub ahead of print 22 Jan 2016.
11. Palazzolo S\*, **Yamanis T**, De Jesus M, Maguire-Marshall M\*, Barker S (2016). Documentation status as a contextual determinant of HIV risk among transgender immigrant Latinas. *LGBT Health*. Apr;3(2):132-8. PMID: 26669583
10. Maman S, Kajula L, Balvanz P, Kilonzo M, Mulawa M **Yamanis T** (2015). Leveraging strong social ties among young men in Dar es Salaam: A pilot intervention of microfinance and peer leadership for HIV and gender-based violence prevention. *Global Public Health*. Epub ahead of print 20 Nov 2015. PMID: 26588115
9. **Yamanis T**, Fisher J\*, Moody JW, and Kajula LJ (2015). Young men's social network characteristics and associations with sexual partnership concurrency in Tanzania. *AIDS and Behavior*, 20(6), 1244-1255. PMID: 26271813
8. **Yamanis T** Merli MG, Neely W, Tian F\*, Moody J, Xiaowen T, Gao E (2013). An empirical analysis of the impact of recruitment patterns on RDS estimates among a socially ordered population of female sex workers in China. *Sociological Methods and Research*, 42(3), 392-425.
7. **Yamanis T**, Doherty I, Weir S, Bowling J, Kajula L, Mbwambo J, Maman S (2013). From coitus to concurrency: sexual partnership characteristics and risk behaviors of 15-19 year old men recruited from urban venues in Tanzania. *AIDS and Behavior*, 17(7), 2405-2415.
6. **Yamanis T**, Maman S, Mbwambo J, Earp JA, Kajula L. (2010). Social venues that protect against and promote HIV risk for young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. *Social Science & Medicine*, 71 (9), 1601-1609.

5. Linnan L, Steckler A, Maman S, Ellenson M, French E, Blanchard L, Bowling J, **Yamanis T**, Succop S, Davenport A, Moracco B. (2010). Engaging key stakeholders to assess and improve the professional preparation of MPH health educators. *American Journal of Public Health*, 100 (10), 1993-1999.
4. Kennedy L, Cohen T, Panter A, DeVellis B, **Yamanis T**, Jordan J, DeVellis R. (2010). Buffering against the emotional impact of pain: mood clarity reduces depressive symptoms in older adults. *Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology*, 29 (9), 975-987.
3. Maman S, **Yamanis T**, Kouyoumdjian F, Watt M, Mbwapambo J. (2009). Intimate partner violence and the association with HIV risk behaviors among young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 20 (10): 1-18.
2. Gonzalez T, Bonilla Fernandez P, Jauregui B, **Yamanis T**, Salgado de Snyder N. (2007). Well-being and family support among elderly rural Mexicans in the context of migration to the United States. *Journal of Aging and Health*, 19 (2): 334-355.
1. Blalock S, Byrd J, Hansen H, **Yamanis T**, McMullin K, DeVellis B, DeVellis R, Panter A, Kawata A, Watson L, Jordan J. (2005). Factors associated with potentially inappropriate drug utilization in a sample of rural community-dwelling older adults. *American Journal of Geriatric Pharmacotherapy*, 3(3): 168-79.

#### **ARTICLES IN PREPARATION**

**Yamanis T**, Zea MC, Barker S, Ramé Montiel AK, and Rathod J. Experiences of undocumented Latino sexual minorities applying for legal relief: challenges and opportunities for enhancing access to immigration legal services and health care.

**Yamanis T**, O'Rourke A, Zea MC, Barker S, del Rio Gonzalez AM. The role of fear of deportation in Latino disparities in health care utilization.

**Yamanis T**, Balvanz P, Kajula L, and Maman S. What does it take for young men to engage in microfinance? The role of peer leaders.

Balvanz P, **Yamanis T**, Mwikoko G, Kajula L, and Maman S. Factors associated with loan repayment among men enrolled in a randomized controlled trial combining HIV prevention and microfinance in Tanzania

Dervisevic E\*, Moody J, and **Yamanis T**. The impact of social networks on gender norms.

#### **POLICY PAPER**

“HIV Testing at a Crossroads: Directions for the Future: A Review of Current and Critical Evidence”.  
(with S. Maman and P. Nanda), Center for Health and Gender Equity (October 2005).

## **RESEARCH FUNDING**

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### **ONGOING**

- 2015-2017 *Principal Investigator*, **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases/Emory University (PTE)**, “A Pilot Legal Intervention to Increase HIV Service Use among Immigrant Latino MSM” (P30AI050409). This study has two aims: 1) to examine fear of deportation among a population at high risk for HIV, Latino men who have sex with men; and 2) to pilot an innovative structural intervention combining immigration-related legal aid and peer navigation/social support for Latino immigrant sexual minorities to decrease fear of deportation and promote HIV service use. (Total grant: \$214,302)
- 2012-2017 *Co-Investigator*, **National Institute of Mental Health**, “A Multilevel Intervention to Reduce HIV Risk among Networks of Men in Tanzania” (R01 MH098690; Suzanne Maman, Principal Investigator, UNC) To determine whether men in camps randomized to receive a microfinance and health leadership intervention have a lower incidence of sexually transmitted infections and report perpetrating less physical or sexual violence against female sexual partners as compared to men in camps that were not randomized to receive the microfinance and health intervention. (Total grant: \$2,693,726)
- 2016-2017 *Consultant*, **Johns Hopkins University Center for AIDS Research**, “Reducing HIV Vulnerability Among Adolescent and Adult Transgender Women of Color” (CFAR Scholar Grant for Faculty Development in HIV Research; Tonia Poteat, Principal Investigator). To assess structural and social determinants associated with HIV risk among African-American and Latina transgender women in Baltimore and Washington, DC. (Total grant \$40,000)
- 2014-2016 *Principal Investigator*, Mentored Research Project, **Fordham University HIV and Drug Abuse Prevention Research Ethics Training Institute**, NIDA Training Grant 1R25DA031608-01. “Exploring the ethics of a social network intervention to reduce HIV risk among young, Tanzanian men”. This study examines the ethics of involving social networks in HIV prevention interventions. Research is needed on ethical concerns of this approach, including: voluntariness (leaders may influence members’ decisions to participate); beneficence at the network level (network characteristics may change in harmful ways); and individual beneficence (members may experience stigma and mistrust). We will explore these concerns during an ongoing HIV prevention trial with young men’s networks in Tanzania (Total grant: \$19,440)
- 2013-2016 *Principal Investigator*, **District of Columbia Developmental Center for AIDS Research**, “Exploratory Investigation of the Social and Geographic Context of Sexual Risk Behavior, Identity Development and Service Use among Adolescent Black MSM in DC”. This project gathers formative data regarding the social networks, service utilization and sexual risk behavior among adolescent black men who have sex with men (MSM). Our goal is to use the data gathered to inform the development of an intervention for this population, a high-risk group which has experienced the largest recent increase in HIV infections but for which there has been insufficient attention in intervention research. (Total grant: \$49,712)

### **COMPLETED**

- 2012-2013 *Principal Investigator*, **American University School of International Service Collaborative Research Awards**, “Identifying HIV Prevention Strategies for Latino Sexual Minority Young Men Living in DC”. To collect formative data from a population of highly vulnerable young Latino men who have sex with men in DC. The community collaborator on this project is *La Clínica del Pueblo*. (Total grant: \$22,392)
- 2010-2011 *Principal Investigator* (with James Moody, co-PI, Duke University Sociology), **Duke Center for AIDS Research** Grant, “Exploring Social Network Influences on Sexual Partnership Concurrency among Young Men in Tanzania”. (Total grant: \$39,976)

2010-2011 *Co-Investigator* (with Suzanne Maman, PI, Health Behavior and Health Education, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), **Gillings Innovation Laboratories, Gillings School of Global Public Health.** “Assessing Impact of Microfinance, Leadership Training on Young African Men”. (Total grant: \$80,000)

### **INVITED LECTURES**

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- 2016 **Invited lecture:** Department of Prevention and Community Health, The George Washington University, March, “NIMH funded trial of a combined health promotion/microfinance intervention for young men in Tanzania”.
- 2015 **Invited lecture:** HIV Research Ethics Summer Institute, supported by NIH Fogarty International Center, Advanced Certificate Program in Research Ethics in Central and Eastern Europe (R25 TW007085), July, “Understanding the effects of HIV stigma and discrimination in HIV prevention research”.
- 2014 **Invited lecture:** Five College Program in Culture, Health, and Science (CHS), Amherst College, March “Confronting Social, Economic and HIV-related Challenges for Youth in Tanzania: A microfinance/health leadership intervention in Dar es Salaam”.
- 2010 **Job talks:** Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, November (offer declined) George Mason University, April (offer declined)

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES**

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- 2017 “Structural network position and performance of popular opinion health leaders within an HIV prevention trial in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, oral presentation at the Sunbelt conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis, Beijing, June (co-author).
- 2016 “A pilot legal intervention to increase HIV service use among immigrant Latino MSM”, oral presentation given at the *Adelante* Mid-Cycle Meeting, National Centers for AIDS research Meeting, Boston, MA, November. (presenter)
- “Experiences of undocumented Latino sexual minorities applying for legal relief: challenges and opportunities for enhancing access to immigration legal services and health care”, oral presentation given at the Emerging Immigration Scholars Conference, UCLA, Los Angeles, California, February. (presenter)
- 2015 “Social networks influence on HIV testing among young men in Tanzania”, oral presentation given at the American Public Health Association annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, October. (presenter)
- “Using systematic monitoring to respond to implementation challenges during a microfinance and health intervention with young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, oral presentation given at the American Public Health Association annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, October. (co-author)
- “Implementation of a microfinance program for networks of young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, oral presentation given at the American Public Health Association annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, October. (co-author)
- “Feasibility of recruiting peer health leaders for an HIV and gender-based violence prevention intervention with networks of young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, poster presented at the American Public Health Association annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, October. (co-author)

“Sociocentric networks of urban Tanzanian youth enrolled in an HIV prevention trial”, poster presented at International AIDS Society annual meeting in Vancouver, Canada, July. (co-author)

“The impact of social networks on gender norms”, presentation given at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, May. (co-author with AU Economics doctoral student Ervin Dervisevic\*)

- 2014 Presented three posters at the **International AIDS Conference** in Melbourne, Australia, July.
- "A cluster-randomized trial to evaluate the efficacy of a combined microfinance & peer leadership training intervention for HIV prevention with networks of young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania" (co-author)
  - "Leveraging existing networks and venues to reach men at high risk for HIV with HIV prevention programs in Dar es Salaam" (co-author)
  - "The social context of HIV risk behavior among immigrant gay and transgender Latinos living in Washington, DC" (first author)

“Identifying networks of young men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and mapping their social venues for a cluster randomized trial”, presentation given at the American Public Health Association meeting, New Orleans, November. (co-author)

- 2013 “Exploratory investigation of the social and geographic context of sexual risk behavior among adolescent Black MSM in Washington D.C.”, presentation given at the **NIH Center for AIDS Research Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Network** (SBSRN), 7th National Scientific Meeting (first author)

- 2012 “Sexual partnership concurrency and associated risk factors among 15-19 year old men recruited from venues in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, poster presented at the **International AIDS Conference**, Washington, DC, July. (first author)

“Social network factors associated with concurrency among young men (aged 15-33) in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, poster at the **Population Association of America** Annual Meeting, May. (first author)

- 2010 “HIV Risk Behaviors among Young Male Injecting Drug Users in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, poster presented at the **International AIDS Conference**, Vienna, Austria, July.

- 2009 “Social Venues as Risk and Protective Landscapes for HIV among Networks of Young Men in Tanzania”, paper presented at the **International Network for Social Network Analysis** Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, March.

- 2007 “Community-based HIV and Violence Prevention, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, paper presented at the **Tanzanian Coordinating Committee for Youth Programs** Annual Meeting, Dar es Salaam, June.

- 2006 “Neighborhood Poverty and Lifetime Depression among Older, Rural Adults”, paper presented and selected as a **meritorious student paper** at **Society of Behavioral Medicine** Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, March.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2011, 2013, 2014, 2016 **Program Planning in Global Health** (Graduate seminar, SIS 633.) Students write a plan for a health promotion intervention in a developing country setting, including a theoretical framework, intervention strategies, and an evaluation plan.

2012-2013 **Applied Qualitative Research Methods**. Trained and supervised 6 bilingual MA students to conduct and transcribe 25 in-depth interviews in Spanish with gay and transgender Latinx immigrants in DC.

- 2012-2015 **Health in the Developing World** (Advanced undergraduate seminar, SISU-349).  
Exposes students to the contemporary issues and controversies in global health through an interdisciplinary perspective. Students examine the major determinants of global health problems, and explore solutions to these problems through a social justice and human rights lens.
- 2012 **Micropolitics of Development** (Instructor, graduate seminar, SIS 636).  
Exposes students to the key social categories (e.g. gender, class, elites, etc.) that affect development at the local, micro or project level. Students learn practical tools to assess micropolitics during the planning and implementation stages of development projects, including qualitative research methods.
- 2006 **Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Global Health** (Co-Instructor, Graduate seminar, UNC-CH, PUBH 510). Seminar for 125 graduate and undergraduate students. Explores contemporary issues, problems and controversies in global health and examines social, political and environmental factors that affect health.
- 2005 **Social and Behavioral Sciences in Public Health** (Teaching Assistant, graduate seminar, UNC-CH, HBHE 600). Introduces students to social and behavioral science theories, research and interventions aimed at promoting health of individuals, groups, communities and populations.
- 2004 **Social Determinants of Health** (Teaching Assistant, graduate seminar, UNC-CH, HBHE 802).  
Introduces population vs. individual perspectives on health, risk conditions vs. risk factors, concepts of causation, knowledge development as a social, historical process, and macro-level determinants of health.

#### **Doctoral dissertation committee**

- Ervin Dervisevic, Economics Ph.D. (successfully defended, October 2016): “Three Essays on Spatial Econometrics and Social Networks Theory”

#### **Master’s student research papers**

- True Claycombe and Meley Gebremedhin, Spring 2015: La Clínica Del Pueblo - Applied Research Paper
- Amy Mendoza, Summer 2014: “Diabetes Control among Mapuche Women in the Chol-chol Rural Habitat”
- Kara Ingraham, Spring 2014: “Addressing Intimate Partner Violence in the Caribbean: A Policy Analysis
- Drew Cameron (now enrolled in a Health Policy PhD program at UC Berkeley), International Development MA: “A Mixed Methods Study of the Relationship between Rural Transportation Infrastructure and Enteric Disease in Northwest Ecuador”, 2012
- Elizabeth Cross (now employed at IFPRI), International Development MA: “Livestock Ownership and Consumption of Animal Source Foods in Rural Uganda”, Spring 2012

#### **Other students whom I have mentored**

- Matt Masiello (BA, International Studies, 2016), Research Assistant, National Academy of Sciences
- Daniel Finlay (MA, International Development, 2016), Fellow, Fulbright-Hays and the Consortium for the Teaching of Indonesian (COTI) summer program 2015
- Sara Lacy (MA, International Development, 2015), CDC Public Health Associate Program (PHAP) Fellow, stationed at the Richmond City Health District (RCHD)
- Esther Spindler (MS, Development Management, 2015), Research Officer, Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University
- Molly Maguire-Marshall (MA, International Development, 2014), Boren Fellow in India
- Kristen Rankin (MA, International Development, 2014), research associate at 3ie
- Kate Peters (BA, SIS, 2013), Program Assistant for the FP 2020 Initiative at the UN Foundation

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- AJ Doty (MA, SIS, 2013), Monitoring and Evaluation Senior Fellow for Village Enterprise, Uganda
- Javier Morla (MA, SIS, 2013), FHI (Family Health International) 360, RTI International
- Laura Burckett-Picker (BA, SIS, 2013), now in an MPH program at Eastern Virginia Medical School
- Cody Ragonese (BA, SIS, 2014), now in an MPH program at Boston University School of Public Health
- Lizzy Menstell (BA, SIS, 2014), now in an MPH program at Emory University

**Public health case competition** Mentored 3 MA students (Kara Ingraham, Kristen Rankin and Nicolette Davis) who won second place in public health case competition among DC-based universities.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- 2010 – 2011     **Consultant**, *Multi-country Study on Women's Health and Domestic Violence against Women*, World Health Organization (WHO), Department of Gender, Women and Health
- Analyze data and prepare manuscript on relationship between HIV testing disclosure, financial autonomy, and violence against women in Tanzania for WHO multi-country study
- 2009             **Consultant/Network Analyst**, *Formative Assessment and Social Network Study on Transactional Sex in Cote d'Ivoire and Zambia*, Academy for Educational Development and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Developed measurement tools to assess social, sexual and environmental networks for a study on transactional sex and HIV risk
- 2006 - 2008     **Research Coordinator**, *PLACE (Priorities for Local AIDS Control Efforts) Assessment in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania*, funded by the Center for AIDS Research and Injury Prevention Research Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Coordinated and supervised field research activities, including supervising 20 staff members
  - Data collected included 941 structured surveys, 454 brief interviews, and geographic information systems (GIS) codes on 90 venues
- 2006             **Intern**, *Multi-country Study on Women's Health and Domestic Violence against Women*, World Health Organization, Department of Gender, Women and Health, Geneva, Switzerland
- Analyzed quantitative data on types of intimate partner violence (physical, sexual, and emotional) experienced by women from 15 countries using factor analysis, principal components analysis, and structural equations modeling
- 2001 – 2006     **Project Director**, *Psychiatric and Medical Comorbidity in a Rural Community* (National Institute of Mental Health RO1-MH64034-01) University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education
- Coordinated data collection for a longitudinal cohort study
  - Supervised and trained four interviewers to administer computer-assisted survey
- 2004 – 2005     **Research Assistant**, National Institute of Public Health, Department of Community Health and Social Well-being, Cuernavaca, Mexico
- Analyzed quantitative surveys for study on the effects of cross-national migration for work on the health of rural Mexicans



## CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

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1999 - 2001 **Social Worker**, Child Protective Services, Orange County, North Carolina  
1998 - 1999 **Victim's Advocate**, Orange County Sheriff's Office, North Carolina

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### EXTERNAL SERVICE

2017 **Grant Reviewer**, National Institutes of Health, Fogarty Institute  
2016 **Grant Reviewer**, National Institutes of Health, Division of AIDS, Behavioral and Social Consequences of HIV/AIDS Scientific Review Group  
**Grant Reviewer**, DC Center for AIDS Research pilot awards  
2013 – present **Early Career Reviewer**, Center for Scientific Review (CSR), National Institutes of Health, Division of AIDS, Behavioral and Population Sciences  
2015 – present **Member**, Community Advisory Board, *La Clínica del Pueblo*  
2012 – present **Member**, DC Concerned Providers Coalition (HIV/AIDS risk among youth in Washington, DC)  
2011 - present **Member**, District of Columbia Developmental Center for AIDS Research and Men Who Have Sex with Men Scientific Working Group

### INTERNAL SERVICE

2015-2016 **Faculty Vice President**, School of International Service, American University  
2015 **Member**, Search Committee, Conflict & Development Assistant Professor, American University  
2014 **Member**, Search Committee, Global Health Assistant Professor, American University  
2013-2014 **Member**, Faculty Actions Committee, School of International Service, American University  
2013-2014 **Member**, Ad Hoc Mentoring Committee, School of International Service, American University  
2012 – 2013 **Member**, Search Committee, International Development Program, American University  
2011 - present **Member**, Center on Health, Risk and Society, American University  
2011 – 2012 **Member**, Search Committee, International Development Program, American University

### PRIOR SERVICE

2009 - 2011 **Member**, Gender and Health Inequalities Working Group, Duke University  
2006 - 2007 **Student Representative**, Master's Program Review Committee, Health Behavior & Health Education, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC)  
2004 - 2006 **Service Committee Chair and Coordinator of Narratives of HIV Series**, Student Global Health Committee, Gillings School of Global Public Health, UNC

### REVIEWER FOR SCHOLARLY JOURNALS

<i>AIDS Care</i>	<i>Social Science and Medicine</i>
<i>Journal of Social Structure</i>	<i>Journal of the International AIDS Society</i>
<i>Health &amp; Place</i>	<i>BMC Public Health</i>
<i>International Journal of Behavioral Medicine</i>	<i>International Journal of STD &amp; AIDS</i>
<i>Journal of Urban Health</i>	<i>BMC Health Services Research</i>
<i>PLoS ONE</i>	<i>AIDS and Behavior</i>
<i>Prevention Science</i>	<i>JAIDS</i>
<i>PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases</i>	

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Population Association of America	International AIDS Society
American Public Health Association	Global Health Council
International Network for Social Network Analysis	Society for Prevention Research

## **SKILLS AND LANGUAGES**

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**Programming and Data Analysis:** Programming using SAS, STATA, Mplus and SPSS using categorical data analysis, multi-level models, logistic and linear regression, GEE, and structural equations models. Qualitative data analysis using Atlas-ti and Dedoose. Experience with UCINET and SAS for social network analysis.

**Languages:** Modern Greek (Advanced); Spanish (Intermediate); Kiswahili (Intermediate); French (Basic).